

PRESS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE –

THREE ARRESTED IN BREAKING AND ENTERING THORNVILLE, OHIO



William L. Steele

Zachary A. Cross

Kevin P. Runyon

[Lancaster, Ohio, January 18, 2012] Detectives have charged **William L. Steele, 23**, and **Kevin P. Runyon, 22**, of 13415 Juniper Rd., Thornville, Ohio 43076, along with **Zachary A. Cross, 21**, of 413 N. State St., Crooksville, Ohio 43731 with one count each of **Breaking & Entering**, a felony of the fifth degree, punishable by up to 12 months incarceration and a maximum fine of \$2,500.

On Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 04:25 a.m., Sheriff Dave Phalen stated the Fairfield County Sheriff's Office received a call from a Walnut township resident reporting seeing three subjects possibly breaking into Cuda Jo's Bar, Thornville, Ohio. The witness observed a large object being thrown over an outside fence at the rear of the business. When the deputies arrived they discovered the business was broken into and the safe was missing. A suspicious vehicle was reported in the area of Juniper Rd. nearby. After checking the area, deputies heard a loud banging sound coming from 13415 Juniper Rd. When checking an outside camper they found three subjects attempting to open the safe by hitting it. Deputies checked the area and took the three suspects into custody. The safe and other tools were recovered from the scene.

Deputies are checking to see if another recent breaking and entering is connected to these men. Detectives are continuing their investigation into these crimes.