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TWO MEN CHARGED IN CONNECTION WITH GIRL SCOUT MONEY THEFT

[Lancaster, Ohio, March 10, 2016] “The Fairfield County Sheriff's Office has charged two individuals involved in the robbery and theft of the Girl Scout Money that happened at Walmart in Canal Winchester, Ohio.” stated Sheriff Dave Phalen.

On March 6, 2016 at 1:05 p.m. deputies responded to the Walmart located at 6647 Winchester Blvd., Canal Winchester, Ohio on a reported theft of a money box. A suspect had grabbed the money box from one of the girl scouts selling cookies and fled on foot.

After receiving numerous tips and interviewing witnesses, detectives were able locate the subjects and file charges on Russell Lee Oehlers, 26, and Jeffrey Wendall Craig, 31.

“Detectives believe Oehlers ran up to the girls and stole the money box while Craig waited in a nearby parking lot. The two fled the scene in a red convertible Ford Mustang.” stated Sheriff Dave Phalen.

Detectives have charged **Russell Lee Oehlers and Jeffrey Wendall Craig** with one count of **Robbery (F3)**, one count of **Safecracking (F4)** and one count of **Theft (M1)**. These charges are punishable by up to 5 years in prison and \$10,000 fine.