

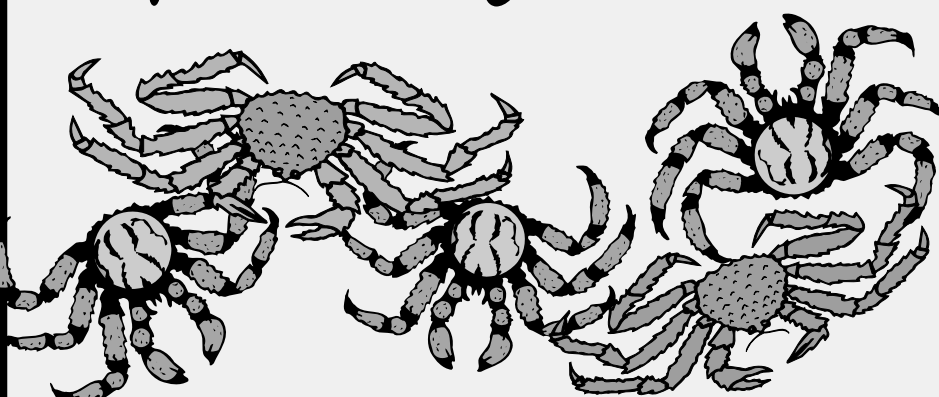
# Stalkers

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- Contact a crisis hotline, victim services agency, or a domestic violence or rape crisis program. They can help you devise a safety plan, give you information about local laws, weigh options such as seeking a protection order, and refer you to other services.
- Develop a safety plan, including things like changing your routine, arranging a place to stay, and having a friend or relative go places with you. Also, decide in advance what to do if the stalker shows up at your home, work, school, or somewhere else. Tell people how they can help you.
- Don't communicate with the stalker or respond to attempts to contact you.
- Keep evidence of the stalking. When the stalker follows you or contacts you, write down the time, date, and place. Keep emails, text messages, phone messages, letters, or notes. Photograph anything of yours the stalker damages and any injuries the stalker causes. Ask witnesses to write down what they saw.
- Contact the police. Every state has stalking laws. The stalker may also have broken other laws by doing things like assaulting you or stealing or destroying your property.
- Consider getting a court order that tells the stalker to stay away from you.
- Tell family, friends, roommates, and co-workers about the stalking and seek their support. Tell security staff at your job or school. Ask them to help watch out for your safety.

In Florida aggravated stalking is a third degree felony punishable with a term of imprisonment up to 5 years and a fine of up to \$5,000.


