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Sheriff Lavender reports 03/09/2013 at approximately 11:50 p.m. deputies while patrolling on Clinton Road initiated traffic stop on a vehicle driven by 33 year old Craig M. Himelrick (Mr. Himelrick) and a female passenger. The vehicle was stopped on Witter Drive just off Clinton Road for not having tail lights.

The deputies report that Mr. Himelrick was acting suspicious and showed signs of impairment. The deputies asked Mr. Himelrick for permission to search the vehicle for weapons and drugs and Mr. Himelrick gave permission.

The deputies conducted a pat down search of Mr. Himelrick for safety. The deputies felt something in Mr. Himelrick's left front pocket. Mr. Himelrick pulled it out and it was found to be a wad of cash totaling \$948.00. Mr. Himelrick originally said that the money was from his income tax return, but then later said that his mother had given him the money. Mr. Himelrick reported to the deputy that he was unemployed.

The deputies then conducted a search of the vehicle. An over-the-counter pill bottle was found in the center console of the vehicle. The bottle was found to contain forty-nine 30MG OXYCODONE and three 15MG OXYCODONE. Mr. Himelrick told the deputies that he had found the pills lying along the road.

Mr. Himelrick was arrested for possession of drugs and transported to the Ross County Jail. The female was released at the scene. Evidence was collected at the scene and will be sent to Bureau of Criminal Investigation (B.C.I) for processing. This investigation continues and additional charges are pending.