

Rick Staly, Sheriff FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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FCSO Memorial Day Safety Campaign Delivers Results

This past weekend residents all over Flagler County celebrated Memorial Day weekend by hosting backyard barbeques, heading to the beach, and being with family and friends. But some Flagler County residents ended their Memorial Day weekend by trading in their freedoms for a stay at the Green Roof Inn.



Uncle Sam aka Deputy Collins and Sheriff Rick Staly working seatbelt enforcement and education on Friday, May 25th.

While the rest of us enjoyed the long weekend at home or at the beach, the men and women of the Flagler County Sheriff's Office patrol units maintained an increased presence on roadways with seatbelt, speed, and aggressive driving enforcement along with countywide DUI enforcement. The newly relaunched full-time Marine/Beach unit was patrolling the beaches and intracoastal and canal waterways as well to promote boater safety and deter Boating Under the Influence (BUI).

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"Overall Memorial Day weekend in Flagler County was a success," Sheriff Staly said. "Aside from a few people misbehaving, we had a relatively low-key holiday and I know we can attribute that to the extra presence of deputies on the roads and waterways. The goal was to keep Flagler County residents and visitors safe and we achieved that, thanks to the hard work and dedication of the men and women of the Flagler County Sheriff's Office"

The increased presence of deputies resulted in a total of three DUI arrests and zero BUI's over the holiday weekend. There were a total of 17 vehicle crashes, only three of them resulting with injuries to the occupants of the vehicles and no fatalities. A total of 392 traffic stops were made along with 20 boating stops. Additionally, there were 6 Domestic Violence arrests made over the long weekend as well.

While Memorial Day is over, the Flagler County Sheriff's Office asks the public to continue to find a safe ride home if you plan to consume alcohol and to practice boating and water safety as we enter the summer months.

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