



Neighborhood Watch Newsletter

"Uniting Our Communities"

from S.C.O.P.E. (*Sheriff Community Oriented Policing Effort*)
and the Spokane County Sheriff's Office

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Sheriff's Corner

A Message from the Sheriff

A Message From Our Sheriff Ozzie Knezovich

Sheriff's Community Oriented Policing Effort

SCOPE is a force multiplier. We could not be as successful as we are in this community without S.C.O.P.E. It is the link between us and the community...it is that bridge. S.C.O.P.E. volunteers provide a presence in Citizens on Patrol; SIRT, Latent Fingerprinting and many other activities that the S.C.O.P.E program provides to the Sheriff's office. One of the programs in S.C.O.P.E. that people kind of overlook is SIRT. Every time we have a major crime scene, accident or fire, that group is called out to block roads and control the scene. There isn't a public event in the Spokane County, unincorporated or small town area that would be able to run as cost efficiently as it does without S.C.O.P.E. S.C.O.P.E. volunteers also do all of the crowd and street control for various parades. They are an asset that saves us millions of dollars and provides us with millions of dollars' worth of services to the community. S.C.O.P.E. is a communication aspect; they have become the voice, eyes, ears and a representative of the Sheriff's office. Without S.C.O.P.E. we are very much diminished and we wouldn't have the capabilities we have. They look at police reports, have worked with detectives and everything else...you can't replace that.

With as much as SCOPE provides to the Sheriff's office and the community, I am concerned that there's an effort out in the valley started by a former undersheriff of this agency, to undermine and replace S.C.O.P.E. I don't know how he plans on doing that because who's going to pay for that? This is not good ...all because he is upset with me. This personal agenda, on his part, would disrupt and destroy one of the most community oriented efforts in the nation because of a personal vendetta. I have issues with that. As a Sheriff, you've never heard me talk so bluntly about some of the things that go on in our community. What's going on right now in the valley (in reference to this issue) is very much going to diminish the valley's ability to have that contact with their law enforcement. This is the "bridge" that S.C.O.P.E. provides.

There are a lot of deputies who really support S.C.O.P.E. For those that get a chance to work with the volunteers, they become sold on the program and how important it is for all of us to work together.

When I first came on, the department was proactive in the internal promotion of S.C.O.P.E., so much so, that deputies that were hired took a promotional exam in which they had to know who the president of each S.C.O.P.E. station was. It was really emphasized and it was effective. We are now getting to the point, where in the agencies histories, we need to reinforce this idea due to a lot of new hires; many of whom are not from this area. It is important that they understand the role of S.C.O.P.E., what it is and what it does as well as the importance of how we interact with them. I know that the deputies who know about S.C.O.P.E. really appreciate it when those SIRT vehicles roll into the area and they no longer have to block off the road. It frees them up to attend to other law enforcement work.

A message that I would like to give to all the members of S.C.O.P.E. is one that they hear me speak about at every picnic, awards ceremony and other events that I have attended. They are the backbone of the Sheriff's office as far as our ability to reach out to the public and be that force multiplier for us. We are not as effective an agency without them. The other message I would like to impart to them is that, this is a time for them to become engaged in the issue that has come to the forefront. Again, I have never seen an individual want to destroy something that quite frankly, he and his predecessors; in what was taken great pride in building, want to destroy...all because of a vendetta...this is a sad, sad day. I think it is time for SC.O.P.E. volunteer's from across the County to realize that sometimes politicians need to be reminded of the worth that they present to this community. They are a *SUBSTANTIAL* voice.

For those in the community who are not involved in S.C.O.P.E., you are missing a great opportunity to serve the public and your fellow citizens. This is an organization that if you become involved, you can do a lot of interesting things, especially depending on your background. We have a great need for people with computer skills. Retired law enforcement does a great job and is a great service for us at times. For those who want to serve their community SIRT is an area where we really need help. Our SIRT volunteers are starting to age and are retiring on us. I think it is really important that if you want to have an impact on the community, volunteer for S.C.O.P.E. and be a part of the many programs that it has to offer. For example, SIRT is one of many programs in which there is a great need right now.

