



## FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **Increased Patrols Aid in Safe Memorial Day Weekend**

The men and women of the Flagler County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) maintained an increased presence on roadways with seatbelt, speed, and aggressive driving enforcement along with countywide DUI enforcement over the Memorial Day weekend. The Marine Unit patrolled the beaches and intracoastal waterways as well to promote boater safety and deter Boating Under the Influence (BUI) as long as the weather permitted.



Speed enforcement detail on Palm Coast Parkway with Deputy Uncle Sam.

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Deputy Uncle Sam was assisting deputies with a speed enforcement detail on Palm Coast Parkway on Monday. The highest speed recorded was 63 mph in a 40 mph zone. The FCSO encourages everyone to obey posted speed limit signs for the safety of themselves and others on the roadway.

"I believe the extra presence of deputies on the roadways and waterways along with a lot of rain on Monday helped us have a safe weekend in Flagler County," Sheriff Rick Staly said. "The overall goal was to keep Flagler County residents and visitors safe and we achieved that; but some did not listen and spent part of the holiday weekend in the Green Roof Inn."

The increased presence of deputies resulted in a total of five DUI arrests and zero BUIs over the holiday weekend. There were a total of 28 vehicle crashes with 8 of them resulting in injuries to the occupants of the vehicles, and no traffic fatalities. A total of 294 traffic stops were made along with 8 boating stops. In addition, a total of 31 arrests were made for various other violations of Florida laws.

While Memorial Day weekend is over, the Flagler County Sheriff's Office asks the public to continue to practice boating and water safety as we enter the summer months. And never drink and drive.

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