

## Gang-related graffiti spree hits Mount Pocono

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Pocono Mountain Regional Police are investigating graffiti left at more than a dozen locations in Mount Pocono that may be connected to the street gang MS-13.

According to police, graffiti related to the gang was painted on 15 locations around Limekiln Manor, an apartment complex off East Kinney Avenue in Mount Pocono. Vandals left the graffiti some time between 11 p.m. Tuesday and 8:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Graffiti was also found on the rear of Citizens Bank on Route 611 that referenced MS-13 and had derogatory statements to police.

More graffiti was found Thursday morning on the door of an apartment at Limekiln Manor. That graffiti was also possibly linked to MS-13.

According to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, MS-13 — which stands for Mara Salvatrucha — is a violent street gang with between 6,000 and 10,000 members nationwide.

Anyone with information on the graffiti incidents is asked to call Pocono Mountain Regional Police at (570) 895-2400.