Crime Prevention Unit

Crime Prevention Deputy for Spokane County
(for all unincorporated areas): 509-477-6044

Crime Prevention Deputy for Spokane Valley:
509-477-2592

Neighborhood Watch Coordinator (all areas):
509-477-3055

www.spokanesheriff.org
www.scopespokane.org

(Click on the Neighborhood Watch link under
Crime Prevention or at the left-hand side of the
page at the sites above)

Crime Prevention Office at the Valley Mall
(Go to second floor of West side—we are
next to Sears)

Open M-F, 509-893-3934

Reflective Address Sign

A reflective address sign or marker helps emergency responders find you quickly and easily. Address numbers on curbs can erode and can get covered up with snow in winter and address numbers on homes are often not easy to find—day or night.

These signs have reflective material on both sides and are highly reflective day or night. They are preferred by responders, especially if placed right by the street at the entrance to your home.

The signs are 6” x 18” and have 3” numbers on one or both sides of the sign. In addition, they have pre-drilled holes that make them easy to mount.

Signs are \$15 and help support S.C.O.P.E. (Sheriff Community Oriented Policing Effort).

If you’d like to order a sign, please contact S.C.O.P.E. East at (509) 922-3150.

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HELP US FIND YOU
Reflective address markers



ORDER YOUR REFLECTIVE ADDRESS MARKER TODAY

REFLECTIVE ADDRESS SIGN ORDER FORM Date Ordered _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, _____ ST. _____ ZIP _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

ADDRESS # REQUESTED on SIGN _____

Mounting Preference: _____ Horizontal _____ Vertical

Indicate whether you want the Numbers on One _____ side or Both sides _____

FEATURES: Highly Visible Day or Night Reflective material on Both Sides
Pre Drilled Holes

6” x 18” with 3 inch numbers on one or both sides as indicated : \$ 15.00 ea.

Color: Green with White Reflective Numbers

Make Checks payable to Scope East
S.C.O.P.E. EAST
P.O. Box 241
Otis Orchards, Wa. 99027
922-3150

Note: all fundraising efforts by S.C.O.P.E. stations help them to manage their stations while continuing to provide public safety services for the communities they serve.

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A Message from S.C.O.P.E.

The Sheriff’s community Oriented Policing Effort (S.C.O.P.E.) is for you, for me, our neighborhood and our community. In S.C.O.P.E., we come together to provide a helping hand; make our streets, our homes, neighborhoods and communities safe. With crime on the rise, there are people who are afraid to come out of their homes. As a community, we need to be aware of what is going on in our neighborhoods and communicate the happenings with each other and our local law enforcement. We have the right to live in our homes and walk our streets free of fear. The presence of S.C.O.P.E. can be a deterrent and a security for our community.

S.C.O.P.E. was created to foster community spirit and to provide a safe living environment. It was also designed to increase citizen’s awareness of, and involvement in community-oriented services in partnership with the Spokane County Sheriff’s Office. S.C.O.P.E. has several stations in Spokane County: Medical Lake, Central Valley, Spring hill, Trentwood, North, Elk, University, Deer Park, EWU/Cheney, West Valley, Edgecliff, Fairchild, S.C.O.P.E. East, Liberty Lake, Mounted Patrol, Nine Mile, S.C.O.P.E. North, S.C.O.P.E. South, the S.C.O.P.E. Main office and the Crime Prevention Office at the Spokane Valley Mall.

S.C.O.P.E. is looking for volunteers to man these stations and get involved with the numerous programs that it offers. Programs include: Latent Fingerprinting, Citizens on Patrol, Operation Family ID, Victim Call Back, Mounted Patrol, Registered Sex Offender Notification, Graffiti Task Force and many more. All prospective SCOPE members will receive a background check and need to go through 8 hours of free basic training.

