

Shooter headed to state prison

Jemal Scott gets 38 years in drive-by

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A Lynchburg man who shot two people last October during a drive-by shooting will serve 38 years in prison for his crimes.

Jemal Antonio Scott, 24, was convicted in September of eight felonies stemming from the Oct. 13, 2004, shooting that prosecutors said was a retaliatory gang act.

"His background is sad, but he's a danger to the community," Circuit Judge Mosby Perrow said Friday before sentencing Scott.

Police said Scott and co-defendant Kevin Napier, 23, drove by 1003 Pierce St. just before 6 p.m. and both opened fire on the small group sitting on the front porch.

Jeremy Hubbard, 18, was shot in the foot and Desmond Jackson, 19, was hit in the back. Both bullets matched the bullets from Scott's .22-caliber pistol and Scott admitted he believed it was his shots that hit the men, Deputy Commonwealth's Attorney Chuck Felmlee said.

"He's one of Lynchburg's 'Young Guns.' He's a gun-toting tough guy that has no respect for law enforcement or the judicial system," Felmlee said.

Felmlee told the judge how Scott's criminal history has only escalated since his first brush with the law at age 11, when he broke into a department store and stole a bicycle. He was charged with statutory burglary and petit larceny.

At age 13, Scott stole a coat from another store. A year later, he wore a mask and robbed a convenience store at gunpoint, Felmlee said.

After being released from prison for that



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