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Buttermilk AKA “The Cave Goat” Rescued at Spalding

While driving the Highway 95 corridor between Lewiston and Lapwai, Idaho during the past few years, you may have noticed a lone, pale, four-legged creature high among the cliffs above the Spalding Bridge that crosses the Clearwater River. If so, then you have met, from afar, a feral goat that had escaped its home (on private land) and taken up residence in the cliffs on Nez Perce Tribal Land. To the locals who often kept an eye out for her this animal had become a minor celebrity known as either “the cave goat” or more affectionately, “Buttermilk.”

Unfortunately, besides being a very lonely existence for her, Buttermilk’s presence there threatened the already diminished local bighorn sheep population. She could potentially transmit deadly upper respiratory bacterium that are naturally carried by domestic sheep and goats, and that cause pneumonia in bighorn sheep, leading to massive, large-scale die-offs. The intro-



Prior to rescue, Buttermilk standing above highway 12/95 bridge at Spalding

duction of domestic sheep and goats as well as unregulated hunting by European settlers were the main culprits in the tremendous historic declines in bighorn sheep. Though hunting is now heavily regulated, the threat from the presence of domestic sheep and goats is still a very real concern today.

Nez Perce Tribal Wildlife Director, Neil Thagard, explained that, “as feral livestock can be a threat to native plants and wildlife species, it was essential to remove the cave goat.” In the past Thagard had worked with Buttermilk’s previous owner in attempting to have him retrieve his goat and return her home, however, after numerous unsuccessful attempts to catch her, she was abandoned to her solitary hillside life and the responsibility for her fell to the Tribe’s Wildlife Division.

It was necessary, as part of his commitment to the Tribe’s natural resources, for

Thagard to get Buttermilk off the hillside. Although as a last resort she would have had to be lethally removed, Thagard wanted to avoid this alternative if at all possible. He kept a close eye on her waiting for her to begin using a small shelf in the hillside, the safest portion of the landscape (for his and the goats safety), then planned to establish a feeding station with some oats to lure her in and get her used to being near people again. This method would be most tempting and effective when there wasn’t a lot of other vegetation for her to eat; so in January 2020 he began hauling buckets of oats up the hillside every few days.

After several weeks, as Buttermilk became habituated to the food and the presence of Thagard, a humane trap was set – a simple but effective “snare” using a five-gallon bucket of oats and a rope; and a lot of patience. Once Buttermilk was caught (but by no means under control) she began pulling herself toward the cliffs edge with Thagard in tow, but he managed to get her under control before either of them were in any danger from the steep terrain. It was then just a matter of a short walk down the hill to start her new life.

Nez Perce Wildlife biolo-

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Nimiipuutímtki- The People's Language (Nee-mee-poo-timt-key)

March Latíit'al (La-tee-tall)
"flowering/blooming season"

Hungry	heyééxnin'	hey-yeh-nin
Thirsty	qi'yáwnin'	key-yow-nin
Happy	'éey'snin'	eye-ts-nin
Sad	'éetxewnin'	et-how-nin
Sleepy	'eewíinin'	ah-we-nin
Resting	sapáayawnin'	sa-pie-yow-nin
Excited	hil'íiqin	hill-e-kin
Bored	ninnásnin'	nin-naw-snin
Nervous	'íyiyenipee	e-yay-ya-nip-its

Image of Celilo Falls before being
flooded by the Dalles Dam
on March 10th, 1957

NIMIIPUU TRIBAL TRIBUNE

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Quintana Lozon Takes a Stand for Indigenous People



Quintana Lozon on 21st Street in Lewiston at a recent MMIW/G Rally

Quintana Lozon has been apart of the Nez Perce Youth Advisory Committee through Students For Success for the last two years. Last year at the Tribal Health Reaching out Involves Everyone (THRIVE) Conference in Portland, Oregon she helped design a video and a T-shirt.

Lozon is a freshman at Lapwai High School and often speaks for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (MMIW/G) and Buffalo Field Campaign.

On Valentine's Day, Lozon and her family traveled to Gardiner Montana to finish an eleven mile Memorial Walk in honor of Rosalie Little Thunder, a Lakota activist who worked to stop the slaughter of bison in Yellowstone National Park. Little Thunder was a former member of the Board of First Nations Development Institute, she later died in 2014. Little Thunder is honored in an eleven mile march with prayers

to protect the Yellowstone Buffalo. Lozon and her family walked and prayed for the buffalo each step of the way.

"This girl has done more in her life to advocate for people and animals than I have ever done in my life," said Lozon's mother, Feather Holt. "She makes our family very proud."

MMIW/G greatly affects Lozon because of her sister Sistina. Sistina was almost kidnapped two years ago, along with a group of other young girls in the Lapwai community. Tribal police officers were unable to locate the man attempting to lure children into his car, but was later caught and arrested in Lewiston for attempted kidnapping. Lozon is passionate and along side the Nez Perce Tribe's Student's For Success and THRIVE teams, she is willing to take a stand and bring awareness to the dangers and provide recognition for those who have been missing and/or murdered.

