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USS John C Stennis Sailor Injured in Alcohol Related Collision

Kitsap County – A young sailor assigned to the Bremerton based USS John C. Stennis was seriously injured after a two vehicle collision involving an alleged drunk driver.

The collision occurred at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, October 21 on State Route 16 in Gorst, just south of Bremerton. The sailor, twenty-one year-old Isaiah E. Miller, was traveling westbound in his 2006 Nissan Altima in the outside lane. Thirty-one year old Jeremy T. Workman of Port Orchard was attempting to pull out of a parking lot to turn left onto eastbound State Route 16. As Workman accelerated in his 1999 Dodge Ram pickup truck, he lost control and his vehicle began to fishtail. His truck began to rotate, and spun around where it collided with Isaiah Miller's vehicle. Both vehicles were totaled and impounded to the WSP bullpen as evidence.

Following the collision, Miller was airlifted to Harborview Medical Center in Seattle. Workman was transported to Harrison Memorial Hospital in Bremerton with a lacerated hand. He was contacted by troopers at the hospital, and it was determined that he was under the influence of intoxicants. He was arrested and booked into the Kitsap County Jail after receiving treatment for his injuries. His bail was set at \$50,000.

Miraculously, Miller's injuries were not as serious as indicated shortly after the collision. He is listed in stable condition and is scheduled for release this afternoon. His injuries include a broken hand and an eye/facial injury.

Workman is scheduled in Superior Court today at 3:00 pm to face charges of Vehicular Assault.

Vehicular assault is a class B felony and carries a maximum imprisonment of not more than ten years, and a fine of \$20,000 maximum.

Alcohol impaired driving is one of Washington's most often committed and deadliest crimes. Far too many people still don't understand that alcohol and driving don't mix. Drunk driving is no accident – nor is it a victimless crime. So far this year, 702 impaired drivers have been removed from Kitsap County's roadways by troopers. Please do your part – DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE!

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