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City of Cheney - 609 Second Street, Cheney, WA 99004

Cheney Gets a Clean Sweep

Please join us on **Saturday, April 16, at 8:30 a.m. at Veterans' Memorial Park** for Cheney's 9th annual Clean Sweep. This is a positive community event that encourages civic pride for the city and its neighborhoods. In addition to the public effort to clean the city, Cheney Clean Sweep provides many services for residents to easily clean their own homes and yards, including a document shredding service, old tire and battery disposal, and two large-item dump sites. **(Dumpster sites are limited to Cheney utility customers; you must bring proof that you are a Cheney utility customer.)** New for this year is electronics recycling: old cell phones, computers, televisions, printers, monitors ... almost anything with a cord or battery. Most items will be accepted free. (A small fee may be charged for some items considered hazardous waste, such as large tube TVs and large tube monitors.)



Volunteers are needed! Volunteers will work as part of a group focusing on cleaning up or beautifying a specific area of the city. Volunteers should meet at Veterans' Memorial Park by 8:30 a.m., with the event beginning at 9:00. Lunch will be provided at a celebration at Veterans' Memorial Park at noon. Please contact Brett Lucas at blucas@cityofcheney.org or 498-9221.

For all the details, please see the enclosed flyer or visit www.cityofcheney.org/cleansweep.

"Flushable" Does Not Mean Flushable!

Toilets are designed to accept water, human waste, toilet paper, **and nothing else!** Many items are advertised as "flushable"; but when they are flushed down the toilet, they don't disintegrate. They plug up house drains, service lines, sewer mains, pumps, and treatment facilities. This causes backups that are expensive to clean up, and increases maintenance costs for our sewer system.

To avoid these problems, **please put these items in the trash:** cleaning wipes, moist towelettes, disposable diapers, cotton balls, and any paper products other than toilet paper. **Please keep the wipes out of our pipes!**

Tree Trimming Begins in April

To prevent electrical outages, the City of Cheney has hired a contractor to trim trees near power lines in Cheney. Tree trimming will begin in April and will continue through June. If you have trees near power lines that need to be trimmed or removed, please contact the Cheney Light Department at (509) 498-9230. Please do NOT attempt to trim any trees near lines yourself, as this is extremely hazardous. Only qualified, trained personnel should perform this work.

A "Sustainable" Cheney

Water quality, air quality, wetland protection – these are important topics to most Cheney residents, whether we spend much time thinking of them or not. We all want to live in a "sustainable" way – so the next generations can enjoy fresh air, trout fishing in clear lakes and streams, and abundant wildlife in natural habitat areas – as we do now.

On April 11, the Cheney Planning Commission will be looking at amendments to the Natural Assets chapter of our Comprehensive Plan, the official document that guides land use and development in our community. To take part in the conversation, **attend the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, April 11, starting at 6 p.m.** Bring your best ideas to the table!

For more information, go to www.cityofcheney.org/compplan; or stop by the City of Cheney Planning Department at 112 Anderson Road to view a paper copy.

Meeting Dates & Events

- April 4 — Cheney Merchants' Association, 6:30 p.m., Holiday Inn Express
- April 7 — Historic Preservation Commission, 5:15 p.m., City Council Chambers
- April 11 — Planning Commission, 6:00 p.m., City Council Chambers
- April 12 — City Council, 6 p.m., Council Chambers
- April 13 — Park Board, 6:30 p.m., Wren Pierson Community Center
- April 26 — City Council, 6 p.m., Council Chambers
- April 29 — Blood Drive, 1:15-5:30 p.m., Marketplace Bakery & Deli, 1011 1st Street

Large Item Pickup April 11-14



The Cheney Solid Waste Division wants to help residents with disposal of over-sized garbage, up to the equivalent of one full-size pickup truck bed. Collection will be made on the customer's normal garbage pickup day during the week of April 11-14. Items must be set out for collection at curbside by 7:00 a.m. on the garbage collection day.

The cost of the service is \$21.88. For a list of acceptable and unacceptable items and other details, please see the enclosed flyer, or visit the [News Room page](#) on our website at www.cityofcheney.org. This information is also available at the Public Works Department at 112 Anderson Road, (509) 498-9293.

