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Get Ready for the 35th annual National Night Out against crime!

The community needs it’s neighbors to help protect our families and neighborhoods against crime and drugs. One way to do that is to come together for National Night Out. On August 7th, 2018, 38.5 million people nationwide, will come together for this free event with law enforcement, fire fighters, businesses, city and county officials, and more for the 35th annual NNO, where they will promote awareness, safety and neighborhood unity. To help bring together our communities that evening, parties will be held throughout Spokane in the city and in the county at churches, parks, Target stores, apartment complexes and in residential neighborhoods. Come and enjoy some great food, fun activities and educational information.

All events are free! Come and join the fun at one of the various locations listed where there will be food, bands, vendors and plenty of activities for adults and children.

Check out these free National Night Out parties, all set for August 7th, 2018!!

Target Store 13724 E Sprague Ave, Spokane Valley, WA 99216, 4:7 PM — Come join us in the parking lot for free beverages, ice cream bars and hot dogs. Many vendors and participants will be in attendance with information and activities for all! Neighborhood Watch, law enforcement, fire Department, Avista, the Spokane County Library, Girl Scouts, and Mounted Patrol are just a few of the participants you will see. There will be a water activities, , Sammy’s Club House Ferret’s and you will have an opportunity to watch the Sheriff’s helicopter land! Come on down and join the pie eating contest - one for adults and one for the kids, correctly guess or come the closest to how many candies are in the jar and win it. Bring down old documents and have them shredded by DeVries Businesses Services for free, and Northwest Harvest will also be joining us so please bring a can food for those in need and receive a raffle ticket for each can of food you turn in for a chance to win a basket of goodies!

Green Bluff Grange 9809 E. Bluff RD, Colbert WA, 99005, 5:30-7:00 PM — Bring a lawn chair and enjoy an ice cream social, watch the Sheriff’s helicopter land and come and meet some fire fighters!

University SCOPE — 2008 S. Balfour Blvd Spokane Valley WA, 5:30-7:30 PM — Come and enjoy the swimming pool and some refreshments.

Edgecliff SCOPE — 522 S. Thierman Rd. Spokane Valley, WA 99212, 6-8 PM - Mardi Gras themed National Night Out party with live music! Jambalaya, watermelon, cornbread and various southern/ creole dishes to be served. Costumes are encouraged!

Hamblen Park Presbyterian Church, 4102 S Crestline St, Spokane, WA 99203, 6–8:30 PM
Hot dog dinner, soda’s, bounce house, slide and live band. Tables and chairs will be provided.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2511 S. Pines St, Spokane Valley, WA 99206, 6:7:30 PM — In the parking lot . Please enter from 26th Ave. There will be lawn games, music, ice cream will be served and safety information will be shared.

Shorty Combs Park, E 18th Ave, Airway Heights, WA 99001, 5:30 – 7:30 PM — BBQ , potluck (please bring a dish for all to share) and ice cream will be served. There will be games and activities for kids of all ages, and a fire truck and law enforcement in attendance. Some seating will be provided, please consider bringing a blanket or chairs.

Look in the newsletter for more information about NNO!
For those folks who are too afraid to get involved, to make those calls when they see troubles going on, they will remain afraid because it is going to get worse. If you don’t tell us, where the problems are in the neighborhoods we can’t come and fix it, if you don’t report… nothing is going to be done. You have a choice of being proactive or active, or doing nothing at all. Or, you can help us, and we gain the upper hand. We gain the upper hand because the community and the neighborhood stood up and said, were not taking it any more, were going to fight back. And, when law enforcement comes right up beside them, and we become their action point. You show me where the problem is, we go deal with the problem.

Community Oriented Policing is important, we want to find ways to solve problems before they happen and get answers to why when there is crime that does happen. We want the community to help us, we want to have a better relationship with the community. At the Spokane County sheriff’s department, we are constantly striving to be better. Nationally, in association with our citizens, we have been recognized for our training. We have bias training, anti-bias training and recognition training. And, instead of escalating with someone who is hostile, we have been trained to not only bring that person away from the edge but to maintain a level so that we do not end up escalating with them.

