

KCSO DISPATCH

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Teamwork

Integrity

Professionalism

Kitsap County Sheriff's Office Accreditation

Congratulations! You did it!

KCSO has passed the accreditation inspection held June 20 by the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC).

I recently received a letter from the WASPC program manager who started, ***"You have an excellent department and there is no doubt they provide exceptional service to the citizens of Kitsap County."***

I know the manager personally, and he doesn't hand out complements of this nature without merit. This accomplishment is yet another example of an exceptional group of people doing a fantastic job in carrying out the vision and mission for KCSO.

The WASPC accreditation commission will review the on-site inspection report and present our Certificate of Accomplishment at the November WASPC meeting.

With all major accomplishments such as this, it takes a concentrated effort of a core committee and the cooperation of many.

Within a period of eight weeks, each did his or her part to accomplish this very aggressive task.



During a de-brief session June 20, Kitsap County Sheriff Gary Simpson, right, with Lt. Jeff Menge, standing rear, and Undersheriff John Gese, next to sheriff, receive a report from Mr. Michael Painter, center left, WASPC Director of Professional Services, about the status of the accreditation inspection process.

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Accreditation, from page 1

You reviewed new policies, attended training and acknowledge agency-wide changes in a very short time frame. This was an essential step in being ready for the on-site inspections that are a necessary part of the accreditation process.

The effort demonstrated by the KCSO Team exemplified the highest degree of **Professionalism**, **Integrity** and **Teamwork** which clearly allowed our accreditation inspection to be successful.

I would like to specifically recognize the core team that made this possible.

Lt. Jeff Menge was tasked as the accreditation manager and was fully responsible to ensure we were ready and the process was completed successfully. He did so with flying colors and was acknowledged by the inspection team as being very organized and ready. He played a huge part in guaranteeing we passed the first time through. Thank you, Lt. Menge, for accomplishing this monumental task -- I know it wasn't easy.

Under Lt Menge's leadership and direction, Support Services Supervisor Darrin Dettloff assisted with a great deal of the work and deserves recognition for his significant contribution in accomplishing this goal.

Sgt. Chad Birkenfeld, Sgt. Eric Bockelie, Sgt. Jim McDonough, Sgt. Will Sapp and Sgt. Dan Twomey met every deadline and produced superior work at every stage in the process, too. This often meant creating and compiling records within a day of the request. With their acute attention to detail, their assigned tasks were completed on time and without error.

Property and support services personnel also deserve to be recognized for their extraordinary efforts in meeting the accreditation standards. Some adjustments and additional tasks needed to be done and they all stepped up in every way to make things happen. This included a full inventory of more than 40,000 individual items located in the property room. This was accomplished with the help of many members of the support services staff as they also continued to handle their day-to-day responsibilities.

I am exceptionally grateful and very proud of our agency for earning this WASPC Accreditation. It's important to our peers and to our community to know that we met every expectation and requirement within the multitude of accreditation standards set before us. Thank you for doing your part in making this happen.

Now the real work begins as we sustain the standards we committed to, and to keep up with maintaining records to prove it four years from now for the WASPC accreditation recertification.

I congratulate you and thank you for the sacrifices, dedication and hard work in realizing this significant accomplishment.

Well done!

Gary

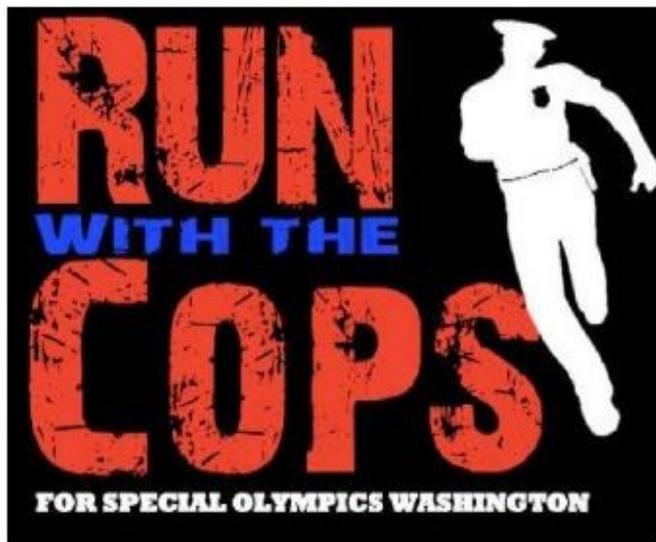


Accreditation Inspection Team
Anyone Else is Just Looking Around.

