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Drunk Driver Hits Beaverton Patrol Car

On December 31, 2009 at 9:24 p.m. the Beaverton Police Department saw their first drunk driver of the night. The young lady driving had turned into her apartment complex, hitting a Beaverton patrol unit.

Earlier in the evening a Beaverton police officer and Washington County deputy had been in the same apartment complex, off SW Celeste Lane, on a noise complaint. Both officers were leaving when Anne Louise Purcell (24) turned into her apartment complex driveway, on the wrong side of the entrance. She collided, head on, with a Beaverton Patrol car.

Both vehicles had been traveling at a low rate of speed and only minor damage was done to the patrol unit. Purcell received most of the damage to her 2003 VW Passat. Neither the officer or Purcell were injured.

Washington County Deputies took the investigation and found Purcell was driving under the influence of alcohol. Purcell was arrested for DUII and lodged at the Washington County Jail.

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