We are the only agency in the United states that has sent our deputies for training to any organization that certifies law enforcement at the international level, not just national, to train and understand the dynamic of personal, external bias and conflict resolution. We take great pride in that and in the fact that the training has helped us in our relationship with the public.

I believe the only way for law enforcement to be successful through is to have community buy-in, and not just buy-in we need the communities support, we need the community working side by side with us to help us to solve the issues that we are facing and that is the total community, without that, all we are is a bunch of people driving around in cars trying to respond to the next problem. The effectiveness of what we do is the community understanding who we are, what we do, what we can do for them, how we can help them and how they can help us. Without that dynamic, we will never be successful. Participating in events such as National Night Out, gives us the chance for that type of discussion, interaction and that type of building a partnership to happen. Again, it gives a chance to be seen as human rather than the badge and it gives also law enforcement to realize that not all the public feels the media would portray it. So, engage us, let us communicate with you and let’s continue to build a partnership.

Listen to the Sheriff’s Report every Saturday on AM 650 from 11:30 am – 12:00, or hear the replay from 8:00 p.m.–8:30.

Sheriff’s corner
A message from Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich

Law enforcement and community relations

Community Oriented Policing is about being proactive to crimes rather than reacting after the crime has already happened. It’s about everyone coming together, which means the government, law enforcement and neighborhoods to solve ongoing problems within the community- dealing with issues before they happen and then working to solve the ones that already have, that is the best way for law enforcement and the Community to work together.

Community Oriented Policing’s true bases is crime prevention and crime prevention works well when people get involved when the multitude of people come together. There has to be a partnership, it can’t be driven from one side or the other.

For years, the community has looked to law enforcement to solve problems that are not law enforcement based issues. When community oriented policing came into effect in the 1970’s, that relationship started changing - law enforcement began focusing on how to get the community involved in solving some of the issues that were going on in the neighborhoods. Law enforcement can’t fix all the problems and frankly if we could, there is just not enough of us to do so. As a sheriff, what I have seen is state and national government try to drive problems down to the local level which is not geared to deal with those types of issues, i.e., mental health; law enforcement is not the end all. If people actually knew how few of us there are, they would rapidly come to the understanding that without the citizens involvement, we cannot be effective. We absolutely need the public’s assistance in all aspects including making sure that everyone picks up the phone to call in crimes and suspicious activities, listening and acting on the messages that are being put out about closing garages, locking car doors and not leaving items out for criminals to take. We also need continued help and support on putting pressure on elected local leaders to properly fund agencies that deal with drug and alcohol addictions as well as developing a better private public relationship with health care providers to help folks to deal with those issues.

At the law enforcement level, we have worked hard to build a partnership where the community and law enforcement will engage. We have taken every effort to reach out and build bridges through HOA’s and entire neighborhood groups that are linked into our intelligence sites. When that neighborhood, or that HOA is experiencing a burglary or theft or some other crime wave, we know about it almost instantaneously. We can put proper resources where they need to go. Without community involvement, without that engagement, without community oriented policing, we wouldn’t know where to go, or what was going on in your community because no one would be reporting it.

Summertime Crime Prevention Tips
Summer is here, the sun is out, flowers are in full bloom and a nice, warm breeze is in the air. This is the time to open doors and windows, tend to the yard and enjoy a vacation with friends and family. Neighborhood Watch would like to remind you that when the temperature goes up, so does the crime! Please help law enforcement keep the community crime free by not giving criminals an easy target.

Stay safe and be aware of your surroundings, and remember that crime prevention is everybody’s business.