Come and be a part of the team and make a difference in making our communities safer.

For more information please contact:
S.C.O.P.E. Main office at:
509-477-3376
Valley Mall Crime Prevention Office at 509-893-3934
The Neighborhood Watch Coordinator at 509-477-3055

We need the public in *public safety!*

Why not start a Neighborhood Watch group!

Whether you live in the City of Spokane, City of Spokane Valley, or other areas of Spokane County, why not consider starting a Neighborhood or Block Watch!

Starting a *Watch* in your neighborhood is easy. All you need to do is contact the local Neighborhood or Block Watch Coordinator, fill out an application and then plan a get together with your neighbors. We will provide speakers and materials for your event.

To request a presentation:

For the City of Spokane, contact C.O.P.S. at 625-3300

For the City of Spokane Valley, contact Deputy Chris Johnston at 389-2771

For the rest of Spokane County, contact Deputy David Morris at 999-9341

Thank you to all the active Neighborhood/Block Watch Captains for your dedication to “Uniting Our Communities!”

Summertime Tips and Stinging Things

They're here! Every year all sorts of flying, stinging and biting insects descend upon the unsuspecting human either looking to feed upon or defend territory. So, what can we do to protect ourselves from these pesky little creatures? Here are a few safety tips for prevention and treatment from bees, wasps and yellow jackets.

Like most anything, nothing is 100% effective but when dealing with bees, wasp and yellow jackets precaution is the best protection.

Although they don't actively go looking to attack humans, if you go outside it is nearly impossible not to encounter them (they are especially worse in the months of August and September). One of the best ways to dodge these stinging insects is to avoid strong colognes, perfumes, scented deodorants, sun creams, hairspray and bright colored clothing. Makes sense doesn't it? Since most of the time you see them pollinating your sweet smelling flowers and strong smelling bushes, you don't want to look or smell like a flower.

Unfortunately for people who like to picnic, barbeque or camp (a large population of wasp live in camp grounds) it is difficult to keep bees, wasps and yellow jackets away. If they have found a food source, they generally will not leave the area until the food has been removed. The best thing to do if you are going to have food outdoors is to cover it. Once you and your guest have been served, place extras in Ziploc bags and air tight containers. Other things you can do are to place marigolds at the center of your table (bees, wasps and yellow jackets don't care for the smell) or try scattering cloves or mint leaves around the table. Another thing you can try is to set out bait ahead of time and away from your eating area. You can place meat on a stick over a bowl of oil and water (making sure that the meat does not touch the oil and water mixture so they cannot crawl out) or set up a bottle of flat pop where they can't get out and of course, there are many other things that you can try as well. Keep in mind that bees are mostly attracted to sweet things and wasp and yellow jackets mostly protein. Along the lines of strong odors, you will want to keep your garbage cans completely covered. If you are having a picnic a bbq or are camping, keep garbage bins far away from where you and your guests are eating. Also, keep sugary beverages covered; bees, wasps and yellow jackets, especially, will fly into an open container where you are not able to see them and give you a wallop of a sting.

Although, bees, wasps and yellow jackets nest in different ways, here are a few places you may want to take a closer look at before disturbing the area. Look for nests inside of crawl spaces, clumps of grass and leaves, wood piles and under rocks. They also like to build in the ground, in hollow trees and under the eaves, porches, bbq grills and wood fencing with metal brackets. Honestly, there really doesn't seem to be a lot of places where they will not build, so make sure to be observant of your environment and listen for that familiar buzzing sound. If you happen upon one of these insects do not swat at them or run with arms flailing wildly in the air, they are investigating. Stand still and let them smell and leave. Otherwise you may anger and attract more of them.

If by chance you are stung by a bee, wasp or yellow jacket, remove yourself from the area. Our stinging, buzzy friends let off a scent that attract other bees, wasp and yellow jackets. While there are never any pluses to getting stung, know that bees can only sting you once and leave their stinger, while wasps and yellow jackets will sting you multiple times but do not leave a stinger. If you are stung by a bee, quickly remove the stinger by using your fingernail or a hard card (like a credit card) and scrape the stinger away from you.

