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JUVENILES CHARGED WITH RANDOM ASSAULTS

SUFFOLK, Va. (July 30, 2009) Three teenagers were charged with attempted malicious wounding, assault and battery and conspiracy to commit a felony after they committed random assaults on multiple victims. Police advised on July 11th, a thirty-five year old man was riding a bicycle in the 100 block of Pitchkettle Road when subjects traveling in a vehicle at approximately 45 mph, extended a broomstick out of the window and struck the bicyclist in the head. This assault damaged the victim's helmet. The victim sustained minor injury.

On July 16th, a 39 year old man was riding a bike in the 2000 block of Pitchkettle Road when subjects drove by and threw coins in the victim's face. That victim was not injured.

After investigation, members of the Police Department's Neighborhood Enforcement Team were able to identify three juveniles, two aged 16 and one age 17, as the individuals that committed these crimes. When the officers viewed the juveniles' My Space pages, they observed photos of the subjects smoking suspected marijuana. Smoking devices found in one of the suspects' homes have been sent to the lab for testing.

All three juveniles were charged with the two incidents. Police believe the trio possibly committed additional, similar incidents but have been unable to locate the other victim(s). All three juveniles were detained at Tidewater Detention Home in Chesapeake.

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