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Voters Approve Kamiah School District Levy

By Justyna Tomtas, Lewiston Tribune



Steve Higgins, Superintendent

The Kamiah School District will be able to reopen its middle school building after unofficial election results show voters approved a two-year supplemental levy Tuesday night. The levy, expected to generate \$647,000 annually, passed with 747 votes, or about 51 percent of the vote, in favor of the measure and 722 votes, or about 49 percent, in opposition, with 1,469 votes in all. The estimated annual

tax rate is \$285 per \$100,000 of taxable assessed value. The district has been without a levy for one year, after the previous measure in 2019 failed. Around \$270,000 of the levy funds will be used for maintenance upgrades and repairs of the district's buildings. The remaining \$377,000 will support basic operational costs. Seven measures in other north central Idaho school districts were approved by voters. They include: Highland Joint School District: The one-year supplemental levy of \$499,000 for maintenance and operations passed with 217 votes, or about 64 percent, in favor of the measure and 123 votes, or about 36 percent, in opposition, with 340 votes in all. The estimated annual cost is about \$304 per \$100,000 of taxable property value. Culdesac School District: The two-year supplemental levy of \$250,000 an-

nually for maintenance and operations passed with 107 votes, or about 74 percent, in favor of the measure and 38 votes, or about 26 percent, in opposition, with 145 votes in all. The estimated annual cost is about \$411 per \$100,000 of taxable property value. Genesee School District: The one-year supplemental levy of \$935,000 for maintenance and operations passed with 44 votes, or about 56 percent, in favor of the measure and 34 votes, or about 44 percent, in opposition, with 78 votes in all. The estimated annual cost is about \$468 per \$100,000 of taxable property value. Kendrick School District: The one-year supplemental levy of \$810,000 for maintenance and operations passed with 239 votes, or about 64 percent, in favor of the measure and 137 votes, or about 36 percent, in opposition, with 376 votes in

all. The estimated annual cost is about \$540 per \$100,000 of taxable property value. Orofino School District: The two-year supplemental levy of about \$2.69 million annually for maintenance and operations passed with 944 votes, or about 58 percent, in favor of the measure and 679 votes, or about 42 percent, in opposition, with 1,623 votes in all. The estimated annual cost is about \$428 per \$100,000 of taxable property value. Potlatch School District: The one-year supplemental levy of \$1.75 million for maintenance and operations passed with 486 votes, or about 58 percent, in favor of the measure and 345 votes, or about 42 percent, in opposition, with 831 votes in all. The estimated annual cost is about \$616 per \$100,000 of taxable property value.

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Youth and Suicide Prevention

Suicide is the third leading cause of death for Americans between the ages of 10 and 24, and the Native American/Alaska Native (AI/AN) population has the highest rate of death by suicide of all cultural groups. In addition to risk factors found in the U.S. at large (such as history of previous attempts, or attempts or completions in one's family; exposure to suicidal behavior in others; history of mental illness or depression; substance abuse; loss of relationships; life stresses), AI/AN youth have additional factors that may increase risk. AI/AN youth may feel cut off from other people, or isolated on reservations; perceive discrimination; or be burdened by historical trauma shared by earlier generations related to experiences of colonialism, wars, dislocation from land, and separation from family by Indian boarding schools.

You can help prevent a suicide if you know what signs to look for

Get immediate help from a mental health provider or call 911 if they are:

- * Threatening to hurt or kill themselves
- * Talking or writing about death, dying or suicide

CALL 1-800-273-TALK (8255) The Lifeline is a national suicide prevention hotline that you can call any time, day or night. A real person will help you through a crisis, give you information, and tell you about resources in your area. Your call to the Lifeline (1-800-273-TALK) is free and everything you talk to a crisis worker about is just between the two of you. You are not alone.

Contact a mental health professional, parent, teacher or another adult as soon as possible if you hear of see any one with any one or more of these behaviors:

- * Feeling of hopelessness
- * Feelings of rage, anger or seeking revenge
- * Acting reckless or engaging in risky activities without thinking
 - * Feeling trapped
 - * Increasing alcohol or drug use
 - * Withdrawing from friends, family or usual activities
- * Feeling anxious, agitated or unable to sleep or sleeping all of the time
 - * Dramatic mood changes
- * Seeing no reason for living or having no sense of purpose in life
 - * Feeling that no one cares about them

This message brought to you by the Students for Success Program Native Connections (SAMHSA) Project.

Nez Perce Tribal Programs Collaborate in PIT Count

Every year Idaho Housing and Finance Association (IHFA) does a Point In Time (PIT) count in an effort to count the number of homeless in Idaho. The count is based on one night, January 22, 2020, documenting where you slept that night. For the next week, surveys are collected based on that date. Each region collects surveys and reports their numbers to IHFA which helps determine the need for funding in the region.

The Nez Perce Tribe has participated in this PIT count for several years, each year growing. The Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority and the Nez Perce Tribe Social Services programs have teams that spend an entire week scouring the Nez Perce Reservation to count homeless. Almost all the surveys collected are Native American; however, the teams collect for all homeless including non-Indians. This year

they held events in Lapwai on January 23, Orofino on January 24, Kamiah on January 28 and Riggins on January 29. Additionally they were asked to collect surveys in Riggins this year as there was no previous count.

