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[Man Brags on Facebook About Siphoning Gas >From Police, Gets Caught](#)

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20 year old Michael Baker probably thought he was pretty clever and funny, siphoning gas from a police car while flicking off the camera for a photo. The same photo that he posted up on Facebook that lead to his arrest.

The theft didn't even come to the Jenkins City Police Department's attention until the photo was posted on Facebook and started circulating around the small town of Jenkins that has barely more than 2,000 residents.

Of course Baker, being the mature human being that he is, is still getting a good laugh about it all. The photo has been removed, but he's already commented on his page, "yea lol i went too (sic) jail over facebook." And when a friend inquired about the photo (since he hadn't seen it), Baker responded with, "yea lol u would just have to seen it it was funny as hell tho."

We guess if you live in a small town like Jenkins, this sort of excitement could be seen as humorous. It's a good thing Baker didn't siphon the gas during summer, when prices are expected to hit [an all-time high](#), he'd be hit with grand theft!

[Source: [The Smoking Gun](#)]

<http://www.thesmokinggun.com/documents/facebook-police-gas-siphoning-764512#.T5lab1oYwi8.email>

Facebook Photo Sinks Man Who Stole Police Gas
Siphoner posted image of theft from Kentucky cop car



APRIL 18--A Kentucky man is facing a misdemeanor rap after he siphoned gasoline from a police car, a theft that came to the attention of cops after the perp posted a Facebook photo memorializing the crime.

As seen in the above photo ([click to enlarge](#)), as Michael Baker, 20, was swiping the gas last month from a Jenkins Police Department squad car, he made sure to flip the bird as his girlfriend snapped a picture.

After obtaining a copy of the photo (which began circulating in Jenkins) police arrested Baker Monday evening for theft by unlawful taking, [according to an arrest warrant](#), which



alleges that he “stole gas from a Jenkins City Police Cruiser” and then “posted a picture of his theft on facebook.”

Baker, pictured in the mug shot at right, is scheduled to be arraigned today in Letcher County District Court.

While the siphoning photo has been removed from his [Facebook page](#), Baker yesterday updated his 380 friends on his legal problems. “just got out of jail,” he wrote in one post, adding later that “yea lol i

went too jail over facebook.” Responding to a friend who had not seen the image before it was yanked, Baker assured, “yea lol u would just have to seen it it was funny as hell tho.” (1 page)