

# Centerline Newsletter



North Carolina Department of Transportation

Winter 2011

## Message from GHSP

Greetings from the staff of the Governor's Highway Safety Program. We have been busy over the past two months preparing and hosting the 2011 Traffic Safety Symposiums in Charlotte and Wilmington. Despite the weather, we still had a great turn out with more than 500 law enforcement officers, judges, magistrates and prosecutors from across the state in attendance.

We have also had several staff changes that include the retirement of our director, David Weinstein, in December. Cheryl Leonard and Craig Moss, two highway safety specialists resigned as well; therefore, we ask for your patience regarding grant processing while we are short staffed.

We are very excited about launching a new web-based grant system this spring that will impact the 2012 grant application process. Grants through GHSP will only be available using this new online system, which we anticipate launching in April. The deadline for applications will be extended this year due to the system launch, tentatively set for April 29.

The new system requires a user ID and password. The Grants Management Access Form is now located on the GHSP website. Only those who complete the form will be offered training, so it is imperative that agencies complete the form as soon as possible. More information will be posted to our website as it becomes available. Please check it often as dates, reminders and helpful documents will be added in the future.

We would like to extend our appreciation to the law enforcement agencies that made all the 2010 highway safety campaigns such a success. We wish you all a happy and prosperous 2011!

Sincerely,

GHSP Staff

## Director's Award Recipients



*Pictured above (left to right): Darrell Jernigan, GHSP law enforcement liaison; Beth Horner, GHSP public information officer; Tom Crosby, AAA Carolinas vice president of communications; Chief Tom Adkins, Hickory Police Department; Sgt. Rhonda Faust, Mooresville Police Department; Shannon Bullock, GHSP finance officer and Don Nail, GHSP assistant director.*



*Pictured above (left to right): Don Nail, GHSP assistant director; Pat Hansen, Cary Police Department's Citizens Assisting Police Team member; Ingrid Wright, Cary Police Department's Citizens Assisting Police Team member; Bobbie Jo Squires, Wake County magistrate; Sgt. Todd Willett, Durham Police Department and Darrell Jernigan, GHSP law enforcement liaison.*

## Upcoming Campaigns Dates and Deadlines

Week	Dates of Enforcement	Reports Due
<b>St. Patrick's Day "Booze It &amp; Lose It"</b>		
Week 1	March 11-17	5 p.m., March 18
<b>"No Need 2 Speed"</b>		
Week 1	March 28-April 3	5 p.m., April 4
<b>"Click It or Ticket"</b>		
Week 1	May 23-30	5 p.m., May 31
Week 2	May 31-June 5	5 p.m., June 6

## North Carolina Trucking Association wins the SUMMA CUM LAUDE Safety Award



Above: John Joines, sr. vice president of Great West Casualty and Rick Cates, director of safety and security for the North Carolina Trucking Association.

Officers in attendance at the Fall "No Need 2 Speed" kickoff event in Hillsborough.



### Save the Date

### Motorcycle Safety Week May 2-8, 2011

*Stay tuned for upcoming events.*



## MORE THAN 622,400 TRAFFIC AND CRIMINAL CITATIONS ISSUED DURING 2010 HIGHWAY SAFETY CAMPAIGNS

State and local law enforcement officers across North Carolina issued 622,413 traffic and criminal citations during highway safety campaigns last year.

Last year's totals include 16,096 driving while impaired arrests and 51,754 occupant protection citations for safety belt and child passenger safety violations. Officers also issued 174,250 speeding violations and 6,485 recovered fugitives from justice. The success of these campaigns would not have been possible without the dedication of the law enforcement agencies that participate. We are very fortunate in North Carolina to have such dedicated highway safety advocates.

**BOOZE IT  
& LOSE IT.**



## 2011 GHSP Wall Calendars Now Available!

We received more than 30 entries this year, which produced a great looking calendar. If you would like additional copies, please contact our office. Agencies can submit photos to GHSP anytime throughout the year for consideration for the 2012 calendar. We would love to receive seasonal shots from across the state. Thank you to all the agencies that submitted photos. Below is an entry from the Morehead City Police Department in front of their new traffic trailer.



*Pictured above (left to right): Lt. Trent Johnson, Officer Joe Barnes, Officer Chris Burroughs, Sgt. Nick Stoneroad, and Lt. James Gaskill.*

**Congratulations to Kelly Ransdell, deputy director of the Office of the State Fire Marshall and director of Safe Kids North Carolina, on receiving the 2010 Governor's Award for Excellence.**



*Pictured above (left to right): Governor Bev Perdue, Kelly Ransdell and Mark Edwards, assistant commissioner of the NC Department of Insurance.*

## 2011 Point System Reminders

- The point year began Oct. 1, 2010, and will end Sept. 30, 2011.
- All submission forms are subject to review and approval by GHSP staff to ensure accuracy.
- As a grant agency you need to submit points for **EVERYTHING**. GHSP will deduct points at the end of the year based on your contract.
- If you submit a multi-agency checkpoint, do not forget to include the name of each agency that participated in order to receive points.
- We have added the Bike Safe NC program as a point-earning activity. To learn more about the program, visit [www.bikesafenc.com](http://www.bikesafenc.com).
- Please visit the Law Enforcement page on our website for further clarification on definitions of point-earning activities.

For agencies that ordered equipment in October through the points system, all equipment has been ordered and is currently being processed with the state purchasing and contract department. The equipment will be shipped directly to your agency.

Once you receive your order, you will need to email Deidra Joyner ([deidrajoyner@ncdot.gov](mailto:deidrajoyner@ncdot.gov)) at GHSP to notify her that you have received the shipment and provide the serial numbers of each item. It is imperative that you follow up with Deidra once you receive your order.



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