In Lapwai and Kamiah, they offered lunches at the Housing Office and Wa- A'Yas in an attempt to get people to complete surveys. Attendance at these locations improves every year. When a person completes a survey, they are given a bag of supplies (gloves, hats and toiletries), a \$5 food voucher and offered referrals to services. The food vouchers were from Valley Foods, McDonalds, Subway and Pizza Factory. They also received donations from Idaho Animal Rescue and handed out over 200 pounds of dog food. They handed out applications for housing, social services and women's outreach. In Orofino, they provided sack lunching and handed out supplies.



A shelter in a homeless encampment in Lapwai



Trailer in Riggins, without utilities. Resident is considered homeless

	Lapwai	Kamiah/Kooskia	Orofino	Riggins	Total
Under 18	35	4	0	0	38
Adult	71	24	9	3	108
Over 65 yrs	2	0	1	0	3
Total Homeless	108	28	10	3	149

Living Conditions	Total People Living in this condition
RV/Camper	68
Couch/Overcrowded	26
Substandard Housing	37
Camping/outside	8
Vehicle	10
Total # of People	149 People

Nez Perce Tribe & Nimiipuu Health Continue Proactive Measures Against COVID-19

As the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) continues to be a concern throughout the world, Nimiipuu Health (NMPH) in correlation with the Nez Perce Tribe (Tribe), and all entities of the Tribe, are taking proactive and preventative measures. Although there have not been any confirmed cases of COVID-19 on the Nez Perce reservation, every necessary precaution is being taken at this time to limit the chance of exposure and spread. On March 10, 2020, the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee passed a resolution directing measures and

actions that are to be taken at this time. These actions included designating Dr. R. Kim Hartwig as the Incident Commander who will utilize the Nimiipuu Health Incident Command Team and the TERPT. The resolution provided direction for department executives to manage staff concerns. It also laid out restrictions for non-essential travel, possible cancellation or postponement of events, sanitation protocols, resource assistance for Tribal members, continued preparation, and regular communication for updates. The Tribe will continue to moni-

tor the situation and update precautions as necessary. "No one is immune to COVID-19, there is potential risk for anyone. Some individuals are at higher risk based on pre-existing conditions," explained Dr. Hartwig, NMPH Medical Director. "Everyone should be taking precautions, healthy or not, as they could potentially be exposing someone whose immune system may be unable to recover." At this time Dr. Hartwig recommends that individuals practice proper hand-washing hygiene, stay home if they are not feeling well, and to

cover coughs and sneezes appropriately. Although the immediate risk of being exposed to the virus that causes COVID-19 is thought to be low in our community, it is very important that preventative measure continue. "It is a privilege to care for our community. Knowing that, our highest priority is to be proactive in our efforts to manage health concerns, such as COVID-19," said Dr. Hartwig. For more information on COVID-19, we encourage you to visit The Center for Disease Control's website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/>

Lapwai Defeats Potlatch for 3rd During Idaho State Conference

After falling short to the Potlatch Loggers, 67-50 for the 2019-20 District Title in February, you could say the Wildcats went to State with a vengeance looking to play the Loggers just one more time. However, Lapwai had to get through Oakley and Grace first. Ultimately the rematch occurred, but it was a bitter sweet battle.

In the opening minutes of the Idaho State tournament, Lapwai fell behind their first opponent, the Oakley Hornets, 16-0. Hot off the bench, Robert Denunzio scored the first basket of the game for Lapwai, followed by three buckets from JC Sobotta and a three-pointer from Titus Yearout, quickly sparking the offense for the Wildcats. Terrell Ellenwood-Jones, the team's only freshman, began playing during the second quarter, handling the ball and challenging Oakley defensively, along with teammate Simon Henry pressuring the ball as well.

At the half, Lapwai was down 29-15, but it would only be a matter of time before they controlled the entire atmosphere. The Wildcats came out of intermission and outscored the Hornets by 22 points and kept them to a 26 shooting percentile in the quarterfinal round. The game was tied early in the fourth, at 33 points apiece, when Lapwai took the lead for the first time.

Kross Taylor netted a deep three-pointer, then Lydell Mitchell's post game gave him two easy clutch baskets. After that, Oakley turned the ball over nine times. AJ Ellenwood scored ten points and six boards by dominating the paint and shutting down the driving lane on defense. The Wildcats shot a remarkable 71.4 percent to maintain control of the game and defeat the Hornets 52-44.

The next day, Lapwai faced the Grace Grizzlies. Lapwai was down 18 points late in the third when Yearout made a conventional three-point play on a layup, giving the team and the Lapwai crowd some

momentum heading into the final quarter. Taylor snapped three 3-pointers down the stretch and Lapwai forced 11 backcourt turnovers in the second half, scoring quickly to cut down Grace's lead.