After all the work prepping for the WASPC inspection...
 a bit of humor to acknowledge the accreditation team's
 professionalism and thoroughness!

RUN WITH THE COPS 5K

GRAB YOUR 'PARTNER IN CRIME' AND
RUN WITH THE COPS



WHERE: Olympic College,
Bremerton

WHEN: Saturday,
September 8, 2018

TO REGISTER:
www.runwiththecopswa.com

Run with the Cops 5K is a fundraising effort for Special Olympics Washington through the *Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) Campaign*. Law Enforcement officers volunteer their time and energy on behalf of Special Olympics to raise funds and awareness for Special Olympic athletes worldwide.


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LAW ENFORCEMENT
TORCH RUN
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With best wishes on retirement:

Deputy Heather Wright

Forever... Nora Six-Eight

Heather Wright (Kennedy)

Badge Number: 68

KCSO date of hire: Jan. 20, 2000

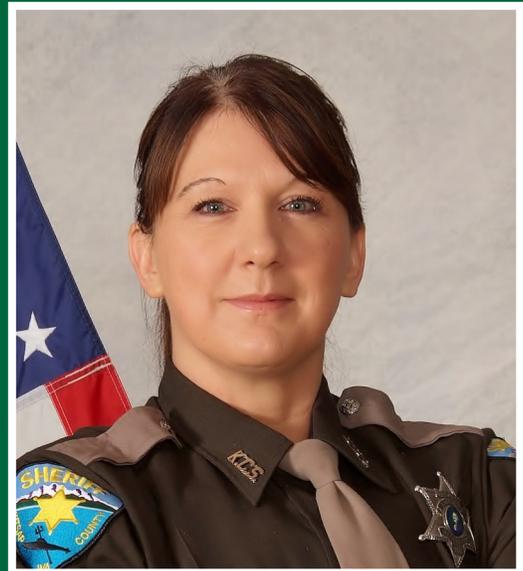
Date of retirement: July 20, 2018

Length of KCSO Service: 18 years

Previous law enforcement service:

Poulsbo Police Department (reserve): 1995 -1998

**University of Washington Police Department:
1998 - 2000**



Education: Associate's degree, Olympic College; Bachelor of Science degree in Law and Criminal Justice with a minor in psychology and domestic relations, Central Washington University.



Assignments:

Patrol area: primarily North Kitsap.

Photo left: patrol home for so many years. In spite of many issues, we made it work!

North Kitsap School District school resource officer at Kingston Junior High School, 2001 - 2002.

Detective x 3 (temporary assignments)

Collateral duties:

Defensive tactics instructor (originator of the 'nose hair take-down'); CPR / First Aid instructor; in-service field instructor; DV Task Force board member & YWCA advocate training instructor.

Awards: Divisional commendation; Sheriff's Lifesaving Award (x 2), American Red Cross Real Hero of the Year Award (law enforcement category) for Kitsap County.

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Heather notes:

My father was a motorcycle patrolman for 26 years with California Highway Patrol, 1976 - 2002.

I'm the second oldest of seven... my older brother Mike is a U. S. Navy veteran (Special Warfare) and now owns a construction business in Seattle. Brother Steven works at a law firm in San Francisco, while brother Jimmy is a counselor for at-risk and homeless youth in Arizona.

Sister Sheila is a U. S. Marine Corps veteran, now living in North Carolina finishing her college degree. Youngest brother Jack is about to graduate from New York film school while baby sister Katie just finished high school. She'll attend college this fall in Oregon with aspirations to become a medical doctor.

I am so proud to be in a family of dedicated givers and I've been so very appreciative that my time with KCSO has allowed me the opportunity to protect and serve the communities in this county.

Did you know?

- Heather developed, wrote and taught a self-esteem course for teen girls.
- She is fluent in American Sign Language.
- Volunteers for Operation Day of Hope.
- Participates in the Relay for Life - representing our law enforcement community affected by cancer.

Future plans:

I love music - I play the violin. I love to read and study about religious history. My passion is writing. I have several works in progress that, hmm... need some attention!

