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PRESS RELEASE

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LOCATION: 700 Block Claremont Avenue

The Rush Township Police Department has charged three individuals as a result of a traffic stop. A vehicle was stopped for a violation in the 700 block of Claremont Avenue. During the stop, officers observed the odor of Marijuana, and also observed packaging material commonly used for the distribution of Heroin. Further investigation uncovered 114 baggies of suspected Heroin, 4.5 grams of unpackaged Heroin, and empty packaging material used in the distribution of Heroin. The unpackaged Heroin could yield 125 additional packages of Heroin without the dilution of a cutting agent. If one is used, that would increase the yield of the amount of individual Heroin baggies that the 4.5 grams could produce.

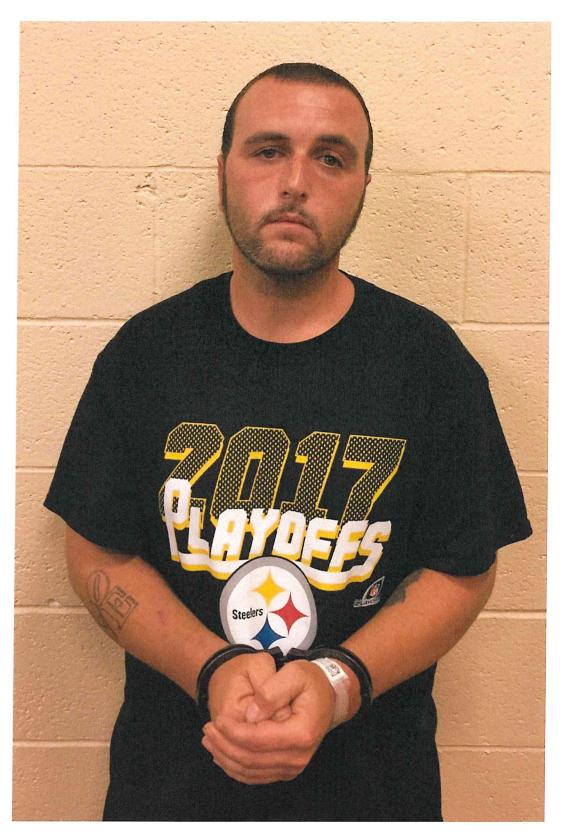
Kenneth Rosario, age 18 of Scranton was charged with 3 Felony violations and 4 Misdemeanor offenses ranging from Possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance to Endangering the welfare of children. He was arraigned by Magisterial District Judge Bayer and was committed to the Schuylkill County Prison in lieu of \$50,000.00 bail.

Anthony Morreale, Age 35 of Pittston, was charged with being in possession of a Prohibited Offensive Weapon. At the time of the incident, he was in possession of a concealed stun gun. Morreale was also arraigned by Magisterial District Judge Bayer and was released on unsecured bail.

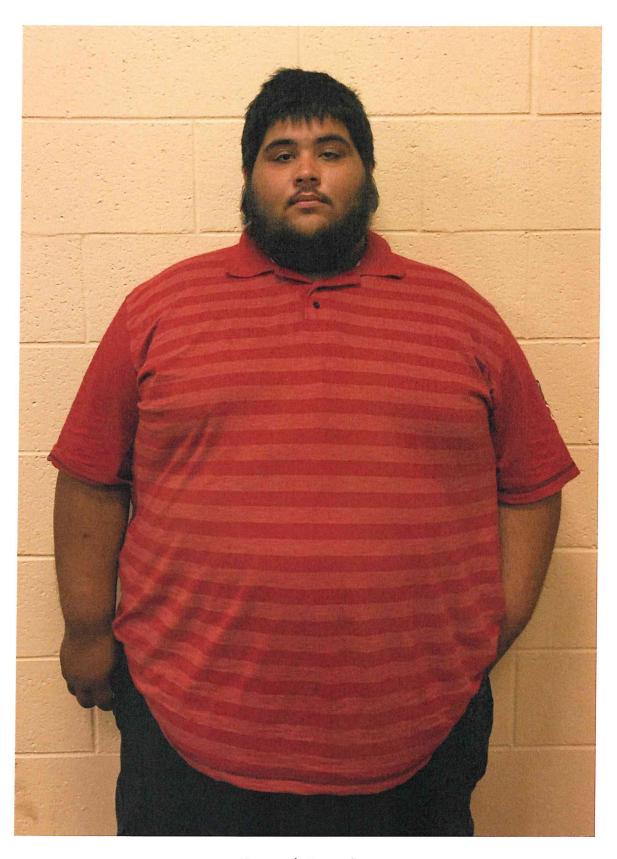
A 16 year-old male juvenile was charged with Felony and Misdemeanor drug charges. He was turned over to the Schuylkill County Juvenile Probation department. He was then securely detained pending further proceedings from the Schuylkill County Juvenile court system.

The Rush Township Police Department was assisted by officers from the McAdoo, Coaldale, and the Tamagua Police Departments.

Statement of Chief Zipovsky: This is just one example of the Rush Township Police Department's proactive approach to combating illegal drug sales and making a safer community. I would like to thank the officers from the McAdoo, Coaldale, and the Tamaqua Police Departments who assisted Rush Township PD at the scene.

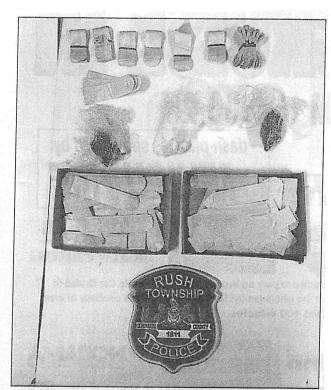


Anthony Morreale



Kenneth Rosario





RUSH TWP. POLICE DEPARTMENT

Heroin and material for packaging it were seized by Rush Twp. police during a traffic stop Wednesday.

Suspected heroin seized in Rush Twp.

were arrested by Rush Twp. possession of a prohibited police during a traffic stop offensive weapon. Morreale that turned up heroin was also arraigned by Bayer Wednesday.

According to police, the traffic stop was conducted around 2 a.m. in the 700 block of Claremont Avenue and police uncovered 114 bags of suspected heroin, 4.5 grams of unpacked heroin and empty packaging material.

The unpacked heroin could produced 125 individual bags, township police Chief Kenneth Zipovsky said. However, if it was diluted with a cutting agent, it would increase the amount of individual heroin bags.

Kenneth Rosario, 18, of Scranton was charged with three felony violations and four misdemeanor offenses ranging from possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance to child endangerment.

He was arraigned by Magisterial District Judge Stephen Bayer, Tamagua, and committed to Schuylkill County Prison, Pottsville on \$50,000 bail.

Anthony Morreale, 35, of Pittston, who had a stun gun.

Two men and a juvenile was charged with being in

and released on unsecured bail.



MORREALE



ROSARIO

A 16-yearold boy was charged with felony and misdemeanor drug charges and was turned over to the Schuylkill County Juvenile Probation Department. He was detained pending fur-

ther proceedings from the juvenile court system.

Rush Twp. police were assisted by officers from McAdoo, Coaldale and Tamaqua.

Zipovsky said the arrest is one example of the proactive approach to combating illegal drugs sales and making the community safer.

He thanked the officers who assisted.

- AMANDA CHRISTMAN