

News Release

METRICH Enforcement Unit

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For Immediate Release

Date: June 19th, 2012

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Subject: Drug Arrest/Drug Seizure

On Monday June 18th, 2012 the METRICH Drug Task Force, with the assistance of the Columbus HIDTA Drug Task Force and the Mansfield Police Department, arrested three suspects on drug related charges. During a joint investigation with the DEA, the METRICH Drug Task Force was able to seize approximately 20lbs of marijuana that was delivered to the Mansfield area. The below suspects were charged with felony and/or misdemeanor possession of marijuana. Detectives also seized two vehicles, cash, and drug paraphernalia. Further charges are pending. Detective Wheeler reiterated the importance of citizen involvement through crime tips, and reporting suspected drug activity. Citizens can call the crime tip hotline at 419-52-CRIME (419-522-7463) or 419-755-9728.



Ronnie Perry
B/M 36 DOB: 12/15/75

Charges:
Felony Possession of Marijuana F-3



Vowana Butler
B/F 36 DOB: 06/10/76

Charges:
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William J. Hettinger
W/M 40 DOB: 10/25/71

Charges:
Possession of Marijuana M-1
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia M-1



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