

MEDIA RELEASE

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As a result of a nine-month investigation into alleged drug sales and use in Northern Union County, the Multi-Agency Drug Enforcement (M.A.D.E.) Task Force presented multiple cases to the Union County Grand Jury on November 4, 2022. The grand jury returned a total of sixty-one (61) indictments involving twenty-one (21) individuals.

On November 9, 2022, Task Force members arrested seven individuals from the Magnetic Springs area and three individuals from the Richwood area. Ten others that were indicted still have outstanding arrest warrants. Those arrested yesterday include:

- Caseie Stidham, age 37 of 45 South Main Street, Magnetic Springs was arrested for a felony of the fifth degree for aggravated possession of drugs, theft from a person in a protected class, and illegal use of supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits.
- Thomas Welsh, age 59 of 45 S. Main Street, Magnetic Springs was indicted for a felony of the fifth degree for theft from a person in a protected class, illegal use of supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits, three counts of aggravated possession of drugs, and three counts of a felony of the first degree for aggravated trafficking in drugs.
- Stephen Davis, age 72 of 17563 Boundary Road, Richwood was arrested for a felony of the second degree for illegal cultivation of marijuana and possession of marijuana.
- Cully Vogt, age 49 of 104 E. Blagrove Street, Richwood was arrested for a felony of the fourth-degree for aggravated trafficking in drugs and a felony of the fifth-degree trafficking in a counterfeit controlled substance.
- Andrea M. Woodworth, age 40 of 173 Beatty Avenue, Richwood was arrested for two
 counts of a felony of the fifth degree for trafficking in counterfeit controlled substances, a
 felony of the fourth-degree aggravated trafficking in drugs, and two counts of a felony of
 the third degree for aggravated trafficking in drugs.
- Heather A. Hampton, age 46 of 81 Rose Street, Magnetic Springs was arrested for a felony of the fifth degree for aggravated possession of drugs.

- Kenneth S. Sprague, age 43 of 101 Rose Street, Magnetic Springs was arrested for a felony of the fifth degree for permitting drug abuse.
- Kylee M. Edwards, age 22 of 36 North Main Street, Magnetic Springs was arrested on two
 counts of a felony of the fifth degree for aggravated possession of drugs, three counts of a
 felony of the fourth degree for aggravated trafficking in drugs, and one count of a felony
 of the fifth degree for trafficking in counterfeit controlled substances.
- Michael A. O'Bryant, age 38 of 36 North Main Street, Magnetic Springs was arrested for three counts of a felony of the fourth degree for aggravated trafficking in drugs, one count of a felony of the fifth degree for aggravated possession of drugs, and one count of trafficking in a counterfeit controlled substances.
- Stephanie D. Reiss, age 40 of 128 South Main Street, Magnetic Springs was arrested for a felony of the fifth degree for aggravated possession of drugs.
- Mark A. Cromlish, age 58 of 8 North Main Street, Magnetic Springs was arrested for a felony of the fourth degree for theft from a person in a protected class.

Stidham, Vogt, Woodworth, Hampton, Sprague, Edwards, O'Bryant, Reiss, and Cromlish were all arraigned after their arrests in the Union County Common Pleas Court. All but Welsh and Davis were released on their own recognizance bond. Welsh is currently in the Tri-County Regional Jail on unrelated charges, and he received a \$50,000.00 bond. Davis received a \$20,000.00 bond and is currently being held in the Tri-County Regional Jail.

The M.A.D.E Task Force is a joint investigation and enforcement unit comprised of officers and deputies from the Union County Sheriff's Office, the Marysville Division of Police, the Union County Prosecutors Office, and the Plain City Police Department. Officials from the task force encourage the public to report any suspicious or drug activity. If you see something, say something by reaching out to your local law enforcement agency or by contacting the local Crime Tip Hotline at 937-642-7653 or by using the Crime Tip Email at crimetip@unioncountyohio.gov. You can also submit tips through the Marysville Division of Police Website at https://www.marysvilleohio.org/formcenter/police-4/crime-tip-form1155

Thomas Welsh



Stephen Davis

