



**SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS**

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**MEDIA RELEASE**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

DATE: APRIL 18, 2006  
AGENCY: SEDGWICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
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**SEDGWICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO PRESENT UNDERAGE DRINKING SEMINAR  
"CODE BLACK 2006 –A POWERFUL LESSON – MY LIFE SENTENCE"**

THE SEDGWICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ALONG WITH THE REGIONAL COMMUNITY POLICING TRAINING INSTITUTE AT WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY WILL BE HOSTING THE FOURTH ANNUAL "CODE BLACK" SEMINAR. STUDENTS FROM ALL OVER WICHITA AND SEDGWICK COUNTY WILL BE ATTENDING THIS SEMINAR THAT HAS BEEN SPONSORED BY CREATIVE DESIGN TEES, DAVIS MOORE, FOX REAL ESTATE, KANSAS DRUNK DRIVING PREVENTION OFFICE, BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF KANSAS, KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE KANSAS TROOPERS ASSOCIATION.

THE FEATURED SPEAKER WILL BE MARK STERNER. HE WILL SHARE HIS STORY OF CHOOSING TO DRINK AND DRIVE WHILE ON SPRING BREAK. HE WAS BEHIND THE WHEEL WHEN A ONE CAR CRASH CLAIMED THE LIFE OF THREE OF HIS FRIENDS. HE SUFFERED SERIOUS INJURIES AND THEN WENT ON TO SPEND ALMOST THREE YEARS OF HIS LIFE IN A FLORIDA PRISON.

IRREVOCABLY CHANGED BY THE INCIDENT, HE BEGAN TO CRUSADE TO EDUCATE, PERSUADE OR JUST PLAIN SCARE OTHER STUDENTS TO WAKE UP TO THE DANGERS OF DRINKING AND DRIVING.

**DATE:** THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2006  
**WHERE:** WICHITA STATE METROPOLITAN COMPLEX  
**ADDRESS:** 5015 E. 29<sup>TH</sup> ST. N.  
**TIME:** 10:00 A.M. TO 11:00 A.M.

THERE WILL BE TRAFFIC SAFETY INFORMATION HANDED OUT TO THE STUDENTS WHO ATTEND.

MEDIA IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

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