

## Greek teacher jailed for child pornography

A former Brighton Grammar grade six teacher who gagged and bound boys for his own sexual gratification has been jailed for four years.

George Iliakis (foto), 36, was found with more than 16,000 pornographic images and videos on his computer when Australian Federal Police raided his home in May 2009, seizing items including a video camcorder and silver handcuffs and a wooden bench.

Judge Sue Pullen said some of the material was created by Iliakis created with young boys he met while working at a community theatre group and lifesaving club.

Judge Pullen said the material was shared with users of a known child porn website Iliakis joined in 2004 under the name "Mr Teacherman". She said that material could exist on the internet for years.

The court heard Iliakis' interest in adolescent boys was sparked when he worked at Camp America in 1999. He then returned to Australian to study to become a teacher.

A report from consultant psychiatrist Jeffrey Cummins said Iliakis had "close to zero empathy" with his victims, and he had "minimal" insight into his behaviour. It said his behaviour blurred the boundaries between fantasy and reality.

In sentencing Iliakis, Judge Sue Pullen said the offences were "very serious indeed" and the court was "extremely concerned" by the behaviour.

Judge Pullen said the lack of sexual contact did not place Iliakis' crimes at the lower end of the offending scale, as argued by his defence.

But on evidence before the court, Judge Pullen said Iliakis' chances of rehabilitation were "reasonably good".

Iliakis will serve a non-parole period of two years. He will also be registered for life as a serious sex offender.

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## Hellenic heaven

THE owners are a pair of Greek mothers and their food is healthy and "lite" so finding a name for their combined cafe and catering service was obvious: Mother's Delite.

As a cafe, Mother's Delite is popular for breakfast and lunch.

As a catering service, it is popular all day, six days a week, serving delicious Mediterranean cuisine, frozen or fresh, with daily specials Mondays to Saturdays.

The Mother's Delite menu is extensive and includes vegetarian and gluten-free dishes.

Most menu items come in three sizes for one person, two persons and a family. For example, a Monday special is vegetarian risotto costing \$7.90, \$14.80 and \$23.90.

Thursdays, Mother's Delite has roast lamb, stuffed with spinach, cheese and fresh herbs served with baked potatoes in garlic, lemon, oregano and olive oil. The cost ranges from \$13.80 for a one-person serve to \$42.50 for a family.

On Saturdays, you need to be early



Delicious Mediterranean cuisine: Behind the success of Mother's Delite are Patricia Menegakis (left) and Mary Petroleka. Picture: Jane Dyson

for fresh Greek delights such as spanakopita (spinach pie) and tiropita (cheese pie) which cost \$6.80 each.

Planning to entertain friends? Mother's Delite menu is full of suggestions for a cheater's dinner party!

Zucchini fritters from Mother's Delite would make a fine first course, followed by, perhaps, a Friday special of stifado, made with diced veal with baby onions in a red wine sauce, and finally a selection of Greek pastries for dessert.

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Article from The Leader

## **Greek American Evan Lysacek Wins Gold Medal in Figure Skating**

Evan Lysacek is a y-coung Greek-American that filled everyone with pride upon winning his Gold medal for ice skating. In the biggest event of his life; Lysacek didn't try the most daring routine, but he hit nearly every move he picked. He became the first U.S. man to win the Olympic gold medal since Brian Boitano in 1988, shocking everyone - including himself blowing away his defending champion Yevgeny Plushenko on Thursday night. "It was definitely my best, and that's what I came here to do," Lysacek said.

Lysacek was a member of the U.S. Olympic Team at the 2006 Winter Olympics, where he placed 4th in the men's event. On March 26, 2009, he became the first American man since Todd Eldredge in 1996 to win the World Figure Skating Championships. He was the United States Olympic Committee's Male Athlete of the Month for November 2006 and March 2009. As



of January 2010, Lysacek was ranked 2nd in the world.

Lysacek began skating at the age of eight. His grandmother had always wanted to be in the Ice Capades, so she bought him skates for Christmas. He originally wanted to play hockey, so his mother enrolled him and his sister Laura in figure skating lessons to learn how to skate. Lysacek was soon competing as a figure skater."

Greek-American was born in Chicago, Illinois and raised in Naperville, Illinois. He has an older sister, Laura, and a younger sister, Christina, who played on a nationally ranked volleyball team. Lysacek graduated from Neuqua Valley School in 2003. In high school, Lysacek was a member of the honor roll, and earned a number of academic achievement awards, including the Presidential Award for Academic Excellence in 1999. He is a Greek Orthodox Christian, having stated that one of his most prized possessions is his Orthodox cross.

During his participation at the 2010 Winter Olympics in the men's event representing the United States, he won the title, not only becoming the first American to win the title since Brian Boitano in 1988, and the first reigning world champion to win since Scott Hamilton in 1984. It also was the first time since 1992 that a Russian skater didn't win the gold medal in the men's division.

Lysacek moved to Los Angeles, California in 2003 following his graduation from high school. He trains at the Toyota Sports Center in El Segundo, California.

He also studies acting, having taken method acting classes at the Professional Arts School in Beverly Hills. He appeared in the independent short film Skate Great!, playing a Russian Olympic gold medalist.