Taylor hit another 3-pointer while a foul occurred underneath the basket on Grace, keeping the ball in Lapwai's possession. Yearout knocked down a mid-range jumper and took charge from that point on, tallying 16 of his 22 points in the second half, combined with Taylor's 14 points. Lapwai trailed 43-36 with five minutes to play, but was unable to get any closer. As time eventually ran out, the Wildcats lost to the Grizzlies 57-48.

Coach Zachary Eastman had full confidence that his boys' best basketball would come out at the Idaho State tournament. Although the likelihood of Lapwai and Potlatch meeting up in a state championship showdown was highly anticipated, neither team made it to the Idaho Ford Center for the Championship game. Lapwai and Potlatch did match up for one last battle though, this time for the 3rd place trophy.

The Whitepine League Division I rivals and top two ranked teams in Idaho went head to head despite their heartbreaking losses the night before. The Wildcats and Loggers made Saturday's game at Caldwell's Vallivue High School feel like it was indeed for the championship. Spectators could say that game meant more than 3rd place to both teams. The Loggers were a team of seniors playing their last game of their high school careers; facing a young team consisting primarily of sophomores under direction of a first-year head coach. The two teams went to war in a determined fight to not go home empty handed.

The Wildcats (22-4) trailed by nine late in the first quarter, but were hot on Potlatch's heels. Lapwai came

back and outscored Potlatch (21-4) by 22 points in the next three periods. In a five-minute time span, the Loggers went from being up two points to down seven, as they went 3-of-14 from the field; Lapwai attacked and never let up. Lapwai went 7-for-8 from the field in the third, leaving the Loggers trailing by 11. The Wildcats shot 75 percent in the second half and held Potlatch to just 2-of-13 attempts from the 3-point line. The Wildcats went 17-for-22 at the free throw and played freely, making the game look easy.

Yearout scored 16 points with six assists, Taylor added 14 points and had seven rebounds, and Mitchell tallied 15 points. Additionally, the Wildcats' smooth-running offense assisted in 14 field goals.

Although the Wildcats didn't make it to the State Championship this year, Coach Eastman was not wrong. In their fourth and final clash against the Loggers, Lapwai came out on fire and played their best game of the season. They defeated Potlatch 62-49 and headed home with a third place victory. Next year the Wildcats are expected to come back bigger and stronger, with all but one player returning. "We ended our season with a win over our rival (Potlatch)



A Pendleton blanket and pair of shoes on the Lapwai bench honoring Michael "BB" Bisbee III, who passed away in 2013. BB was apart of the AAU basketball team with the 2019-20 sophomore boys. His teammates, friends, and community would like to remember him by keeping an open seat on the bench. "He is our fourth coach." - Coach John Williamson.

this year," said Eastman. "That gives us momentum going into next year. Our team knows what hard work looks like, and will put the time and effort to become State Champions." Eastman and his coaching staff are devoted to helping each player grow. "We will be there every step in their off season workouts," said Eastman, who plans to work with the boys in team camps, weights, individual workouts, open gyms, and summer leagues to prepare for next year. "Each player will have a part of our success next year, and we want each kid to feel like we are family moving forward together for one common goal."



Lapwai players and coaches hold the Idaho State 3rd Place trophy high above their heads, celebrating a sweet victory over Potlatch

Kamiah's First Appearance at State Since 2013

The Kamiah Boys Basketball team experienced a big atmosphere with a lot of energy in the Vallivue High School gymnasium for their first State Conference appearance since 2013.

The Kamiah Kubs knew Ambrose was at the top of their bracket so the Kubs started the game ambitiously and ready to upset top ranked Ambrose. Kamiah found themselves down by one point at half time, 28-29, against their first opponent. Through extreme determination, Kamiah stayed on Ambrose's heels and never gave up. Later they trailed by 10 going into the fourth quarter then managed to rally back within four points. Unfortunately, the Kubs were unable to get any closer as they fell to Ambrose 56-49, in the opening round of the Idaho Class 1A Division I Tournament.

The following day, Kamiah battled against Riverstone International School. The Kubs rallied in the second quarter behind defensive pressure and wound up causing Riverstone to turn the ball over 29 times. Sam Brisbois had 10 points and four assists as Kamiah defeated Riverstone 49-46 to stay alive in the tournament.

Kamiah then went head to head with Oakley. The Kubs fought back after a slow start and being down

14-2 through the first quarter. Landon Keen hit a 3 late in the second quarter to spark a turnaround that brought the Kamiah team within a point at 18-17 by halftime. Kamiah still was one down at 28-27 going into the fourth, and slipped another point in that final period.

Kamiah had one last chance and one last possession in the game. They got the ball into the hands of Brisbois who attempted a 3-pointer at the sound of the final buzzer to win the game, but Brisbois

missed. The Kubs lost by one basket to Oakley in the consolation final, 41-39. "I'm extremely proud. I haven't been prouder of a group of guys in my coaching career," Kubs coach, Aaron Skinner said. "If it wasn't for our seniors, we probably wouldn't have been where we were today."

Although it was not the outcome Kamiah wanted, they still felt grateful and happy making it to State. "We had a long road, we played four elimination games to get

there," said Brisbois. "I think as a first year team we didn't know how to play in such a big atmosphere; I think there were several times we started playing our opponents game instead of our own."

