



# Neighborhood Watch Newspaper Crime Prevention

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### Crime Prevention Unit

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page at the sites above)

**Crime Prevention Office at the Valley  
Mall**

(Located on the first floor next door to Sears)

Open M-F, 509-893-3934



## Identity Theft; some things you need to know

As of 2017, over 16.7 million Americans have been victims of identity theft. Yes, you read that right, 16.7 million! New technologies have made it easier than ever to communicate, pay bills, order online items and to unknowingly correspond with a scammer on the phone or on the computer. Add mail theft, shoulder surfing, dumpster diving and data breaches and it is hard to find ways to keep private information private and safe. When identity thieves grab ahold of your information, you can become vulnerable to all kinds of attacks including credit damage, massive amounts of debt, stress and weeks, months or longer devoted to fixing the damage that has been done.

You should know that to a thief, it doesn't matter what your financial status is, age or gender. Identity thieves will go after everyone. Everybody is a target, including children. To understand what it is that makes your information so irresistible to thieves, think about things such as acquiring money without really working for it. They can buy items using your credit card, drain your bank account, sell your information, open accounts such as utilities in your name, get a loan, buy a cell phone or even get medical treatment or medication. Once a criminal has your name, address, date of birth and or social security number, it takes only minutes before they have access to a great deal more.

Although there is no proven way to prevent all identity theft, there are steps that you can take to help make it harder for thieves to get your information.

According to the Federal Trade Commission, credit card fraud is one of the most common types of identity theft, and almost half of all credit card theft is committed online. So, before you click on that payment or submit button, make sure to keep these tips in mind. Verify the website before you make any transactions with them. If you don't see a URL in the search bar that starts with **https**, do not go any further! That **https** that you see is telling you that any information that you send through that site will be safe and secured and will be hard to hack by potential identity thieves.

Next, make sure to go to sites that you are acquainted with. Identity thieves can be extremely clever and trick you into thinking that you are shopping at your trusted online site when in actuality, you have been given access to a lookalike site. You can prevent that by letting your mouse hover over the URL and checking for variations such as misspelled words, or a different name that varies from the site that you entered.

If you are buying from any online store and are asked to create a password, create one that is uniquely different from any others that you have used, and use variations in your password that have letters, symbols and numbers in it.

And, lastly. Nothing beats the use of free internet through those Wi-fi hotspots at your local coffee shop, but free can also mean risky as they are not generally secured. So, if you must use an unsecured site, make sure that you are not entering secure information.

Other than the internet, there are still a number of ways that credit card fraud can happen. Scammers will call you on the phone or try to reach you by e-mail or through a text. A few red flags that you should look for is that the fact that they are calling you without you having initiated the contact yourself. Also, beware of your "credit card" company calling to tell you that there has been a compromise and that they need to verify that you are still the holder of your card. These types of scams require information that your true credit card company will already have such as your address, card number, or the 3 or 4 digits that are located on the back of your card. Those digits on the back of your card are known as the CVC, CVV or CID (and other variations) and are for your eyes only. They are numbers only you have access to, and are used as a fraud prevention method against someone who is trying to make purchases with your stolen credit card numbers. The best thing you can do is ask the caller to re-identify who they are, ask for a phone number where they can be reached and then call your credit card or bank using the number that is located on the back of the card or on a bank or credit card statement to verify the call that you just received. **Never** call the person back using the number that the person on the other end of the line has given you unless you know with certainty that they are who they say they are. Other ways that crooks will try and grab hold of your information is through credit card skimming. Skimming happens when a small device is placed over the actual machine's card reader. Once the device is placed, thieves lay in wait until someone comes along to swipe their card; information such as your name, credit card number and its expiration date are now known to the thief.

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## Sheriff's corner

A message from Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich



### Use of Force

As law enforcement officers, we pray that we will get through our careers without having to pull the trigger of our service weapon. I have yet to run into anybody who wears the badge, who thinks, "Oh, yeah, I'm going to get to shoot somebody today." Because once you do, you can never take it back. It is life altering and it's not something that we in law enforcement want to do.

When it comes to the use of force by law enforcement, the media portrays the police in a blaringly bad light. There is a lot of criticism, without knowledge. Few in the media have really done the research fully to understand use of force encounters or deadly force encounters.

If people want to really know, if they really want to understand, then I ask them to read a book called *Civil Liability in Criminal Justice* by Darrell L. Ross. It is a textbook dealing with the liability issues inherent in law enforcement and details 1983 lawsuits against law enforcement, corrections. Mr. Ross' analysis of use of force incidents showed statistically you cannot prove that there is a use of force problem in the United States. He further explains; statistically police officers in the United States do not use the amount of force they are entitled to in the majority of the incidents they encounter where force would have been authorized.

