



NEWS RELEASE

TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN POLICE

SUBJECT: Tampering with Evidence, Possession of Burglar Tools, Possession of a Hypodermic Syringe and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, July 27th, 2011 @ 6:48 PM

LOCATION: South Wanamassa Drive

OFFICERS INVOLVED: Officer's Jesse Orbach, Michael Melody, Nicholas Castellano
Detective James Kelesidis

ACCUSED: Michael Ross 37 year old male from Ocean Township
Kathleen A. Serrano 27 year old female from the City of Asbury Park

NARRATIVE: On Wednesday, July 27th, 2011 at 6:48 pm, township police responded to the area of South Wanamassa Drive for a report of two people who jumped off the Sunset Avenue Bridge. When the officer's arrived they checked the area and located a male and female hiding under the bridge. During their on scene investigation both subjects provided false information to the officers to avoid being arrested on outstanding municipal court warrants. They were subsequently taken into custody. During this time the officers located bolt cutters, flashlights, hypodermic syringes and drug paraphernalia. They were later transported to the station for processing.

Mr. Ross was charged with the following offenses: Under the influence of CDS, Possession of CDS Paraphernalia, Possession of a Hypodermic Syringe, Criminal Trespass, Possession of Burglar Tools, Hinder their own Apprehension, Hindering of Another and Tampering with Evidence. He was transported to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution after defaulting on his \$20,000.00 bail.

Ms. Serrano was charged with the following offenses: Under the Influence of CDS, Hindering of Another, Hindering their own Apprehension, Possession of a Hypodermic Syringe, Possession of CDS Paraphernalia, Criminal Trespassing and Tampering with evidence. She was transported to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution after defaulting on her \$15,000.00 bail.

PREPARED BY: Detective Sergeant Timothy Torchia **DATE:** 07/28/2011

