SLTPD beefing up DUI patrols

South Lake Tahoe Police Department has plans for two roving DUI saturation patrols on Nov. 28 and Nov. 29.

Sgt. Shannon Laney in a press release said, “A lot of folks think they know their own limits. They think that if they’re just a little ‘buzzed,’ then they’re still good to drive. Time and again, drivers who may have only had a couple of drinks put themselves and others at serious risk. Driving with any alcohol in your system can be dangerous.”

More than 10,322 people are killed by drunken drivers in America annually.

South Lake Tahoe officers offer these tips:

· Even one drink can impair your judgment and reaction time and increase the risk of getting arrested for driving drunk or having a crash.

· If you will be drinking, do not plan on driving. Plan ahead; designate a sober driver before the party begins.

· When you know you’ll be drinking, leave your keys at home or give them to someone else.

· If you have been drinking, do not drive – even a short distance. Call a taxi, phone a sober friend or family member, use public transportation.