Ross found officer/citizen contacts based on arrest or detention type circumstances happened more than about 296 million times in 2005 according to the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS). These types of contacts tend to be the highest risk types of contact between law enforcement and the public. Despite the large number of high risk police contacts with citizens, very few of them result in the police using force. Ross clearly states, "There is no empirical evidence, however, to support claims that excessive force or officer misconduct occurs with statistically significant frequency (Ross, 2005)." Ross continued, "... the use of any type of force is rare in police contacts with citizens. Moreover, he found that excessive force accusation, in contrast to public perception, were even rarer." (Ross, 2015).

Ross' findings can be verified by analyzing the number of police officers that are assaulted, or the felony assaults (some form of weapon is used), and then compare that with the number of people that police officers use deadly force on, we will find out very quickly that police officers are not using deadly force as often as they are legally justified. Police officers use much less force than is justified in the great majority of these encounters.

We don't want to kill anybody. It's not what we were hired to do unless absolutely necessary to protect human life. Sadly, some in law enforcement have waited too long to make the decision to shoot or not shoot, and they ended up being murdered.

Prison inmates who had killed police officers were asked questions concerning their actions by the FBI in order to understand the psychology of people who shoot police officers. One of the questions asked, "Why were you successful in shooting that police officer?" The answer the criminal gave was very simple, "You have to think about it, I don't". You have to think about whether or not you have the right to shoot, all I have to do is pull that gun and shoot. And, they are absolutely right when they make those statements.

When I pull my gun, the check list starts: Is that a gun or is it something else? Is anyone in danger? Am I acting according to my training and our policies? Am I going to die? If I shoot, will I get fired? It all flashes in your head and those are split seconds that we give up, because we have to think about it.

I thank God, I have never had to shoot anyone. I've come close, I've even had bullets go over my head, but I have never had to shoot anyone.

I've come close, I've even had bullets go over my head, but I have never had to shoot anyone. The psychological effect on an officer is magnified when you pull the trigger, because when we use force and somebody gets injured, the first thing going through our mind is, "Did I break any laws? Did I break any policies? Did I use the proper level of force? Did I apply the proper technique?" All that's going through your head because you know one thing: you suddenly went from being the good guy and doing your job to being the suspect that hurt somebody. You went from the good guy doing your job to somebody who has just taken a human life. Once we pull the trigger, it is up to the investigation to determine if you, the police officer, did it correctly and legally. If that is not the definition of being under an investigation as a suspect, I don't know what to tell you, because it is. That is what's going on in the mind of the officer, the fact that he, or she, could go to prison. The officer that pulled that trigger is looking for something, and it's the one thing that the investigators can't give them, it's the one thing that their bosses can't give them, and it's the one thing that I can't give them when I get to the scene and look them in the eye. I can't give them the one thing that they are desperately searching for, and that is for somebody to tell them that they did it right.

So, they sit on that edge for days and sometimes weeks on end wondering, did I do that right? Will somebody please validate what I had to do? Their families live it, and when the media attacks the officer, they forget that there is also a family living the event. The officer's children, in the school yard, are getting asked why did your daddy kill that guy? Or, even worse, they are telling that child that your daddy murdered that person. That's what it's like.

Technically, that officer is under criminal investigation, and they have the same rights as any other suspect under investigation.

They have the right to remain silent. The media and the citizens sometimes don't understand, that yes, the constitution applies to police officers also. They have the right to remain silent. They don't have to say anything during the criminal investigation.

Now let's talk about the administrative investigation. Technically, they can go through the criminal side and not say a word by invoking their rights. But, when it comes to the administrative side, they are handed a piece of paper and told, "You either talk, or you are fired." To be clear, we can't use any of the information gathered from of the administrative process in the criminal case. The criminal process is protected because we are forcing the officer to make a statement. During the administrative investigation, the officer no longer has many of the rights that a person accused of a crime has. The officer has no choice but to give a full and accurate account of the incident or face termination. It is a two-prong process these officers and deputies have to go through. There is a criminal investigation and potentially a criminal trial, and then you have the administrative investigation. And, almost guaranteed, a civil trial which means depositions.

The above process is something the officer or deputy will walk through for years, not just months, before they are fully exonerated

or found that they have done something wrong.

I have watched many officers and deputies leave this profession because they could never overcome the act of shooting someone. It just destroyed them. It destroyed their families; they lost it all. Once you pull the trigger, you can never take it back. It's something you live with it forever, and some just can't overcome the act of taking a human life. Every human life has worth beyond measure and every human life is something that needs to be cherished and protected. Law enforcement officers don't stop being human just because we put on a badge. I have seen the effects of an officer having to use their gun and regardless of how it turned out, the aftermath of those effects are far reaching and long lasting.