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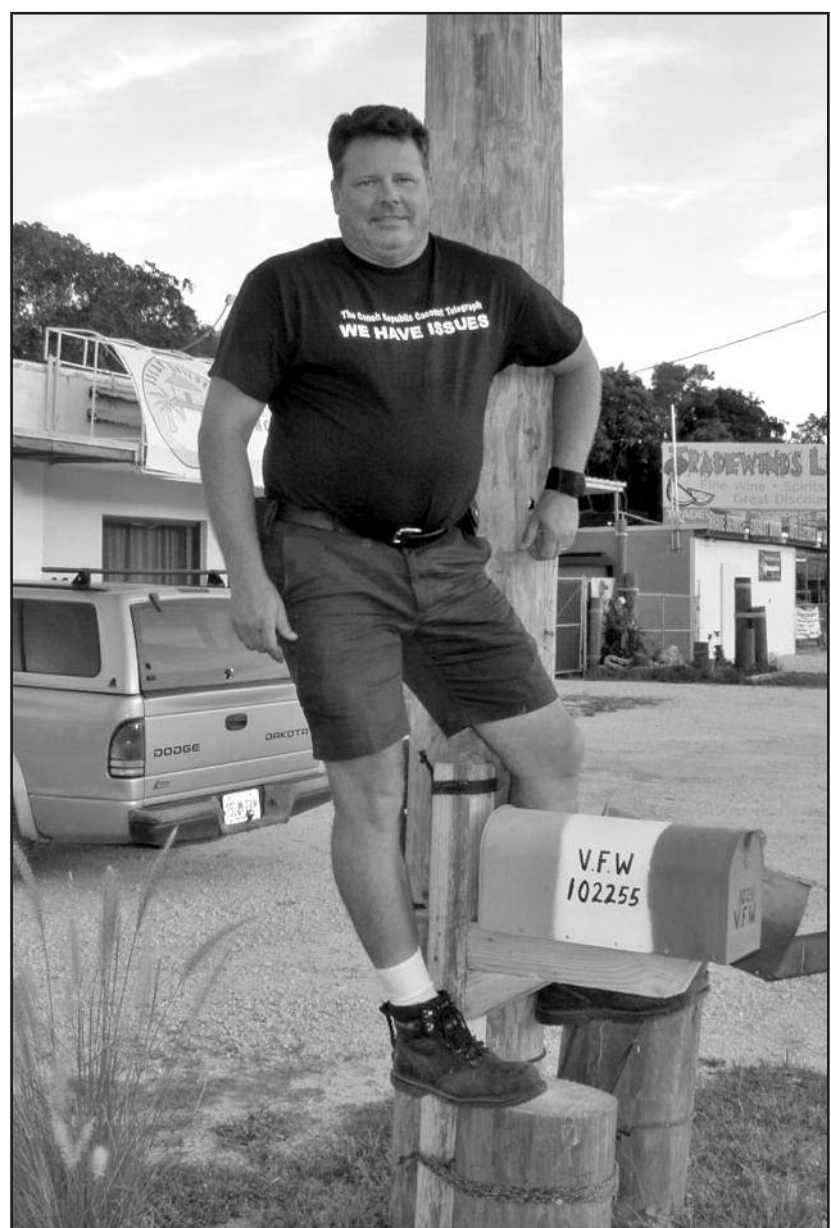
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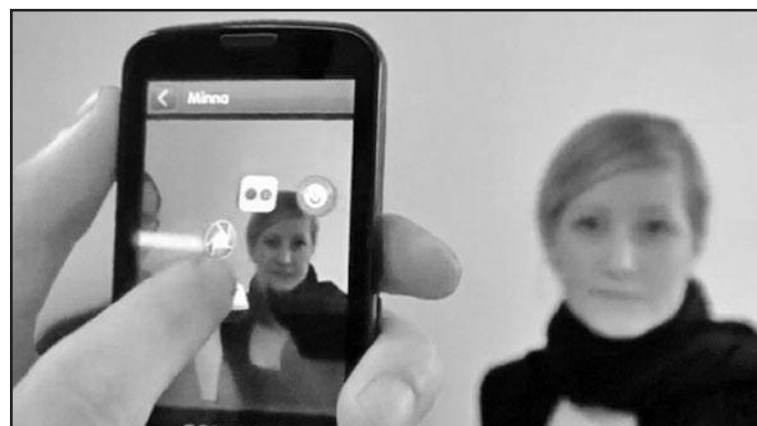
# Facial Recognition App Could Be Stalkers' Dream

Could an app that can take your picture and uncover personal details be released soon?

Mail Online is reporting that a mobile phone application, currently in development, could be a potentially dangerous tool for stalkers, pedophiles, and identity thieves. Although a specific platform wasn't revealed (iPhone, Android, etc...), the application, called *Recognizr*, will supposedly pull up personal information through facial recognition software.

Developed by Swedish company The Astonishing Tribe (TAT), the user simply points the device at a person, takes a picture, and then hits the "recognize" button. The app then compares the shot to images found on social networking sites such as Facebook, MySpace, and Twitter. The app also hunts down addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses of the subject.

"It takes the dangers that already exist and increases




them infinitely," said Simon Davies of Privacy International.

Other security experts are already protesting against the app, saying that it could lead burglars right to your front door. Stalkers would even have a field day with the new app, using it to snap pictures of unsuspecting women or men and then digging up their home address.

"This application looks like it could be a stalker's dream," F-Secure's Tom Gaffney said.

Currently there's no indication of when the app will be completed. Due to the developer's portfolio, it's possible that *Recognizr* will hit the less-restricted Android market rather than the tighter Apple App Store.

Makes you wonder how far technology will take us and if we should be going there. How long until we have no privacy at all?



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