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PRESS RELEASE

Shawangunk Police Chief Frank Petrone, President of the Police Chiefs' Association of Ulster County and John Miller, Coordinator of Ulster County STOP DWI announce the first of six statewide "**Crack Down Weekends**" for DWI enforcement in Ulster County in 2009.

As a part of the "**Over the Limit, Under Arrest**" national campaign, the "Crack Down Weekend," from January 26th through February 2nd 2009, will focus on those who choose to drink and drive during the Super Bowl weekend.

While police agencies throughout Ulster County are always alert to the actions of drunk drivers, during "**Crack Down Weekends**", additional police patrols and multiple enforcement agencies will be working together to ensure that if you drink and drive while over the limit, you will be arrested.

Chief Petrone reminds motorists that the state limit for DWI is .08 and if you operate a vehicle in an impaired condition, Ulster County's Police agencies will find you and arrest you.

John Miller encourages motorists to select a designated driver before heading out to cheer their favorite team to victory. The failure to plan for a safe ride home is often the beginning of a long process involving arrest and prosecution, and in the worst cases, injury or death.

County Executive Mike Hein commented, "This is yet another way in which Ulster County police agencies, the Ulster County Sheriff's Office, and Ulster County Stop DWI insure the safety of County residents and visitors to our community. These fine agencies are to be commended for their ongoing efforts to keep us all safe."