As one of the leaders on the Kamiah Kubs team, Brisbois would like to encourage next year's team to get in the gym and put in the work, "you can't expect to do great things if you're only committed during the regular season," said Brisbois.



Senior Sam Brisbois shoots over Oakley defender for 2, in the consolation game against Oakley

Nimiipuu Participate in "Destroy the Drug, Not Our People" Walk



Some participated in the Walk by horse and foot



DelRae Kipp stands with Jessica Ford after the Walk

The "Destroy the Drug, Not our People" event was originated and put on by Wellpinit High School Senior, Steven Ford Jr. His project started on the Spokane Indian Reservation and grew to 30 tribes participating. The Nez Perce Tribe was one of the 30 tribes. Every tribe walked at the same time on March 13th, to bring awareness of drugs and alcohol abuse that takes place on their reservations. People walked in prayer, sang songs for healing, shared stories, and prayed together. It was a great day of healing and unity.

Common Symptoms of COVID-19 Include:

- * Fever (83-98%)
(a fever is a temperature greater than 100.4° Fahrenheit)
 - * Cough (46-82%)
 - * Shortness of breath (31%)
- AVERAGE onset of illness which occurs approximately 6-9 DAYS AFTER exposure
- Treatment is primarily symptomatic:
- * A fever should be treated with antipyretics (fever lowering agents such as acetaminophen & ibuprofen)
 - * Hydration is extremely important
 - * Antiviral medications are currently under investigation, but not currently recommended or available
 - * Close monitoring of signs and symptoms over the second week of illness may be necessary to monitor for worsening or progression of illness

Local Data for COVID-19:

Idaho

Confirmed cases: 5
Fatal cases: 0
Recovered cases: 0

Washington

Confirmed cases: 769
Fatal: 42
Recovered: 1

(this result should make us question the accuracy of the data with only 1 recovered; it may not be being collected at this time)

Oregon

Confirmed cases: 39
Fatal cases: 1
Recovered cases: 0

Montana

Confirmed cases: 6
Fatal cases: 0
Recovered cases: 0

* Data as of 3/15/2020

Risks of COVID-19 and Preventative Measures

Older age patients appear to have the greatest risk of complications and mortality (death)

- * 50-59-year-old have a 1.3% mortality rate
- * 60-69-year-old have a 3.6% mortality rate
- * 70-79-year-old have an 8% mortality rate
- * 80-year-olds and above have 14.8% mortality rate

Underlying chronic medical conditions such as:

- * lung disease
- * heart failure
- * cancer
- * cerebrovascular disease (stroke)
- * renal (kidney) disease
- * liver disease
- * diabetes
- * immunocompromising conditions such as rheumatoid arthritis, lupus, mixed connective tissue disorder and scleroderma
- * pregnancy

Studies are showing that approximately 20% of infected patients require hospitalization, but we are mainly collecting data on the “sickest of the sick” which means that 20% may be higher than we can expect

Best prevention measures:

- * Stay away from sick people
- * Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- * Cover your cough and sneezes with tissue, throw tissues into the trash
- * Clean frequently touched surfaces (doorknobs, countertops, banisters) with a common household cleaning spray or wipe
- * Hand washing with soap and water for 20-40 seconds or alcohol (60%) based hand sanitizers (must air-dry completely to be effective)
- * The virus is spread via respiratory droplets from nose and mouth of infected people
 - * Droplets can land on surfaces
- * Other people can touch the surfaces and infect themselves by touching their face, eyes, nose or mouth
- * Healthy people in the general public have no benefit from wearing masks
- * Infection control for healthcare workers to allow them to be able to continue to provide needed care

Nimiipuu Health- Public Health Incident Command

Nimiipuu Health’s Public Health (NMPH) Incident Command Team and the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Emergency Response Team met on March 13, 2020 and focused primarily on designating duties and preparing for next steps. The teams discussed tribal entity and community preparedness as well as all available resources to assist with the public health emergency. The Nez Perce Tribe (Tribe) has established a COVID-19 Emergency Response Team. NMPH Medical Director, Dr. Kim Hartwig will lead the COVID-19 Emergency Response Team as Incident Commander. Dr. Hartwig will work with the NMPH Public Health Incident Command Team and will also consult with Tribal Emergency Response Planning Team (TERPT) Officer and Nez Perce Tribe Emergency Management Planner, John Wheaton. Each of the Tribe’s four entities—Nez Perce Tribal government, Nimiipuu Health, Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority, and Nez Perce Tribal Enterprises—along with TERPT and Lapwai School District staff will be represented. During the meeting Dr. Hartwig continued to emphasize the importance of proper hygiene and social distancing, when possible, as the best protocol to avoid contracting COVID-19. Attendees were encouraged to review policies and to be prepared for an emergency situation. The Center for Disease Control is a reputable resource for more information on COVID-19, how you can protect yourself, symptoms of COVID-19, and more (cdc.gov/coronavirus). The teams will continue to meet weekly, or more frequently if necessary. With the approval of the Tribe’s Resolution (NP 20-215), precautionary measures have been put into place. Amendments will be considered as necessary.

