



# Chelan County Sheriff's Office

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For Immediate Release

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Incident #: 14C12394

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Date: 11/17/14

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On 11/14/14 at 9:16 a.m. Deputies were dispatched to a welfare check in the 900 block of Okanogan Street Lake Chelan, WA. The reporting party described how an 84 year old male had been held at gun point and assaulted by an unknown suspect.

Deputies arrived and through the course of the investigation discovered suspect Joseph D. Brooks (6/1/80) of 516 E. Johnson Ave. Chelan, WA had entered the victim's residence through an unlocked basement door on 11/13/14 at approximately 1500 hrs. While the suspect was inside the residence, the 84 year old confronted suspect Brooks. Brooks produced a pistol and repeatedly assaulted the 84 year old at gun point for nearly 14 hours.

Additionally, a friend of 84 year old victim (a 46 year old Chelan resident) happened to visit the Okanogan address the same day, at 9 p.m. and he too, was assaulted and held at gun point by suspect Brooks from 9:00 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. This victim escaped out a bathroom window, ran to a neighboring residence and called 911.

EMS transported the 84 year old to Lake Chelan Community Hospital. He was treated for a laceration about his head and three cracked ribs. He was listed in stable condition as of 9:00 a.m. 11/15/14. The 46 year old victim transported himself to Lake Chelan Community Hospital. He was treated and released for a minor laceration and bruising about his head.

Suspect Joseph Brooks was located and booked into the Chelan County Regional Jail on numerous felony charges to include:

Burglary 1st degree

Assault 2nd degree

Unlawful Imprisonment

Harassment Threats to Kill

Theft 2nd Degree

Malicious Mischief 3rd

Integrity ★ Teamwork ★ Excellence

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