

# ***THE L.E.A.D. TASK FORCE***

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## Press Release

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### Two Arrested on Drug Indictments.

On Thursday April 26, 2012 L.E.A.D. Detectives arrested Carol L. Kitsch (48) and Connie L. Belknap (56) on Tuscarawas County Grand Jury Warrant on Indictments. Both Kitsch and Belknap reside at 155 Fair Ave. NW, Apt. 903, New Philadelphia where the undercover buys took place.

Kitsch is charged with 2 felony counts of Trafficking in Drugs with the substances sold including Hydrocodone and Clonazepam pills. Kitsch is also charged with one count of Permitting Drug Abuse, with all three sales taking place at her residence within 1000 feet of Central Elementary in New Philadelphia.

Belknap is charged with 3 felony counts of Trafficking in Drugs with the substance sold being Heroin. All three of Belknap's sales also took place within 1000 feet of Central Elementary.

The two cases were started in January of this year by L.E.A.D. Detectives Willett and Ballentine. Kitsch and Belknap are being held in the Tuscarawas County Jail pending their Arraignments in the Tuscarawas County Common Pleas Court.

New Philadelphia police officer's assisted in the arrest of Carol Kitsch and also arrested Wendy Kitsch on a misdemeanor Failure to Appear Warrant out of New Philadelphia Municipal Court.

L.E.A.D. Det. Chaz Willett

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