

METRICH sweep nets 28 arrests

Twenty-eight people wanted on felony drug trafficking indictments or other charges were arrested Thursday during a METRICH Enforcement Unit sweep.

One of the highlights was the arrest of Keith Lyles, listed by police as a suspect in a recent armed robbery at Circle K. He was taken into custody at 181 S. Franklin St.

Authorities also searched a residence at an undisclosed location and confiscated heroin, marijuana, drug paraphernalia, \$243 in cash and numerous items consistent with drug trafficking. A man was arrested at the residence, but police are not releasing details.

“This guy we’re looking for will know immediately (if we reveal too much),” METRICH Commander Lt. Ken Coontz said.

Joining METRICH for Thursday’s operation were the Richland County division of the Northern Ohio Violent Fugitive Task Force, and Mansfield, Lexington and Ashland police.

The following people still are being sought on drug trafficking indictments:

Danielle L. Conley, 29.

Allen E. Caldwell, 60.

Cory Maffet, 21.

Le’Andre E. Dillon, 22.

Luas T. Favors, 38.

Nicholas K. Ballard, 20.

Richard M. Brock, 34.

Curtis Manns, 26.

Anyone with information on any of the suspects is asked to contact Mansfield police Lt. Allen Vandayburg at 419-774-3536.

Originally published in the News Journal on October 21, 2011.