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This holiday season, stay off the naughty list: drive sober

Lake in the Hills, IL – The Lake in the Hills Police Department is partnering with the Illinois Department of Transportation and law enforcement agencies throughout the state for a high-visibility enforcement campaign to crack down on impaired driving during the winter holidays. From Dec. 18 through Jan. 4, motorists will see an increase in patrols and traffic stops, along with additional messaging on the dangers of driving impaired. This enforcement campaign coincides with the holiday season, which is one of the deadliest times of the year in terms of drunk-driving fatalities.

The Lake in the Hills Police Department recommends these safe alternatives to driving impaired:

- Plan ahead for a sober ride home. Designate a sober driver, take public transportation or use a ride-sharing service.
- If you're with a friend or family member who intends to drive impaired, take their keys away and make arrangements to get them home safely.
- Always buckle up! It's your best defense against impaired drivers.

The Illinois *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* campaign is administered by IDOT with federal highway safety funds managed by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). For more information about NHTSA's *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* campaign visit:

<https://one.nhtsa.gov/drivesober/>.

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