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Wood Dale Police Release 2010-2011 “You Drink & Drive. You Lose” Campaign Results

Wood Dale Chief of Police, Greg Vesta, announces the final totals from the “You Drink & Drive. You Lose” Campaign. The Wood Dale Police Department was one of hundreds of police departments throughout the state participating in the campaigns which ran throughout the 2010-2011 year. Each campaign ran for about a two week cycle around numerous holidays or special events which had consumption of alcoholic beverages as part of its celebration, such as Super Bowl weekend, Memorial Day & Labor Day weekends etc.

During the nine enforcement campaigns, the Wood Dale Police Department made 82 Impaired Driving Arrests (DUI’s), 7 Felony DUI’s, Issued 21 Drug / Alcohol Related Citations, Issued 1258 Speeding Citations, 388 Seat Belt Citations, 16 Child Restraint Citations, 794 Other Citations, made 14 Driving While Suspended / Revoked Arrests and 7 Warrant Arrests.

“You Drink & Drive. You Lose” Campaign was funded by Federal Traffic Safety Funds through the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), Division of Traffic Safety (DTS). The funding allowed the Wood Dale Police Department to hire back Wood Dale Police Officers during the Holiday Seasons to intensify its enforcement effort against Impaired Drivers. Officers specifically patrolled the streets of Wood Dale, placing special enforcement emphasis on both residential and arterial roadways at various times throughout the day and night for impaired drivers.

The Wood Dale Police Department hopes that through high visibility enforcement and community education, we can influence people to make the right decision to not drive impaired. If we catch you driving impaired, you will be arrested.

Chief Greg Vesta would like to remind everybody that impaired driving is not an accident; it is a careless disregard for human life. No one should ever get that late night knock on the door from law enforcement telling you that an impaired driver has killed your loved one.

For further information about the **“YOU DRINK & DRIVE. YOU LOSE”** Campaign; contact Sergeant Paul Wyse or Sgt. Mike Peters at the Wood Dale Police Department at 630-766-2060.