

## New Teen Drivers Not Ready for Demands of the Road

A new booklet by DragonLyre Publishing helps teens prepare for the responsibilities of driving.

Gainesville, GA (PRWEB) June 22, 2005 -- Teens have long understood that a drivers license and their own wheels means freedom and social acceptance. But some are realizing that the hazards of the road, and the responsibilities that come with a driver $\hat{A} \Box s$  license, are more than they reckoned on.

Increasingly, it  $\hat{A} \Box s$  an experience that ends in tragedy. More and more teenagers are losing their lives in automobile accidents that, for the most part, could have been avoided.

A five-year study by the National Safety Council revealed that out of one hundred crashes resulting in a police report, thirty-seven involved 16 year old drivers. Further, this age group was more likely to be involved in a traffic mishap resulting in a fatality. Almost half the time teen drivers had a friend in the car with them.

Teens themselves are aware of the problem. DragonLyre Publishing has produced a new booklet -  $\hat{A} \square Arrive$  Alive! Tips and Tactics for Teen Drivers $\hat{A} \square$ . It was written for teens, at the request of their peers. The ideas and information inside might help spare the life of the sons and daughters of people just like us.

Some of the many helpful tips included in the booklet:

- -Make seatbelts a habit from the first time you slide into the driver $\hat{A} \Box s$  seat. Many accident victims are ejected from their cars during a wreck because they weren $\hat{A} \Box t$  strapped in. Seatbelts aren $\hat{A} \Box t$  only for you. Make sure your passengers understand and abide by your rule. No seatbelt, no ride.
- -If your car should run off the road, take your foot from the gas and gradually steer the car back onto the pavement. Avoid sharp jerks of the wheel that could cause lose of control when the tires suddenly grip the pavement again.
- -If your local resource officer has the capability, ask to try out the  $\hat{A} \Box$  drunk glasses  $\hat{A} \Box$ . They  $\hat{A} \Box$  re goggles that, when worn, simulate an intoxicated state, creating disorientation, dizziness, and balance problems similar to drunkenness. This is an eye-opener. It graphically demonstrates how a person reacts when under the influence.

The education and the safety of our teenagers should be the responsibility of all of us. DragonLyre Publishing has provided one more weapon in the war to keep our teens safe on the roads.

For additional information on "Arrive Alive", contact Rick Freeland or visit DragonLyre Publishing at dragonlyre.com. The booklet is available in either hard copy for \$5.95, or as a digital download for \$3.95.

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