



Town of Ramapo Police Department NEWS RELEASE

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**Subject: Assault 2nd
Endangering the Welfare of a Child
Failure to report child abuse as a Mandatory Reporter**

Issuing Authority: Detective Lieutenant Brad Weidel

ATTACHED ARE THE MUG SHOTS

THERE WILL BE A 3:30PM PRESS CONFERENCE ABOUT THIS CASE AT THE TOWN OF RAMAPO TOWN HALL, 237 RT 59, SUFFERN, NY

The Town of Ramapo Police Department Special Services Division arrested two individuals today as a result of an investigation into suspected child abuse.

In July of 2007 a seven-year old male child reported to a daycare center at 10 Country Club lane in Airmont. He was observed to have burns to his arm, hand, nose and left leg. The owner of the daycare center did not report this information to Child Protective Services or the police as they are mandated by law to do. In November of 2007, the same seven-year old child was observed at Shoprite in Tallman by a civilian who found it odd he was there without a parent. She contacted our agency and officers responded. The child told officers that he had run away from home and did not want to return. He indicated to them that his mother had put him in an oven and burned him as a punishment. This information was relayed to the Detective Division and an investigation was commenced which led to today's arrests. The child as well as his sibling was removed from the home by CPS after our agency became aware of the allegation in November.

Charged with violation of Title 6, section 420 of the NYS Social Service law (Failure to Report Child Abuse- A Misdemeanor) is:

Joelle M. Lherisson, age 37 of 10 Country Club lane, Airmont. She was processed and released on her own recognizance. She must return to Airmont Justice Court 02/07/08 at 7:00pm

Charged with Assault in the 2nd degree (D-Felony) and Endangering the Welfare of a child (A-Misdemeanor) is:

Tiffany Fraser, age 26 of 1 Tallman place, Apt 1, Tallman, NY. She will be arraigned today at 2:30pm at Airmont Justice Court, 251 Cherry Lane, Airmont.