Everyone in Cheney must, at some time or another, drive (run the gauntlet on) the antiquated and deteriorating highway, State Route 904, between Cheney and the I-90 interchange at Four Lakes.

This two-lane, no-passing road has critical safety issues that need to be addressed sooner rather than later. More than 70 serious accidents have occurred on this stretch of SR 904 since 2009, resulting in injuries and fatalities. This roadway carries around 19,000 cars, trucks, and busses each day, more than any other two-lane road in the region and more than the divided four-lane Pullman highway (Highway 195).

SR 904 is a major route for Cheney School District busses; there are several bus stops. It carries about 20% of Spokane Transit Authority’s daily volume, its highest volume bus route. Many people must drive this highway daily in all kinds of weather.

If you feel unsafe on that road, that is because you are.

Safety concerns are driving our City of Cheney campaign to have the highway widened to four lanes with a turn lane in the middle, much like the road between Pullman and Moscow and Highway 2 through Airway Heights. To that end, we are working with coalition partners such as Cheney Public Schools, Eastern Washington University, STA, and various other local and regional partners. We have been working hard to secure funding for this project in Olympia and appreciate your support.

We would love to hear safety stories you have about your experiences traveling 904, and will share your stories with our Legislators. Please drop us a letter, email, or call with your story.

Let’s work together to make our highway safer.

Mayor Tom Trulove

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**Calendar of Events**

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**Save the Date for a “Clean Sweep”**

Save the Date! The City of Cheney will be holding its annual “clean sweep” event on **Saturday, April 26, 2014**, in conjunction with Earth Day celebrations that week.

Stay tuned for specific event details as they become available.
For more information or to register for any programs, please contact Cheney Parks & Recreation at (509) 498-9250, or visit our website at www.cityofcheney.org/recreation.

February Recreation Programs

Feb 3: Circuit Training
Feb 3: Zumba at City Hall and Westwood Middle School
Feb 4: Inquire & Explore
Feb 4: Little Explorers
Feb 4: Little Athletes
Feb 8: Daddy-Daughter Dance
Feb 8: Mom & Son Game Night
Feb 18: 50+ Board Game Night & Potluck
Feb 20: 50+ Bowling & Dinner
Feb 27: Mommy & Me Ballet
Feb 27: Ballet/Tap Combo
Feb 27: Ballet/Tap/Jazz Combo