#### Identity theft cont.

They are numbers only you have access to, and is used as a fraud prevention method against someone who is trying to make purchases with your stolen credit card numbers. The best thing you can do is ask the caller to re-identify who they are, ask for a phone number where they can be reached and then call your credit card or bank using the number that is located on the back of the card or on a bank or credit card statement to verify the call that you just received. **Never** call the person back using the number that the person on the other end of the line has given you unless you know with certainty that they are who they say they are.

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With identity theft on the rise, the most important thing to remember is to be proactive in monitoring your information, says Jon Maroni with the Spokane Federal Credit Union. Use free credit reporting services such as Credit Karma or Credit Sesame because if someone tries to pull your credit or open an account in your name, you will be alerted immediately. Also consider embracing your banks mobile app so you can know instantly what is going on with your money. You are as much responsible for your information as you are in control, but if someone were to get your credit card or you don't catch the charges, your bank will try. But ultimately, you can catch it faster if you are closely monitoring what is going on with your cards.

# THE SHERIFF'S CRIME PREVENTION CONFERENCE



Are you concerned about the nationwide opioid epidemic? Are you wondering what local authorities are doing to confront this terrible plague? Are you fed up with property crimes, and want to know how the Sheriff's Office is working to keep you safe? Do you have concerns about identity theft? Would you like to know how to protect yourself and your assets with proper insurance coverage? Have you ever been confused about the difference between the Police Department, the Sheriff's Office and the Washington State Patrol? If you answered "yes" to just ONE of these questions than you should attend our upcoming Crime Prevention Conference.

Be a partner with the Spokane County Sheriff's Office Crime Prevention Unit, SCOPE and Neighborhood Watch! We will answer these questions and many more. Sir Robert Peel said, "The people are the police and the police are the people." One result of this truism is the necessity of private citizens and law enforcement to work together and share information.

The Sheriff's Office can not meet its mission without the support and cooperation from YOU, the citizens of Spokane County. Please come and be part of the solution!

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or,

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**WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 17TH  
9:00-3:40 PM**

The Sheriff's Training Center at 6011 N. Chase Road, Newman Lake, WA

Continental breakfast and Lunch and materials will be provided

The cost to attend is \$15 per person, or \$10 for law enforcement volunteers and students

**Payment for this informative conference is due by October 12, 2018.**

Please send checks or money orders to: Neighborhood Watch  
12710 E. Sprague,  
Spokane, WA 92216

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE #** \_\_\_\_\_

**LAW ENFORCEMENT VOLUNTEER**  **AGENCY?** \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT**  **WHAT SCHOOL?** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITIZEN**

**COP TALK**

**9:00-10:00 AM**

In this class, we will be discussing what the difference between the agencies and what you need to know when you call 9-1-1 or Crime Check. Special Speakers from the Spokane Police department, Spokane County Sheriff's department, Washington State Patrol and the Crime Check supervisor.

**INSURANCE FRAUD**

**10:10- 11:10 PM**

The general public may hear about insurance fraud but never really know much about how fraud is committed. The stories they hear might be about how a person bilked L & I through work, or of someone suffering that "\$100,000.00 whiplash", or the slip and fall at the grocery store.

I will speak on these and other topics such as; door to door contractor scams, how to report suspected insurance fraud, medical provider solicitations, how to avoid being a victim and more.

**FRAUD AND THEFT- WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW**

**11:20- 12:20 PM**

Come and hear some of the ways criminals sneakily try and take your money and your identity. In this class you will learn about different types of identity theft, how your information can be compromised, and what you can do to lessen the chances of it happening to you as well as what to do if it does.

**12:20-1:00 PM**

**\*\*\*LUNCH PROVIDED FREE AT THE FACILITY BY THE OLD SPAGHETTI FACTORY\*\*\***

**Lasagna and Fettuccine Alfredo**

**Rolls**

**Salad**

**Beverages**

**Lemon bars, raspberry bars and brownies**

**OPIOID CRISES**

**1:00-2:30 PM**

Fantastic panel discussion on the opioid crises. How it is affecting families and neighborhoods, crime stats and where it is coming from. Our guest speakers will be law enforcement, the Executive Director Linda Thompson from the GSSAC, Sandy Altshuler Ph.D., L.I.C.S.W , Brandy Woods, Clinical Supervisor Dianne Snyder, and QA Clinical Supervisor.

