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Night Of A Thousand Stars 2017

The Washington State Patrol (WSP) considers removing impaired drivers off of our roadways a top priority. As part of Target Zero, which aims to reduce the number of highway deaths to zero by the year 2030, troopers are on the lookout for impaired drivers every day.

There will be extra patrols on duty tonight for the yearly event of "Night of a Thousand Stars". This event is held annually honoring officers statewide in their efforts to stop drinking and driving. Snohomish County Law Enforcement Officers will meet tonight before hitting the road to look for impaired drivers.

The Washington Traffic Safety Commission will be recognizing Trooper Michael Hilt as their Trooper of the Year for his 194 DUI arrests year to date. They will also be recognizing Trooper Clancy Aguero, Trooper Christopher Hooper and Trooper John Axtman for their combined impaired driving arrests of 472 for 2017. So far this year, the WSP Snohomish County Target Zero Team has arrested 767 impaired drivers.

Statewide, WSP Troopers have arrested 13,257 drivers for impaired driving this year alone.

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