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Woodridge Police Department to Be Out in Force during Thanksgiving Holiday

Woodridge, IL – Police and safety officials in Woodridge are reminding residents to fasten their seat belts and drive sober over the Thanksgiving holiday. “Whether you’re going across town or across the country this Thanksgiving, please make sure everyone in the car is wearing their seat belt” said Gina Grady, Woodridge Chief of Police.

The Woodridge Police Department is joining the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), the Illinois State Police (ISP) and local law enforcement agencies across the state to save more lives by strongly enforcing seat belt and impaired driving law during the Thanksgiving campaign from November 18 – December 1.

In Illinois, during the 2012 Thanksgiving holiday, nine vehicle occupants died in motor vehicle traffic crashes- three of those deaths involved a drinking driver and over 700 individuals were injured. Remember – wearing your seat belt is your best defense against an impaired driver.

According to the U.S. Department of Transportation’s National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), seat belts saved almost 12,000 lives nationwide in 2011. Buckle up and encourage your loved ones to do the same. You will save the cost of a ticket and it may even save a life.

For more information about the Click It or Ticket and the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over campaigns, please visit www.buckleupillinois.org. The Thanksgiving Traffic Enforcement campaign is funded through an IDOT grant.

Remember: *Click It or Ticket!* You’ll be thankful you did.

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