- Trees and bushes should be trimmed so as to not block side access. Help neighbors and passerby’s help be eyes and ears and do not give a criminal a place to hide.
- Always lock screen doors whether you are in the backyard, in another part of the home or away.
- Do not place your purses or wallets in plain view.
- Anytime you are away from your garage, close the door. It only takes a moment to steal tools or ride away on a bike.
- Take a weekend and mark your property.
- Going away on vacation? DO NOT advertise your absence from your home on social media sites. Share pictures and information when you come back.
- Do not hide keys outside! Give a spare to a trusted neighbor, relative or get a lockbox.
- Use timers on indoor lights, radios and T.V’s to mimic your normal routine if you plan to be away from home for long periods of time.
- Remind kids to not leave bikes laying around or to be out of their site.
- Remind neighbors to report suspicious activity or abandon vehicles by calling Crime Check at, 509-456-2233 (this number is used for all areas in Spokane and the unincorporated, Liberty Lake)
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The Spokane Police Department (SPD) is paid by the city of Spokane to enforce the law. The SPD is mainly responsible for areas within the city limits which include neighborhoods such as North Indian Trail, Latah and Hangman Hills, Audubon, and East Central, just to name a few. However, Spokane Police Officers are certified to take police action state wide when needed. Although we do not have a lot of turn over, we are constantly recruiting for officers. In the city, we have an urban environment with a very high call volume. So, we look for recruits who are able to deal with a fast paced, multi-tasking environment. We have about 5-6 shootings per year, so we need people that are able to deal with that kind of stress.

For anyone who is considering a job with the SPD, you will need to have at least 30 semester hours of general college. Your college degree does not have to be a criminal justice related, but there is an English requirement of at least 3 semester hours or 5 quarters.

It can take between 3-18 months to get hired. We offer workshops that explain the process because, as with many law enforcement agencies, it can be a maze to try and work through. We try to help applicants on the front side know what they are getting into since the hiring process can be long. Once you become a police officer and are sworn in, you will go into a 19-week law enforcement academy while the student is in Spokane. Once you graduate the academy you will go through 4 months of field training with 4 different training officers. Each training officer you train with will slowly progress and get harder so that by the end of your training, you should be able to work on your own. We have three different precincts in different parts of the city with their own unique challenges, the North side, the South side and downtown. Our lowest rank starts off as a probationary officer, and then you would move up police officer and then Senior officer. Once you are a Senior officer, you can take a promotion test to become a Corporal or a detective (these are the same ranks but one does investigate and the other does photography and crime scene evidence collection). The ranks after Corporal and Detective are as follows; Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain, Major, assistant Chief and then Chief.

Just like other agencies, we specialize in many areas such as SWAT, riot control, detectives, Special investigations and other areas. And, we use the same process for all agencies; booking, computer and sector systems and radio frequency.

The Sheriff’s department is mainly responsible for all areas that are not jurisdictionally covered by a city charter such as Liberty Lake, Cheney, and Airway Heights, and anything outside of the limits of Spokane and the city of Spokane Valley. The Sheriff’s department incorporates the city of Spokane Valley which is the largest contract in the state of Washington. The sheriff’s department also contracts with Medical Lake, Deer Park, Rockford, Latah, Spangle, Waverly and Fairfield to provide law enforcement services to them. The Sheriff’s deputies are paid by the County.

Hiring for the Sheriff’s department has been challenging. About 1 in 25 applicants that apply to actually gets hired. So, if we have 10 vacancies, you need 250 applicants to fill those 10 spots. Across the state, everybody is hiring. The testing company that we use, allows you to apply even if you live across the state. The problem is that, only 50% of those applicants want to be in Spokane. If you wanted to apply for the Spokane County Sheriff’s Department, we require a high school diploma or a GED, but you don’t need any college. However, if you have a degree when you’re hired, you can get more pay.

The hiring process takes about 4-6 months. It involves a written test and a physical agility test. Those who pass are then invited for an oral board interview with a panel of people from within the agency. After that, you will be required to fill out a 29-page document that asks about your personal history statement which we will go over with you in a 2-hour process if you are still a candidate. If you are accepted by the Undersheriff or the Chief, you will move on in the process to the actual background investigation. If you are not from the area, we send an investigator to your home town and talk to your local police department. It is a fairly intensive process to get through the background, but if you pass it, you are given a conditional offer of employment. Once you have passed a medical physical, a polygraph and a psychological exam, you are offered the job.

Our assignments are patrol deputy, and then you can branch out as a Deputy Sheriff. After 3 years, you can promote to the rank of detective. Other ranks that are promotable are to the rank of Sergeant and Lieutenant. After that, you have positions that are appointed by the Sheriff, such as Captain, Inspector, or Undersheriff.

We have a SWAT team, bomb squad, K9 unit, crime prevention unit, major crimes, gang unit, property crimes task force, members in the regional drug task force, school resource deputies and marine unit.

