

# Narcotics and weapons seized in three in Marion County

After simultaneously executing three search warrants on Sunday, Marion law enforcement reportedly made five arrests and seized a large amount of suspected drugs, according to a release from MARMET.

The three searches took place on the 200 block of S. Main St in Caledonia, the 2000 block of Matheny Avenue in Marion Township and the 2000 block of Whetstone River Road South in Marion County. Per the release, 170.7 grams of suspected methamphetamines were seized in addition to 335.1 grams of suspected marijuana, suspected ecstasy pills, nine firearms and \$3,337 in cash.



Following the narcotics searches within these residence, five people from Marion were arrested on charges including aggravated possession of drugs and aggravated trafficking in drugs. The following individuals were arrested, according to the release:

- A 60-year-old Marion man was arrested on an alleged case of aggravated possession of drugs, aggravated trafficking in drugs and weapons under disability.
- A 50-year-old Marion woman was arrested on an alleged case of aggravated possession of drugs and aggravated trafficking in drugs.
- A 25-year-old Marion man was arrested on an alleged case of aggravated possession of drugs, aggravated trafficking in drugs, possession of heroin and weapons under disability.
- A 49-year-old woman was arrested on an alleged case of probation violation.
- A 43-year-old woman was reportedly arrested via an arrest warrant.
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The searches within the three Marion homes were conducted by officers from the Marion Special Response Team, the Marion County Sheriff's Office, the Marion Police Department, the Wyandot County Major Crimes Units and the Marion County Prosecutor's Office. The charges the five suspects face have been forwarded to the Marion Prosecutor's Office for formal charges.

Marion County Sheriff Matt Bayles, in the release, said the investigation was a result of a tip called in by someone in the community via Marion's TIPS line. Bayles said removing these suspected drugs and guns from the community should help save lives.

"The see something — say something campaign works well," Bayles stated in the release. Marion Police Chief Jay McDonald added he was proud of the efforts from the law enforcement members involved in the investigations.

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