

# 3 in SLT accused of selling alcohol to minors

Three people in South Lake Tahoe were cited Saturday for allegedly selling alcohol to minors.

On Sept. 28 police officers conducted a minor decoy operation in which minors under the direct supervision of officers, attempted to purchase alcohol from 19 businesses in the city.

Police officers cited three clerks: Yenifer Rodriguez Olivas, 31, from Mi Pueblo Market; Nicholas Nance, 35, from RiteAid; and Peter Tyson, 27, of Safeway. If convicted, they face a minimum fine of \$250, and/or 24 to 32 hours of community service for a first violation.

In addition, ABC will take administrative action against the alcoholic beverage license of the business. That may include a fine, a suspension of the license, or the permanent revocation of the license.

The South Lake Tahoe Police Department used a \$95,000 grant from the California Alcoholic Beverage Control in part to crackdown on these types of sales. The funds will also be used to reduce the number of alcoholic beverage sales to minors, obviously intoxicated patrons, illegal solicitations of alcohol, and other criminal activities such as the sale and possession of illegal drugs.

*– Lake Tahoe News staff report*