The Washington State Patrol is paid by the state. The primary function and focus of the State Patrol is patrolling the state routes, interstates and traffic emphasis. Other than Seattle police department, the WSP has the largest agency in the state. Our agency is bigger as a whole because we have a crime lab in which all your weapons, finger print and toxilogical results go to, and we have a commercial vehicle division which handles all the scale houses in the state under the Washington State Patrol. The focus of WSP is to look for DUI’s (Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants), aggressive driving, collisions, people who are not wearing their seat belts and the other traffic violations. Our limits are the State of Washington; however, troopers do not have any jurisdictional boundaries, we can go and work wherever we want, city or county roads, it doesn’t matter. If we are involved in a kind of felony, then we can go up to 50 miles into our bordering state- Idaho or Oregon until we are relieved by their local jurisdiction.

Most of the people that we arrest usually has something to do with traffic violations. We have a task force that’s called the Target Zero Team which has a specific focus on arrest of DUI’s. We put a lot of people in jail for DUI’s.

We also have a SWAT team, an aviation division, K-9, detectives, homicides, general detectives, high crimes detectives, missing and endangered children and more areas that we specialize in. To be hired into the WSP, you must have a high school diploma or a GED, a college degree is not required. We do have our own application just like the county does, so you will have to fill out the county paperwork on top of getting testing. With the WSP, there are 4 phases of testing you will have to go through before you’re hired. In the first phase, you go through 2 written tests and a physical test. The second phase you will go through an oral board review and a background. In the 3rd and 4th you will complete a polygraph, medical examination and psychological test and interview. After the phases are completed, you will go through 6 months at our training academy. Once you have completed your training process and graduate the academy, you move up to be a Trooper. After four years you can test up to the rank of Sergeant and then in another 4 years you can move over and be a detective. But the way the rank structure is set up is as follows; trooper, sergeant, lieutenant, captain, assistant chief, deputy chief and then chief.

We can do exactly what a deputy does, we do exactly what a trooper does, we can do exactly what a sheriff does, we can do exactly what a state trooper does... we can do exactly what everyone else does.
Human trafficking is a worldwide epidemic, in 2015 it was estimated that the business of human trafficking brought in around 32 billion dollars a year. As of the year 2017, profits have risen to $150 billion dollars a year. Human trafficking is a federal crime, and under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, human trafficking is defined as a person induced to perform labor or a commercial sex act through force, fraud, or coercion. Any person under the age of 18 who performs a commercial sex act is considered a victim of human trafficking, regardless of whether force, fraud, or coercion was present.

There are several types of human trafficking, most of which we do not recognize. Some examples include: forced labor which can include people who work in the fields, manufacturing companies or restaurants, construction workers, domestic sex workers, maids, nannies and forced marriages. Most of these are people who have been lured across borders with promises of work, an education, a place to lay their head and food to eat. For some, the realization of what is or has happened is too late. They have been lied to and abducted. They arrive from other countries and their passports may be taken away from them, and due to a language barrier, many may not be able to communicate and ask for help, or are too frightened to reach out. These people are threatened, isolated, blackmailed and literally held against their will.

The misconception that human trafficking is something that only happens in other places, especially third world countries, is completely false. In fact, human trafficking is thriving here in the United States. In Florida to South Dakota, Alabama and Illinois. In fact, it is in every single state. Here, in the United States, Americans are being held as slaves, forced to do the will and bidding of others. Victims vary in sex, age, race and culture. Statistics show that forced sex is the highest form of trafficking and it generally involves woman and children. Here, in the Pacific Northwest, there are several instances of trafficking happening. There are stories that are coming out of places like Portland Oregon, Boise Idaho, Cheyenne Wyoming, Missoula Montana and even Spokane Washington. Most of these stories are the same, girls (and some boys) being lured and forced into sex trafficking, sometimes drugged, most of the time physically abused with no foreseeable way out.

