St Petersburg Police Vice and Narcotics Arrest
Couple at the Top of a Local Drug Operation

Today, October 28, 2014, at 7:30am, St. Petersburg Police Vice and Narcotics officers served a search warrant at 1117 Highland Ct. N., St. Petersburg. They arrested 31-year-old Tom Kelly, Jr.(8/6/1983) and his girlfriend, 26-year-old Nicole Cherie Caudill (11/13/1987) on drug trafficking charges.

Today’s arrest was the result of an undercover operation. Inside the home, officers found 10 ounces of cocaine, Dilaudid (hydromorphone) pills, two guns, and more than $2000 cash.

Other evidence collected includes; a scale to weigh drugs, a cocaine press (used to make kilo bricks), and various pots and pans with cocaine residue, used to make crack cocaine. One of the pots was still hot when officers entered the home.

Click for raw video of evidence:
http://youtu.be/Lb-mR7mFw3E

Investigators say Kelly and Caudill sold drugs out of the home, as well as other houses in the area, and were the head of an organized group. Investigation is ongoing.

Kelly is being charged with armed trafficking cocaine, and dilaudid trafficking.

Caudill is being charged with armed trafficking cocaine.

Both have extensive criminal histories.

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