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# MIDDLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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*Brad Keil - Chief of Police*

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

08/29/11

**SUBJECT:** Child Enticement

**INCIDENT DATE/TIME:** Sunday, August 28, 2011 @ 2:51PM

**LOCATION:** 2500 Park Street, Pheasant Branch Nature Preserve Trail

Two female cousins, 11 and 12 years old, were near the main trail in the Pheasant Branch Nature Preserve looking for worms Sunday afternoon when a man on a bike approached them. The man questioned the girls, told them that he knew a good spot to find worms, and directed them to come with him. The man led the girls off the trail to a heavily wooded and secluded area. Sensing danger, the girls told the man they would go no further and had to go home. The man told them to “come here” as he pulled down his shorts exposing himself. The girls, screaming, fled back to the trail, where they were met by an adult couple passing by. The adults took the girls to their nearby grandmother’s residence, and the police were contacted.

A responding officer observed a man with a bike matching the description of the suspect, running from the trail near Parmenter Street back into the woods. The man ignored police commands to stop, abandoned his bike and fled up a steep embankment, eventually exiting the nature preserve, with the officer in pursuit. The man returned to the nature preserve and attempted to conceal himself, but was apprehended by the officer.

**Marcus Orlando Singleton, 28, of Middleton**, was tentatively charged with Enticement of a Child for Immoral Purpose, Lewd and Lascivious Behavior, Disorderly Conduct, and Resisting an Officer, and is currently being held in the Dane County Jail.

The victims were disturbed and frightened, but untouched and uninjured.

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