The discussion of what is happening in our own backyard is an important one because even with hundreds of people in the United States being arrested for the crime of human trafficking, it is difficult to gauge the number of those who are traffickers, buyers or victims of it. This is a crime where people need to get educated so that they can understand what is going on. How is this happening? How does this continue to be a growing industry, and who is involved? Human trafficking is a major epidemic, and human rights are being violated. There are adult women, men and children, some as young as 1 year old, who are put into this life of serfdom. Some are even born into it. Again, although it is impossible to know the exact number of victims involved in this crime, statistics show that the average age of a person who is being sex trafficked in the U.S. to be between the ages of 12 and 14 years old.

I sat down with Debbie DuPey, a crime victim advocate with Lutheran Community Services Northwest in downtown Spokane, Washington, who discussed with me what they are seeing with human trafficking. She begins with, "one of the things that needs to be understood is that it happens here, in Spokane. We don’t have any more or less trafficking than any city our size, but it is here. In addition, Spokane is part of a route in which traffickers move their victims from different places, such as Seattle, Portland, California, Las Vegas, and Wenatchee. We’re just starting to collect numbers state-wide. LCSNW is part of a state-wide project that is specifically focused on youth. We’re tracking how many youths we’ve served who were either identified or we suspected of being commercially sexually exploited. We don’t know exactly how many victims of human trafficking there actually are in Spokane. But last year, we served around 20 or so youth victims, of commercial sexual exploitation. We know that number is probably only a small percentage of the total number, but we can only count what we see and the people who come in for service. Although you’re one of those 20 people who come in for help, that’s pretty important, because even 1 victim is too many.

Debbie DuPey who is also an educator and researcher, goes on to say, “When we talk about human trafficking, we are talking about human vulnerability. Anyone can be vulnerable at any given moment. It can be someone who comes from what someone would call a ‘good family’, without overt risk factors, so, it could be a situation of vulnerability. There are situations where a person or a group of people may have a fight with their parents and then storm out of the house. They’re feeling vulnerable and not heard and they go somewhere and they are hanging out with other young people, and then someone says, ‘you know what? You don’t have to go home. We’ll take care of you.’ The traffickers, the exploiters who are really good at determining what that individual’s vulnerability is and exploiting it. Again, I think it is important to understand that anyone can be vulnerable, but there are certain populations who are especially at risk. When we look at people who have had a previous history of sexual abuse or other adverse childhood experiences, such as children with what we call a ‘high ace score’ where their parents might be in prison or young children in the foster care system, they are especially vulnerable. Other vulnerabilities could include parents with substance abuse issues: living with physical and emotional abuse. Young people who do not identify as strictly male or female (nonbinary) are at higher risk. Sometimes they are forced out of their homes and onto the streets because their parents do not accept them. Sex becomes a current that they can trade to meet their basic needs. We term that ‘survival sex.’ So, they’re trading it for food, shelter, or if they’re addicted to drugs and using drugs then they might trade it for drugs. These exploiters know what they’re doing; they are very savvy at exploiting people’s vulnerabilities."

"Human sex trafficking is horrific, because you’re not talking about a one-time victimization", says Debbie. “You’re talking about chronic frequent victimization. Not only by whomever is trafficking them, but by having to serve upwards to 20 times a day, and experiencing frequent rapes and physical abuse by the buyers. We can’t say that this how it is for each victim because everyone is unique and different, but that is sort of the dynamic that is happening.”