To all: It's been a great ride, with a team of fantastic, capable and caring law enforcement professionals!

From the bottom of my heart: so very many thanks for the back-up, the companionship, the laughs, the good times and the strong (always there) support during those instances when life's challenges became... less fun and more difficult.

~ Heather, #68 (out of service)

Heather's RETIREMENT PARTY for all:

Sunday, Aug. 19, 5 - 8 p.m.

Grey House Café
1130 Bethel Road SE
Port Orchard



L to R: Sonya Matthews, Lissa Gundrum, Trina Washburn, Heather, Jennifer Corn, Lori Blankenship, Jennifer Rice.

Deputy Wayne DeKorte completes basic training with a singular honor

Sheriff Gary Simpson is proud to announce that one of the agency's newest sheriff's deputies has completed state required basic police training.

A graduation ceremony was held July 19 before family, friends and law enforcement officials at the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission (WSCJTC) Basic Law Enforcement Academy (BLEA), located in Burien.

Deputy Sheriff Wayne DeKorte #101 was a member of Class 768 that started training March 13.

Of special note: during the ceremony Deputy DeKorte was recognized by WSCJTC Executive Director Sue Rahr and Academy Commander Rick Bowen for a unique distinction -- Class 768 selected Deputy DeKorte as the recipient of the "Patrol Partner Award" due to his positive attitude, physical ability and strong instincts.

Wayne's BLEA classmates determined that he would be the one person from their class whom they would most like to have as a back-up on any given patrol call, from the most routine to the most critical.

The basic law enforcement academy consists of 720 hours of intense academic and skills training during a 19-week-course.

The newly state certified peace officer, a U. S. Marine Corps veteran, has returned to the sheriff's patrol division and will continue with field training to qualify for solo patrol.

Congratulations, Deputy DeKorte!



Deputy Sheriff Wayne DeKorte stands with Sheriff Gary Simpson in front of the WSCJTC mural of the U. S. Constitution, following the graduation ceremony. The next basic law enforcement academy graduation is 1 p.m., Friday, Oct. 12. Deputy Sheriff Kellie Greenhill #149 is expected to graduate with BLEA Class 770.

"To be a warrior is not a simple matter of wishing to be one. It is rather an endless struggle that will go on to the very last moment of our lives.

Nobody is born a warrior, in exactly the same way that nobody is born an average man. We make ourselves into one or the other."



from: *Tales of Power*

by Carlos Castaneda, Ph.D.

American author, philosopher

Dec. 25, 1925 - April 27, 1998

What is a TIP Chip?

It was born out of discussion during a meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee. The topic was law enforcement and culture. The debate was profound and it involved processes concerning sheriff's recognition of agency staff.

There are compelling reasons for employee recognition: team members who feel appreciated for their contributions to the sheriff's office mission, vision and core values frequently perform well beyond standard requirements.

With recognition sheriff's staff know that their work is valued. It gives them a sense of ownership and belonging to their division, shift, watch section or unit. It improves morale, enhances loyalty, helps build a supportive work environment and increases motivation and retention.

That's a lot to consider and even more to engage in discussion.

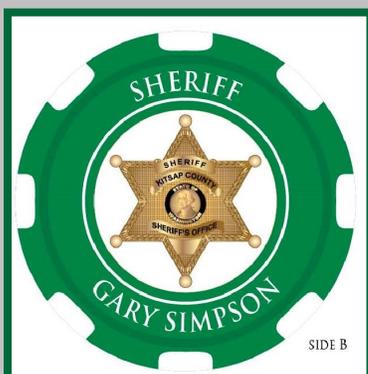
Sheriff's Support Services Specialist Lori Hamilton, a committee member, had earlier produced a design featuring the KCSO Core Values for a separate project. That design was incorporated into an idea put forth by Sheriff Gary Simpson to use casino type chips as a form of simple and immediate employee recognition. Lori's design incorporated the core values on side A with the reverse side displaying the Kitsap County Sheriff's six-pointed star uniform badge.

Evidence & Property Technician Tina Puckett, also a committee member, drafted simple guidelines for TIP Chip recognition amongst one's peers:

"The intent of the TIP Chip is to recognize individuals who you feel have exemplified our Core Values: Teamwork, Integrity, Professionalism (TIP)."

