

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **ARREST FOR THEFT**

On Tuesday, April 11, 2006 at 8:30 p.m., police were notified of a theft at the Getty Gas Station, 303 Harleysville Pike in Franconia Township.

It was reported that a male driving a tractor trailer took money off the counter when the clerk was not looking. The actor then left the building in the tractor trailer.

Police stopped the truck a few minutes after the call and they identified the driver as Gary Lauritzen, 41, of the 100 block of Penn Street in Tamaqua, Pennsylvania. After an investigation, Lauritzen was arrested and charged with theft by unlawful taking, theft by deception, and receiving stolen property.

Lauritzen was arraigned before Judicial District Justice Kenneth Deatelhauser in Souderton on Wednesday April 12, 2006 and released. A preliminary hearing date is scheduled for April 20, 2006 at 1:30 p.m.

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