

## Six arrested in drug raid

Six people were arrested after a raid of a Bucyrus residence Thursday evening.

According to Bucyrus Police Chief David Koepke, his officers, along with METRICH, the Marion County Sheriff's Office and the Crawford County Special Response Team, which is comprised of members from the Crawford County Sheriff's Office, Bucyrus, Galion and Crestline police departments and the Galion and Bucyrus fire departments, entered a residence at 818 S. Sandusky Ave., at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.



During the search of the residence, a large amount of suspected methamphetamine, heroin and drug-related paraphernalia was seized. The street value of the suspected methamphetamine is approximately \$6,000.

“This bust was the result of weeks and months of work, along with numerous tips,” Koepke said. “The people involved were trying to be sneaky by not dealing at the house. It took a while, but we figured it out, including who was involved.”

Koepke said the neighbors in the area were fed up with the people at the residence.

“They were a terrible nuisance to their neighbors,” Koepke said. “Our police officers share the residents’ frustration with people using and dealing drugs. There’s plenty of help available for addicts. They need to stop.”

He also thanks the motorists that were inconvenienced during the raid as traffic was delayed and detoured while law enforcement approached the residence and made entry.

The incident remains under investigation and suspects in custody are being detained at the Crawford County Justice Center awaiting formal charges, which Koepke said probably will not be filed until Monday.

“A few of the people involved were on probation or had warrants so they will be held on those until formal charges are filed from this incident,” Koepke said.

Anyone with information about suspected criminal activity can use the “tipline” at 419-834-2023 or the METRICH “submit a tip” portal at <https://www.metrich.com/submit-a-tip.php>.

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