"If you see someone do something that you feel is more than "just the job," share a TIP Chip with them, explain the reason and encourage them to pass it on or pay it forward."

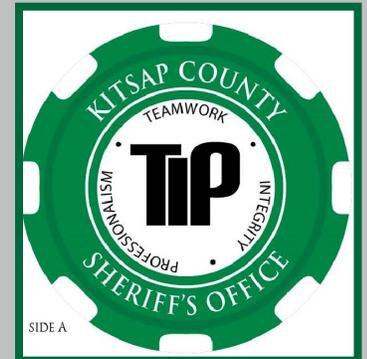
"The TIP Chip can be given to anyone. It does not have to stay with patrol or corrections or support services. It can be shared between divisions, too."



"By recognizing people that are exemplifying the Core Values of the Kitsap County Sheriff's Office, we can improve and continue to change the Culture of our agency."

"Be the change you want to see in the world."

The first batch of TIP Chips are on hand. Members of the Strategic Planning Committee have a limited number. Additional chips will be ordered and made available to all KCSO team members to recognize those whose job performance best characterizes our Core Values. ***Now you know!***



Sheriff's lieutenant graduates from FBI National Academy

During graduation ceremonies held June 8 in Quantico, Va., Lt. Russ Clithero completed the challenging course of instruction offered by the FBI National Academy (FBINA) based at Quantico.



Russ was a member of the 272nd Executive Session that convened April 2. The class comprised 232 men and women from law enforcement agencies in 48 states, the District of Columbia, 25 countries, five military organizations and seven federal civilian organizations.

The program, held at the same facility where FBI special agents undergo their basic training, offers ten weeks of advanced communication, leadership and fitness instruction for selected officers with proven records as professionals within their agencies. On average, these officers have 21 years of law enforcement experience. Many are subsequently selected for assignment to executive level positions.

“I am very proud of Lt. Clithero,” said Kitsap County Sheriff Gary Simpson. “Having gone through the program myself, I know how rigorous it is, both mentally and physically. The National Academy brings together law enforcement leaders from U.S. police agencies as well from our overseas partners. It is a unique opportunity to learn best practices, share their own experiences and build life-long relationships with other leaders.”

Prior to moving to Kitsap County, Russ spent the early years of his law enforcement career as both a corrections officers and as a sheriff's reserve deputy with the Yakima County Sheriff's Office, from 1990 - 1992, and then as a regular officer with the City of Wapato Police Department from 1992 - 1994. Lt. Clithero joined the Kitsap County Sheriff's Office as a lateral transfer deputy in November 1994.

Russ has fulfilled primary and collateral duty assignments as a patrol deputy, field training officer, traffic unit officer and collision investigator, emergency vehicle operations instructor, patrol sergeant / shift supervisor, and he is one of the original members of the sheriff's regional SWAT team, established in 1996. He currently is the SWAT team commander.

Lt. Clithero returned to the sheriff's patrol division where he has supervisory oversight and administration of significant primary and secondary management responsibilities, to include:

- Departmental training
- Traffic unit management
- Field training officer program
- Community resource officer program & Citizens on Patrol volunteers program
- Explorer Cadet program
- Weapons board and uniform policy chairman
- Bicycle patrol
- Collision review

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- Fleet vehicle management
- Special events coordinator

Russ graduated from Eisenhower High School, Yakima, and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Eastern Washington University in Cheney, Wash.

A total of 51,042 graduates represent the alumni of the FBI National Academy since it began in 1935. Including Lt. Clithero, there now are five FBINA graduates on active duty with the sheriff's office.

The other KCSO alumni include: Sheriff Gary Simpson, Session #206 in 2001; Chief Dave White, Session #223 in 2005; Lt. Earl Smith, Session #241 in 2010, and Chief Steve Duckworth, Session #259 in 2015.



Two sheriff's officers graduate from Leadership Kitsap!

Kitsap County Sheriff Gary Simpson is pleased to recognize Sgt. James Kent and Chief Mark Rufener, chief of corrections, upon their completion of a ten-month course of instruction under the auspices of Leadership Kitsap.

During ceremonies held June 20 at Kiana Lodge, Poulsbo, both officers graduated with The Leadership Class of 2018.

