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## Calendar of Events:

Nar-anon Meetings every Monday 6:30 p.m. Bethany Presbyterian Church 301 S. Freya

Friday March 9th 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Sacred Heart Women's Health Center Coach @ Spokane Regional Health District call 474-2400 for an appointment

Tuesday March 13th 7:00 p.m. PTG Meeting at the Pratt Elem. Library

Wednesday March 14th 6:30 p.m. General S.C.O.P.E Meeting at the Pratt Elementary Library

Friday March 16th 6:00 p.m. Weed and Seed activity night at Pratt Elementary Gym

Saturday March 17th 12:00 p.m. St. Patrick's Day - Parade (Downtown - staging area near Spokane Arena)

Wed. March 21st 7:00 p.m. Public Hearing on proposed school closure - Pratt Elementary Gym

Thurs. 22nd 6:30 p.m. PTG Book Bingo Night - in Pratt Elem. Gym

Sat. March 24th 12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m. VFW

**Sunday APRIL 1st** - Edgecliff S.C.O.P.E April Fool's Breakfast

**Attention S.C.O.P.E Members** Please remember to turn in your timesheets by the **2nd of every month.**

All Training is posted on the bulletin board. Please see Carolyn if there is any training you would like to participate in.

## VOLUNTEER HOURS

**1,520.5  
HOURS  
1081 miles**

One number for many resources!  
Operated by Spokane Mental Health in partnership with Spokane County United Way.

One number to answer all your questions or at least direct you who to talk to. No more hunting through the phone book wondering if you have the correct extension. Simply **dial 2-1-1** there are referral specialists that can answer questions regarding various items such as rent and mortgage assistance, health care programs, transportation and more. This number is designed to help end the number of calls our emergency personal are receiving. Both the 9-1-1 and the 2-1-1 will be working together to route your call to the appropriate person or extension. If you are unable to dial **2-1-1** from your phone you can call the toll-free number at 866-904-9060.

# **DID YOU KNOW**

**Part # 4**

**By**

**Don O., Staff Writer**

**Back a bit before the turn of the Century Spokane Falls was a very small town, but the folks who did live here wanted an education for their children.**

**Reverend Henry T. Cowley had already opened a school for the Indian children on Sixth Avenue below the Sacred Heart Hospital and Chief Garry had opened a school above Drumheller Springs on North Ash. So when the railroads came through in 1883 bringing settlers the town grew to around 400 souls. Schools were built, starting with one at Main and Bernard, a one-room unit. (My Great Aunt taught there)**

**The Sheridan and Carnhope (Alcott) schools were built and the children in the Yardley and Edgecliff area were bussed to them. Then as the population grew those two schools became overcrowded and something had to be done.**

**Park Road had been designated as the dividing line between the city and county schools so Edgecliff belonged to District 81. The residents of this area petitioned for a new school and on May 5, 1947 one was approved. It was to be erected at Fourth and Bradley.**

**Baxter General Hospital on Assembly was being torn down to make room for the Veterans Hospital, and there were portables to be had for the asking. Needless to say, that's what was used in the first Edgecliff School that was moved and put on blocks on Sept. 23, 1947. This first school was a two-roomer that was added on to 'til it's what you see today.**

**There will be more about the Edgecliff (Pratt) School next month.**

This month I would like to comment on our mission and the programs that are awaiting to keep our community safe and a better place to raise our children and all of our retirees who want a secure area. Where they can go for a walk, sit on their patio and enjoy a barbecue with their neighbors without being annoyed by speeding cars, loud dogs, drug houses where cars are coming and going at all hours to buy their drugs. If we can stop their annoying and dangerous activities we would all enjoy a secure and safer neighborhood. This can only be accomplished if we all pitch in and volunteer a little of our time and utilize the programs that are already available.

Neighborhood Watch is probably the first program to be considered. It is a program that does not require much time but is very effective. Its main requirement is to have a watchful eye and report suspicious behavior. Your responsibility as a dedicated Neighborhood Watch person would be to get the license number, make, model, color and style of suspicious traffic and to report it to the police or the S.C.O.P.E office. Neighborhood Watch will first need a designated block captain, you can choose to share this responsibility with many in your neighborhood or take on the responsibility yourself. This doesn't take a lot of time the key is getting to know your neighbors and staying involved.

Another fine program is of course is S.C.O.P.E - Sheriff Community Oriented Policing Effort. We offer numerous services such as mentoring, business prowl checks, neighborhood watch, vacation home checks, sex offenders notification, traffic flagging, graffiti documentation and clean up, issuing citations for illegal handicap parking, helping get abandoned vehicles removed, search and rescue, got a horse? We also have mounted patrol to check urban areas! We are sure there is something for anyone interested in becoming a member, we need to help save our community as well as the school. Please remember to attend all the meeting pertaining to the proposed Pratt Closure, stay informed, stay united. S.C.O.P.E and Weed and Seed have a number of great programs that are special for our parents and children at Pratt!

Sincerely,

Bill Dorè

S.CO.P.E President

# CRIME WATCH - SHERIFF'S DISTRICT # 2

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

## The Ballad of Pratt Public School By Sandra Lampe-Martin

The pioneers came o'er the hill  
 into this valley glade.  
 They knew they must prepare  
 while children romped and played  
 The year flowed forth from  
 Those first days  
 Through changing times and  
 Changing ways  
 Pioneer mothers saw their children  
 Being driven far away  
 Lumbering wagons the bussing  
 Form of that olden day  
 They insisted on a school  
 In their village place  
 Their children close, so they  
 Could help in the education race.  
 A school in a rustic setting  
 Military buildings for the letting  
 One then two then finally four  
 A temporary site, no more  
 Finally the District said  
 They would comply  
 And build a school close  
 And to the homes, nearby  
 The years roll on for decades  
 With contentment in our village  
 Now once more they come  
 Our community to pillage

Bring their lumbering busses  
 To take our children far away  
 We will not be any more forgiving  
 Then they were on that first day  
 Our children belong with in  
 Of our own safe community  
 And we will fight to keep them here  
 With serious impunity.  
 May our invaders be turned from  
 Their terrible intent  
 And the security of our village  
 Not hopeless be spent  
 There is no greater harm  
 Well meaning people do  
 Then telling you its best when  
 Taking something away from you  
 The best we can do  
 For our children in this life  
 Is give them their safe haven  
 From turmoil and strife.  
 Soon enough they grow  
 Beyond our protective gaze  
 Why does this district wish  
 To rush this trying phase  
 Do not throw our school  
 On the funeral pyre,  
 Find another way to put  
 Out your financial fire

You may sing about Lincoln Heights, and any other three but Pratt Elementary is the only one for me!