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Press Release

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STOCKPORT TEENS ARRESTED FOR BURGLARY AND CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

Stockport, NY - Columbia County Sheriff David Harrison, Jr. reports that two 17 year old males, a 16 year old male and two 15 year old males, all from the Stockport area, were arrested for burglary and other charges yesterday.

All of the teens were charged with one (1) count of Burglary in the Third degree, a class D-Felony and one (1) count of Criminal Mischief in the Second Degree, also a class D-Felony. These charges are a result of damage being done to the inside of a barn.

The teens forced their way into a barn on State Route 9 in Stockport on September 9th, 2012 and caused extensive damage to the interior of the barn by breaking windows and window frames, putting holes in the sheetrock and also spray painting graffiti on the walls. The damage has been estimated at approximately \$15,000.00 in value. The property

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owner does not live on the premises and learned of the damage on March 12th, 2012 at which time he immediately reported the crimes to the Sheriff's Office.

The two seventeen year olds were arraigned in the Stockport Town Court by Judge Harold Horner and were released to their respective parents. They have a return date to Stockport court on April 16th, 2012 at 7pm. The sixteen year old along with the two other fifteen year olds were charged as juveniles and issued juvenile appearance tickets returnable to the Columbia County Probation Department at a later date. The sixteen year old was charged as a juvenile due to the fact that he was fifteen at the time of the incident.

Sheriff's Investigator Mark Dunspaugh and Deputy Sheriff Scott Leggett investigated the case and were assisted by Columbia County District Attorney Paul Czajka's Office.