



# Media Alert

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## WCSO RAID ON BLIND PIG NETS ARRESTS, DRUGS 81 cited, two minors from Marquette recovered.

**Detroit (June 13, 2010) – Sheriff Benny Napoleon’s push to make Wayne County communities safer shut down a blind pig wreaking havoc on one Detroit community.** Around 3:30 a.m., nearly two dozen officers from the Wayne County Sheriff’s Office **executed a search warrant without incident at 18919 Schoolcraft Road** (about a mile southeast of the Brightmoor community). The raid resulted in:

- 9 people arrested for operating an illegal establishment after hours (7 men/2 women)**
- 81 individuals cited**
- two minors recovered**
- illegal drugs confiscated (Ecstasy pills, crack cocaine and marijuana)**
- 25 vehicles seized under the Nuisance Abatement ordinance**

The raid was in response to complaints about the incessant noise, fighting and gunfire that often erupted nightly at the location called the “Chevy Boys.” Sheriff Napoleon put his crews to work after receiving complaints from residents frustrated by the constant chaos and danger to their safety.

**“Criminal enterprises like this bring drugs, guns and violence to neighborhoods victimizing the decent, hard-working individuals who live nearby,” said Sheriff Napoleon. “Today’s early morning raid serves as a wake-up call—we intend to shut down blind pigs in Wayne County and prosecute everyone involved.”**

**The two juveniles recovered—a 15 and 16 year old from Marquette—were at the illegal spot with a relative following a concert they had attended.** They’re being held at Child Protective Services (2929 Russell). **They’ll undergo a hearing before being released to their parents.** The adults arrested are being held at Division I and Division II jails. The citation brings a \$500 fine in addition to fees to recover the seized vehicles.

The successful raid was conducted by officers from the WCSO Narcotics and Morality Unit, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and the Community Response Team comprised of law enforcement agencies from around Western Wayne County. **Individuals who want to report drug activity or blind pigs operating in their Wayne County community can call the WCSO tip line at 313-833-3190. The call is anonymous.**

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