

PRESS RELEASE #03252009



TOMBALL POLICE DEPARTMENT

400 Fannin, Tomball, Texas 77375 (281) 351-5451 Fax: (281) 351-2615

For Immediate Release

Date: March 25, 2009 Contact: Rick Grassi Police Captain Phone: (281) 290-1346

Tomball Police Department Targets Impaired Drivers

Throughout the month of March, the Tomball Police Department (TPD) recognized an increasing number of alcohol related motor vehicle accidents within the City of Tomball. To address this issue the TPD partnered with the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) and the Harris County District Attorneys Office to conduct a D.W.I. initiative March 20 -21, 2009.

As a result of the initiative, TPD officers and DPS troopers arrested seven (7) people for operating a motor vehicle under the influence of either drugs or alcohol. Harris County District Attorney's Office personnel were on hand to accept charges on all arrestees, as well as issue subpoenas for blood on those drivers who refused to give a breath specimen. This is all part of a "zero tolerance" initiative that is intended to heighten public awareness and make the streets of Tomball safer.

The Tomball Police Department will continue to partner with local law enforcement agencies to address these issues. In addition to these arrests, the initiative also led to three (3) narcotics related arrests, and the arrest of a burglary suspect.