**PROPERTY CRIMES**

**2:40- 3:40**

In this class, Sgt. Pat Bloomer will discuss the current trends in Spokane County pertaining to property crimes, combating organized retail theft and forgery and fraud tips. There will also be discussions on ways to help lower your chances of becoming a property crime victim.

# ALERT SPOKANE



For the benefit of Spokane County residents and its businesses, an emergency notification system was put in place to notify the public of emergencies regarding health and physical safety which can include evacuations or missing persons in their immediate area. This notification can come on any day and at any time in the form of a recorded message. It will inform you of incidents that are happening now, or your need to take shelter-in-place. You are able to receive messages through e-mail, text, or calls through land line, VoIP systems or cell phones. In order to receive these calls, please note that:

- **These are not SCAM messages.**
- The Alert Spokane system is only activated by emergency personal.
- **Most** landlines through Century Link and Frontline are already in the data base, however it is a good idea to self-register your house phone/landline at [www.alertspokane.org](http://www.alertspokane.org)
- If you have a VoIP (Voice over internet protocol) or cell phone, you must register online at [www.alertspokane.org](http://www.alertspokane.org) to receive notifications.
- When registering, you will be able to choose a preferred language you wish to receive notifications in; English, Spanish, Chinese or Russian.
- You can register up to four additional phones using this system.
- If you have restrictions placed on your phone through your service provider to block solicitors, you will not be able to receive the calls. However, if you use the Do-Not-Call-Registry, your phone will be able to accept the **Alert Spokane** information.
- Messages from Alert Spokane will start messages with, this is Alert Spokane.
- If your answering machine picks up this call, the Alert Spokane system will leave a message.
- The Alert Spokane notification system will call back up to two times if your line is busy.
- If you have caller I.D., it will read as, Alert Spokane Emergency, 1- 866-419-5000. If you would like to replay the message please call the 1-866-419-5000 again.
- Follow the instructions given or left by the systems information.
- Do **not** call 9-1-1 or Crime Check to follow up on the call unless you have an emergency.
- The system will notify you of updates.
- Please pass information on to neighbors who are in the area and who may not have received the message.
- Not everyone will get the call as the information is related to affected areas.
- You may receive several testing calls from this system as it is tested many times through the year for efficiency.

If you are not in the system and would like to sign up, you will be asked to give your first and last name, address (no P.O Boxes excepted), phone number or TDD/TTY device (Tone delivery for the hearing impaired) where you would like to receive the alert message. You will also be asked to agree to the terms and conditions of the agreement before you are officially signed into the system. The information you give is only used to for alerting you to emergency information, and it is entered into a secured website and will not be sold.

If you have a change in residency or add or disconnect phone service, please make sure to update your information at the Alert Spokane website.

If you do not have access to a computer or would prefer to receive the emergency notifications on your Apple or Android phone, you are able to download the **CodeRed** mobile App, a software application that supports Alert Spokane.

You are able to opt out of the Alert Spokane notification service at any time. If you are receiving messages by text, you will be required to reply **STOP** to any text coming from **31678** or **76127** or **76993**.

If you want to stop receiving these calls to your landline or your computer, you will need to fill out an OPT Out Request form which you can find on the [SpokaneCounty.org](http://SpokaneCounty.org) website. The form will need to be printed, signed and then mailed to Alert Spokane, 1620 N. Rebecca St., Spokane, WA 99217, or scanned and sent to [alertspokanecounty.org](mailto:alertspokanecounty.org).

If you want to find out more information about Alert Spokane, please go to:  
[alertspokane@spokanecounty.org](mailto:alertspokane@spokanecounty.org)



## Be Aware and Prepare!

Fires, flooding, winter storms and sheltering-in-place... are you prepared? Do you have a plan? Do you know what to do in times of crisis? If not, no time is better than now to start having that conversation, making lists and storing the items you will need for you and your family.

Education is key when talking about preparedness. Everyone in the home is a very important part of how smoothly your family's part of the crisis may go. If you have children, make sure that they are a part of the planning process. Make sure everyone in the home knows contact numbers that include cell phone, work numbers and how to contact out of town relatives. Children should be clear on home addresses and phone numbers and who is allowed to pick them up if needed, and what they should do if they need to stay put until you or help arrives. Strategies should be put into place so that everyone knows what to do if the fire alarm were to go off. Is there a plan for evacuation and a place to meet once outside of the home or the neighborhood? It is important to make sure that, not only are you educated but that your children know how and who to call in case of an emergency.