“If you are recruited into the sex industry when you’re a minor then you’re a victim of human trafficking and a survivor of human trafficking. And, when these kids become adults and if they continue working or what they would say ‘working’ in that in-
One of the most significant vulnerabilities ing, prevent child sexual abuse because it is shame causes them to feel as though they do involved in the sex industry. You have the societal stigma: they’re walking they’re experiencing by the buyer. And then psychological, emotional, social and very impact that you could be seeing are often sometimes their family member. The layers victim of human trafficking, you have what- someone who is being prostituted or who is a “When you look at the levels of impact on trafficking is a very, very lucrative business”. “Craig’s List” (although Craig’s List really tries to monitor for this). For buyers looking for sex on dating sites, traffickers have a specific language that they use and that clients can recognize. Traffickers are using several avenues to advertise their victims. They use street prostitution, go to bus stops, train sta- and truck stops, they use word of mouth that abusive power with our own at- have control over their own life already taken be the school has identified somebody be- cause they have seen some red flags. “When we have that contact with them, we try to build a relationship that’s based on trust by being present with them and not tell- ing them what they’re experiencing. We try helping them to know that they have rights and value and these are some options for them. “When we are trying to establish that relationship with a victim, we don’t say that they are a trafficking victim unless they self-identify. We try to assure them by letting them know that we’re concerned about them and ask questions such as, we are wondering how you’re living on the streets? Or, we tell them that we’re concerned that you may be involved... ‘ and we might broach the ques- tion: ‘have you ever had to trade sex for your basic needs—for food or anything?’ We want them to know that we are not going to judge them for this but we want them to be sure that they have rights and that there are services available to them. So, it’s a long game, and it’s about building rapport and trust. We don’t try and rescue people. We figure, that they have had so many of their rights, and their sense of self and ability to have control over their own life already taken away from them. We are not going to then plant that abusive power with our own at- tempt to control and make decisions for them. It’s really important to build their self- esteem, and build their sense of what rights they have, as well as offer them options while staying with them through that process. “Generally, when we see what we suspect is someone who is involved in trafficking, we really try to reach out and communicate with them. With minors, it is a reportable crime, we’re all mandated reporters, so we have to report it and we would let that person know that. Sometimes when we make that contact, it takes a long time before they really feel safe to reveal what’s going on.”

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- Difficulty in identifying living situation such as address
- Use’s language commonly known to the sex industry
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Buyers can be the very people who are meant to help other people: doctors, lawyers protective service workers, or of any profession. They can be upper class, middle class or lower class, or of any race... our next door neighbor. They can be in their 20’s or much older, men or woman. You can’t tell who a buyer is just by looking at them.

“When you look at the levels of impact on someone who is being prostituted or who is a victim of human trafficking, you have what-ever relationship they have with their traf-ficker—their pimp, the gang member, or sometimes their family member. The layers of impact that you can be seeing are often psychological, emotional, social and very often physical and includes whatever abuse they’re experiencing by the buyer. And then you have the societal stigma: they’re walking down the street and people know that they’re involved in the sex industry— that social shame causes them to feel as though they do not belong in the community.

“If you want to prevent human sex traffick-ing, prevent child sexual abuse because it is one of the most significant vulnerabilities that sets the stage. A young child needs to know they have the right to be safe and that their body belongs to them. We need to re-move the vulnerabilities from potential vic-tims and remove the stigma from current vic-tims, so they feel they are not being judged, that there are people who want to help and that our community will offer them opportu-nities to rebuild their lives as valued individu-als.

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“When someone who has been trafficked and has been picked up (arrested), we usually have contact from juvenile law enforcement. Or, the victim could appear at a service that serves youth, whether it’s a shelter, sub- stance abuse place or a drop-in center. There are also instances where it could be that may- be the school has identified somebody be- cause they have seen some red flags. “When we have that contact with them, we try to build a relationship that’s based on trust by being present with them and not tell- ing them what they’re experiencing. We try helping them to know that they have rights and value and these are some options for them. “When we are trying to establish that relationship with a victim, we don’t say that they are a trafficking victim unless they self-identify. We try to assure them by letting them know that we’re concerned about them and ask questions such as, we are wondering how you’re living on the streets? Or, we tell them that we’re concerned that you may be involved... ‘ and we might broach the ques- tion: ‘have you ever had to trade sex for your basic needs—for food or anything?’ We want them to know that we are not going to judge them for this but we want them to be sure that they have rights and that there are services available to them. So, it’s a long game, and it’s about building rapport and trust. We don’t try and rescue people. We figure, that they have had so many of their rights, and their sense of self and ability to have control over their own life already taken away from them. We are not going to then plant that abusive power with our own at- tempt to control and make decisions for them. It’s really important to build their self- esteem, and build their sense of what rights they have, as well as offer them options while staying with them through that process. “Generally, when we see what we suspect is someone who is involved in trafficking, we really try to reach out and communicate with them. With minors, it is a reportable crime, we’re all mandated reporters, so we have to report it and we would let that person know that. Sometimes when we make that contact, it takes a long time before they really feel safe to reveal what’s going on.”