Taking Precautions

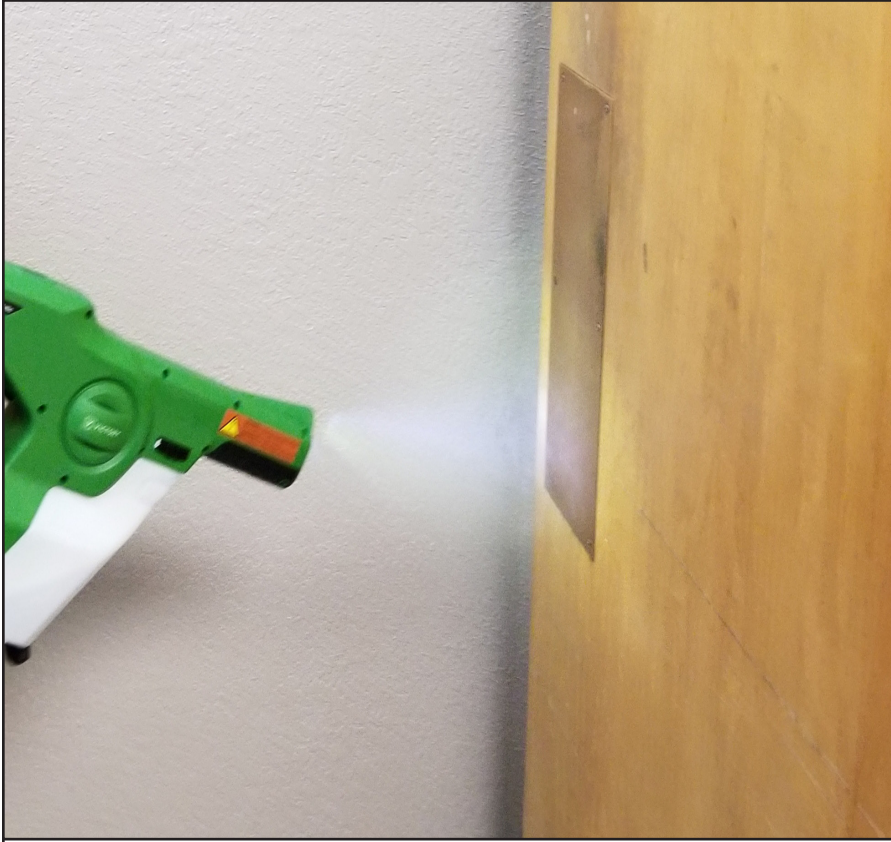


Image of the electrostatic handheld sprayer in action

Our news, emails, even conversations seem to center around the Coronavirus at this time. It is a concern that is resonating throughout the world. The Nez Perce Tribe (Tribe) has been keeping informed and getting prepared since January. While it is important to stay informed it is

also important to remain calm. The Tribe will continue to take precautionary measures.

The Nez Perce Tribal Housekeeping program has taken action in ordering additional sanitizing products, cleaners, and cleaning tools. Housekeeping staff have begun conducting deeper clean-

ing protocols on high touch surface areas. It has been stated that although there are several products out there that will sanitize efficiently, certain ones can negatively impact those with respiratory issues.

Staff are using a product called Re-Juv-Nal, which is a product they have been using for some time. It is a disinfectant and detergent cleaner with a neutral pH. There are several viruses the product is effective against, including Human Coronavirus. To better aide in efficient coverage, the program has also started using Electrostatic Handheld Sprayers. These devices are designed to save time and labor, spray less liquid, and cover more surface area.

Enterprises has enacted additional procedures, particularly in the casino's as they have high volumes of traffic at times. In January a new air filtration system was implemented at the Clearwater River Casino. The ozone that is introduced on the gaming floor helps to provide a clean breathing environment.

It cleans up Volatile Organic Compounds, including smoke but it is also killing some bacteria and viruses in the process. They are also having staff perform 24/7 cleaning and sanitization on all high touch areas, including the gaming machines. Recently they have also stationed staff at each entry to open doors for customers, minimizing the touch of a normally high contact surface.

These are just a couple examples of the extra precautions being taken to help protect customers, staff and tribal members. However, each entity, department and program has enacted additional protocols during this time. As we continue to learn more about this virus and its impacts, additional measures will be taken as necessary.

To learn more about the Coronavirus, check out [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus). The Tribe will also be putting out information regularly on their continuing efforts. To stay informed on the Tribe's efforts visit [nezperce.org](https://www.nezperce.org) you can also follow the Nez Perce Tribe on Face Book.

Taking Care of Your Mental Health During This Pandemic

It is understandable that many of us are frightened and feel out of control right now. The world is changing daily and we do not know what tomorrow will bring. I want to reach out to the community and let you know that the Behavioral Health Department at Nimiipuu Health is here to support you.

Our department has an urgent care clinician from 8 to 5, Monday through Friday and we can offer you a telemedicine appointment if you feel uncomfortable coming into the clinic or become ill. Do not hesitate to reach out.

