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to a Safe &  
United  
Neighborhood**

# S.C.O.P.E. NET

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Getting to know and help your neighbors

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I hope everyone had a great St. Patrick's Day and got their fill of Corned Beef & Cabbage.

I hope everyone that came to the April Fool's Breakfast enjoyed themselves, our Special Events committee worked hard to put the event together. They did a great job and their efforts are greatly appreciated. Once the dust settles a little they will be planning our summer event, the Craft Fair. The Craft Fair is not only a chance to sell your artwork, crafts and other talents but it is a chance to enjoy the weather with your neighbors. I believe the Special Events committee is already preparing to sell booths for this event; they are only \$20.00 and are available to everyone!

Our dedicated volunteers work very hard to unite the Edgecliff community together; in the fall they organize the Walk for Success. That is another day of fun in the sun marching together to take a stand against crime. Many city officials, neighbors and students participate in this walk. The walk ends at the park to enjoy food and fun! As the weather gets colder we warm up to the best Spaghetti in town! With the terrific service our community members receive they can't help but come back year after year. Last but not least the last activity that our wonderful volunteers participate in is caroling. They cheerfully wish all the neighbors a happy holiday by singing carols through our quiet streets.

We all like how quiet are streets are, it is wonderful to look out and see children playing and neighbors talking. It is concerning to see some heavier traffic in the area hopefully our 10 new volunteers can help patrol the area, the more eyes in the neighborhood the better. I believe that good things can come out of troubling times; we are all deeply troubled by the thought of our children being bussed out of our neighborhoods. I believe the one good thing that has come from this experience (and hopefully continues) is a stronger more united community. The proposed closure of Pratt Elementary has many community members fighting back by sending letters, emails and phone calls to the Legislators urging them to increase funding. The closure has given us all a sense of ownership and pride. Please don't let that sense of pride and ownership leave once your off campus, bring it home introduce it to the neighborhood. Crime only grows when the suspicious behavior you notice is unreported. We are here Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. to help keep our neighborhood clean of crime. Come visit us!

Sincerely,  
Bill Doré  
Edgecliff S.C.O.P.E. President

## ***VENDORS WANTED – EDGECLIFF S.C.O.P.E ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR***

We are now accepting applications for vendors!  
Plan now for this summer event  
**Saturday July 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**Everyone welcome crafts, food, toys,  
music, classic cars**

**Help make our Craft Fair a memorable event!**  
Booths are \$20.00 for the all day event.  
Please contact Debra Kirkpatrick at 477-6345

VFW #1435

**Easter Egg Hunt Sat. Apr. 7th**  
at Edgecliff Park (6th & Park Rd.)  
**registration begins at 11 a.m. -**  
**Hunt begins at noon!**  
Bring your kids and their baskets  
for a day of fun!

**VFW #1435 Easter Buffet** - All you can eat  
for only \$6.00 adults children under 6 are free  
breakfast begins @ 8 a.m.  
212 S. David

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WEBSITE ADDRESS!!  
[www.edgecliff.org](http://www.edgecliff.org)  
Check us out!!!

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### Calendar of Events:

Apr. 2<sup>nd</sup> – April 6<sup>th</sup> Spring Break for students (Please drive careful)

Friday April 6<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday

Saturday April 7<sup>th</sup> - VFW Easter Egg Hunt 12:00 p.m. @ Edgecliff Park - 6th and Park Rd.

Sunday April 8<sup>th</sup> EASTER

Sunday April 8<sup>th</sup> VFW Buffet 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. @ VFW #1435 212 S. David

TECH NIGHT EVERY TUESDAY @ PRATT LIBRARY

Wed. April 11<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m. S.C.O.P.E General Meeting @ Pratt Elem. Library

Fri. Apr. 13<sup>th</sup> and Apr. 27<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Weed & Seed activity @ Pratt Elem. Gym

**Wed. April 25<sup>th</sup> 7 p.m. Willard Elem. 500 W. Longfellow District #81 decision on the proposed Pratt Closure**

Attention New Members – Basic / COP class Sat. April 28<sup>th</sup> 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. @ the Valley Precinct

C.E.R.T class begins Wed. Apr. 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m. continuing for 7 Wednesdays @ the City Fire Training Building

Flagging/Traffic Control class Tues. May 8<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m. @ the Valley Precinct

### VOLUNTEER HOURS

I am sorry no totals  
have been counted,  
please call 477-6345  
to inquire

### Attention All S.C.O.P.E Members,

To sign up for any classes please  
contact Lyn @ 998-2961

**Thank you to all businesses and  
community members  
that donated food, money and their  
time to make the April Fool's  
Breakfast a HUGE success!  
Your contributions are greatly  
appreciated we couldn't have done it  
with out you!!!**

# Happy Easter!



Your S.C.O.P.E Station provides many kinds of information and provides services of many kinds. One very important service is Operation Family I.D. Under the capable direction of Carol Schaal and Bill Doré, more than several of our members have been trained to complete this identification package.

If you would like your children to be fingerprinted and photographed, in a package you keep at home and updated yearly – Call the Edgecliff S.C.O.P.E station at 477-7345 for a prescheduled time. As warmer weather comes there will be opportunities in the community where an OFID team will be available. Check this station, this newsletter or the newspaper.

# DID YOU KNOW

Part # 5

By: Don O., Staff Writer

As we mentioned last month we are going to be talking about the Edgecliff (Pratt) school in part #5.

