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Metro DUI Squad Arrests Clerks during Beer Sting

The Metro D.U.I. Squad conducted an undercover "beer sting" at various liquor stores, grocery stores, convenience markets, bars and restaurants last Friday night, March 6. Officers visited businesses on Chelsea, Hollywood, Jackson and other nearby streets.

Violations of the beer and alcohol laws were noted at 10 businesses, 45% of the 22 visited by undercover officers.

There were twelve (12) arrests. Ten (10) clerks arrested for selling beer or alcohol to persons under the legal drinking age of 21 or not checking the identification of customers. One adult was arrested for purchasing beer for an underage person and another person who was driving on a suspended license and violating the child restraint law.

2009 Statistics:

Beer Stings Conducted: 2

Total Arrests: 23

The Shelby County Sheriff's Office and the Germantown Police Department comprise the Metro D.U.I. Squad. Last Saturday night's beer sting was part of an on-going effort funded by the Governor's Highway Safety Office to stop the sale of alcohol to minors.

A complete listing of the stores visited by officers is being sent with this news release in a separate Email file.

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