The goal of Leadership Kitsap is to build a new and continuing source of community leadership. The program brings together candidates from many professional fields, both private and public: finance, manufacturing, construction, education, law and justice, government, media, U. S. Armed Forces, utilities, retail and human services.



Photo: Chief Mark Rufener, Sheriff Gary Simpson and Sgt. James Kent outside Kiana Lodge following graduation ceremonies for Leadership Kitsap Class 2018

Mark Rufener was sponsored by the Kitsap County Sheriff's Office. James Kent attended under the sponsorship of the Kitsap County Deputy Sheriff's Guild. Founded by the Kitsap Chambers of Commerce and the United Way of Kitsap County, Leadership Kitsap incorporated in 1993.

Over the years since its establishment, 22 sheriff's office personnel have graduated from Leadership Kitsap, with 17 alumni still serving Kitsap County and the sheriff's office as full-time employees:

Sheriff Gary Simpson 1997, Corrections Lt. Roxanne Payne 1998, Lt. Earl Smith 2000, Chief Dave White 2001, Undersheriff John Gese 2004*, Corrections Lt. Genie Elton 2010, Corrections Lt. Penny Sapp 2011, Sgt. Jim McDonough 2012, Chief Steve Duckworth 2013, Lt. John Sprague and Lt. Jon VanGesen 2014, Lt. Russ Clithero 2015, Corrections Sgt. Scott Billingsley and Ms. Michele Hinrichs 2016 and Lt. Jeff Menge 2017.

* Undersheriff John Gese is a member of the 2018 - 2019 Leadership Kitsap Board of Directors, serving as president.

Flashes from the field



Left: a set of Chevrolet keys fell out of checked luggage at O'Hare International Airport (ORD), Chicago. A ramp agent sent them to KCSO since a small sheriff's token coin was attached. If you know of a KCSO supporter who changed planes at ORD in May and lost their Chevy keys... we got 'em. We'll post this on social media, as well.



Sheriff's Support Services Specialist Lori Hamilton at a Heroes Reading event at West Hills STEM Academy in April. Lori apparently can read upside down. Witnesses report that she read the famous tongue twister "Skippy John Jones" upside down, using a Hispanic accent, and didn't miss a word!



A sheriff selfie: Sheriff Gary Simpson had lunch with Ginger 'Mama' Passarelli - - THE Soup Lady. And they did have soup for lunch. The Soup Ladies: "Our Mission is to quickly provide fresh cooked meals to support first responders such as police and fire departments, search and rescue teams and military personnel in times of emergencies and disasters." TSL have been there for KCSO, most notably during the week-long homicide investigation of Aug. 4 - 10, 2014, in the field, serving up breakfast, lunch, dinner and in between snacks. Their motto: "Warming the world one bowl at a time..."

Link: <http://www.soupladies.org/>

Our work locations and stations:

Sheriff's facilities update

~ Undersheriff John Gese



There has been a lot of work over the last year or so to plan for future facilities updates that affect our north, central and south offices. This is a short summary of what has occurred to this point and what we plan.

Silverdale and Kingston offices:

Several years ago, there was a push to clear the current Silverdale community campus and redevelop it into a community hub with several different concepts considered. The sheriff's office, because of its unique needs, was considered a poor fit for the future development of the community hub and, to develop the site into a community center, the sheriff's patrol office would need to be relocated.

This gave us a great deal of hope that we would be able to move into a new and better facility within a couple of years. We had the support of Commissioner Ed Wolfe. The county commissioners contracted for a facility needs assessment for both our Silverdale / Central Kitsap operations and our Kingston / North Kitsap operations.

After many months selecting and then working with the architectural company, a needs assessment was produced which provided a basic evaluation of space needs for replacing the Silverdale office and what the space needs for the north office should look like in mid-2017.

The needs assessment was based on the best estimates of population growth and the expected increase in demand for services.

It also factored into account the possible incorporation of Silverdale and what that would look like for this agency, both if KCSO provides contracted law enforcement services to Silverdale and if we do not provide police services to a newly incorporated municipality.

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As one would expect, the needs assessment identified that our Silverdale office should have much more space and be designed as a true police facility. For our Silverdale office, that meant an estimated minimum of 29,430 square feet of space was needed versus the 12,160 square feet we currently have.