One of the most important things you can do for your mental health is to practice self-care. This includes good sleep hygiene, healthy eating and movement. Paying attention to our state of mind and taking measures to relieve stress can help. For those who

already suffer with mental illness or substance disorders, please continue with treatment and medications as prescribed.

Below are a few ideas on how to help with anxiety and bothersome emotions:

- * Squared Breathing: While taking a deep breath count to 3, hold breath for a count of 3, exhale while counting to 3 and hold for a count of 3 and repeat 5 times.
- * Visualization: Close your eyes and imagine a place that you feel safe. Breathe slowly and relax each muscle starting with your neck. Notice where your shoulders are, lower them and relax your jaw.
- * Ask yourself – what do I need to do right now? Try not to think about every thing that you want to get done but rather what HAS to be done.
- * Talk about it and remind yourself that the ma-

jority of people are getting better from this virus.

* Tell yourself and others that it is okay and normal to feel some anxiety, but use the tools to keep it at a minimum.

* Do not judge others or minimize their feelings if they are different from yours. Talking to your children:

* Limit access to media. Having the news on 24/7 can be stress inducing.

* Keeping your kids distracted with healthy and fun activities will also help keep them calm.

* Talk to them and answer questions that are age appropriate.

* Limit "adult" talk to times when they cannot hear your conversation.

* Reassure them that this will be over and will not last forever.

Remember, there are things in our control and maintaining our mental wellness is one of them. Being a good ex-

ample for our children in taking care of ourselves and practicing good habits with social media is helpful. Maybe this would be a good time to reconnect with our loved ones by spending quality time with them and enjoying the moment. Below are some resources with more information on how to deal with this crisis and your mental health. Remember, if you or someone you know is thinking about suicide, please call 911 or go the local hospital. We WILL get through this together!

SAMHSA'S Disaster Distress Helpline: 1-800-985-5990, CDC.gov. Idaho Suicide Hotline: 208-398-4357. Lapwai Toll-Free: 888-891-2920 Kamiah Toll-Free: 888-891-2924. Karen Hendren, LCSW, QSUDP Lapwai: 208-843-2102 Kamiah: 208-935-0733

Buttermilk Continued from Front Page

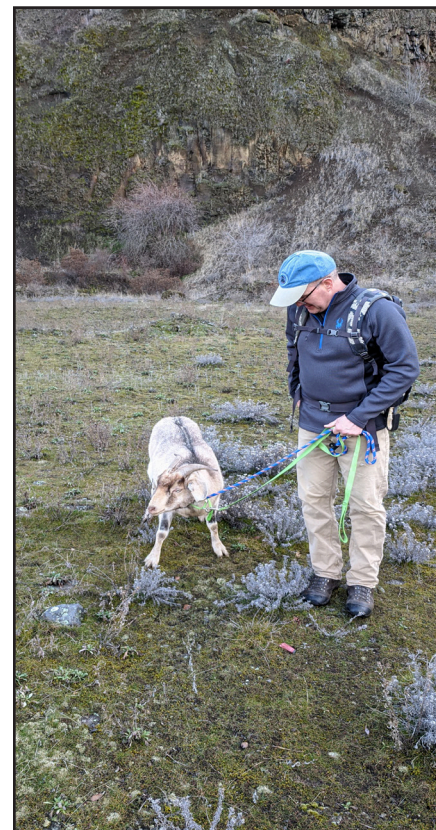
gist, Dr. Kerey Barnowe-Meyer had a truck and trailer waiting at the bottom of the hill to take Buttermilk to a local horse boarding facility, a temporary home that was arranged for her by Nez Perce Wildlife biologist, Dr. Angela Sondenaa. Removing Buttermilk safely and making sure she would be cared for in preparation for adoption was definitely a team effort! Biological samples were also collected and submitted to the Washington Animal and Disease Diagnostic Laboratory at WSU for testing.

Too often, the story of an abandoned, feral animal such as Buttermilk does not have a happy ending, but with all the time and effort

the Wildlife crew had put into her safe capture and care, it was important to them to find her a safe and loving home. Through a network of friends and connections, Thagard and his wife Catherine contacted an organization called "Puget Sound Goat Rescue" who specialize in rehabilitating and caring for special needs goats. Puget Sound Goat Rescue will be mobilizing their corps of volunteers in the days to come to transport Buttermilk to her new home on the West coast, far from any danger she could pose to Idaho's bighorn sheep. There she will live with other goats and receive the attention and companionship that she deserves. Coming soon: follow Buttermilk's story at: <http://www.pugetsoundgoatrescue.org/>



Buttermilk at the Lucky Acres horse facility with, Dr. Angela Sondenaa, NPT Wildlife Biologist



Buttermilk post capture, by NPT Wildlife Director Neil Thagard, being led off the mountain

NAIA Cancels Spring Sports; World Series

The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) announced that it is cancelling the spring 2020 sports season, effective immediately. This includes the annual NAIA World Series in Lewiston.