To help ease the pain from the sting of a wasp, bee or yellow jacket here are a few tips:

- Make a thick mixture of paste with baking soda and water and rub it on the wound.
- Use an antihistamine for the itching and pain
- Take ibuprofen
- Use a cold compress
- Wash the area with soap and water and add an antibiotic cream

And, as always if you are allergic please carry an Epi pen with you at all times.



A Night Out Against Crime

August 2, 2016

Parties being held all across Spokane and Spokane County Neighborhoods and



13724 E Sprague Ave, Spokane, WA 99216

4915 S Regal St, Spokane, WA 99223

TARGET 315 W Canfield Ave, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815

Please contact stores for specific starting and ending times.

National Night Out

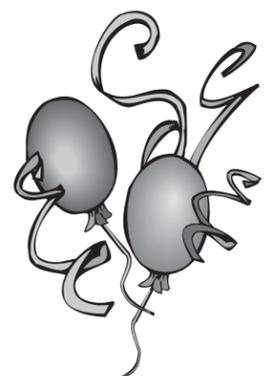
National Night Out is an event held annually the first Tuesday of every August.

Neighborhoods across the United States come together with law enforcement, city officials, Fire Stations and local businesses to help heighten crime prevention awareness in your area and across the nation.

This is a free event that anyone can do without needing an event permit. Bring your neighbors in to collaborate ideas for fun activities and undertakings for the adults and the children. You can have live bands, face painting a pot luck or ice cream social or whatever else you can dream up to keep your party fun and lively. Talk with neighbors to let them know that they are invited and what the event is for, what you would like to do for your block party and that there may be some noise involved due to the amount of people in the area and activities involved. Remember that your neighbors still need to be able to access their driveways and homes so please make sure to be considerate of that when blocking off your street (the street that is having the party can block their street only, do not block off intersections).

Be safe, be creative and have fun!

Pizza Parties,
Ice Cream Socials
Live Bands
Pie eating contest
Dancing
Singing
Animal parade
Bouncy houses
Car show
Kite flying
Picnic





August 2, 2016

Spokane County Sheriff’s Office, Spokane Valley Police Department, and SCOPE invite you to NATIONAL NIGHT OUT! You’re invited to lock your doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors and public safety officials and join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the 33rd Annual National Night Out Against Crime on Tuesday, August 2, 2016.

National Night Out is designed to heighten awareness of crime and drug prevention, strengthen neighborhood spirit and build partnerships with law enforcement. Most importantly, it sends a message to criminals that *neighborhoods are organized and fighting back!*

Are you interested in having a National Night Out party?

*****Please register your Spokane county party by Monday, July 11, 2016*****

The first 40 host to register their party by the due date of July 11, 2016, will be entered into a drawing to win a basket to raffle at their party.

NOTE: For those in the city of Spokane, to register, please contact Maurece Vulcano with COPS at 509-835-4572



Registration Form



Host’s 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 Cake Other _____

Visitors you would like to have attend your party (we must have the form by July 11)

- Sheriff SVPD Chief Local Law Enforcement SV Mayor
- SV City Council County Commissioners Fire Department S.C.O.P.E. Board
- SCOPE Volunteers Emergency Mgmt. Personnel Media Other

If you do not want certain visitors, please list them: _____

~Every effort will be made to have someone from the Sheriff’s Office, and/or other agency, visit your party~

Mail to: Neighborhood Watch, NNO
12710 E. Sprague Avenue Spokane Valley, WA 99216
Fax to: 509-893-3906 or e-mail vdelcambremorris@spokanesherriff.org
If you have questions, please contact Venus Delcambre-Morris at 509-477-3055



