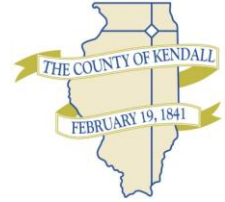




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Kendall County Sheriff's Office Announces Results of Distracted Driving Awareness Week Enforcement Campaign

The Kendall County Sheriff's Office recently participated in the 2019 Illinois Distracted Driving Awareness Week educational and enforcement campaign from April 21st through April 27th, 2019. Deputies focused additional efforts on driver's using mobile phones without hands free devices in an effort to increase awareness and enhance traffic safety.

During that timeframe deputies conducted 198 traffic stops, issued 48 traffic citations--including 8 for Use of Electronic Device while driving, 3 DUI, and 1 for illegal transportation of open alcohol. Deputies also wrote 10 warnings for Use of Electronic Device while driving, and 168 other written warnings for other moving or equipment violations during that week. There were no "Scott's Law" violations recorded.

Scott's Law (625 ILCS 5/11-907) requires motorists to slow down and move over if possible on approach to flashing emergency lights on the side of the road. A Scott's Law violation can carry a possible fine of up to \$10,000 and could result in a driver's license suspension. The Sheriff's Office wishes to remind the public that this week long campaign was intended to bring attention to the dangers of distracted driving. All drivers should remember the importance of always staying alert, focused and concentrating on the road all the time.