

DUI enforcement snares 65 drivers in EDC

From 12:01am Aug. 21 through midnight Sept. 7 officers representing six El Dorado County law enforcement agencies have arrested 65 individuals for allegedly driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs. There were **three deaths** which are being investigated as potential DUIs in the area.

The enforcement was part of the national Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over campaign to save lives and make our roads safer.

“DUI enforcement resulted in far too many drunk driving arrests and citations countywide over the past 18 days,” officials said in a press release. “If everyone would drive sober, thousands of lives could be saved each year. In 2013 alone, there were 10,076 people killed in alcohol-impaired-driving crashes in the United States. California’s DUI deaths stood at 867 that year. That’s almost a third of all the traffic crash fatalities for the year according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.”

Law enforcement officials will be conducting more anti-DUI efforts throughout the county and region again during Halloween before planning for the December Winter DUI Mobilization.

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