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MEDIA RELEASE

DeWitt County, IL. - Task Force 6, in conjunction with the DeWitt County Sheriff's Office and officers from Clinton Police Department, conducted an arrest detail on Wednesday of additional persons wanted in connection with the investigation of illegal drug sales in the DeWitt County area. In June 2009, Task Force 6 and the DeWitt County Sheriff's Office, acting upon an anonymous tip received from the Clinton area Crime Stoppers regarding unlawful sales of prescription medications, initiated an investigation later titled "Operation Pill Popper." Since that time, numerous sources have reported illegal sales of prescription medication in the Clinton and DeWitt County area.

In January 2010, the Clinton Police Department, assisted by the DeWitt County Sheriff's Office and Task Force 6, executed a search warrant in Clinton, IL that resulted in the seizure of hundreds of unlawfully possessed prescription medications in addition to a large amount of cocaine, an indoor cannabis grow of 34 plants and other drugs including "Ecstasy." In all, 10 persons have been arrested since that time as a result of the investigation focusing on illegal prescription drug sales. The investigation is ongoing and more arrests anticipated.

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The following persons were arrested yesterday on warrants issued by the DeWitt County State's Attorney's Office:

Jacklyn Johnson, age 44, Clinton, IL, (2 counts Unlawful Delivery of a Controlled Substance)

Daniel Barry, age 55, Clinton, IL, (2 counts Unlawful Delivery of a Controlled Substance)

Mary Mena, age 59, Weldon, IL, (2 counts Unlawful Delivery of a Controlled Substance)

Robert (Nathan) Moore, age 18, Clinton, IL, (Unlawful Delivery of a Look-a- Like Substance)

Previously arrested as a result of this investigation were:

Sue Followell, age 43, Clinton, IL, (5 counts Unlawful Delivery of a Controlled Substance)

Marcus Row, age 31, Clinton, IL, (Unlawful Delivery of a Controlled Substance)

Timothy Schultz, age 23, Decatur, IL, (4 counts Unlawful Delivery of a Controlled Substance)

Brittany Miller, age 21, Decatur, IL, (4 counts Unlawful Delivery of a Controlled Substance)

Anthony Velez-Noble, age 26, Clinton, IL, (3 counts Unlawful Delivery of a Controlled Substance)

Mary Barnett, age 29, Clinton, IL, (3 counts Unlawful Delivery of a Controlled Substance)

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Task Force 6 is a multi-agency enforcement unit specializing in narcotics enforcement. Task Force 6 is composed of officers from Bloomington Police Department, Clinton Police Department, DeWitt County Sheriff's Department, McLean County Sheriff's Department, Illinois State University Police Department, and the Illinois State Police.

The public is reminded that charges are merely accusations and criminal defendants are presumed innocent unless proven guilty. Persons having information regarding illegal drugs are encouraged to contact the Task Force 6 tip line at www.taskforce6.com or Clinton area Crime Stoppers at (217) 935-3333.

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