Identification Theft and Scams

We all got them, back in the day. You know, that knock on the door where someone was trying to sell you encyclopedias or a vacuum cleaner. Who can forget the annoying phone call that came when you were right in the middle of something important like eating dinner? A telemarketer at the other end was trying to convince you that there was a better telephone service that you needed or a magazine or burial plot that you should buy. These calls were annoying for their tactics, but were legitimate sales offers. Nowadays there are still legitimate telephone solicitations, but there are also many devious scams trying to target us. It was a time of, if you bought it, you got it. Oh, how I miss those days! Now we are bombarded by phone call after phone call of people wanting to steal from you by getting your credit card, social security numbers, computer passwords or anything they can get from your stolen mail or written receipts. And, they don't stop there. They go as far as to call and say that you have a debt (that you have no idea about) and owe them money, or that you are the recipient of money but you have to pay a fee to receive it. They call at all hours of the day, early morning, into the night and sometimes up to 5 times a day. These would-be thieves have no boundaries.

Did you know that the United States is second only to China in identity theft in the world? For those of us who have not yet been hit, we are all potential victims. For people who have, don't be embarrassed. They affect you, me, big chain stores, the rich and the poor. These people are getting more technical and cunning in the thieving process. For example, in 2013 Target stores were hacked; 70 million Target customers were affected, some whose credit card information was stolen and others, personal information. In another occurrence, an employee at Starbucks left the counter with a customer's credit card in hand, claiming that the machine needed more receipt paper. Although that was true, the employee used the opportunity to steal information from the card of the customer and later went on a \$200 shopping spree.

Sadly, identity theft and scams are not only a big part of our daily lives, but they are also on the rise. Let's take a look at some of the top scams and what we can do to reduce the chances of it happening to us.

The IRS scam. This is a scam that is hitting every part of the United States. Many people have reported receiving a phone call from the "IRS" asking for personal information, demanding immediate payment with a credit or debit card or threatening to call the police and having you arrested. These phone calls can be frightening and very convincing. They can use numbers that seem like the call is coming directly from the IRS (called spoofing) and have personal information such as the last four numbers of your SS#. First off, if you receive a phone call like this...hang up. The IRS will not call you to demand payment or ask for personal information over the phone. If you owe money to the IRS, look for a certified letter in your mailbox. If you need to discuss payment options with the IRS call them at 1-800- 829-1040. Do not talk to anyone from the "IRS" who has called you. If you know you do not owe money to the IRS, and get one of these calls, please contact the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. Lastly, these scammers REALLY want your information. Know that they will try to contact you by texting, e-mail or try to entice you to open websites that ask you for your pin number, for you to confirm your personal information or complete your tax return.

The Tech support scam. Your phone rings and you peek over at your caller ID and see that it is Microsoft calling. The usually heavy accented voice tells you that they have detected a virus in your computer and that by letting them log into your computer, they can fix it for you. And, they may even be able to tell you what computer software that you are using (which is usually just a guess) to up the ante. Sounds legitimate and since its Microsoft, it must be...right? Wrong, this is another scam that is hitting households all around the country. The scammers call and claim to be from a legitimate computer company such as McAfee, Dell, Norton and the most popular, Microsoft. They try and gain access into your computer by telling you that they have detected malware (a virus) in your system. Once they have gained your trust, they will either direct you to a website that will download a program that is supposed to fix the problem or, they will help you online. The common thread between both options is that, both lead to threats to your personal information, money that you pay for empty services, access to passwords and lost credit card information. Some of the best ways to protect yourself from this scam is to not rely on caller ID for the legitimacy of the call. Most of these calls are being generated overseas; you may see area codes such as, 844, 020, +91, 855, 866, +1-800 among numerous others which could include a number that looks similar to yours. This is called spoofing and these cons have gotten quite good at it. Other ways of protecting yourself, is to never give out your password over the phone, on the computer or anywhere else. If you think you might have a virus do not click on any ad's that claim you have a virus, the best thing to do is to take your computer in to a reputable, local company and have it serviced, or look for contact information from the company your computer was purchased from. Always make sure to upload security software on your computer, it should protect you from a lot of viruses. Change your passwords often and don't use the same password for multiple accounts. If you have been a victim and you gave them any of your personal information, make sure to file a complaint by e-mailing the Federal Trade Commission at www.ftc.gov/complaint and contact your credit card company to reverse any charges you may have made to the fraudulent company.

