



BREMERTON POLICE DEPARTMENT



Chief Strachan's Weekly Update

Bilingualism Is a Good Thing! Officer Jeff Inklebarger took a report last week of a one vehicle crash on the east side and found a pickup wedged between a tree and the fence. The intoxicated driver told him "No Habla Ingles" but fortunately, assisting Officer Larry Green speaks fluent Spanish. The intoxicated driver was duly processed for DUI.

Unmarked Squad Cars Can Also be A Good Thing! We had a serious violation of a No Contact Order last week involving a suspect who violated the Judge's order. Officers coming in for the evening shift were given the information and Officers Brandon Greenhill and Mike Nelson were assigned in an unmarked patrol car to locate and arrest the suspect. He was in custody within a few hours. This suspect had served over twelve years in prison for murder, so it was important to get this criminal off the streets and out of our town as quickly as possible.

...And Fully Marked Squad Cars Are A Good Thing Too! Wednesday afternoon a man entered a store on Park Avenue in downtown Bremerton and rushed up to the woman staffing the counter, grabbing and pushing her against the counter. He demanded all the money in the till. Fortunately, she was pinned right up against the panic alarm button. She was able to push the button and told the suspect that the police were on their way. The suspect ran out of the store, and she followed him to the middle of Park Avenue, where she saw a passing BPD patrol car. She flagged down the Officer even before the alarm company had called 911. While the officer gathered the information on the fleeing suspect, officers flooded the area and Sgt. Randy Olson located the suspect hiding in a stairwell of nearby office building. He provided a confession and was jailed for Robbery in the Second Degree.

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Picture #1 above is Corey Butler, a High Five Frequent Flyer we have been seeking for several weeks. He has had 210 (!) contacts with law enforcement and has both Bremerton Municipal Court and Washington State Dept. of Corrections arrest warrants. Sgt. Plumb's and Sgt. Davis' evening crews were asked to be innovative and find a way to get him in custody. After doing some research on social media sites, officers found one for

Corey, and posted a stock "selfie" photo on the internet of an unidentified but winsome and attractive young blond girl, calling herself "Sweet Cheeks" and offering to communicate with Corey. He quickly let her know he would love to meet her. The invitation went out at 2:00 AM, and Corey apparently could not resist the thought of partying with "Sweet Cheeks". He finally gave her an address where she could drop by. She sent a message providing the description of the pickup truck she would be driving.

This is where the guys in Photo #2 come in. Corey was so devoted to "Sweet Cheeks" that he was outside the address at 2:30 AM, flagging the pickup down. To Corey's great disappointment, "Sweet Cheeks" turned out to be Officers Jordan Ejde and Brandon Greenhill, who were much happier to see Corey than he was to see them. Corey has a history of running from the police, but he was so stunned at this development, he just stood there and gave up. He had just flagged down two of Bremerton's finest. Officer Ejde said that "Corey looked like a deer in the headlights as he walked towards us." Corey was booked on his warrants, and there is one less person on the High Five list. Great job!

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