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For Immediate Release

Today District Attorney Andy Jarbola and the Clarks Summit Police Department announce the arrest of Vincent P. CIANFICHI, JR., 102 Elmwood Drive, Moscow, PA, on the following charges:

1. Corruption of Minors – 3 counts
2. Indecent Assault – 2 counts
3. Selling or Furnishing Liquor or Malt/Brewed Beverages to Minor – 3 counts

The charges arose from Mr. CIANFICHI'S actions with a 17 year old girl who was employed by his business – *Vince the Pizza Prince*. Beginning in December 2006, CIANFICHI furnished the 17 year old and other minors with beer from his restaurant. Moreover, CIANFICHI held parties after closing the restaurant at both the Clarks Summit and Scranton locations of his business permitting the 17 year old girl and others to consume beer and liquor.

CIANFICHI also is alleged to have grabbed the buttocks of the 17 year old girl on several occasions and had pulled her pants down exposing her buttocks. Moreover, CIANFICHI placed the victim's hand on his genital area over his pants after providing the victim with beer. In April 2007, the victim reported that CIANFICHI provided her with marijuana which both she and CIANFICHI smoked. The victim also related that while at the South Scranton restaurant, CIAHFICHI put a tube of Chapstick down her shirt and subsequently placed his hand inside her shirt and bra, touching her breast while retrieving the Chapstick.

CIANFICHI was arraigned this morning by Magisterial District Judge James Kennedy and bail was set at \$100,000. CIANFICHI is lodged in the Lackawanna County Prison in lieu of bail. Anyone with additional information relating to these charges or Mr. CIANFICHI is encouraged to contact the District Attorney's Office Special Victims Unit at 963-6717.