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## **Assault Report Leads to Hate Crime Arrest**

The Harrisonburg Police Department responded to an assault in the 1000 block of Lois Lane on Saturday, October 12th at 2:30 a.m. While officers were en-route to the call they were advised that the altercation was reported as being racially motivated.

Officers made contact with the victim of the assault, who stated that as he was leaving a residence several subjects began spitting at him from a deck and calling him a racial slur while throwing alcoholic beverages at him. When the victim asked the group why they were doing this, the subjects jumped from the railing and attacked the victim.

The victim was struck in the face and while on the ground was kicked numerous times by several individuals.

Christian Dane Reinertson, 20 of Harrisonburg and Jacob Devoshen Faircloth, 23, of Wise, Virginia were identified as the offenders. Both males have been arrested and each charged with Felony Assault (Hate Crime).

"These arrests should be credited to the cooperation from the victim and his willingness to report this unacceptable crime along with the officers' response and follow-up investigation," said Police Chief Stephen Monticelli.

Reinertson was taken into custody on October 14<sup>th</sup> and Faircloth was taken into custody yesterday.

The investigation into this case continues.

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