



# SHELTON POLICE DEPARTMENT



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## **\*\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\*\***

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### **Shelton Police DUI Checkpoint Statistics**

On Friday, May 28, 2010, The Shelton Police Department conducted a DUI checkpoint. 731 motorists were interviewed during the DUI checkpoint at Howe Avenue and Cornell Street, and Bridgeport Avenue and Blacks Hill Road. Four people were arrested and charged with DUI, one person was issued a misdemeanor summons for operating under suspension and failure to wear a seatbelt, and three people were given an infraction ticket.

Shelton Police have more DUI checkpoints planned throughout the year. In addition, officers will still be out strictly enforcing the motor vehicle laws, especially DUI.

The four people arrested for DUI were all released on a \$500.00 bond and given a court date of June 11, 2010 at Derby Court. The four arrested for DUI were:

James Yeates age 43 of Ansonia  
Melissa Elmore age 23 of Fairfield  
Christopher Johnston age 23 of New Milford  
David Bevans age 21 of Shelton

### **Original Press Release** **Shelton Police to conduct DUI Checkpoint**

The Shelton Police Department will conduct a DUI enforcement checkpoint on Friday, May 28, 2010 from 6:30 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. The roadblock will be conducted at Bridgeport Avenue in the area between Blacks Hill Road and the Commuter Lot, and/or Howe Ave at Cornell St.

The checkpoint will be headed by the Shelton Police Traffic Division with assistance from the patrol division. The checkpoint is being partially funded by a grant from the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation. The goal of the checkpoint is to make the roads in Shelton a safer place to drive this holiday weekend. Drivers are reminded that drinking and driving do not mix.

According to the Connecticut Department of Transportation, the percentage of alcohol related fatalities in Connecticut during 2007, 46%, was slightly higher than the national average of 41% and slightly above the 41% in the other New England States. Of the Connecticut fatal crashes, 39% were estimated to have been "high" Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) crashes - (BAC 0.08). The national estimate for "high" BAC crashes was 35% and was 38% in the other New England states.

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