



City of Cheney

# Cheney Connections



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## Clean Green Program News

By Todd Ableman, Public Works Director

You may have heard that beginning **Monday, July 12, 2010**, Spokane County residents will be able to recycle most food scraps and food-soiled paper with their “clean green” yard debris. The recycling of food scraps is voluntary for all Spokane County residents, but only those customers who are served by the City of Spokane or Waste Management, Inc., may include food scraps and food-soiled paper with their clean green.

**Unfortunately, the City of Cheney yard debris program cannot allow food scrap disposal at its yard waste drop-off location at 100 Anderson Road, Cheney.** You see, yard waste from the Cheney drop-off site is used for bio-solids composting for the production of Eco-Green Compost—that wonderful material that area gardeners swear by for healthy, beautiful plants.

Cheney residents who would like to participate may take food scraps and/or yard

waste directly to any of the three Spokane Regional Solid Waste System sites:

- Waste to Energy Facility, 2900 S. Geiger Blvd (West Spokane)
- Valley Transfer Station, 3941 N. Sullivan Road (Spokane Valley)
- North County Transfer Station, 22123 Elk-Chattaroy Road (North Spokane)

These locations are open Monday-Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. The material will be inspected and accepted as clean green only if it is free of contamination and presents no odor or liquid issues. Fees for disposal do apply at the above locations.

If you have any questions about what is acceptable as “clean green,” please call the Recycling Hotline at (509) 625-6800 or visit [www.solidwaste.org](http://www.solidwaste.org). If you are a Cheney resident, you may also call your Cheney Public Works Department at (509) 498-9293.

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### Calendar of Events:

- July 1 — Historic Preservation Commission, 5:15 pm, Council Chambers
- July 5 — Fourth of July holiday—City offices will be closed
- July 8 — Park Board, 7 pm, Parks & Rec Office, 2640 First Street, Suite B
- July 9 & 10 — Book Sale, Cheney Public Library
- July 9, 10 & 11 — Cheney Rodeo
- July 12 — Cheney Merchants' Assoc., 6:30 pm, Cheney Public Library, First & D Street
- July 12 — Planning Commission, 6:30 pm, Council Chambers
- July 13 — City Council meeting, 6 pm
- July 27 — City Council meeting, 6 pm
- August 2 — Cheney Merchants' Assoc., 6:30 pm, Cheney Public Library, First & D Street
- August 5 — Historic Preservation Commission, 5:15 pm, Council Chambers

## 2010 Cheney Street and Sidewalk Projects

The following streets will undergo roadway and sidewalk restoration work starting in late July; all projects will be finished this fall: Clover Court, Cocolalla, College, Erie, Oakland, Second Street, North Second, West Second, North Fifth, North Sixth, “B” Street, “G” Street, “K” Street, and “L” Street.

Please visit our website at [www.cityofcheney.org/works](http://www.cityofcheney.org/works) and future issues of this newsletter for project updates.



Get ready to celebrate Cheney's 43rd Annual Rodeo Days the second weekend of July! The actual rodeo takes place at the Bi-Mart Arena,

but other fun community events will be happening in Cheney as well.

On Friday, July 9, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and on Saturday, July 10, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Friends of the Library will be holding their Rodeo Days Book Sale at the Cheney Public Library, First and D Street.

On Saturday, July 10, at 8 a.m., the Happy Hoofers Fun Run begins at Veterans' Memorial Park and winds through downtown. All proceeds from

this 3.6-mile run benefit the Children's Miracle Network.

The Rodeo Parade starts at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday downtown, and the Farmers' Market will be open all day. A new event this year is the Cheney Rotary Car Show and Poker Run.

At the rodeo, Friday night is “Tough Enough to Wear Pink” night, in support of breast cancer awareness. Both Friday and Saturday nights following the rodeo, you can dance to live country music. Each rodeo performance will open with a Balloon Scramble with cash prizes for kids 6 and under.

For additional information about rodeo events and registration forms, please visit [www.cheneyrodeo.com](http://www.cheneyrodeo.com).