Would you like to help crime victims?
You can volunteer and be trained to be a victims advocate, assist traffick-ing survivors and support child vic-tims of sexual abuse and adult vic-tims of sexual assault.

Lutheran Community Services, can also assist in presenting information and educating the public on several topics pertaining to the effect of crimes. They are also an advocate for victims rights.

If you are a victim or have been a vic-tim of a crime, please contact Lutheran Community Northwest Ser-vices where they will be able to assist you, for free.

http://lcsnw.org/program/victim-advocacy-and-education/

Sexual Assault 24-hour Crisis Line: 509-624-7273
If you have been a victim of sexual violence, please call 509-624-7273 any time. Your confiden-tial call will be answered 24 hours a day, seven days per week.

Lutheran Services will also assist victims with legal assistance in compensation, court preparation, civil orders of pro-fecion, medical and crises intervention.

To find out more about Human traffick-ing, please search;

https://www.humanrightsfirst.org/resource/human-trafficking-numbers

www.scopespokanewa.org | www.spokanesheriff.org
Are you having a party? Get your form in by July 13th and have your name entered into a drawing for a party package for 25 which include a hot dog dinner (hot dogs, chips and fixings), a cake and a National Night Out banner and table cloth.

Police-Community Partnerships

August 7th, 2018

Registration Form

You will receive a confirmation e-mail for your submitted registration

Host Name: ___________________________________ Phone: _________________________
Address: ______________________________________ Zip: ___________________________
City: _________________________________________ E-mail: ________________________

Nearest SCOPE station: ___________________________

*** Party Start Time: ______ End Time: ______ *** Number of guest expected? _________
Type of gathering ( Check all that apply): __BBQ __Potluck __Ice Cream Social __Cake __Other___________________

Visitors you would like to have attend your party (We must have the form no later than August 1, 2018)

 Sheriff Knezovich  SVPD Chief Werner  Local Law Enforcement   Spokane Valley Mayor   Spokane City Council
 County Commissioners ( Josh Kerns and Mary Kuney available to attend parties)
 Fire Department   SCOPE Board Members   SCOPE Volunteers   Emergency Management  
 Others __________________________

~Every effort will be made to get requested visitors to your event~

Please mail your registration form to:
Neighborhood Watch , NNO
12710 E. Sprague Ave
Spokane Valley, WA 99216 or,
Fax to: 509-893-3906 or e-mail Vdelcambremorris@spokanesheriff.org

If you have any questions, please contact the Neighborhood Watch Coordinator at 509-477-3055

***Note: Parties in the City of Spokane need to contact Mauree Vulcano with Spokane COPS 509-835-4572***

The Spokane County Sheriff’s Office, Spokane Valley Police Department, and SCOPE invite you to National Night Out! You’re invited to turn on your porch lights, lock your doors and spend the evening with neighbors and public safety officials to join forces with thousands of other communities nationwide for the 35th annual National Night Out against Crime on Tuesday, August 7th, 2018. Bring your neighbors in to collaborate ideas for fun activities for children and adults. You can have live bands, bake off parties, BBQ’s, Ice Cream Socials, bounce houses or whatever else you can think of to keep your party fun and lively. Remember, this is a great time to get educated about crime prevention and to think about starting a Neighborhood Watch!

NNO party information

♦ Coordinate with your neighbors about coming together for the event, or what you would like to do and let them know that their may be some noise involved the evening of the gathering.
♦ If you do not live on an arterial street you can close the street to traffic HOWEVER, please do not close intersections and do NOT use cars to block off your street.
♦ Remember that not all neighbors will want to participate, so please be courteous.
♦ Your neighbors need to be able to drive in and out of the area with ease.
♦ Please allow access for emergency vehicles to enter and exit the block freely.
♦ Keep tables and other set up on one side of the street to keep street open for residents that need to pass.
♦ Lastly, you will not need a permit to have a neighborhood party. NNO out parties in the a park will need to pay $50.00 for a permit.
Keep it simple!
Order bounce houses for the kids, rent a movie screen or have a potluck where everyone brings a dish. Spend as much or as little as you want.

