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## **ST. PATRICK’S DAY - NO LUCK FOR DRUNK DRIVERS**

**YORK COUNTY** – The Virginia State Police and York-Poquoson Sheriff’s Office joined resources on March 17, 2008 in the annual St. Patrick’s Day enforcement effort in the multi-state, zero-tolerance initiative which was designed to get impaired drivers off Virginia’s roads through the use of law enforcement sobriety checkpoints and patrols where drunk driving is most likely to occur.

The checkpoint was held in the northbound lanes of George Washington Memorial Highway and Alexander Hamilton Parkway. Both agencies screened over 740 vehicles and yielded 31 summonses and arrests, to include the following

- 3 Driving Under the Influence
- 2 Refusals
- 1 Felony Drug Arrest
- 2 Child Restraints
- 10 Suspended / Invalid Operator Licenses Violations
- 10 Inspection Violations
- 3 other Traffic Violations

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) also participated in the safety campaign by generously providing lights, and cones for the site.

*Virginia Highway Safety Challenge, drive drug and alcohol free, always buckle up, avoid distractions, share the road and obey speed limits.”*

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