





Chief's Message



EDWIN T. PRATT DAY

On January 26, 1969, civil rights leader Edwin T. Pratt (1930-1969) was murdered by shotgun blast in the doorway of his Shoreline home shortly after putting his five-year-old daughter to bed with his wife, Bettye. Mr. Pratt was the Executive Director of the Seattle Urban League and had intentionally moved his family into the segregated area of the city under his uncompromising belief that to fight racism, communities needed to be

neighbors first. Mr. Pratt left behind a legacy as one of the key American leaders during the Civil Rights Movement. Four days after his death, the mayor of Seattle proclaimed January 30th as Edwin T. Pratt day in commemoration of his life and legacy and ordered all flags to be flown at half-staff.

Over the years that day of proclamation has been lost... until brought to the attention of Shoreline Sgt. Scott Fitchett by Edmonds Police Department Detective Julie Govantes. In a short three weeks prior to the 54th Anniversary of the proclamation, Sgt. Fitchett rallied for this important date to have new energy breathed into it for proper recognition and the attention it deserves. I met with the City Manager and drafted a new proclamation, which was signed and adopted by our City Council. Sgt. Fitchett worked to bring together close family and friends of Mr. Pratt, to include his Goddaughter, Jean Soliz, former WA DSHS Director, civil rights activist and author, and former KC Council Member, Larry Gossett, friend of Mr. Pratt. Cpt. Tim Meyer, City Manager's Office Management Analyst, Christina Arcidy, and City Events Coordinator, Pam Barrett, also worked tirelessly to assure we pulled off an event worthy of Mr. Pratt and his family. Thank you to both Victoria and Dahlia for assisting with logistics, set up, and refreshments. Thank you to everyone on patrol in attendance of the event as well. Your support was more than appreciated!

Ken Winnick shared the following words with us after our ceremony:

"Thank you for producing the Pratt memorial event today, especially on such short notice. As a local and an artist/archivist deeply involved with uncovering and honoring Pratt's legacy, it was inspiring to see the creation of this solemn and yet very respectful event. Thank you."

Our intent is to reinstate this proclamation annually every January 30th and to grow this event into a community celebration.

FLEXIBILITY

Thank you all for your flexibility with regards to operations pre-planning last weekend and with regards to the on-going changes in our staffing and personnel. Change, although sometimes uncomfortable, allows us to challenge ourselves, grow and improve. I am a firm witness to this concept and believe it is my responsibility to make a positive, forward-thinking personal improvement every single day in the life of service we have chosen. Remember what brought you to this honorable profession... especially in the challenging days ahead. Thank you all for your service to our cities and county.

PTOs

I wanted to extend a big SHOUT-OUT to our PTOs, who are currently burning the candle at both ends to make sure we set every single student officer up for success in replacing team members that are moving onto other assignments. This is not an easy responsibility you have taken on, and the work can often be tireless. Thank you.



People

It made our day to see MPO Monserud back in our reporting writing room today. As I type these words, MPO Monserud has one in custody and second suspect running. Our dayshift *suspects* may not share our enthusiasm for Joe's return.

We also want to recognize Deputy Souriall for his outstanding progress in the PTO program. He's advanced to Phase-III and will move to swing shift. Deputy Souriall represents all the qualities we seek in Shoreline and brings nearly a decade of SPD lateral experience.

Finally, Deputy Tuohy is progressing to Segment-B and will join PTO Welch on days. Chief Park's remarks



(above) say it best. We would not be here without our cadre of trainers and both PTO sergeants.

Tuesday's Warrant

Tuesday morning, Shoreline SET, with assistance from TAC-30 and Burien SET, served a warrant in the 1100 blk of NE 181st Pl. These numbers speak for themselves:

- Heroin: 1248 grams (about one kilo) with a street value of \$99,700
- Cocaine: 787 grams (about 3/4 of a kilo) with a street value of \$78,670
- Firearms: Three pistols, a suppressor and rifle.

We congratulate Shoreline SET on a very successful case and thank all those who assisted on Tuesday.



Monday's BDU Response

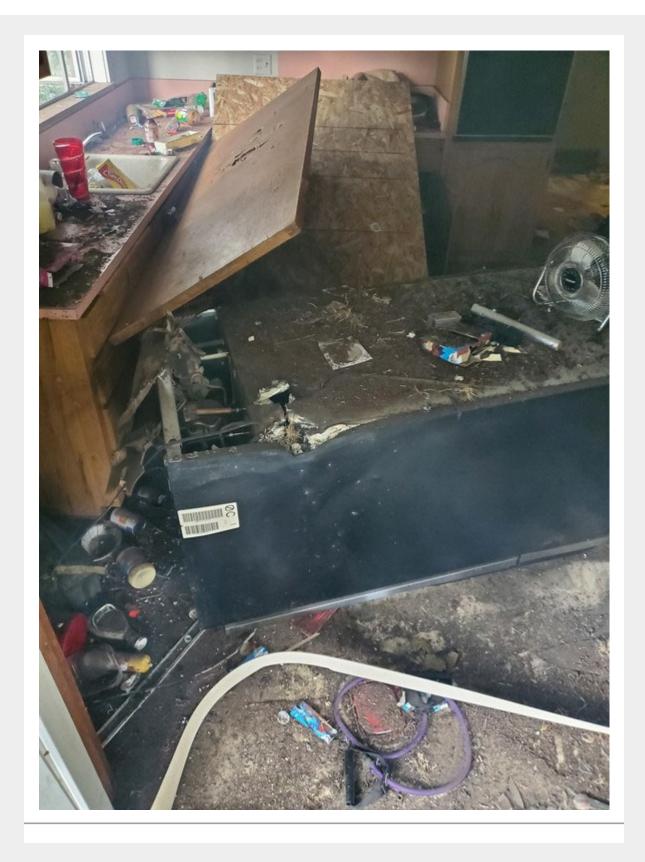


Shoreline Patrol and BDU responded Monday after a tradesman discovered a suspected pipe bomb at the home near the 1500 block of N 146th St. Patrol knows this residence well having fielded thirty-five (35) calls for service in the previous two years.

BDU determined the device was too unstable for transport and opted to address it on-site. BDU used a device to forcefully remove the pipe's cap which triggered the material inside. The kitchen was already in disrepair. Damage was limited to broken glass and a dent in the tipped refrigerator.

This detail served as a good reminder to be cautious when calls take us into unoccupied, squatter-like

homes. Be safe and please remember to screen all suspicious devices with BDU.





We wish each of you a safe and restful furlough / weekend.

-Chief Park
-Captain Meyer



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