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# Winnebago County Sheriff's Department



## News Release

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

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During the week of August 8<sup>th</sup>, members of the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department conducted an undercover investigation in response to complaints of public indecency in area Forest Preserves.

As a result of this investigation, the following 3 people were arrested:

Thomas S. Titock, 60, Maple Park, IL	charged with Public Indecency
Richard D. Wince, 67, Kirkland, IL	charged with Public Indecency
Tommy Mercer, 68, Rockford, IL	charged with Public Indecency

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office provides police services to the Winnebago County Forest Preserve District by contract. These types of investigations will continue as needed to address this type of activity.

These criminal charges are only accusations and these subjects are presumed to be innocent of the charges unless and until future court proceedings establish them to be guilty.

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