And for our north office, an estimated minimum of 4,906 square feet was needed compared to the existing 1,200 square foot office. This needs assessment also included ancillary issues such as secure parking and any needed outbuildings. You can find the 286-page needs assessment document, a short PowerPoint summary, and an executive briefing report under our Project Center / Department Wide / Strategic Plan / Resource, Technology and Facility documents folder, or by clicking here:

<http://ikitsap/sheriff/pc/Strategic/default.aspx?RootFolder=%2Fsheriff%2Fpc%2FStrategic%2FShared%20Documents%2FResources%20Technology%20and%20Facilities%20Initiative%20Docs&FolderCTID=0x01200051C127ED0C5C8246848406E173F41D3B&View=%7B1CCE8A0B%2D6458%2D468C%2DBE75%2DAB1CB04FFDAD%7D>



After completing the facilities needs assessment, the next step in the process was to start looking at land and funding options. For land options, our first choice would be to remain very central to the Silverdale core area, but in an area that provides easier access to highways and to east and west central areas. Areas near the new Trails shopping center was an area of interest. As you can imagine, land costs in the Silverdale area are rising rapidly. The county does not own a suitable parcel of land for us to house our office needs. Options for land in the area are fairly limited for our needs. Also, in speaking with our architect, generally the cost to refurbish an existing building in the manner a police station should be constructed makes remodeling an existing building unfeasible, or quite likely more expensive than new construction.

Funding is also a question mark that has not been answered. The hope for redevelopment of the current parcel of land our office sits on has waned and no consolidated plan has come through. One of the hopes for big drivers to make the new office come about was the push to close our current Silverdale office and redevelop the land where it sits. With that pressure and possible funding gone, the county has had to explore other options. These include a possible long-term lease with a developer to build to suit on a parcel of land not owned by the county.

Talks with several developers is occurring at the commissioner level to pursue this possibility. Another option might be a land swap of the current county land our building sits on. These alternatives are being considered and are on-going. Another route is to consider staying where we are at and then constructing a new building there. For us, this isn't the best option and not our preferred solution, but a possibility that exists.

The north office upgrade has not yet been considered for funding and the needs assessment was a place holder with the commissioners to make sure we mark our needs. It's possible a funding solution could include both central and north offices, depending on what tactic the commissioners take. But currently, there is no plan in the works.

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So where does this leave us? We still have Commissioner Wolfe working with us to find a solution and to work on funding options. Our excitement to be moving into a new building soon has waned, but we still are pushing forward to have the commissioners come up with a realistic solution for our needs.

Additionally: the courthouse redevelopment project now must be factored into our overall plans.

I will cover what's going on with that project in the next issue of *KCSO Dispatch*.

Ten - Two News

~ Lt. Earl Smith

Deputy Brandon Myers was recognized recently by "Ten - Two News," which promotes the good about law enforcement from around the country. Deputy Myers' story ran last month, which you can access below. You also can read some information about the organization.

Great job Brandon on representing the "Good" in our chosen profession!

From: Dan Campana

I'm the editor of [Ten Two News](#), a Chicago-area niche news site shining a positive light on local law enforcement and the men and women who make good things happen every day. TTN marked its first anniversary on May 1 with the start of something bigger than anything we've done so far - featuring profiles of one police officer from each of the 50 states.

It's called the [50 Badges](#) project, and I wanted to feature Deputy Brandon Myers after learning he was among those chosen for IACP's 40 Under 40 list in 2017. His profile shows he is clearly someone who is doing good things for your agency at an early stage of his career.

Photo: Deputy Brandon Myers as a member of the KCSO Bike Unit, at the First Federal / Lions-Kiwanis Grand Parade, Whaling Days Festival, Silverdale, July 28.

The story will run on TTN in the coming weeks / month and, ultimately, be compiled with the other stories for the future publication of a 50 Badges book.

In TTN's short history, readers have shown greatest interest in [stories](#) and [profiles](#) that go beyond the badge to focus on the people who unselfishly serve and protect on a local level. 50 Badges aims to build on that momentum on a national level.

Brandon's story posted July 12. Here's the link:

<http://www.tentwoneews.com/50-badges-kitsap-county-deputy-brandon-myers-washington/>



More Flashes...

