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## **News Release**

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Sheriff Lavender reports that his office was dispatched to 2125 Anderson Station Road #8 0n 06/10/2013 at approximately 5:30 a.m. in reference to a missing child.

Deputies arrived and spoke to Skyla Eblin. Mrs. Eblin said that she had awoke and found her 1 year old son missing. Mrs. Eblin said that she had been drinking earlier in the day with 37 year old Holly G. Wheeler of Waverly, Ohio. Mrs. Eblin said that she fell asleep around 1:30 a.m. and when she awoke Mrs. Wheeler and her son were gone.

Mrs. Eblin said that she had made phone contact with Mrs. Wheeler and Mrs. Wheeler said that she had the child and that she was stuck in a ditch somewhere on U. S. 23 South. Mrs. Eblin said that she had tried to contact Mrs. Wheeler back but did not receive an answer.

Deputies began searching for the child and Mrs. Wheeler and were able to locate them at the intersection of U.S. 23 and Maple Lane near Massieville.

Mrs. Wheeler had gone off the road and was stuck in the ditch on Maple Lane. Mrs. Wheeler also had two of her own children in the vehicle with her as well.

Mrs. Wheeler told deputies that when she was ready to leave Mrs. Eblin's apartment she tried to wake her up, but could not so she decided to take the child with her.

Mrs. Wheeler had been stuck in the ditch in the vehicle with the three children for approximately four hours and had not attempted to contact help.

Mrs. Wheeler was arrested and transported to the Ross County Jail. She was charged with Child Endangering and Interference with Custody. Deputies are still investigating the incident and more criminal charges could possibly be filed.