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Everett man arrested for assault in SWAT incident

Suspect broke victim's nose, barricaded himself in Old Town home

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A typically sleepy Thursday afternoon in Old Town was anything but, as the 900 block of Third Street looked more like a war zone than a residential neighborhood after a man assaulted a woman and barricaded himself in her house, prompting a large SWAT and police response.

The man, 36-year-old Larry Castillo of Everett, was arrested and booked into Snohomish County Jail.

According to probable cause documents, officers received a call at roughly 11 a.m. for an assault.

Mukilteo Police Officer Chris Perisho, who wrote the probable cause document, made contact with the victim, a 44-year-old woman, on the corner of Eighth Drive and Goat Trail Road.

While Perisho spoke with the victim, other officers went to her house on Third Street.

In the document, Perisho said the woman was "visibly upset, shaking, and crying." She also had visible marks on her face, and her nose was swollen, discolored, and broken, Perisho wrote. Her pinky was also injured during the altercation.

The woman told Perisho that her friend, Castillo, had assaulted her. The woman said Castillo has a history of drug abuse, and she thought he was drunk and high on methamphetamine during the assault.

Perisho received a description of



Above, officers and SWAT members regroup after arresting Larry Castillo after a standoff in Old Town on April 25. Castillo, seen in the back wearing a blue shirt, is accused of domestic violence. Right, Larry Castillo was led to a squad car after being detained.

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Castillo, and advised fellow officers that he had probable cause for second-degree assault – domestic violence.

The woman told Perisho that she and Castillo are not in a relationship and never have been, and are just friends. She said she tried to help him in the past with his drug abuse, and has allowed him to stay at her house for days at a time. She also said she'd co-signed a car loan with him, and that she gets

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State AG Bob Ferguson adds Mukilteo Rotary Club to his list

Gun control, opioids, and Trump discussed in depth

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Prior to last Friday, Washington state Attorney General Bob Ferguson had visited 142 rotary clubs in the state. After speaking at the South Everett-Mukilteo Rotary Club's (SEMR) Friday meeting, Ferguson has spoken at 143.

Ferguson said after he was first elected, he was invited to a Rotary Club meeting, and since then has a goal of trying to speak at each Rotary in Washington.

"One thing I've discovered is Rotarians are in many respects in the same business that people in my office are in," he said. "I've discovered every Rotary Club is focused on helping

students in their community, helping with projects in their community, or helping with scholarships, the homeless, or whatever the issue may be."

Ferguson was the guest of honor at the SEMR meeting, and spoke about what his office does, gun control, the opioid epidemic, and his office's success rate against the Trump Administration.

Background

Ferguson is Washington's 18th attorney general, first elected to the position in 2012 and reelected in 2016. He is a Democrat, and prior to his tenure as attorney general, was a King County councilmember.

Despite being born in, and spending

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Mukilteo chiropractor aims to represent Mukilteo at 2020 Olympics

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The 2020 Summer Olympics in Tokyo will be here before we know it, and while many of us will be cheering on the U.S. athletes in various competitions, one Mukilteo business owner may be in Japan, providing firsthand assisting those athletes who aim to bring the gold back to U.S.

That business owner is Marc Van Driessche, owner of Van Driessche Chiropractic (Beverly Park Chiropractic) on the Mukilteo Speedway. Van Driessche has been operating in Mukilteo for 25 years, and due to his continuing training, was invited to the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs for a two-week



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Marc Van Driessche has been invited to the U.S. Olympic Training Center.

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