OC course learning objectives

- Identify nomenclature of OC canister
- Identify where OC fits in C.O.P. policy
- Describe effects of OC spray
- Demonstrate proper OC spray deployment
- Show knowledge of decontamination
- Successfully complete a written test



Support Services Specialists received pepper spray (OC) familiarization briefings, July 11 & 12, taught by Defensive Tactics Instructor Deputy Victor Cleere.

OK troops... that's firearms familiarization and safety training last summer & OC briefings this summer. So, what's coming next...?

Illuminating the evening like a night star is the Sheriff light at the entrance to the Port Orchard office. It was faded and covered in Pacific Northwest green grunge. The Sheriff asked Facilities Maintenance to clean and repaint it. They did. Neat pic.



June 5: a day of range training and qualification for general assignment detectives, the special investigations unit and West Sound Narcotics Enforcement Team detectives.

In focus:

School Resource Officers, part I

Probably no other assignment within the sheriff's patrol division affords a sheriff's deputy more continuous personal scrutiny than when walking the hallways of a secondary educational institution in the role of school resource officer (SRO).

From a deputy's arrival in the early morning to greet students as they arrive, to departure from the campus at the end of the academic day, SRO's are the beneficiary of stares, side-long glances and averted eyes, along with joyful laughs, some snickers, snarky remarks and hand gestures, to thoughtful conversations and a lot of questions.

As summer vacation begins to slowly edge towards Labor Day, which signals the start of a new academic year two days later, KCSO SRO's have already re-oriented their schedule from summer patrol duties back to the environment of high school spirit, teen angst and sometimes youthful indiscretion.

SRO's serve as a liaison between the school district and the sheriff's office. The SRO's primary job is to establish a working relationship with the school district, students and staff and to provide a secure working and learning environment through the performance of typical police functions in an academic setting.

Deputy Bernie Brown (right), a 15-year KCSO patrol officer, has been with South Kitsap School District first as a temporary SRO, and then later on full-time assignment, for about 12 years. Together with a SRO from Port Orchard Police Department, Bernie helps to cover the myriad calls, complaints and investigations encompassing 10 elementary schools, three middle schools, one high school and one alternative high school.



Over the years as a SKSD SRO, Bernie has earned the respect of a generation of students and the enduring, grateful appreciation of faculty members and staff. During a ceremony held May 9 at Marcus Whitman Middle School, the sheriff's office was presented with the South Kitsap School District Celebration of Partnership Award, while Bernie and Port Orchard Police Officer David Humphrey (now retired) received individual awards.

Photos clockwise from top: Deputy Bernie Brown. The awards ceremony held May 9, L to R: Liz Sebren, member, SK School Board; Bernie; Brian Pickard, SKSD director of school and family support; POPD Officer Dave Humphrey, and Rebecca Diehl, SK School Board president. Bernie's award is below.



Still trying to focus:

School Resource Officers, part II

“Pleased to be your Sheepdog”

-- Deputy Sheriff Mark McVey, June 14, 2018

Maybe this quote isn't one that would be expected, by the public, from a law enforcement officer. However in many law enforcement related print articles, in training modes at the basic law enforcement academy, from highly experienced retired cops now on the traveling training circuit around the country, to your own field training officer, it's been a simile that's heard occasionally.

What is the comparison?



Sheepdogs are society's protectors. While both herding dogs and livestock guardian dogs (LGDs) are known as sheepdogs, their roles are different. The former bark at, nip, and stare down animals to keep them together and moving in a certain way.

LGDs live with their flock, allowing them to blend in and watch for intruders. Bonded to them, the LGD will perceive other species as predators and protect those it knows from potentially hostile outsiders.

The mere presence of a LGD in a herd can deter would-be predators. The LGD does not simply wait for a predator to attempt to infiltrate the flock - it also actively patrols its territory, seeking out predators. According to Wikipedia, "The three qualities most sought after in LGDs are trustworthiness, attentiveness, and protectiveness - trustworthy in that they do not roam off and are not aggressive with the livestock, attentive in that they are situationally aware of threats

by predators, and protective in that they will attempt to drive off predators."

A 24-year proactive, highly experienced patrol officer, recipient of the Sheriff's Medal of Valor, and a former SWAT qualified operator, Deputy Mark McVey initiated the agency's active shooter training program in 2003 and has been the primary proponent of continuous training in this patrol response skill. He has helped train local police agencies and has been the principal instructor to countless schools, businesses and other establishments in response to a sudden lethal threat, using the ALICE system. ALICE = Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Escape.

