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### MEDIA RELEASE

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### Crimestoppers Tip Leads To Arrest Of Woman Who Stole From Waffle House

On December 17, 2012 at 0245 AM a white female entered the Waffle House at 9725 Mason Montgomery Road in Deerfield Township and represented herself as an "Auditor" for the restaurant and began to inspect the premises.

The woman stayed in the restaurant for approximately 45 minutes when she asked an employee to print out the evenings sales and open the cash register. At this time the female was able to access the cash register and take cash. She then left the store.

Tips from Crimestoppers identified the female as Mindy L. Messina, age 37, 3581 Hunting Creek Lane Amelia, Ohio.

Detectives interviewed Messina and she confessed to taking the money from Waffle House. During the investigation it was discovered that Messina had committed a similar offense in Elsmere Kentucky at a convenience store. Elsmere officers came to the Warren County Sheriff's Office and interviewed Messina. Messina confessed to their offense as well.

Mindy L. Messina was charged with Theft and booked into the Warren County Jail. Charges were filed in the Mason Municipal Court. Charges are pending in the Elsmere Kentucky incident.

Booking photo along with surveillance photo from Waffle House are attached.

Please contact Sgt. BD Lacy at 513-695-1598 with any further questions.

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