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Seven DUI Checkpoints set for 4th of July Weekend

Dover – Seven sobriety checkpoints are scheduled to take place during the inaugural weekend of the 2007 *Checkpoint Strikeforce* campaign. Agencies participating in this year’s campaign are Delaware State Police, Dover Police, Millsboro Police, and the municipal agencies that make up the County DUI Task Forces.

This year the Kent and Sussex County DUI Task Forces are partnering to work their checkpoints together. Their new name will be the Kent/Sussex County DUI Task Force. The DUI Task Force leaders for 2007 are as follows – NcCo DUI Task Force: Chief Michael Capriglione, Newport PD; Kent/Sussex Co. DUI Task Force: co-leaders Chief Kenneth McLaughlin, Ocean View PD and Sgt. Geoff David, Milford PD.

Friday June 29th - Wilmington (NcCo DUI Task Force)
Laurel (Kent/Sussex Co. Task Force)
Newark area (joint DSP Troop 6 & T9)
Dover (Dover PD)

Saturday June 30th - Milford (Kent/Sussex Co. DUI Task Force)
Millsboro (Millsboro PD)
Seaford area (DSP Troop 5)

“Checkpoint Strikeforce” is a multi-state crackdown on impaired driving. Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia are conducting weekly DUI checkpoints between June 29th, 2007 and January 1, 2008. Checkpoint Strikeforce is aimed at removing DUI offenders and deterring those who might otherwise choose to drive after drinking alcohol.

It is also one of the three major safety initiatives under the “120 Days of Summer HEAT” campaign targeting violators of Delaware’s traffic laws. Traffic deaths kill and injure Delawareans nearly twice as often as violent crimes.

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