On December 2, 1947 the Edgecliff School opened as a primary unit for kindergarten, first and second grades. The school was erected on the corner of fourth and Bradley and had four classrooms. When the school opened there were 23 kindergarten students taught by Ms. Thornwall, 30 first graders with Miss Margaret Johnson as teacher, and 23 students in second grade taught by Miss Jessie Ashworth as teacher, principal.

In 1948 the local residents asked for a name-change because people were getting confused between the school and the sanitarium both of which used the Edgecliff name so on October 20, 1948 the school was re-named and dedicated as the Orville C. Pratt School.

The Pratt school thrived and by 2007 there were upward of 230 students. Then, the School District (81) decided that it would be easier and cheaper to close the school and bus the students to either Sheridan or Lincoln Heights or both. This would leave an empty building in Edgecliff, which could be used for storage, etc.

The parents in the neighborhood objected to the idea of closing the school and attended many meetings on the subject voicing their concerns and ideas, which we probably won't find out about 'til after this newsletter has already been delivered. We wish the Edgecliff area well on the outcome.

More to come next month...

Letter from the Editor

*Spring is finally here, with spring comes the birds chirping, flowers blooming, neighbors walking the streets and children playing.* With the proposed school closure it has many of us wondering what will be of our beloved neighborhood. The proposed school closure will be an unfortunate event to say the least but it doesn't have to be the end of our community. Now is the time to **stand together** to ensure our community doesn't get over run by crime. I am not asking you to become a S.C.O.P.E member, however I do invite you to inquire. Please just do the simple act of getting to **know your neighbors, watching out for suspicious traffic, and helping community members in need.** Rick Van Leuven, now our Spokane Valley Police Chief led the expedition to clean up our neighborhood, its time to make him proud of what he started many years ago! Lets all work together to keep Edgecliff the community highly discussed and recognized. Many community members are not aware of the recognition or community has received at the national level, for many Ozzie Knezovich's supportive speech at the board meeting was the first they heard of it. Lets not let the spirit of Edgecliff die with the proposed school closure! I urge Edgecliff community citizens to unite together and make our leaders proud! Regardless of the decision the school district makes lets work together to build a stronger community! Make it be known by all that **we will not stand for crime in our neighborhood**, we will not stand for speeding traffic creating unsafe streets, we will not stand for gun, gang or drug violence! I urge all to get involved, keep your neighborhood connections **Together We Can Save Our Community!**

# CRIME WATCH - SHERIFF'S DISTRICT # 2

Street	Crime	Street	Crime	Street	Crime
1ST 6500 E.	MAL. MISCHIEF	11TH 6600 E.	THEFT	MCKINNON 100 S.	THEFT
2ND 7200 E.	VEH. PROWL	7400 E.	THEFT	PARK 2800 S.	BURGLARY
4TH 6300 E.	VEH. PROWL	16TH 5600 E.	VEH. PROWL	REGAL 1500 S.	MAL. MISCHIEF
6TH 5900 E.	MAL. MISCHIEF	EDGERTON 900 S.	VEH. PROWL	5500 S.	VEH. PROWL
8TH 6200 E.	MAL. MISCHIEF	HAVANA 100 S.	THEFT	SPRAGUE 5200 E.	THEFT
9TH 6600 E.	BURGLARY	100 S.	THEFT	5200 E.	VEH. PROWL
10TH 7600 E.	THEFT	300 S.	MAL. MISCHIEF	THIERMAN 2400 S.	BURGLARY
		HOWE 100 S.	VEH. PROWL		
		KAHUNA 1300 S.	THEFT		

## The Battle Joined

By Sandra Lampe-Martin

The battle raised  
The trumpets blare  
All who fight  
Assembled there  
We stood shoulder  
To shoulder  
No one stronger  
No one boulder  
On ever mind a hope  
Though we in fury grope  
To find the means to win  
Our journey to being  
Each soul who held  
Strengthened the weld  
That binds us to this place  
To a common race

To transform this tired  
Village of heroic souls  
Into the knights of  
Daring do that rolls  
Over invading legions  
That wish to strip  
Our learned regions  
Taking from us more  
Than any who came before  
We will not go quietly  
We will not go softly  
We will not go meekly  
We will fight with merits  
To remain Pratt Pirates.

## YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED!!!

We encourage the Edgecliff community to take an Edgecliff Area Survey. Please go to our webpage at [www.edgecliff.org](http://www.edgecliff.org) and click on **Edgecliff Area Survey** to participate in the survey. The survey is limited to just 100 people so please act soon. If you don't have access to a computer or the internet just call Andrea or Tammie at 532-0539 and one of us will help you out. Thanks so much for your input.

## Introducing...

A NEW MONTHLY COLUMN..

## "HELPFUL HINTS"

- ☺ Use vertical strokes when washing windows outside and horizontal inside.  
This way you can tell which side has streaks.
- ☺ Cure for headaches  
Take a lime, cut it in half, & rub it on your forehead - the throbbing will stop!
- ☺ Ants won't cross a chalk line, so get out your chalk and mark a line on the floor... see for yourself.
- ☺ To remove a splinter  
simply put scotch tape over the splinter and pull it off. The tape will remove most splinters.
- ☺ Spray a drop of perfume on a light bulb to create a nice scent when turned on.

More "HELPFUL HINTS" NEXT MONTH.

Your Anonymous Reporter ☺