



Message from the Director

Greetings from the Governor's Highway Safety Program. As 2008 year winds down we are preparing for the busiest travel periods of the year. With gas prices finally easing down, we are likely to see more citizens traveling the state's roads. Thank you in advance for your participation in our upcoming campaigns. I realize our "No Need 2 Speed" and holiday "Booze It & Lose It" campaigns call for seven weeks of straight enforcement, requiring a lot of your time and dedication and I appreciate your efforts.

As of Oct. 1, GHSP has changed it's regional structure to better accommodate agencies across the state. We now have a total of 11 regions and have welcomed four new Regional Law Enforcement Liaisons (RLEL). Smokey Pierce with the Ayden Police Department will replace Sgt. Phil Worthington, region 2, who retires at the end of this month. Bob Cox with the Tarboro Police Department is over region 4 and Allen Lawrence with the Lenoir Police Department will be over region 9. Mark Busam with the Guilford County Sheriff's Office, replaces Capt. Robbie Flynt, region 7, who retired in August.

A map and complete listing of all the RLELs is available on our Web site. I encourage agencies with questions regarding GHSP or any of our initiatives to contact them directly, they are a great resource.

Best wishes,

Darrell Jernigan
Director

Labor Day "Booze It & Lose It:

State and local law enforcement officers cited 2,821 motorists for driving while impaired during the Labor Day "Booze It & Lose It" campaign, which ran Aug. 15-Sept. 1. A total of 100,424 traffic and criminal citations were issued statewide.

During the campaign, officers statewide conducted more than 8,500 sobriety checkpoints and dedicated patrols. Counties with the highest number of DWI citations included: Wake (242), Mecklenburg (108), Guilford (105) and New Hanover (101).

Officers also issued 8,812 safety belt and 1,329 child passenger safety violations, 26,911 speeding violations and 1,950 drug charges. In addition, they apprehended 699 fugitives from justice and recovered 140 stolen vehicles.

Mark Your Calendars for the 2009 Law Enforcement Summits

**Regions 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 are invited to attend
Jan. 26-27, 2009 in Wilmington.
Registration deadline is Dec. 26, 2008.**

**Regions 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11 are invited to attend
Jan. 12-13, 2009 in Asheville.
Registration deadline is Dec. 26, 2008.**

**For a registration form and new regional map, please
visit our Web site: www.ncdot.org/programs/GHSP/.**

REMINDER

**Halloween "Booze It & Lose It"
Oct. 30-Nov. 2
Online Reporting Deadline:
Nov. 3 by 5p.m.**

**BOOZE IT
& LOSE IT.**



Labor Day "Booze It & Lose It" Total Numbers

Total Checkpoints, Patrols	Driving While Impaired Violations	Total Occupant Restraint Violations	Total Criminal Violations	Total Other Traffic Violations	Total Traffic & Criminal Violations
Aug.15-Sept. 1 8,756	2,821	10,141	8,579	75,515	100,424

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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Proposes Changes to Motorcycle Helmet Requirements

NHTSA is proposing to amend several aspects of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 218, Motorcycle Helmets. Some of the amendments would help realize the full potential of compliant helmets by aiding state and local law enforcement officials in enforcing state helmet use laws, thereby increasing the percentage of motorcycle riders wearing compliant helmets. The amendments would do this by adopting additional requirements and revising existing requirements to reduce misleading labeling of novelty helmets that creates the impression that uncertified, noncompliant helmets have been properly certified as compliant.

In order for helmets to be legal in North Carolina, they must comply with this standard. NHTSA is proposing rules changes to FMVSS No. 218 that would make illegal helmets more easily identified with new labeling requirements. They are requesting comments from law enforcement and related agencies regarding these new proposed guidelines.

To view the entire document and to make comments, go to: <http://www.regulations.gov>. In the "Search Documents" window type in: **RIN 2127-AK15** and click "Go." On the center page you will see a gray box with "view this page", click onto the Adobe symbol to view the document.

2008 Point Reimbursements Due Nov. 3

If you would like to turn in your points this year for the equipment listed below please complete a reimbursement form and send to GHSP by Nov. 3. The form is located on our Web site under Points System.

Redeemable Items	Points Needed
Class II Anci-Traffic Vest	50
PBT	Up to 500*
Single Antenna Radar Unit	Up to 1,500*
Dual Antenna Radar Unit	Up to 2,500*
Lidar	Up to 3,200*
In-car Camera	Up to 6,000*

*Points will be deducted based upon the cost/type of item ordered. GHSP will make distinction as to how many points will remain. These points will then rollover to the next year's totals.

Upcoming Campaigns Dates and Deadlines

Week	Dates of Enforcement	Reports Due
Halloween "Booze It & Lose It" Campaign		
Weekend 1	Oct. 30-Nov. 2	5 p.m., Nov. 3
No Need 2 Speed/Operation Slow Down		
Week 1	Nov. 17-23	5 p.m., Nov. 24
Week 2	Nov. 24-30	5 p.m., Dec. 1
Holiday "Booze It & Lose It" Campaign		
Week 1	Dec. 1-7	5 p.m., Dec. 8
Week 2	Dec. 8-14	5 p.m., Dec. 15
Week 3	Dec. 15-21	5 p.m., Dec. 22
Week 4	Dec. 22-28	5 p.m., Dec. 29
Week 5	Dec. 29-Jan. 4	5 p.m., Jan. 5
Tree of Life Ceremony-Raleigh		
Dec. 5, 5:30 p.m. at the State Capitol		
Tree of Life Ceremony- Wilmington		
Dec. 12, 5:30 p.m. at Battleship Park		

Below: Hickory Police Department receives traffic safety grant, (left to right): Chief Tom Adkins, Master Police Officer Cam Anderson, Darrell Jernigan and Officer Jonathan Bumgarner.



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2009 GHSP Calendar Entries

Thank you to all the agencies that submitted pictures. Here are just a few we received.

Raleigh Police Department



Southern Pines Police Department



Alamance County Sheriff's Office



Carthage Police Department



UNC-G Police Department



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