



STATE OF DELAWARE  
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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

**WHAT:** Mocktail party at Mr. Go Glass in Lewes, in partnership with State Farm Insurance. A Mocktail is a non-alcoholic cocktail party for the public where non-alcoholic punch and appropriate party foods are served along with safety information about DUI laws and the consequences for breaking them. Booklets containing responsible party hosting tips as well as food and drink recipes for a holiday gathering are available at the event as well.

The public can also participate in demonstrations using the DUI/Fatal Vision Goggles.

This is one of 9 Mocktail Parties being held statewide this holiday season.

**WHY:** Mocktail parties are held to demonstrate that a successful holiday celebration does not have to include alcohol. However, if hosts plan to serve beer, wine or liquor, there are recommended foods to serve at these gatherings. It is the host's responsibility to get everyone home safely.

Between Thanksgiving week and New Year's Day last year, there were 2 alcohol-related fatalities and 88 alcohol-related injuries in Delaware.

Since January 1, 2008, alcohol has been a factor in 41 or 36% of Delaware 114 traffic deaths, a decrease of 11% compared to this time last year.

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**WHEN & WHERE:** **Wednesday December 3rd**  
**11 a.m. to 1 p.m**  
**Mr. Go Glass - Behind the WaWa on Rt. 1 south in**  
**Lewes**

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