

PRE-TRIAL INMATE ESCAPES FROM COUNTY JAIL

Port Orchard, Wash. -- A 35-year-old jail inmate, being held in pre-trial confinement in Kitsap County Jail, was found to have escaped from custody late Thursday night.

Terrance Anthony Puglisi, originally from Vancouver, Wash., and more recently of Port Orchard, was found missing during an inmate count at approximately 11:00 p.m. Puglisi escaped from the jail wearing a green-colored jail inmate suit (pajama type surgical "scrub" attire with "flip-flop" type sandals). Puglisi is 5'08" in height, approximately 160 lbs. in weight, with brown hair and blue eyes. He has several scars around his nose and eyes, and tattoos on both his left and right shoulders and on the calf of his right leg.

Puglisi was being held in the jail awaiting trial for the following offenses:

- *** Possession of Stolen Property
- *** Possession of a Controlled Substance
- *** Failure to Appear
- *** Driving While License Suspended
- *** Escape

Puglisi was housed in a section of the jail that is adjacent to a portion of a new jail wing that is under construction. It appears that Puglisi effected his escape by jumping from a second-level, upper cellblock tier onto a television stand and then through a small window that was covered by temporary building materials. The window is approximately 20 feet from the housing area floor. The window leads to an area of the jail that is still under construction and not totally secure.

Immediately upon notification of Puglisi's escape, Kitsap County Sheriff's deputies responded to the jail to initiate a local area search and to begin an investigation into the circumstances of the escape. Two K-9 tracks were started and a dispatch notification was broadcast to local law enforcement agencies. All hospitals and public transportation agencies were notified. KCSO deputies, as part of the initial investigation, made contact with known associates and friends of Puglisi.

Puglisi had previously escaped from custody on Wednesday, 03/12/2003, in Port Orchard, while being transported to jail by Bremerton Police Department. In the previous incident, Puglisi was able to slip his restraints and leave the transport vehicle through a rear window. He was re-captured on April 16.

Puglisi has past felony convictions for: vehicle theft and forgery, Kitsap County Superior Court. Puglisi has past gross misdemeanor convictions for: theft, 3rd degree (three counts) and making a false or misleading statement, Kitsap County District Court.

Puglisi's known occupation is that of a tattoo artist. In the past he has also used several alias names, to include: Gino Anthony Puglisi, Michael Albert Shelton, Christopher T. Maher and Richard L. Garrett.

Puglisi's escape from custody is under investigation by Sheriff's detectives.

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