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OIU agents charge Campbell carry out owner, employees with illegal sales

(Columbus) – Agents with the Ohio Department of Public Safety's Ohio Investigative Unit have charged a Campbell bar owner and two employees with illegal sales related offenses.

Agents began investigating Smolenskis Xenikis, also known as Campbell Party Shop, 223 12th Street in Campbell after receiving an anonymous complaint that the bar was operating without a liquor permit. A search warrant was conducted on March 28.

During the search warrant, agents seized \$1,692 and 4,465 bottles of beer and intoxicating liquor.

James M. Jablonski, 58, of Poland, was charged with three counts of keeper of a place. Agents also charged Jordan A. Rogers, 31, of Youngstown, and John D. Tarr, 64, of Campbell, with one count each of illegal sale of beer. Charges were filed April 8, in Campbell Municipal Court.

In the state of Ohio liquor establishments need to ensure they have a valid and active liquor permit in order to sell alcohol.

To report an establishment selling alcohol illegally, contact Investigative Unit by calling the #677 on your cell phone and your complaint will be investigated.

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The Ohio Investigative Unit agents are plain-clothed fully sworn peace officers. OIU is charged with enforcing the state's liquor laws and is the only state law enforcement agency specifically tasked with investigating food stamp fraud crimes. Agents also investigate tobacco violations.

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