No matter what kind of disaster arises, communication can be your greatest asset to getting the help you need quickly and in keeping in touch with loved ones. It is recommended that you keep a list of important phone numbers such as your doctors, utility companies like water and electric and work numbers and out of town relatives who can contact other relatives to pass along information. It is also important to research other forms of communications if cell phone and land lines are busy or down. Consider investing in 2-way radios since they are an effective means of communication, do not require electricity, phone lines or towers and can transmit and get reception for up to several miles. Being able to receive important updates and messages is as important as it is to be able to communicate your need for help. Radios such as HAM radio have been around since the early 1900's and are widely used among millions of people all over the world, with that said, you can communicate to others listening on the radio or listen to those who are sharing important information. Emergency radios are a necessity when you have been cut off from other forms of communications and you need to know what is going on. Crank radios are a good investment because it runs off a very minimal amount of power, allows you to hear information from the National Weather Center, listen to local stations that are still broadcasting, and charge devices such as your cell phone. When a disaster strikes it is helpful to keep yourself as updated to what is going on as possible. Consider adding APPS to your phone that alert you to natural disasters and other emergencies.

Do you have what it takes if you were called upon to stay in your home? Do you have enough for 14 days, ten or even three? Are you financially prepared to stay in a hotel if needed? Because no one can really know how long a disaster can last, it is recommended that you have enough supplies to last you up to two weeks. Your supplies should not only consist of food and water but other items such as batteries for electronics, flashlights and walkies, blankets or sleeping bags, manual can openers, crank radios and first aid kits.

When planning for emergency preparedness, make sure to have a plan for your pets. Have items such as vaccination papers and pictures of you and your pets. Include supplies in case of an evacuation such as food and water. And research shelters and hotels ahead of time to make sure that animals will be allowed to stay on the premises.

Lastly, neighbors can be invaluable in helping in time of crisis. Make sure to get to know your neighbor and map your neighborhood.

Prepare and help yourself, family and neighbors until help can arrive.

## SPOKANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CITIZENS ACADEMY

The Spokane County Sheriff's Office Citizen's Academy gives people a look into the Sheriff's Office, and many of the functions we perform. Citizen's get to hear from and ask questions of deputies, detectives, and other professionals that are part of the Sheriff's Office team. From Major Crimes detectives to SWAT, from School Resource Deputies to Traffic Enforcement and much more! You will get to hear directly from the officers what they do, how they do it, and why. Hear them tell it in their own words! The Citizen's Academy is one night per week, 3 hours per night, from October 1<sup>st</sup> to November 19<sup>th</sup>. With an introduction from Spokane County Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich, this 8 week program promises to be something you will always remember!

### THIS IS A FREE CLASS!

- ◆ Hear from Spokane County Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich and ask questions
- ◆ Learn about each department and service provided by your Sheriff's Office
- ◆ Meet and hear from Deputies who patrol and work all over Spokane County
- ◆ Have an introduction to every function that the Sheriff's Office performs such as Traffic, Major Crimes, School Resource Deputies, Canine, SWAT, Helicopter, Marine Enforcement, Search and Rescue and more!
- ◆ See Sheriff's vehicles and equipment
- ◆ See SWAT equipment

**WHEN: Every Monday night, beginning October 1st and ending on November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (8 days total).  
Class runs from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

**Where: Spokane County sheriff's Training Center, 6011 N. Chase Rd.**



**To sign up: Please call,  
Deputy David Morris  
@ 509-477-6044 or,  
E-mail at:  
dwmorris@spokanesherriff.org**



**Please only register if you plan to attend, as seating is limited.  
Background checks will be performed on all applicants.**



### Calling all Neighborhood Watch captains and co-captains!

Are you a Neighborhood Watch captain or co-captain in the Valley or County? Would you like to meet others like you? Now is your opportunity!

**This meeting is meant for you to:**

- ⇒ Meet other captains from different neighborhoods.
- ⇒ Voice your concerns
- ⇒ Give a boost to your active NW programs
- ⇒ Hear from Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich
- ⇒ Speak with Crime Prevention Deputies
- ⇒ Learn how to get the most out of your call with Crime Check and 9-1-1, a conversation with the Crime Check supervisor.

**\*\*\* Get your name in for a chance to win a free crime prevention item! \*\*\***

**October 25th, 2018  
Sheriff's Valley Precinct  
6:30-8:30 PM**

**Sign up for this meeting by calling the  
Neighborhood Watch Coordinator  
@  
509-477-3055**

**Want to see what's going on in your neighborhood?**

**Go to [WWW.Spokanecounty.org](http://WWW.Spokanecounty.org)  
Click on " Maps and GIS"  
Click on Spokane Regional Crime Map"**

Once you reach the Lexis Nexis community crime map, in the appropriate area, enter your address or an address in the area you wish to look at.

