



# Town of Walkill Police Department

## MEDIA RELEASE

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**For Immediate Release**  
**March 27, 2014**

**Incident:** Attempted Robbery – 4 Arrests  
**Location:** Parking Lot, 470 Route 211 East, Town of Walkill  
**Date/Time:** February 17, 2014/ 2:00 pm

On February 17, 2014 at approximately 2:00 pm, Police Officer Patrick Marcial responded to a report of a robbery in the parking lot of 470 Route 211 East. The victims, Shane Prestimonico and Daanice Strope, reported that they had gone to the parking lot to meet a friend, Andre Rosario. According to the victims, shortly after Rosario arrived, he attempted to forcibly remove Strope's handbag. Prestimonico stated that when he tried to intervene, Rosario and another suspect, Sonny Pellot assaulted Prestimonico. According to the victims, as the suspects were fleeing the scene in their auto, Prestimonico was dragged by the suspect's car, after he reached into the car in an effort to turn off the vehicles ignition.

During the ensuing investigation into this incident by Detective Julia Ashworth, it was discovered that Prestimonico and Strope were actually meeting Rosario in order to sell him an undetermined quantity of Oxycodone pills. Detective Ashworth's investigation disclosed that Rosario attempted to forcibly take the Oxycodone pills that Prestimonico and Strope were trying to sell to him for \$1,800.00. As a result of this investigation the following were arrested:

Defendant #1

Andre Rosario  
Male, Hispanic  
23 years old  
Ridgewood Ave, Middletown, N.Y.  
Arrested on February 19, 2014  
Charged with:  
Attempted Robbery Second Degree  
Assault Second Degree  
Reckless Endangerment

Defendant #2

Shane Prestimonico  
Male, White



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28 years old  
Jersey Avenue, Port Jervis, N.Y.  
Arrested on February 20, 2014  
Charged with:  
Making a Punishable False Written Statement

Defendant #3  
Daanice Strobe  
Female, White  
45 years old  
Sawkill Avenue, Milford, PA.  
Arrested on February 20, 2014  
Charged with:  
Making a Punishable False Written Statement

Defendant #4  
Sonny Pellot  
Male, Hispanic  
26 years old  
Ryerson Road, New Hampton, N.Y.  
Arrested on March 25, 2014  
Charged with:  
Reckless Endangerment  
Criminal Facilitation in the Fourth Degree

Robert C. Hertman  
Chief of Police

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