

December 2019

# CHENEY CONNECTIONS

Happy Holidays from the City of Cheney!

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

## Christmas Gifts for Cheney Kids

Cheney Outreach Center is again heading up the Christmas Gifts for Cheney Kids project. This is the only Christmas project in which gifts are distributed *in Cheney only* for Cheney children.

With gifts arranged on tables in the Wren Pierson Community Center, parents will choose presents for their children, who might otherwise not have a present to open on Christmas morning. **Gift distribution will be on December 13.**

**Parents, sign up now!** Register at the Cheney Outreach Center, 616 3rd Street, Cheney, on Mondays from 4 - 6:30 p.m. and Wednesdays 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Please call ahead for information on how to qualify. **Registration deadline is 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 11.**

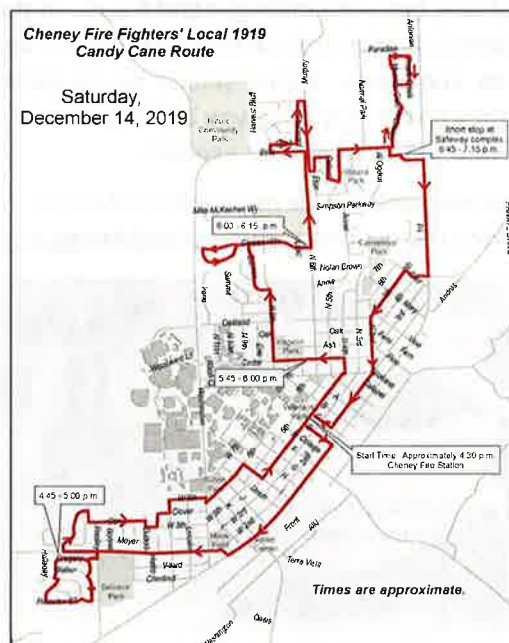
**Volunteers are needed!** You can help behind the scenes with a monetary donation, by mailing a check clearly marked "Xmas Gifts for Kids" to the mailing address below. You can also help set up gifts on tables. Please call Outreach at 235-8900 and leave a message with your name and phone number.

**Help us wish teens and youth of Cheney a merry Christmas!** It's so satisfying and it means so much to act as Santa's elves to ensure that local children in low-income families will have gifts, even if their families cannot provide them.

Cheney Outreach, (509) 235-8900  
Office: 616 3rd Street, Cheney  
Mon 4:00-6:30pm & Wed 8:30am-2:00pm

## Cheney Fire Fighters Local 1919 Candy Cane Ride Saturday, December 14, starting at 4:30 p.m.

Santa will join Cheney firefighters in handing out candy canes and holiday cheer throughout Cheney, and collecting food donations for the Cheney Food Bank. For a larger map, please see the Events calendar on our website, [www.cityofcheney.org](http://www.cityofcheney.org).



## HOLIDAY HOOPLA & TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

Friday, December 6, 5:30 p.m.  
Cheney Public Library

Bring your family and friends for holiday music, stories, refreshments, and a visit from Santa!

Sponsored by Cheney Merchants Association and Cheney Parks & Recreation

## Meeting Dates & Events

- Dec 5: Historic Preservation Commission Meeting, 5:15pm
- Dec 6: Holiday Hoopla & Tree Lighting Ceremony, Cheney Library and Downtown Cheney, 5:30pm
- Dec 10: City Council, 6pm
- Dec 11: Park Board Meeting, 6pm
- Dec 25: City offices closed for Christmas; garbage pickup on Wed and Thurs will be one day late
- Jan 1: City offices closed for New Year's Day; Wednesday and Thursday garbage pickup one day late

## Snow Removal and Holiday Parking

Every winter, Eastern Washington University students leave for the holiday break, and return to Cheney to discover their cars are not parked on the street where they left them. **It's important to plan ahead when you leave for the holidays—or even just overnight—to make sure your vehicle won't block city plows while you're gone.**

If you park on the street, your vehicle must be moved if there's a heavy snowfall. Keeping the streets of Cheney clear of heavy snow can be a tall task, which is why we need your help. Moving your vehicle for plowing speeds up the process to make our streets clear and safe for everyone, including school buses and emergency responders.