In the fall of 2016, Deputy McVey assumed SRO duties at Olympic High School (OHS) within the Central Kitsap School District. His presence at OHS was immediate and impactful. That effect was no more apparent than when OHS Class of 2018 voted Mark to be their guest speaker during commencement ceremonies held June 14 at the Kitsap Sun Pavilion. Besides a rousing applause when he stood to the podium to deliver remarks, Mark also was greeted by 240+ seniors waving Big Face caricatures of their speaker! Deputy Mark McVey's remarks may be viewed by clicking on the below link. Length: 16 minutes.



<https://vimeo.com/284419842>

Still More Flashes...



Community Resource Officer Deputy Schon Montague delivers brief remarks about the re-opening of the sheriff's office in the Kitsap Mall, July 20. Sheriff Gary Simpson together with Ms. Erin Leedham, mall manager for Starwood Retail Partners LLC (w/ ceremonial scissors), members of the Silverdale Chamber of Commerce and three princesses performed the ribbon cutting officially opening the new sheriff's office sub-station. The three princesses are, L to R: Miss Poulsbo 2018 Natalia Tucker, Miss Silverdale 2018 Emily Rider and Miss Kitsap 2018 Alyssa Erickson.

The Sheriff's Ceremonial Honor Guard was privileged to be invited to participate in the pre-game opening ceremony for a WNBA game between Seattle Storm and Dallas Wings, July 14.

The honor guard, in color guard formation, march the National and KCSO Colors onto the floor of Key Arena, Seattle, to present the colors prior to a vocal performance of the National Anthem.

Score:

Seattle Storm 91 Dallas Wings 84



Down range events List

08-10-2018

- Aug 16** Chief for a Day Celebration, CJTC, Burien 1030 - 1500
- Aug 17** SAR Bar-B-Que, Camp Calvinwood State Park,
6838 Calvinwood Road SW (off Lake Flora Road), 1800 - 2100
- Aug 19** Heather Wright (Kennedy) retirement, Grey House Café,
1130 Bethel Road SE, Port Orchard, 1700 - 2000
- Aug 22 - 26** Kitsap County Fair, 1000 - 2200 daily (1900 on Aug 26)
- Sept 8** Special Olympics Run with a Cop, Olympic College, 0900
- Sept 12** KCSO Budget Hearing, Port Blakely room, 1045 - 1200
- Sept 21** Patrol in-service tactical range course, 0800 - 2200
- Oct 5** Patrol in-service tactical range course, 0800 - 2200
- Oct 7** MADD Ride Schooling Show, Board Horse Arena,
Kitsap County Fairgrounds, 0900
- Oct 11** Active shooter training, courthouse, 0800 - 1630
- Oct 19** Patrol in-service tactical range course, 0800 - 2200
- Oct 29 -
Nov 2** EVOC: Bremerton Motorsports Park, 0645 - 0300 daily
- Nov 16** Open range, 0800 - 2200
- Dec 14** Open range, 0800 - 2200

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Evergreen Lodge 1 of Kitsap County

Is hosting the first ever all law enforcement agencies of Kitsap
County

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday 1 December 2018, 5PM to 10Pm

at the

Silverdale Beach Hotel

3073 NW Bucklin Hill Rd.
Silverdale, WA 98383

ALL active or retired Law Enforcement Officers and their spouses and/or guests are invited. This is an opportunity to meet the brothers and sisters of your Law Enforcement family. This is a time for us to create new bonds, new contacts, and new friendships.

Come for a night of Music & Dancing - No Host Bar - **Door Prizes**
5pm meet and greet, 6pm Dinner, 7pm Door prizes, 8 pm dancing

Dinner Chef-carved Prime Rib and Salmon*

*Vegetarian meals available by request

Please RSVP as soon as possible for a guaranteed spot space is limited
\$100 per couple or \$55 single

You can make payment by check or via PayPal: wafop1@gmail.com

Mail Checks payable to *FOP Lodge 1 mail to: FOP, P.O. Box 3189, Silverdale, WA*

Rooms including Waterfront Rooms are available at a Discount Rate of \$115,
mention FOP party Breakfast is included. *Guests are responsible for their own
reservations call (360) 698-1000*

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