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Two Juveniles Arrested for Criminal Actions at McHenry County Fairgrounds August 11, 2010

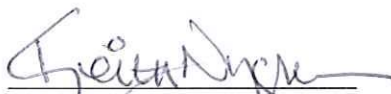
Sheriff Keith Nygren announced today the arrest of two juveniles for breaking into the McHenry County Fairgrounds and causing an estimated \$5,500.00 worth of damage.

On August 10, 2010 at 5:08 P.M. the McHenry County Sheriff's Office Patrol Division responded to the McHenry County Fairgrounds, located at 10512 Country Club Rd., Woodstock, Illinois regarding a break in. The Sheriff's deputy received valuable information from a witness who notified the Sheriff's Office of the incident in a timely manner. The information provided by the witness helped the deputy locate the offenders. The witness was also able to later identify two male juveniles after the damage was discovered at the fairgrounds.

A fifteen year old juvenile and twelve year old juvenile had entered the fairgrounds against posted "No Trespassing" signs. Once inside, the juveniles broke locks on numerous buildings and shattered glass cases and shelves within the 4-H building. The twelve year old offender had stolen a golf cart and drove it around the fairgrounds.

Both juveniles were arrested near the fairgrounds without incident on August 10, 2010. They were transported to the McHenry County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division where their parents were notified. Both juveniles were charged and released to their parents.

The fifteen year old male offender was charged with Criminal Damage to State Supported Property (Class 4 Felony) and Criminal Trespass to State Supported Property (Class 4 Felony). The twelve year old juvenile was charged with Criminal Damage to State Supported Property (Class 4 Felony), Criminal Trespass to State Supported Property (Class 4 Felony) and Criminal Trespass to a Motor Vehicle (Class A Misdemeanor).


Keith Nygren, Sheriff

The charges against the defendants are merely allegations against them. The defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty in court.