- You can enter dates up to 11 months at a time, all the way back to the year 1970.
- Hover your mouse over symbols shown to get information such as date, time and partial address of where the event occurred.
- You will only be able to see an occurrences where an officer took an incident report.
- To understand the meaning of the symbols, look on the left hand side of the map under menu.
- If you only want to look at certain incidents, click only the symbols you wish to see.



# National Night Out highlights!

A huge "THANK YOU!" to all who participated in this year's National Night Out party!

**Residents of Spokane County**  
**Businesses who participated and contributed**  
**Law enforcement**  
**Fire Department**  
**County Commissioners**  
**City Of Spokane Valley Mayor & Council**  
**SCOPE Board and Volunteers**



## northwest HARVEST



Winco  
Dairy Queen (Airway Heights)  
Fred Meyers (Sullivan)  
Certified Security  
Avista  
Emergency management



A Huge "Thank You" to The Spokane Valley Mall GGP



AT&T  
Boarder Patrol  
Mom's Demand Action  
Girl Scouts  
Yoke's



National Weather Service  
Fish and Game Wildlife  
Sheriff  
Molina/United Health  
Police Museum  
Juvenile Court  
Cub Scouts  
Washington 2-1-1  
Farmers Insurance  
AMR  
Brain Freeze Creamery  
Community Health Plan



### SPOKANE COUNTY SHERIFF EXPLORERS



Are you a business that would like to support giving crime and drugs a going away party by donating items or participating in the NNO event? Please contact, 509-477-3055 for more information.

Didn't get to throw a party or attend one? We'll be back again next year! Remember, National Night Out is every first Tuesday in August! If you would like more information, please contact the Neighborhood Watch Coordinator @509-477-3055.

# UPCOMING EVENTS FREE TO ATTEND!



**Deputy Sheriff Open House Hiring Information**  
Thursday, October 4, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
Spokane County Sheriff's Office Training Center  
6011 N. Chase Rd., Newman Lake, WA 99025

**Reservations are REQUIRED:** Please call Spokane County Civil Service to add your name to the reservation list. 509-477-4711.

\*\*\* Photo ID is needed at check-in, and note taking material is highly recommended.

This is YOUR opportunity to ask questions and learn valuable information that will help you with testing preparation, the application process, interview do's and don'ts, and a lot more.  
For the Sheriff's office

## October 13th, 2018 SCOPE

(Sheriff's community Oriented Effort)

Want to help make our community a better place to live?

Join SCOPE and be a part of one of the many programs that they offer such S.I.R.T, Disabled Parking, Operation Family Identification, abandoned Vehicles, COP and more!

To find out more information, please call SCOPE's Executive Director, Rick Scott @ 509-477-3376

Must have background check and interview with crime prevention deputy before acceptance into the class.



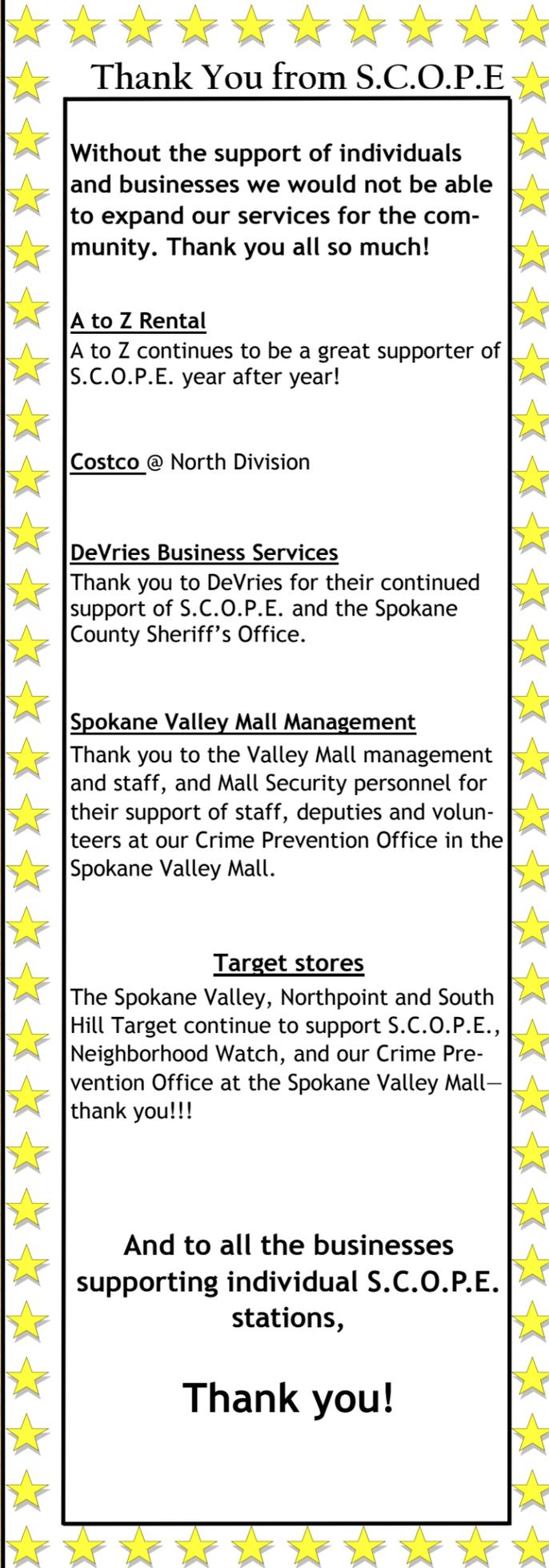
## "TRICK OR TREAT"

