



NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

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SUBJECT: Two Teens Charged as Graffiti Vandals

On Thursday April 23, 2009 the Newark Police Department charged two juveniles with numerous counts of Graffiti in separate investigations.

The first, a 17 year-old male from Greenville, was charged with 2 felony and 30 misdemeanor counts of Graffiti for offenses occurring between October 2008 and March 2009. He used paint, markers, and other implements during the vandalism spree. His tags included “Cevan”, “Ceven”, “Cover”, and “Cane”. The vandalism was committed along the area of Main Street and on several bridges. Bail was set at \$40,000, and he was committed to the New Castle County Detention Center. His arrest is the result of a cooperative effort between the Newark Police Department and the New Castle County Police Department.

The second, a 16 year-old male from the Willow Run area near Elsmere, was charged with 1 felony and 10 misdemeanor counts of Graffiti. He used paint, markers, and other implements to paint the tag “Read” at numerous locations, including along Main Street, the southern end of South College Avenue, and the South College Avenue bridge. His bail was set at \$12,000 unsecured, and he was released to the custody of his parents. This arrest is the result of a cooperative effort of the Newark Police Department and the Elsmere Police Department.

Information related to these vandals, or any other graffiti-related information, can be reported to Cpl. Jeffrey Schwagel at 302-366-7110 ext. 406 or Jeffrey.Schwagel@cj.state.de.us. Anonymously text 302NPD and your tip to TIP411. Information can also be anonymously provided to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, where a reward may be available.

The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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