The Grandparent scam. They hack, go through phone listings, search through social media sites, call or e-mail you. This scam has a specific target...the grandparents. They get you with, "hi, grandma" and if you are a grandparent...they've got your attention. Do you know who this is, they say? Struggling to identify which grandchild is on the other end of the line. With a question in your voice, you ask, "Timmy, is that you?" "Yes, it's Timmy, grandma!" Timmy (actual scammer) asks for money which he needs right away for some unfortunate mishap that he has found himself in. He begs you not to tell anyone in the family because he is embarrassed about his situation, or afraid that his parents will be angry with him. He promises to pay you back so you go down to a place that provides money transfers and send off hundreds or sometimes thousands of dollars. The thieves in this scam go after what gets to people the most, your empathy.

If you find yourself at the end of this scam, make sure to verify that this is your loved one; hang up and dial the number that they generally call you from. If you're uncomfortable ask some questions that only that family member would know. Ask a lot of questions until you are satisfied that it is your grandchild. If it is a scammer they will most likely become impatient and aggressive. But do not weaken in your resolve, this is your money and the last thing that you want is to let a scammer get your hard earned cash. If you realize that you have been scammed and send money, immediately call the place where you wired the money and you may be able to have the transfer stopped before the funds are given to the scammer. Call crime check to file a report at 509- 456-2233 and contact the Federal trade Commission 1-877-FTC-HELP, 1-877-382-4357.

And lastly, The Jury duty scam. Someone posing as deputy or a clerk for the court calls and says that you have a warrant for your arrest for failing to report for jury duty. After explaining that you never received a letter in the mail, the poser states that he can withdraw the warrant but that you will need to pay a fine. Although these calls can be frightening the most important thing you should know about this scam is that no one is coming to get you! The Sheriff's office will never ask for your financial information over the phone. If you have any questions about fee's to the court or anything pertaining to the Sheriff's office or police department, call them directly from a trusted phone number. Never use any numbers that the posers will give you.

Unfortunately, identity theft and fraud is on the rise. If you have been tricked out of your money, the chances of recovering it are extremely low. The best way to protect yourself from fraudsters and thieves is to educate yourself and your family.

For more on scams and what you can do to protect yourself go to:

www.consumer.ftc.gov/scam-alerts

<http://www.atg.wa.gov/>

Honorable Mentions

Honorable Mention: Darin Powers

On March 27, 2016, Easter Sunday Darin Powers, a deputy with the Spokane Sheriff's department was checking in with his wife and children to their room while on vacation in Maui, Hawaii, when all of a sudden he heard screams coming from outside. Leaving his family in the office, Darin jumped into action.

Born in California but raised in Hawaii, Darin always wanted to be a law enforcement officer. He grew up in a challenging background but was lured out into the world as a professional Bull rider and cowboy which afforded him the opportunity to travel around the United States. Darin spent 3 years in the military when he finally ended up in a small town in Wyoming to begin his policing career. He was just 28 years old when he joined the sheriff's department and has now been in law enforcement for 18 years.

Running toward the sound of the cries for help, Darin was filled with dread. He saw a man being pulled from the water. As he approached he saw a woman begin (an MD on vacation) performing lifesaving steps on an unresponsive male. Rushing to her side, Darin saw that the man's face was completely blue. Immediately he began assisting. The woman had checked to see if he was breathing, he wasn't. She then checked for a pulse... there was none. Upon checking his airway it was found that the male had swallowed his tongue. His airway was cleared and within seconds Darin took over performing CPR. After several minutes of performing the lifesaving maneuvers, the man began breathing and regained consciousness. Ten minutes after they started the lifesaving procedures, the police, fire department and EMS arrived. Moments after, a helicopter arrived and the man was air lifted to the hospital. The next day Darin talked to the wife of the man whose life had been saved. She said that on the day of the incident her husband had complained of being tired and instead of going back to the room, where she was headed to prepare lunch, he decided he wanted to stay down by the pool and go for a swim. She said that her husband wasn't really sure what happened before he got into trouble, but that the Dr. considered it a cold water drowning.