OCTOBER 31  
Open House

4:30-8:30 PM

Medical Lake SCOPE Station  
124 S. Lefevre St.  
Medical Lake, WA 99022

Treats and goodies for all the kids for a safe and fun Trick or Treat spot in our local community. Everyone is welcome!



## 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!

### Costco @ North Division

### DeVries Business Services

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

### 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 stores

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

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

## Thank you!



### Distracted Driving is against the Law

There are many things that \$136.00 can buy, don't let a traffic ticket for distracted driving be one of them.

#### **If you are behind the wheel DON'T:**

- Hold your phone while driving even if you are stopped at a traffic light.
- Type messages on devices; cell phones, laptops
- Watch movies or videos

#### **If you are behind the wheel DO:**

- Use hands free devices.
- Pay attention to the road.
- Drive and stay alive!

June 2018– August 2018 CRIMES BY SHERIFF DISTRICT

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	20	21	22	23	26	Total
ADULT RAPE	4	2	6	4	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	27
ASSAULT /Simple and Aggravated	52	64	32	76	33	42	16	17	13	15	20	15	28	21	10	3	3	1	0	0	461
BURGLARY/ROBBERY	31	30	22	23	11	21	21	28	11	23	15	15	32	26	16	5	3	0	1	0	334
DRUG	50	26	20	24	7	21	28	8	1	8	3	8	26	3	5	1	8	0	0	0	247
FORGERY	42	29	36	58	29	44	25	19	17	16	12	18	49	15	21	6	7	0	1	0	444
STL VEH	19	17	12	18	6	12	12	13	3	5	4	6	16	2	3	3	1	0	0	1	153
THEFT	154	99	69	109	50	112	39	28	31	36	30	30	87	29	31	18	19	2	1	0	974
VEH PROWL	65	67	33	78	48	52	42	24	28	15	9	24	78	27	10	18	8	1	1	0	628
Total	417	334	227	390	185	305	185	137	105	118	94	116	318	125	97	54	49	5	4	1	3268

Total Population\* 12,297 14,819 17,842 14,220 15,138 15,436 16,387 12,051 16,414 15,150 12,346 15,932 33,042 8,518 6,333 3,652 1,786 470 550 278

\*from Census Data

**S.C.O.P.E. Stations & Their Corresponding Sheriff District**  
 -District Maps available at [www.spokanesheriff.org](http://www.spokanesheriff.org) under Crime Prevention, Neighborhood Watch, Maps & Resources-

Central Valley (5) 509-928-3807  
 Deer Park (20) 509-276-7848  
 East (9) 509-922-3150  
 Edgecliff (1) 509-477-6345  
 Elk (15) 509-292-0188

EWU/Cheney (11) 509-559-5679  
 FAFB (12) 509-954-8485  
 Liberty Lake (9) 509-755-1143  
 Medical Lake (12) 509-299-7525  
 Mounted Patrol 509-280-5174

North (7& 13) 509-477-6377  
 South (10 &11) 509-868-0200  
 Trentwood (2) 509-927-9490  
 University (3) 509-477-2582  
 West Valley (8 &21) 509-477-0629

Note: the cities of Rockford (22), Fairfield (23) are also part of District 10 and Spangle (26) is also part of District 11

