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Sheriff Lavender reports that detectives from his office went 12635 Pleasant Valley Road today at approximately 2:00 p.m. The detectives were trying to make contact with 46 year old Thomas E. Lewis. Mr. Lewis is a person of interest in several property crimes that have been committed in Ross County.

Detectives did see Mr. Lewis inside the residence however he would not come to the door to speak to detectives. A male and a female exited the residence and said that Mr. Lewis was inside, but that he was not going to come out.

Deputies at this time set up a perimeter around the house and were able to obtain a search warrant for the house and Mr. Lewis. The Ross County Sheriff's Office Tactical Team along with the Chillicothe Police Tactical Team executed the search warrant at approximately 4:00 p.m. Mr. Lewis was retrieved from the residence upon the execution of the warrant.

Mr. Lewis is currently being held in the Ross County Jail on an unrelated warrant from the Ohio Adult Parole Authority. Investigators are still at the scene collecting evidence.

Further details will be released as they become available.