Get people involved.
- Talk to your neighbors about having a block party.
- Find out if anyone has any special skills or has items that they would like to share (back-yard pool, large grill, ice cream or ice cone maker)
- Ask local businesses to donate to your party

Plan early
- At 8 weeks, start sending out information about your event.
- Meet often to stay on track
- Send out reminders at 6, 4, 2 and 1 week prior to event

Host a party with a theme.
- Luau’s
- 50’s, 80’s or roaring 20’s theme
- Western themed (red and white plaid table cloths, hay stacks to sit on, lemonade, cowboy hats, boots and shirts, etc.)
- Fiesta
- Beach Party
- Sports team
- Dessert only (cookies, make your own sundae, etc.)

Have some fun!
- Have a parade and dress up your animals or the kids and adults.
- Water Balloon Fights
- Pie Eating Contest
- Talent Show
- Bingo
- Scavenger Hunt
- Cake Walk
- Invite a band
- Evening campout (roast dogs and make smore’s)

Do something for your community.
- Food drive
- Organize a community clean-up
- Donate time to SCRAP, food kitchen’s or the Union Gospel Mission.
- Exchange items that are not being used
- Help a neighbor (home that needs painting or yard clean-up).

Please remember to get your registration form in to be able to receive visitors. And, don’t forget to have your form in by July 13th for your chance to win a hot dog dinner for 25 guest!

Have questions? Contact: Neighborhood Watch Coordinator @ 509-477-3055 or, e-mail vdelcambremorris@spokanersheriff.org

SCOPE South Hill Yard and Plant Sale Fundraiser
Help support community outreach programs
Saturday, June 2nd
9:00-5:00 PM
1605 E. 17th Ave, Spokane, WA
Will be happy to accept donations up until early morning of June 2nd, but please We cannot accept large items such as couches, large appliances or clothing. For more information, please contact: Diane Holick@ 509-595-0405

Otis Orchards Parade!
June 9th, 2018
Parade starts 12- noon @ LDS Church
Parade will start at the church located at 21022 E. Wellesley and end at the Otis Elementary School at 22000 E. Wellesley. The parade runs about a half hour. More events to follow at the school after the parade.

There will be bands, antique cars, horses, bikes, kids games and craft tables!
Kids can climb aboard the fire truck
Drinks and snacks for sale
For information, or to enter in the parade, contact Marilyn Greer at the SCOPE East office, 4904 N. Harvard, 509-922-3150
Come Join the FUN!!!!!!!

Upcoming conferences hosted by the Spokane County Sheriff’s Crime Prevention Unit

Crime Prevention Conference:
The Spokane County Sheriff’s Office will TRAIN YOU in crime prevention! For only $15 per person you can attend our annual Crime Prevention Conference in October at the Sheriff’s Training Center. The tuition covers materials and the cost of a delicious lunch.

Citizens Academy:
The Spokane County Sheriff’s Office invites you to attend Citizens’ Academy! Learn about many functions our deputies perform to keep you safe. These are free three hour sessions that will take place on a weekday for EIGHT weeks! It will take place at the Sheriff’s Training Center this fall.

Dates and times still to be determined

Thank You from S.C.O.P.E.
Without the support of individuals and businesses we would not be able to expand our services for the community. Thank you all so much!

A to Z Rental
A to Z continues to be a great supporter of S.C.O.P.E. year after year!

PostNet - North Division

UPS - Wandermere

DeVries Business Services
Thank you to DeVries for their continued support of S.C.O.P.E. and the Spokane County Sheriff’s Office.

Harbor Freight Tools (N. Nevada)

Little Spokane River Estates HOA (Colbert, WA)

Pizza Pipeline (Mead)

Spokane Valley Mall Management
Thank you to the Valley Mall management and staff, and Mall Security personnel for their support of staff, deputies and volunteers at our Crime Prevention Office in the Spokane Valley Mall.

Target store in Spokane Valley and at South Hill

The Spokane Valley and South Hill Target continue to support S.C.O.P.E., Neighborhood Watch, National Night Out and our Crime Prevention Office at the Spokane Valley Mall—thank you for your generosity!!

Thrivent Financial

And to all the businesses supporting individual S.C.O.P.E. stations, thank you!

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