Local Law Enforcement	Call for Help/Reporting	Other Contacts/Links
<p><b>Spokane County Sheriff*</b>                      Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich                      Sheriff's Office Front Desk,                      Located in the Public Safety Building                      in downtown Spokane                      Open M-F 8:30am-4:30pm  <i>Excluding holidays</i>                      509-477-2240  <a href="http://www.spokanesheriff.org">www.spokanesheriff.org</a></p> <p><b>Crime Prevention Deputies</b>                      City of Spokane Valley: 509-477-2592                      All other County areas: 509-477-6044</p> <p><b>Area Law Enforcement Agencies</b></p> <p><b>City of Airway Heights Police</b>                      509-244-3707</p> <p><b>City of Cheney Police</b>                      509-498-9235</p> <p><b>City of Liberty Lake Police</b>                      509-755-1140</p> <p><b>City of Medical Lake</b>  <i>(services provided by Sheriff's Office)</i>                      509-625-4100</p> <p><b>City of Spokane Police</b>                      Desk                      509-625-4100  <a href="http://www.spokanepolice.org/">www.spokanepolice.org/</a></p> <p><b>City of Spokane Valley Police*</b>                      509-477-3300  <a href="http://www.spokanevalley.org/">www.spokanevalley.org/</a></p> <p><b>FAFB 92nd Security Forces Squadron</b>                      509-247-5493</p> <p><b>Spokane Int'l Airport Police</b>                      509-455-6429</p> <p><b>Washington State Patrol, Spokane</b>                      509-227-6566 or 456-4101</p> <p><b>U.S. Border Patrol</b>                      509-353-2747</p>	<p><b>Law Enforcement Help Line</b>  <b>509-477-5980</b></p> <p><b>Call 9-1-1 in an emergency</b>                      When you need IMMEDIATE help from law enforcement</p> <p><b>Call Crime Check, 456-2233</b>                      To report a crime, graffiti, an abandoned vehicle and/or suspicious activity                      You can also report on-line at:  <a href="http://www.spokanecounty.org/CrimeCheck">www.spokanecounty.org/CrimeCheck</a>  <i>(Crime Check is available 24/7)</i></p> <p><b>Crime Stoppers</b>  <a href="http://www.crimestoppersinlandnorthwest.org">www.crimestoppersinlandnorthwest.org</a>  <i>(Submit an anonymous tip)</i>                      1-800-222-TIPS (8477)</p> <p><b>STOP Spokane Gangs</b>  <b>509-625-GANG (4264)</b>  <i>(Submit an anonymous tip)</i></p> <p><b>STOP Graffiti</b>                      Report to Crime Check: 456-2233</p> <p><b>Drug Hot Line</b>                      509-477-4778, to report drug activity</p> <p><b>Traffic Hot Line</b>                      County 509-477-3222                      Valley 509-477-3350</p> <p><b>Runaway Help Line</b>                      509-477-6928</p> <p><b>First Call For Help Crisis Services</b>                      509-838-4428</p> <p><b>WA. Poison Control Center</b>                      1-800-222-1222</p> <p><b>Emergency Management Spokane</b>  <a href="http://www.spokaneprepares.org">www.spokaneprepares.org</a>                      509-477-2204</p> <p><i>*Organization is on Facebook                      Facebook account not required to view pages</i></p>	<p><b>LOCAL</b>  <b>S.C.O.P.E.</b>  <i>Sheriff's Community Oriented Policing Effort for Spokane County</i>                      509-477-3376  <a href="http://www.scopespokane.org">www.scopespokane.org</a></p> <p><b>To start a Neighborhood Watch *</b>                      509-477-3055</p> <p><b>Spokane C.O.P.S.*</b>  <i>Community Oriented Policing Services, for The City of Spokane</i>                      509-625-3300  <a href="http://www.spokanecops.org/">www.spokanecops.org/</a></p> <p><b>G.S.S.A.C.</b>  <i>Greater Spokane Substance Abuse Council</i>                      509-922-8383  <a href="http://www.gssac.org">www.gssac.org</a></p> <p><b>SCRAPS*</b>  <i>Spokane County Regional Animal Protection Service</i>                      509-477-2532  <a href="http://www.spokanecounty.org/SCRAPS/">www.spokanecounty.org/SCRAPS/</a></p> <p><b>H.E.A.R.T.</b>  <i>Humane Evacuation Animal Rescue Team</i>  <a href="mailto:www.heartofthewest@yahoo.com">www.heartofthewest@yahoo.com</a></p> <p><b>Spokane Humane Society*</b>                      509-467-5235  <a href="http://www.spokanehumanesociety.org/">www.spokanehumanesociety.org/</a></p> <p><b>Spokane Law Enforcement Museum</b>                      509-477-6649  <i>(A few items are displayed at the Spokane Valley Mall Crime Prevention Office.)</i></p> <p><b>STATE</b>  <b>Washington State Crime Prevention Association</b>  <a href="http://www.wscpaonline.org">www.wscpaonline.org</a></p> <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>The Neighborhood Watch Newsletters are also available online at <a href="http://spokanesheriff.org">spokanesheriff.org</a>. Click on Crime Prevention and then click on Neighborhood Watch.</p> </div>