Whenever **two or more inches** of snow accumulates on city streets, and so long as that snow remains un-cleared, no vehicles may be parked on any street or city right-of-way between **midnight and 6 a.m.** In the central business district, this parking restriction is between **3 a.m. and 6 a.m.** If your vehicle blocks snow-plows, Cheney Police may issue you a citation and have your vehicle towed at your expense.

Please check our website for more information on winter parking restrictions at [www.cityofcheney.org](http://www.cityofcheney.org).



## Do you need or can you be a Snow Angel?



The purpose of Snow Angels is to identify and link Cheney residents who are physically unable to shovel snow with those who are able and willing

to volunteer to do it for them. If you need assistance or can volunteer your help shoveling or coordinating these services, please contact the Public Works Department at 509-498-9293 or City of Cheney at 509-498-9200 during normal business hours.

The City of Cheney would like to send a special thank you to the **Kappa Sigma Fraternity** for their participation!

## December Recreation Programs

For information or to register, Cheney Parks & Recreation, (509) 498-9250 / [www.cityofcheney.org](http://www.cityofcheney.org)

- Dec 1: Chain Gang Crochet, every Sun, Marketplace, 10am
- Dec 2: Jazzercise, every Mon, 8:30am
- Dec 2: Quilters, every Mon, 12:30pm
- Dec 2: POUND, every Mon, 4pm
- Dec 2: Zumba, every Mon, 5:30pm
- Dec 2: Cornhole League, every Mon, 6pm
- Dec 2: Total Body Fitness, every Mon, 7:30pm
- Dec 3: Knitters, every Tue, 9am
- Dec 3: Bridge, every Tue, 11:30am
- Dec 3: Redemption Church FREE dinner, every Tue, 5:30pm
- Dec 4: Wine Down Wed, 6pm
- Dec 4: Beginning Yoga, Wed, 6pm
- Dec 4: Chain Gang Crochet, every Wed, Cheney Library, 5pm
- Dec 4: Hi-Flyers Square Dance lessons, every Wed, 7pm
- Dec 5: Bob Ross painting, 3:30pm
- Dec 6: Holiday Hoopla, Library & downtown Cheney, 5:30pm
- Dec 6: POUND, every Fri, 9:30am
- Dec 6: Seniors Holiday Recipe exchange, Fri, 11am
- Dec 9: Garden Club meeting, every 2nd Mon, 6:30pm
- Dec 10: Inclusive Recreations Dinner, Tue, 4pm
- Dec 10: Candlelight Yoga, Tue, 6pm
- Dec 11: Deadline for Cheney Outreach Christmas Gift Registration
- Dec 12: AARP driving class, Thurs, 8:30am
- Dec 12: Inclusive Rec Paint & Sip, Thurs, 6:30pm
- Dec 13: Cheney Outreach Christmas gift distribution, 9am
- Dec 13: Parent's Night Out Babysitting, Fri, 6pm
- Dec 17: Seniors Holiday Light Tour, Tue, 3:45pm
- Dec 30: Feed Cheney, Wren, 5:30pm

## Preventing Frozen Water Pipes

Frozen pipes aren't just an inconvenience. Families have their homes ruined and their lives disrupted each winter because of water pipes that freeze.

### Indoor Tips

- Maintain heat in apartments and homes above 60 degrees.
- Avoid drafts where water meter and exposed pipes are located.
- Insulate pipes that are located in cold and drafty places in the home.

### Extreme Cold

- Open cabinet doors to allow heat to reach pipes.
- Some choose to run cold water faucets constantly (the size of a pencil lead) - This may help if your service has a history of freezing.

