Home Heating Safety and Smoke Alarms

With cold temperatures upon us, this is a good time to remember heating safety and smoke detector tips.

- Every year, have a professional inspect the chimney if you have a wood fireplace or coal stove, and have it cleaned as often as recommended.
- Use only properly seasoned wood. Green wood has more moisture and is likely to smolder, leading to more creosote buildup.
- Allow ashes to cool before disposing of them in a metal container.
- Keep space heaters at least three feet away from anything that can burn.
- Turn off portable space heaters when you leave the room.
- Fuel portable kerosene heaters in a well-ventilated area away from flames or other heat sources, and only when the device has cooled completely. Use only the type of kerosene specified by the manufacturer; never use gasoline.
- Use only portable heaters that have automatic shutoff features.
- Make sure any gas-fueled heating device is adequately ventilated. Never use liquefied-petroleum gas heaters with self-contained fuel supplies in the home.
- Does your home have operable smoke detectors? Almost two-thirds of home fire deaths resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms. Smoke alarms are a key part of a home fire escape plan. When there is a fire, smoke spreads fast. Smoke alarms give you an early warning so you can get outside quickly. Be sure to test your smoke detectors and install fresh batteries every time you set your clocks forward or back.
- If you are renting a home or apartment that was built in 1981 or later, the owner is required to install smoke detectors (RCW 43.44.110). However, maintenance (including replacing batteries) is the responsibility of the tenant. At the time of a vacancy, the owner shall make sure the smoke detectors are operational prior to the next tenant moving in.

Yard Waste Bins to Close November 30

Cheney residents have through the Thanksgiving weekend (weather permitting) to bring the last of their fall leaves and grass clippings to the yard waste disposal site at the Recycling Center, 100 Anderson Road. There is no charge for drop-off of clean, green yard waste at this location. (Please, NO garbage, plastic bags, rocks, or large tree branches.)

The bins will be removed after sundown on Sunday, November 30, and will return again in March in time for spring yard work.

If you have any questions, please contact the Public Works Department at (509) 498-9293.

Calendar of Events

- Nov 3 — Cheney Merchants’ Assoc., 6:30 pm, Willow Springs Restaurant
- Nov 4 — Election Day
- Nov 11 — Veterans Day, City offices closed; garbage pickup one day late
- Nov 12 — City Council, 6 pm (Meeting postponed one day due to Veterans Day)
- Nov 12 — Park Board, 6:30 pm, Wren Pierson Comm Ctr
- Nov 17 — Planning Comm, 5:30 pm, Council Chambers (Meeting postponed one week due to Veterans Day)
- Nov 25 — City Council, 6 pm
- Nov 27 & 28 — Thanksgiving holiday, City offices closed; Thursday garbage pickup will be on Friday
**Christmas Gifts for Cheney Kids**

*We wish you a merry Christmas!*

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SIGN UP NOW! The registration deadline is 11:30 a.m. on December 17. Required documents are photo ID, Social Security cards for everyone in the household, proof of address, and proof of all income. Those who complete their paperwork will also be eligible for the Cheney Food Bank, help with kids’ recreational activity fees, and assistance with energy bills.

Around Thanksgiving time, volunteers place collection boxes at various businesses and churches around town to make it easy for people to donate gifts.

Another way to help is to mail a check (clearly marked “Xmas Gifts for Kids”) to the mailing address in the box to the right.

On December 19, with everything arranged on tables in the Wren Pierson Community Center, parents will be able to choose from donated presents. Last year our Cheney community’s generosity enabled Outreach to provide gifts for 197 children!

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Mediums and works include pottery, oil painting, acrylic, water colors, colored pencil, graphite, digital design, arts & crafts accessories, cigar box guitars, photography, polymer clay (eggs, vases, jewelry), woodturning (bowls, vases, trees, and containers), fabric-coiled baskets, stained glass, and handcrafted turned tools. A map and more information are available on the Events page of our website, www.cityofcheney.org.

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**November Recreation Programs**

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Nov 3: Indoor Playground Starts Again
Nov 5: Yoga, Session 2 Begins
Nov 5-Dec 17, Wed evenings: Intro, Intermediate, Senior Yoga
Nov 7: Middle School Late Night 6-10 pm, WPCC
Nov 12: Senior Recipe Exchange 1:30 pm
Nov 14: Movie Night “The Goonies” 7 pm, $5/person, $10/family of 4. Register by Nov 7
Nov 15: Specialized Recreation Dinner and a Movie Night
Nov 22: Turkey Bowl Flag Football Tournament, $225 per team, register by Nov 10
Mons & Weds 9:15-10:15 am: Indoor Playground
Tues & Fridays 9:30-10:30 am: FREE Senior Light Fitness
Tues 6-7 pm, Fridays 11 am-12 pm: FREE Yoga
Tues & Thurs 5:45-6:45 pm: Circuit Training Class
Weds & Thurs 7:15-8:15 pm: FREE Aerobics Dance Class
Sats 10:30-11:30 am: Zumba

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