Sheriff Al Solomon released the names and charges against 10 individuals arrested on numerous drug charges. The Grand Lake Task Force and local officers went out Thursday afternoon January 9, 2020 with Grand Jury Indictments in hand and began the process of making the arrests. The arrests are a result of a lengthy long term investigation by undercover officers with the Task Force. Agencies involved in the cases and arrests are the Grand Lake Task Force, Auglaize County Sheriff's Office, Mercer County Sheriff's Office, Auglaize County Prosecutor's Office, Wapakoneta Police Department, St. Mary's Police Department, Cridersville Police Department, New Bremen Police Department, Waynesfield Police Department, Celina Police Department, West Central Ohio Criminal Task Force, and the Allen County Sheriff's Office. Some indictments are still pending with additional arrests to come.

The investigations began in July 2019 through the present.

Some of the drugs involved were:
- prescription pills (Scheduled and non scheduled)
- K-2, spice (Synthetic marijuana)
- Methamphetamine's
- Fentanyl
- Heroin

Sheriff Solomon stated he is happy with the amount of arrests and the hard work of the law enforcement officers.
Those arrested are:

Alexandrea R. Cooper, Wapakoneta- Four Counts Trafficking in Drugs - 29 years of age

Mary E. Widmark, Sidney - Two Counts Trafficking Methamphetamines - 30 years of age
    - One Count Tracking Fentanyl

Megan M. Estes, Lima - One Count Trafficking Dangerous Drugs - 26 years of age
    - Three Count Sell Dangerous Drugs

Justin J. Beagle, Lima - Two Counts Sell Dangerous Drugs w/ prior - 30 years of age

Basenia R. Biederman, St. Mary’s- Two Counts Sell Dangerous Drugs - 44 years of age
    - One Count Tracking in Drugs

Austin M. Sheridan, Wapakoneta- Two Counts Trafficking in Drugs - 20 years of age

Charles G. Miranda II, Sidney- Three Counts Trafficking Methamphetamines - 27 years of age

Shawn L. Robinson, Wapakoneta- One Count Trafficking in Methamphetamines - 25 years of age

Ray P. Ward, Lima – Four Counts Trafficking in Drugs - 27 years of age

Randall O. Barnett, Kentucky - One Count Possessions of Methamphetamines - 27 years of age

There will be no further comments at this time.

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