



Spokane County Sheriff Chaplaincy April 2022 Newsletter



Our Chaplains Received Specialized Training in Identifying and Working with Trauma Victims

Samantha Means, an expert on the human brain and a trauma counselor at “The Love Factor” Counseling Organization in Coeur d’Alene, joined our recent monthly training, to help us better understand the impacts of trauma on the brain and how to guide people through traumatic situations as well as identify the need for ongoing care and support. Our chaplains are now better prepared to support both deputies and citizens dealing with trauma. Thank you Samantha!



Our Chaplains Served & Learned at the All County Full-Scale Exercise!

Having our 1st Responders including the Chaplains prepared in case of a natural or man made major event within Spokane County is very important! In working with the County Emergency Management team, the SCSO Chaplains along with Deputies, Fire, EMT’s etc. and in partnership with Mead High school, practiced such an event. The Chaplains played a role in keeping everyone fed (along with our WSP Chaplains & their “Food Truck”) along with bringing a Spiritual component as needed.

Talk to a Chaplain

Whether you’re an officer, county employee, community member, or friend our chaplain team is here for you.

- 24x7 Support Spiritual
- Guidance
- Counseling
- Conversation
- Crisis Intervention
- Wedding & Funerals

Resource of the Month



Medtech Cleaners

We appreciate the Services offered by Medtech. They are a compassionate, family-owned bio-hazard cleaning company.

90-Day Action Report

15 Calls
370 Volunteer Hours
47 Training Hours

Lead Chaplain

Robert Kinnune

Senior Chaplain

Cliff Custer

Chaplains

Curt Quaschnick
Jake Burkholder
Rochelle Renninger
Gino Palomino
Tracy Richards
Ryan Stemkoski
Garry Losey
Joe Fruci

Support Team

Tiffany Jones
Yvonne Losey
Christy Fiske
Tyler Rosenblit

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Because of generous supporters like you we're able to care for our law enforcement family and community.

How you can give:

- [On Our Website](#)
- Venmo
- By Check
- Payroll Deductions

Sheriff Chaplain's Corner

Holland's Little Hero

Praise our Hero



There once was a boy named Peter who lived in Holland. Now, Holland is a place where much of the land had been under water. The people of Holland built great walls called dikes to keep the waters of the North Sea from rushing back in and flooding their fields and homes.

One day Peter's mother sent him to take some cakes to a friend's house. "If you go straight there and don't stop to play along the way, you can get home by dark," she said.

Peter delivered the cakes and turned back toward home. On the way home, however, he saw a sight that struck him with fear: There was a small hole in one of the dikes. A tiny stream of water trickled through the hole. If the water kept flowing, the hole would soon become larger, and before long all their yards and homes would be washed away.

Peter climbed down the side of the dike and poked his finger into the tiny hole. The flow of water stopped. But now what could he do? He couldn't take his finger out, or the water would begin flowing again. He tried calling for help, but no one seemed to hear. It began to get dark, and Peter began to get cold. He tried calling again, but no one answered.

"Mother will come look for me," he told himself, "when I do not come home." But Peter's mother assumed that he had spent the night at his friend's house, and she was preparing to scold him the next morning for not coming straight home as she had said.

It grew colder and colder, and Peter's arm began to ache. He began to cry, but he refused to give up. "I must stand it somehow," he said. "I must save my family and friends. I must keep the water out if I have to stay here all night."

Peter did stay all night, with his finger stuck in that hole. Early the next morning a man walking to work thought he heard a groan. He leaned over the edge of the dike and called to Peter, "What are you doing?"

"There's a hole in the dike!" Peter said. "Get help, quickly! Please!"

The man sounded the alarm, and soon all of Peter's neighbors showed up with shovels and dirt, and the dike was soon repaired. The whole town thanked Peter for saving them and their homes. All the other kids, who had slept safe and warm in their beds that night, wished that they had done what Peter did. And to this day, Peter is a hero—the little hero of Holland.

You know, this Holiday season, we have a Hero as well. Traditionally, in this week of Easter, many are celebrating Palm Sunday and the triumphal entry of a Hero.

This Hero also saw a problem that was much more serious than a possible flood, our troubled standing with God The Father, and He took action to save us all. The actions of this Hero cost Him much suffering, and even His very life. This substitutionary sacrifice was in the place of me and you, as atonement for missing the mark in how we were living this life He gave to us. As Easter comes close, we begin to realize this Hero took obedient action, on the cross, to offer us forgiveness and give us a right standing with God. This Hero, Jesus Christ, then rose up out of the grave to reveal His resurrection power over death, and His ability to offer us eternal life. The King of Glory is still our Hero and Savior to this day, and forever. If you ever have a desire to talk to one of our Chaplains about this Hero of Easter, please feel free to reach out anytime.

Blessings from Above, Ch Robert