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| <b>Friday, July 9</b>    |
| 9 am to 3 pm, Book Sale  |
| 8 pm, Rodeo              |
| <b>Saturday, July 10</b> |
| 8 am, Fun Run            |
| 9 am to 1 pm, Book Sale  |
| 11:30 am—Parade          |
| 1 to 4 pm—Car Show       |
| 8 pm—Rodeo               |
| <b>Sunday, July 11</b>   |
| 2 pm—Rodeo—Family Day    |



## Cycling Championships

The weekend of June 19 and 20, Cheney welcomed over 100 cyclists from all across the region. For the second year in a row, Cheney was selected to host the Washington State Cycling Championships. This year the event added live music and entertainment, all conveniently located near the finish line. The presence of the Saturday Farmers' Market meant downtown was busy with activity. Feedback from visitors to Cheney was highly complementary, with one participant stating: "Many thanks to the city of Cheney for hosting our state championship events... It's a WONDERFUL place to race! We'll be back next year, and we'll bring our teammates and rivals."

Thank you to everyone who helped make this a successful event!



## Cheney Transit Service Survey

Spokane Transit is partnering with the City of Cheney, EWU, and citizens on how it can improve service while making it more efficient. STA is considering changes to Cheney service that will take effect September 2011. A community survey followed by work sessions will yield a list of options to be presented to the STA Board of Directors this fall.

**YOUR OPINION MATTERS.** Please participate in STA's online survey at [www.spokanetransit.com](http://www.spokanetransit.com). (In the "What's New" box, click on "Planning Initiatives," then click on "Cheney Transit Service Evaluation.")

You may also call (509) 343-1653 to request a survey packet by mail.

## Cheney Outreach Program

By Carol Beason, Cheney Outreach Director

Did you know that here in Cheney, if you have a financial crisis, you can turn to the Cheney Outreach Center for help? Outreach is Cheney's only human services agency, and has been in operation for 20 years. Outreach is supported by grants, private donations, churches, service clubs, sororities, and fraternities.

Low-income residents who live in the Cheney School District are provided with vouchers for utility bills, rent, gas, bus passes, prescriptions, and food. There are also vouchers for recreational activities for children. Unfortunately, for the first time in 16 years, Outreach did not receive a recreation grant due to budget cuts at the state and federal levels.

Giving kids summertime recreational opportunities is so very important. You can help keep youngsters involved in constructive activities by providing a donation, no matter how small. A \$3 donation will give an entire family a one-day pass to the pool. For just \$17, a child can be given ten pool passes.

Outreach is currently located in the United Church of Christ, 423 N. Sixth Street. Donations can be sent to the Cheney Outreach Center, P.O. Box 444, Cheney, WA 99004. Be sure to mark your donation for Recreation Programs. The phone number for Outreach is (509) 235-8900.

For our children, please consider donating to the Cheney Outreach Center Recreation Fund.

## Summer Concerts & Movies in the Park

We are excited to announce the return of our free concerts and movies in Sutton Park this summer. Concerts will be every Wednesday from July 14 and running through August 18, at 6:30 p.m. Friday night movies will start at dusk on July 16, July 30, and August 13.

For a list of concerts and movies, please see the back cover of your City of Cheney Parks & Recreation 2010 Spring/Summer Brochure; or visit our Web site at [www.cityofcheney.org/recreation](http://www.cityofcheney.org/recreation), then click on "Summer Concerts / Movies."

These events are funded by the generous support of local businesses and community groups. If you are interested in being a sponsor, or have any questions, please call (509) 498-9251. Don't forget to bring your lawn chair, blanket, and a picnic!



## Upcoming Parks & Rec Programs

By Recreation Supervisor Kim Best

For information about any of these programs, please contact the Cheney Parks & Recreation office at (509) 498-9250, or visit <http://www.cityofcheney.org/recreation>. Registration deadlines are one week prior unless otherwise stated.

July 6-29: Teen Tennis Lessons, Tuesdays & Thursdays

July 6-August 12: 6 on 6 Coed Sand Volleyball League, choose Tuesdays or Thursdays; registration deadline is July 2.

July 11-August: Coed Summer Softball League, Sundays; registration deadline is July 2.

July 12-16: Soccer Skills Clinics

July 13: Teen Silverwood Trip

July 19-23: Basketball Skills Clinic

July 19-23: Cheerleading/Dance Camp ages K-5<sup>th</sup> grade

July 26-30: Cheerleading/Dance Camp ages 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade