



**Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over This Halloween**  
***The Ocean Ridge Police Department Is Cracking Down on Drunk Drivers***

When Halloween arrives this Saturday, the Ocean Ridge police will be pulling over and arresting drunk drivers as part their *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* enforcement effort. The Ocean Ridge Police Department wants everyone to understand that our community has zero tolerance for drunk drivers and will be working especially hard to keep our roads safe this Halloween.

Drinking and driving is deadly, it is illegal, and it will get you pulled over and arrested this Halloween. If you want to stay safe and out of jail this Halloween then make a plan to get home without driving if you've been drinking. Planning for a safe ride home should be part of everyone's Halloween party preparations.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), 43 percent of all people killed in motor vehicle crashes on Halloween night (6 p.m. October 31<sup>st</sup> – 5:59 a.m. November 1<sup>st</sup>) from 2009 to 2013 were in crashes involving a drunk driver. On Halloween Night alone 119 people lost their lives over that same period. Children out trick-or-treating and the parents accompanying them are also at risk as 19 percent of fatal pedestrian crashes on Halloween night (2009-2013) involved drunk drivers.

The *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* enforcement campaign works to keep us all safe on the road and urges everyone to follow these simple tips:

- Plan a safe way to get home ***before*** you attend the party. Alcohol impairs judgement, as well as reaction time. If you're drunk you're more like to choose to drive drunk.
- Designate a sober driver, take public transportation, a car service, or a call a sober friend or family member to get home.
- Walking while impaired can be just as dangerous as drunk driving. Designate a sober friend to walk you home.
- If you see a drunk driver on the road, contact local law enforcement as soon as it's safe to do so.
- If you see someone you think is about to drive while impaired, take their keys and help them get home safely.

***The Ocean Ridge Police Department encourages you to drink responsibly and have a designated driver.***

Intoxication and impairment begins with the very first drink.  
You can be impaired and arrested, or worse even if you BAC is under 0.08.

For more information visit the NHTSA website at <http://www.nhtsa.gov/Impaired>