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Joint narcotics operation leads to arrests

CHANUTE, Kan. – The Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI), the Chanute Police Department, and the Allen County Sheriff's Office made several arrests today following a twomonth long joint investigation into the distribution of illegal drugs.

With the assistance of the Neosho County Attorney's Office, arrest warrants were issued for individuals related to the distribution of methamphetamine. Then, on Thursday, June 6, in Chanute, Kan., and in the surrounding Neosho County area, the arrest warrants were executed as a part of "Operation Street Sweeper." The subjects were later booked into the Neosho County and Allen County Jails for drug-related crimes including the suspected distribution of methamphetamine, and the possession of controlled substances. Criminal complaints have been filed against the suspects in Neosho County District Court, and will be prosecuted by Linus A. Thuston, Neosho County Attorney. Every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty in a court of law.

Arrested during this operation were:

Arrestee Name, Age, City, Charge (*Listed charge may be the most serious of several charges)
Aubrey M. McKinney, 44, Humboldt, distribution of methamphetamine
Foster A. Curls, 37, Chanute, distribution of methamphetamine
Wade W. Wilson, 48, Chanute, distribution of methamphetamine
Jeremy M. Wilmot, 39, Chanute, distribution of methamphetamine
Shelby T. Young, 27, Chanute, distribution of methamphetamine
Jeffery R. Sinclair, 32, Chanute, distribution of methamphetamine
Heather R. Treiber, 38, Chanute, distribution of methamphetamine
Patrick J. Blanchard, 40, Chanute, distribution of methamphetamine
Brion L. Dinkel, 45, Chanute, distribution of methamphetamine
Rickie A. Blanchard, 29, Chanute, distribution of methamphetamine
Tim L. Ingles, 29, Chanute, distribution of methamphetamine

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Heather A. Cox, 43, Chanute, distribution of methamphetamine James A. Briggs, 50, Chanute, distribution of methamphetamine Jessica M. Coyer, 40, Chanute, possession of a controlled substance Ashten N. Wilson, 22, Chanute, possession of a controlled substance

The joint operation represented a coordinated law enforcement effort to combat drug violence and reduce the accessibility of illegal drugs affecting southeast Kansas. This investigation is ongoing and additional arrests are expected.

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