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Traffic Safety Initiative

Members of the Saratoga Springs Police Department participated in the national campaign "Click It or Ticket, Day or Night" from May 19th through June 1st.

"Click It or Ticket", which this was a part of, is a National Highway Traffic Safety Administration campaign aimed at increasing the use of seat belts among people in the United States. The campaign relies heavily on targeted advertising in conjunction with increased enforcement.

During every month in 2011, an average of 10 motorists in Saratoga County who did not where a seatbelt were injured severely enough to require hospital treatment.

Grant funding from the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee gave Saratoga Springs police officers the opportunity to conduct numerous directed patrols, as well participate in a seat belt compliance checkpoint, during the 2 week period.

On Wednesday, May 28th, SSPD partnered with the Saratoga County Sheriff's Office and the Canadian Pacific Railway Police to conduct a checkpoint on State Route 50 near SPAC. The checkpoint yielded a total of **46** Uniform Traffic Tickets being issued between all the agencies involved that day. Notably, these citations included (4) Seat Belt violations, (2) Aggravated Unlicensed Operators, and (1) Operating without an Interlock Device.

Additionally, the checkpoint yielded 3 arrests for Unlawful Possession of Marijuana and 1 arrest for Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 7th.



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Overall, enforcement from the Saratoga Springs Police Department during the two weeks yielded 78 Uniform Traffic Tickets issued. These citations included 44 seat belt violations and various other moving and equipment violations. Four arrests were made for Aggravated Unlicensed Operation.

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