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5,567 impaired drivers arrested



15,919 collisions investigated



132 fatality collisions



14,473 distracted drivers



13,916 seatbelt violations



60,770 aggressive driver contacts



172,036 excessive speed contacts



20,834 CMV inspections



>>> NEXT WEEK

Trooper Wright 70th anniversary ceremony



SIGN DEDICATION - A sign recognizing Highway Patrolman John F. Wright, who was killed in the line of duty 70 years ago this week, was unveiled in Greenacres near Spokane. Check back next week for images from the event.

118th TBTC begins



READY TO SERVE - The WSP's next trooper basic training class begins Monday. We are excited to have this next class of cadets ready to complete their training to soon serve our communities as WSP troopers.



Congrats to this year's LPO graduates

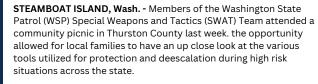


OLYMPIA, Wash. - Congratulations to those who recently completed the latest Leadership in Police Organizations (LPO) course this week! The group of our agency's newest leaders have spent a week per month over the past three months learning various tools and tactics they can bring back home to their teams across the state. Comprised of newly promoted sergeants and non-commissioned supervisors, the LPO program not only provides a lesson in leadership, but also in teamwork amongst members of our agency who otherwise may not have had the opportunity to work together. Great job everyone!



Steamboat Island community picnic









Chaplain Good retires after 9 years



KING COUNTY - Chief John R. Batiste, Captain Mead, and Lieutenant Fisher joined the District 2 WSP Chaplains to celebrate the retirement of Chaplain Nate Good. Good has supported our agency and the community we serve for the past nine years. Thank you for all you have done for us all!

WSP Bomb Squad retrieves viable IED

Washington State Patrol (WSP) Bomb Squad responded to a report of a tennis ball with a fuse in a pickup truck parked at the offramp of Interstate 405 to 112th Street

The driver called 9-1-1 saying his vehicle's window was smashed and he was driving to get an estimate to get it fixed. While on the way, he discovered the tennis ball on the passenger side floorboard.

Our WSP Bomb Squad responded, donned a safety suit and were able to remove what was believed to be an improvised explosive device (IED) from the pickup without any issue.

Further investigation revealed the device was a viable IED and could have resulted in a fatality had it detonated while the driver was inside the vehicle.

The investigation remains





El Protector program now on Instagram

@ELPROTECTORWSP - The Washington State Patrol's El Protector program has branched out, providing updates to the community on Twitter and now Instagram.

You can now follow El Protector Trooper Mosqueda on Instagram @elprotectorwsp for public safety messaging provided in both English and Spanish translations.

The El Protector program places a special emphasis on individuals with limited English speaking abilities. The bilingual and bicultural program provides public education through dialogue with the Hispanic/Latino community, rather than focusing on specific enforcement measures.

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