Darin never got the man's name.

On April 5, 2016 the resort in Maui, Hawaii where Darin and his family had been staying and where the incident occurred, wrote a letter of thanks to the Sheriff's department to Darin for his heroics and that his extraordinary, skill and effort helped to save a man's life Deputy Darin Powers doesn't want a big deal made out of it though as he says that, he has always been one of those guy's that jumps in but that the police training definitely helps. But he goes on to say that on that day, "God was the one who did it. This man was dead... he was blue. God wanted this man alive. I didn't do much of anything"

Honorable Mention: Michael Brown

With a strong belief in God and desire to give back to the community, Michael Brown, the President and Founder of the non-profit organization, Spokane's Eastside Reunion Association believes: our future is now our kids. For 4 years now, Michael Brown has been dedicating most of his time to providing Spokane's underprivileged youth, with a summer a basketball camp. Come June at Underhill Park, girls and boys ranging from the ages of 5-17 are encouraged to give their all through hard work and discipline because; Michael Brown and his staff of coaches will accept no less.

For nine weeks in the summer, four days a week, Mr. Brown and his volunteer coaches guide these youth in essential skills for basketball and for life. Each child gets breakfast, lunch and a snack thanks to district 81 and a brand new pair of basketball shoes, compliments of Fred Meyer's. In addition, each child also receives a t-shirt and a pair of socks, all of this for the low cost of \$200. Although, \$200.00 may seem like a significant amount, Michael Brown points out that the price of most camps runs about \$645.00, and that these camps only run for two weeks. "See, these kids can't afford these expensive camps" Mr. Brown says. Most of these children come to this basketball camp through a scholarship due to fundraising that Mr. Brown does throughout the year. Michael C. Brown said (with a full heart), "We have never turned away any kids".

Spokane's Eastside Reunion Association is not just about basketball, it also takes care of the youth off the courts too! In addition to the basketball camp, Mr. Brown also works with students from Ferris High school and Spokane's local universities and community colleges, to mentor and tutor kids from kindergarten to 12th grade, a free service which is provided at the east central library. Michael Brown encourages the kids to work hard in school by giving them each \$50.00 for good grades. Michael Brown's organization doesn't stop there; it is a generosity that reaches beyond. Even on a hot summer's day, you can find him and his kids from the SERA program mowing lawns or in the winter shoveling snow free of charge, for the elderly and disabled.

Michael Brown joyfully states that his camp has grown over the years from 13 to 60 kids, but admits that he is a bit nervous for this year's camp to start due to the expected increase in registrations. This year, he projects a 100 or more kids at camp, some of whom will be bussed in and out of the camps Monday through Thursday thanks to Spokane valley school districts. Mr. Brown says that they are need of financial support so they can help more kids. He is hoping that more people will step forward for the kids because he says; it takes more than one person. Michael Brown is hoping to get more volunteers to help set up, pass meals and help coach and mentor the girls and boys. Mr. Brown has plans to open a restaurant in September called Fresh Soul. His restaurant will be used to sustain the SERA program and giving back to the community by employing kid's ages 14 to 18 that maintain a grade average of a 2.5

SERA basketball camp begins June 20, 2016- August 18, 2016, Monday through Thursday from 8a.m. -11:30 a.m. at Underhill Park, located at 2910 E. Hartson.

Michael Brown would like to give thanks to God and his wife Lorrie Jeanette Brown. As well as help from these sponsors: Fred Meyer's, Whole Corp, and Sonenberg's. Garco Construction, CNN, ESPN Sports, Sheldon Reality, Life Center Church, Pastor Shon Davis, District 81, Spokane valley school districts and Sheriff Ozzie D. Knezovich and numerous others.

