## Increased patrol is planned for St. Patrick's holiday

St. Patrick's Day is coming up on March 17. People across the nation will gather to celebrate the day, and typically alcohol plays a part in these celebrations.

Before you go out, or attend parties, make sure you have a safe way to get home.

Law enforcement across the state will be out actively looking for impaired drivers.

The Patrol's Breath Alcohol Unit will be active in numerous communities throughout the state assisting various agencies with zero-tolerance enforcements.

"Law enforcement officers throughout the state will be actively enforcing the laws relating to alcohol consumption and DUI," Patrol Superintendent Colonel Terry Maple said.

In 2008, there were six fatal crashes on St. Patrick's Day The reporting period was from

March 14 at 6 p.m., until March 17 at midnight. Of the six fatal crashes that

weekend, three of them were alcohol-related. There were 54 total alcohol-

related crashes that weekend, which injured 35 people.

It is illegal in Kansas to drive or attempt to operate a motor vehicle with a BAC of .08 or higher. Penalties for impaired driving

include loss of driving privileges, fines, court costs, and possible

jail time. The more severe consequences of drinking and driving include injuring or killing yourself, an occupant of your vehicle, or the occupants of another vehicle.

To celebrate safely, the Patrol suggests taking the following precautions:

• Do not drink if you're planning to drive.

• If you plan to drink, designate a non-drinking driver and give that person your keys.

You should also take with you a list of numbers for cabs or friends to call for a safe, sober ride.

• Never ride with a driver who has been drinking.

• If possible, plan to spend the night at the event.

• If you are throwing a party, provide non-alcoholic alternatives, and never let guests drive

• Report impaired drivers to your local law enforcement agen-

· Always buckle up and properly secure children in their safety seats. This is your best defense if you're involved in a crash.

## Baking cookies at the Andbe Home



Levina Ingram helped children from Rosalie McMullen's Day Care center bake cookies at the Andbe Home last Thursday. The kids were at the retirement home to help Norton County Farm Bureau celebrate National Agriculture Week. The kids and sev-

eral residents participated in various activities including reading stories and baking cookies.

-Telegram photo by Erica Bradley

## Police Log

March 5

9:52 p.m. Report of individuals racing motors, 400 block E.

10:13 p.m. Report of dog running loose, 700 block N. Norton 10:14 p.m. Report of individual

running out of fuel March 6

1:03 a.m. Motorist assist

9:51 a.m. Report of damage to 11:46 a.m. Individual causing

trouble for another individual, 500 block W. Wilton 1:06 p.m. Report of parents

looking for juvenile son

1:48 p.m. Son located

1:58 p.m. Report of lost dogs

2:46 p.m. Request information

on abandoned vehicle 3:51 p.m. Individual causing

problems for another individual, 500 block W. Wilton

3:56 p.m. Both dogs found 5:15 p.m. Report of kids throwing rocks at house,

March 7

12:40 a.m. Report of individual not wanting people on their prop-

12:52 a.m. Report of dog barking, Waverly and Jones

8:20 a.m. Report of red stop light not working 8:27 a.m. Report of stray dog

with possible broken leg 9:40 a.m. Report of car alarm

going off, Walter Motors 11:22 a.m. Report of barking

dog, 300 block First

12:38 p.m. Motorist assist 2:40 p.m. Civil standby

7:14 p.m. Welfare check

March 8

7:05 a.m. Report of dogs going through trash, 600 block N. Second

9:50 a.m. Report of stray dogs running, 500 block N. Second 3:41 p.m. Report of individuals

violating protection order March 9

4:05 p.m. Abandoned 911 call, 300 block Woodsfield

6:30 p.m. Individual needed information on vehicle equipment 7:14 p.m. Report of theft, 500

block N. State

8:45 p.m. Information of theft 9:40 p.m. Loud music com-

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plaint, 300 block Wabash

March 10

12:28 a.m. Report of intoxicated individual that won't leave, 500 block W. Wilton

4:04 a.m. Request for ride home from Norton County Hospital

5:06 a.m. Activated alarm, Dollar General

March 11

10:30 a.m. Presentation to Eisenhower Elementary School 3:47 p.m. Two vehicle accident,

E. Lincoln 4:25 p.m. Court paper service

4:30 p.m. Request to speak to officer concerning ongoing case

March 12

light

10:43 a.m. Report of lost black leather notebook, Kansas High-

way Patol 12:47 p.m. Report of individual

•Romaine Lettuce

•Oranges •Bananas

•Potatoes •Onions

Avocados

•Red Cabbage •Apples

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•Red Leaf Lettuce •Spinach

5:12 p.m. Report of information

concerning case 8:57 a.m. Traffic control, Stop-

9:07 a.m. Funeral escort

receiving harassing text mes-

4:25 p.m. Council packets de-

5:05 p.m. Report of gas skip 9:05 p.m. Request information

on civil matter 9:57 p.m. Report of items taken off porch, 300 block Jones

March 13

1:00 a.m. Report of bar fight 5:04 a.m. Report of two dogs running loose, 500 block W.

Woodsfield 5:45 a.m. Report of dogs bark-

ing, 300 block W. Washington 6:27 a.m. Vehicle stop, State

and North

 $10:\!02\,a.m.\,Report\,of\,dogs\,bark$ ing, 300 block W. Washington 3:23 p.m. Report of stray dog,

700 block N. Jones 8:05 p.m. Report of vehicle all

over the road, W. Washington 8:42 p.m. Report of vehicle tailgating, State St.

March 14

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12:51 a.m. Report of fireworks going off, 300 block Lincoln

1:21 a.m. Report of loud music, 500 block W. Wilton

1:27 p.m. Report of individual finding injured squirrel

1:36 p.m. Served court papers 5:50 p.m. Request for civil In the last two weeks, the police

standby

department did 16 vehicle stops.



best wishes on her Retirement

Friday, March 19th from

3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Lenora Community Building

Come and go, public is invited

Serving cake and punch

Hosted by Rural Telephone and Nex-Tech





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