Residential utility customers must sign up in advance by contacting the Public Works Department at **498-9293** **no later than Friday, April 8**, at 5:00 p.m.

Turnbull National Wildlife Refuge Community Work Party Saturday, April 30

Here is a great opportunity to be part of an ongoing community effort to restore native riparian habitat to benefit birds and other wildlife species at the Turnbull NWR, 5 miles south of Cheney on Cheney-Plaza Road.

9:00—Noon: Plant saplings and erect fencing

12:00: Potluck lunch (hamburgers supplied)

To register and for information, please call (509) 235-4723, ext. 228, or visit www.fws.gov/refuge/Turnbull/.

April Recreation Programs

For more information or to register, contact Cheney Parks & Recreation, 498-9250, www.cityofcheney.org/recreation.

- Apr 1: Horseback Riding Lessons start
- Apr 4: Spring Break Day Camp
- Apr 4: POUND Fitness Class, 5pm, City Hall
- Apr 4: Country Quilters, 12:30pm, WPCC
- Apr 4: NFL Flag Football Academy
- Apr 5: Senior Light Fitness, 9:30am, WPCC
- Apr 5: Bridge, 11:30am WPCC
- Apr 5: POUND Fitness Class, 7pm, WMS
- Apr 5: Knitting Class, 9am, WPCC
- Apr 5: Specialized Rec Bowling at Rosa's, 3:30pm
- Apr 6: Yoga starts
- Apr 6: Dance Fitness
- Apr 7: POUND Fitness Class, 8:30am, WPCC
- Apr 7: POUND Fitness Class, 7pm, WMS
- Apr 8: Senior Light Fitness, 9:30am, WPCC
- Apr 9: POUND Fitness Class, 7:15am, Snowdon
- Apr 11: ZUMBA, 7:30pm, WPCC
- Apr 11: ABC Preschool
- Apr 11: Spring Soccer starts
- Apr 13: Track & Field starts
- Apr 14: Adults 50+ Game Day, 10am, WPCC
- Apr 15: Middle School Late Night Event
- Apr 15: EWU Red-White Eagle Classic
- Apr 15: ZUMBA, 7:30pm, WPCC
- Apr 16: 16th Annual EWU Spring Shootout
- Apr 19: Senior Tuesday at Northern Quest, 11am

EcoGreen Compost is Ready!

EcoGreen compost sales have begun, and it will be sold on the **first and last Friday** of each month through October, from **noon to 3:00 p.m.** **EcoGreen** in bulk quantities may be purchased by the general public for just \$14 per cubic yard. Compost will be loaded onto your open-bed pickup truck or trailer. Stop at the Utility Building, 112 Anderson Road, to pay first, and then follow the signs to the Wastewater Treatment Plant for loading.

In addition to our regular sale dates, compost will be sold on Saturday, May 7, from 9:00 to 1:00.

Information on **EcoGreen** compost can be found at www.cityofcheney.org/wastewater-treatment. If you have any questions about the compost sales schedule or product availability, please contact the Public Works Department at 498-9293.

Clean Green Pickup Resumes April 4

From **April through October**, the city's Solid Waste Division offers a curbside pickup of "clean green" yard waste. The service will provide one clean green cart and weekly curbside service **every Monday** through October.

The fee for clean green cart service is unchanged at \$12 per month for a 96-gallon automated-style container. This fee will be added to your regular monthly utility bill. Customers who are already signed up may begin putting out their yard waste carts on Monday, April 4.

To sign up for clean green cart service, please contact the City of Cheney Finance Department at (509) 498-9209. If you have any questions, please call the City of Cheney Public Works Department at 498-9293.



Save the date for **CHENEY MAYFEST, May 13 & 14**, historic downtown Cheney ... find them on [Facebook](#) for all the info you need!

FREE RESOURCE FAIR
April 27, 2016
5:30-7:00 pm
Betz Elementary
317 North 7th

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~FUN PRIZES~
~SNACKS~
~High School Summer Camp Info~

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- Apr 22, 23, 24: Shining Stars Inclusive Theatre: Beauty & the Beast, WMS
- Apr 23: Cheney Wetland Trail Run/Walk
- Apr 29: Specialized Recreation trip: Spokane Empire Football Game