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Local Residents Take Advantage of Prescription Drug Take Back Service.
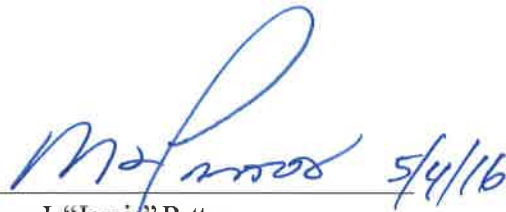
Sheriff Jamie Patton is calling Saturday's drug take back event a success. In spite of the chilly temperatures, residents still turned out to take advantage of the drive-thru service to drop off their unwanted and unused prescription medications. The Sheriff's Office sponsored three drive-thru locations on Saturday, one at the Sheriff's Office in Marysville, one at the Pleasant Valley Fire Department in Plain City and the third at the Richwood Police Department in Richwood.

The Sheriff's Office handed over 585 pounds of pills and medications to the Drug Enforcement Agency, who picked up the boxes of pills after the event on Saturday. "I consider it a very successful day when you can remove that amount of unwanted, expired or unused medications from the cupboards of our residents' homes, says Sheriff Patton.

Sheriff Patton went on to say "we couldn't have done this by ourselves and we need to acknowledge our partners who have supported us in this event the past several years". "Specifically, a special thanks to Memorial Hospital for their continued support, the Union County Drug Coalition, The Drug Enforcement Agency, The Plain City and Richwood Police Departments and our friends from the Jerome and Pleasant Valley Fire Departments".

The next National Drug Take Back day is scheduled the fall of 2016. Sheriff Patton would like to remind residents they can drop off unwanted or unused medications at any time throughout the year at one of three drop boxes located at the Plain City Police Department, The Richwood Police Department, or the Union County Sheriff's Office.

Approval: _____ 5/4/16

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