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PRESS RELEASE

ARRESTED: **Keriann Brekne**

ADDRESS: **2623 Madison Ave.**
 Bethlehem, PA

DATE OF BIRTH: **November 15, 1979**

Members of the Warren County Prosecutor's Office Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Unit and the Lopatcong Police Department arrested the above named individual without incident Thursday, January 24, 2008 in Easton, Pennsylvania. The defendant was charged with one count of second degree Sexual Assault, one count of second degree Endangering the Welfare of a Child by engaging in Sexual Conduct which would impair or debauch the morals of the child, one count of third degree Aggravated Criminal Sexual Contact, and two counts of fourth degree Criminal Sexual Contact. The second degree charges carry a maximum sentence up to ten years each in the New Jersey State Prison, the third degree charges carry a maximum penalty of five years in New Jersey State Prison, and the fourth degree charge carries a maximum penalty of eighteen months in New Jersey State Prison.

The charges allege that the defendant engaged in an act of sexual penetration and acts of sexual contact with a female while she was between the ages of 12 and 16 in Lopatcong Township. The incidents occurred between June 1, 2007 and September 30, 2007. The defendant was acquainted with the victim.

The Honorable John H. Pursel, J.S.C., set bail at \$150,000.00 no 10%. The defendant's first appearance is scheduled for Friday, January 25, 2008 at 1:30 before the Honorable John H. Pursel, J.S.C. in Belvidere, New Jersey.

Detective Sergeant Toni Latario of the Warren County Prosecutor's Office Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Unit and Detective Scott Douglas Moyle of the Lopatcong Police Department conducted the investigation with members of the Bethlehem Police Department.

Please be advised that the charges are merely accusations and that the suspect is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.



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Date: 1/24/08