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### Fireworks Violators Cited

The St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office issued 113 summonses and confiscated an estimated \$10,000 worth of fireworks over the New Year's Holiday for the illegal use of fireworks in St. Charles Parish. The vast majority of these summonses were issued between 10:30 PM and 12:30 AM on New Years Eve.

"It is disheartening that so many chose to participate in this illegal activity especially after the extensive publicity reminding residents that the sale, possession, and use of fireworks was illegal in St. Charles Parish," said Sheriff Greg Champagne. In addition to news releases and postings on Social Networks, every home received a telephone call on New Years Eve reminding residents that firework activity is illegal. "The sheriff's office does not make the laws, but it is our responsibility to enforce them", Champagne added.

Under the parish ordinance 92-10-23 passed by the St. Charles Parish Council, anyone found guilty of violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or be imprisoned thirty (30) days in jail, or both.

