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Drug Dealer Arrested

On Monday September 12, 2011 L.E.A.D. Detectives arrested Emmett D. Chappel (41) on a Tuscarawas County Grand Jury Warrant on Indictment at his residence located at 132 Minnich Ave. NE Apt. A, New Philadelphia.

Chappel is charged with 5 felony counts of Trafficking in Drugs with the substances sold including Heroin, Alprazolam (Xanax) and Hydrocodone (Vicodin). The controlled buys took place in and near the cities of Dover and New Philadelphia.

Detectives became familiar with Chappel having been advised that he was dealing an unknown amount of pills and Heroin in Tuscarawas County. After a period of time working on the information law enforcement officers were able to develop the case and eventually introduce an undercover sheriff's deputy to buy the illegal drugs directly from Chappel who has a lengthy prior criminal record throughout Ohio including, Aggravated Trafficking in Drugs, Possession of Drugs, Possession of Drug Instruments Possession of Criminal Tools, Receiving Stolen Property and Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle.

This particular undercover case was started in the late spring of this year by local L.E.A.D. Detectives Ballentine and Willett resulting in additional involvement from a detective at the Tuscarawas County Sheriff's Office and another L.E.A.D. Detective from the Carroll County Sheriff's Office attached to the multi county L.E.A.D. Task Force.

We are very happy to report that the multi county L.E.A.D. Task Force is functioning well with cooperation from the sheriff's and prosecutor's in Tuscarawas, Carroll and Harrison counties as well as local Police Chief's. Chappel is being held in the Tuscarawas County Jail pending Arraignment in Tuscarawas County Common Pleas Court.

Det. Scott Ballentine