Would you like to help the Michael Brown's non-profit organization, SERA by making a donation or volunteering? Please contact him at (509)995-3606 or www.spokaneeastidereunion.com .

Do you know someone who deserves an honorable mention?

Please contact the editor at 509-477-3055 or e-mail at vdelcambremorris@spokanesherriff.org

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!

ACT2

A big thanks to Jaclyn Jacot, Director of ACT 2 with the Community Colleges of Spokane, Institute of Extended Learning. They offered S.C.O.P.E. and its volunteers the use of their computer lab.

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Thank you so much for your contribution to our Citizen's Crime Prevention Conference for 2014 & 2015

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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

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David Tasca, Alexandria Vik and the Spokane Valley 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!!!

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	20	21	22	23	24	26	Total
ADULT RAPE	4	3	3	8	1	3	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	35
ASSAULT	51	54	41	45	34	47	22	24	13	15	11	26	32	18	13	10	3	0	0	0	2	461
BURGLARY	42	47	37	34	23	64	31	15	16	25	14	17	34	28	20	10	7	0	3	1	0	468
DRUG	20	15	8	18	4	9	8	3	2	1	6	4	8	1	4	1	2	0	0	0	0	114
FORGERY	30	28	24	25	43	22	15	17	15	25	13	15	20	13	19	8	4	3	2	0	1	342
MAL MISCHIEF	58	96	75	80	46	67	42	40	24	33	20	27	93	28	32	10	17	0	2	1	2	793
ROBBERY	1	2	2	7	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	28
STL VEH	24	41	21	20	15	21	12	16	5	11	10	5	26	14	8	4	1	0	0	0	0	254
THEFT	152	130	90	116	78	147	65	31	20	39	29	26	77	25	58	22	7	3	2	1	2	1,120
VEH PROWL	51	48	41	59	31	56	30	34	13	27	9	10	79	11	14	14	12	1	4	1	0	545
Total	433	464	342	412	278	438	227	181	110	177	113	132	376	139	171	80	55	8	13	4	7	4,160

S.C.O.P.E. Stations & Their Corresponding Sheriff District

~District Maps available at www.spokanesherriff.org under Crime Prevention, Neighborhood Watch, Maps & Resources~

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City of Spokane Valley: 509-477-2592
 All other County areas: 509-477-6044

Area Law Enforcement Agencies

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 509-244-3707

City of Cheney Police
 509-498-9235

City of Liberty Lake Police
 509-755-1140

City of Medical Lake
 (services provided by Sheriff's Office)
 509-565-5003 or 299-5122

City of Spokane Police*
 509-625-4100
www.spokanepolice.org/

City of Spokane Valley Police*
 509-477-3300
www.spokanevalley.org/

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 509-247-5493

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**Law Enforcement Help Line
509-477-5980**

Call 9-1-1 in an emergency
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 help from law enforcement

Call Crime Check, 456-2233

To report a crime, graffiti, an abandoned
 vehicle and/or suspicious activity

You can also report on-line at:
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 (Crime Check is available 24/7)

Crime Stoppers

www.crimestoppersinlandnorthwest.org
 (Submit an anonymous tip)
 1-800-222-TIPS (8477)
 [and 509-327-5111 or 208-667-2111]

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509-625-GANG (4264)
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STOP Graffiti

Report to Crime Check: 456-2233

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County 509-477-3222
 Valley 509-477-3350

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www.gssac.org

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 509-477-2532
www.spokanecounty.org/SCRAPS/

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 509-624-3030, www.pnw-heart.org/

Spokane Humane Society*

509-467-5235
www.spokanehumanesociety.org/

Spokane Law Enforcement Museum

509-625-3352
 (A few items are displayed at the Spokane
 Valley Mall Crime Prevention Office.)

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 also available online at spokanesherriff.org.
 Click on Crime Prevention and then click on
 Neighborhood Watch.