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Suspects Arrested:

Frances Retiz, 23 years old, from Visalia

Michael Pace, 41 years old, from Visalia

Details:

On 3/11/11 – 3/12/11, between 2100-0300 hrs, members of the Visalia Police Department DUI Team, Traffic Unit, Reserve Unit, Volunteer Unit, and Patrol Division conducted a DUI checkpoint in the area of Mineral King and Bridge. During the course of this detail there were 153 vehicles checked, with 4 FST's given, resulting in 2 DUI arrests. There were also 2 citations for unlicensed driving issued, 1 for driving on a suspended license, and 16 additional citations issued for other offenses. Four vehicles were towed and stored during the checkpoint, with none impounded.

The DUI Enforcement Team and other units of the Visalia Police Department will be conducting additional details aimed at deterring drinking and driving. Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

If you have any questions, contact Sergeant Gary Williams at 713-4216.

Submitted by Sgt. B. Winter , 3-12-2011.