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## **Launch of OHS's Dedicated DUI Checkpoint Campaign 1<sup>st</sup> in Honor of DSP Cpl. Christopher Shea**

**WHAT:** The Office of Highway Safety is launching its Dedicated DUI Checkpoint initiative as part of the 2007 *Checkpoint Strikeforce* campaign. OHS will dedicate the first checkpoint under this initiative to the memory of Delaware State Police Cpl. Christopher Shea, who was killed by an impaired driver on July 18, 2004 on Rt. 1 South of Milford. There will be at least 8 more checkpoint dedications occurring statewide over the next 6 months of the campaign.

**WHY:** The goals of Delaware's new Dedicated DUI Checkpoint Campaign are to a) pay tribute to the victim's of the deadly crime of impaired driving b) honor the family members and friends who keep their memories alive c) demonstrate the commitment that OHS and Delaware's law enforcement community have for fighting this deadly crime and d) remind the community of the tragic consequences of drinking and driving

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**PHOTO OPPS:** A certificate of Dedication will be presented to members of Cpl. Shea's family. A large poster board of the checkpoint dedication to Cpl. Shea with his photo will be presented to Troop 7 where he was assigned. Troopers working the checkpoint will attend and after the dedication ceremony, troopers will head to the checkpoint site on Rt. 1 Southbound, just south of the intersection with Rt. 30 in Milford to begin working and will display the poster board there. The site is just one mile south of where the tragic crash that claimed Cpl. Shea's life occurred.

### **WHEN & WHERE:**

**FRIDAY JULY 20<sup>TH</sup>**

**1) 10:00 p.m. - Checkpoint Dedication Ceremony to begin – at DSP Troop 7, Rt. 1 south Lewes. Media should plan to be there by 9:45 p.m.**

**2) 10:45 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. (DUI Checkpoint to begin on Rt. 1 south Milford)**

**WHO:** Lisa Moore, Impaired Driving Program Coordinator, Office of Highway Safety  
Secretary David B. Mitchell – Department of Safety and Homeland Security  
Colonel Thomas. F. MacLeish – Superintendent, Delaware State Police  
Captain John Yeomans – Commander DSP Troop 7  
Family of Cpl. Shea