An email was sent to NAIA members from President and CEO Jim Carr, and said that "all possible options for maintaining the spring season were discussed at great length by multiple governance groups." But in light of the Center for Disease Control's recommendation Sunday that gatherings be limited to less than 50 people for eight weeks in an effort to stop the spread of the coronavirus, the decision was made to call off spring sports.

No spring sports athletes will be charged a season of competition, the email said.

The NAIA World Series was staged at Lewiston's Harris Field in 1984-91 and every spring since 2000. It is now scheduled for May 22-29.



Nez Perce Tribe Water Resources Division Solid Waste & Recycling Program

Plastic Bag/Film Recycling Info Sheet

'apaqa'áanno' 'ee kaa 'epeqíicxnu' wéetesne - Respect and take care of the earth.

What plastic bags/film can be recycled?

All plastic must be clean, dry and free of food residue



Grocery bags • Bread bags

Bubble wrap • Ice bags

Dry cleaning bags • Newspaper sleeves

Plastic shipping envelopes

Produce bags • Case overwrap

Wood pellet bags

Pallet wrap & stretch film

Salt bags • Some cereal bags

Ziploc and other re-closable food storage bags

Plastic film with symbols:



Plastic film must be stretchable and pliable.

(Rigid, stiff, crinkly sounding plastic is not acceptable.)



Do not include degradable bags, frozen food bags, pre-washed salad bags, or material that has been painted or glued, as other substances can contaminate the recycled material.



Nez Perce Tribe Water Resources Division - Solid Waste and Recycling Program
Contact: Jon Van Woerkom at (208) 791-3965 or Linda Nemeth at lindan@nezperce.org

Lapwai School District
Closure Through Spring Break

Thank you for your patience as we reviewed recent health concerns with state officials and the Nez Perce Tribe. The Lapwai School District will remain closed the remainder of this week through spring break. Please plan on school resuming on Monday, March 30th unless otherwise notified. District administrators will be meeting over the break to reevaluate our approach and create protocols for returning to school. Meals will continue to be provided the remainder of the week for students 1 to 18 years of age. Grab and go meals that include both break-

fast and lunch will be available from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the elementary school cafeteria beginning tomorrow, Tuesday, March 17th through Friday, March 20th. Students will be greeted at the door and provided their meals. We would like to thank the Nez Perce Tribe and Nimi'ipuu Health for their caring support and assistance. Again, please plan on school resuming on Monday, March 30th unless otherwise notified. - Dr. David M. Aiken, Superintendent, Lapwai School District # 341

Kamiah School District
COVID-19 Information

In response to the national concern for the spread of the COVID-19 virus, the Kamiah School District will continue to monitor and be alert to the need for swift action to protect its students and community. The District is relying on the most current information from the Governor's Office, State Department of Education and the Center for Disease Control as they monitor the spread of the virus and how it is affecting Idaho and the immediate region. Until more is known, teachers and staff have been directed to work with students of

all levels to ensure that healthy habits are followed. Janitorial staff are concentrating on high risk areas and surfaces and will continue to do deep cleaning on Fridays. In the case of a school closure as directed by the Governor, the District will communicate through every means possible to outline the plan for completing the academic year. Until that time, the District and its staff will continue to doing everything possible to provide a clean safe environment for all students. -Steve Higgins, Superintendent, Kamiah Jt. School District #304



Nez Perce Tribe Recycling Program Announces
Plastic Bag/Film Recycling at One-Year Anniversary BBQ!

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Who?

NPT Water Resources Division Recycling Program invites everyone including Community Members like you!

What?

Help us celebrate our first year of free community recycling and the addition of plastic bag/film recycling services to our program!

Bring your cleaned and acceptable plastic bags/plastic film and have a hot dog or hamburger.



Where?

Lapwai, ID

Pi-Nee-Waus parking lot

When?

March 26, 2020

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Why?

Help us maintain the Nimi'ipuu tradition of respecting and caring for the Earth and our community by keeping plastic bags out of the landfill and the environment!

Nez Perce Tribe Water Resources Division - Solid Waste and Recycling Program

Contact: Jon Van Woerkom at (208) 791-3965 or Linda Nemeth at lindan@nezperce.org

Dear Dr. Per Cap,

2019 was another great year for the stock market. I'm thrilled that my 401k balance is up but I keep hearing that the market is due for a "correction". What exactly does that mean?

Signed, Hoping to Retire Soon



Dear Hoping,

Yep, 2019 was another banner year for Wall Street. The S&P 500, a leading stock index that many investors use to gauge the overall market, finished the year up nearly 30%. That extends the current bull market, a prolonged period in which stocks continue to rise, to more than ten years - making it the longest bull market in modern stock market history.

So the big question that's been on every investor's mind for the last few years is - how long will it last? That's where the term correction comes in. A stock market correction is a drop of at least 10% from the market's most recent peak. Here's an example. On January 16th, 2020 the S&P 500 closed at a record high of 3,329 points. That means a correction occurs if the index drops 10% or about 332 points. However, should the S&P 500 peak again, in fact it already has, then it will need to lose more than 332 points to trigger a correction. Because the actual number of points required for a stock market correction is always relative to its peak.

We actually saw a correction in February 2018 when the market dropped more than 340 points or roughly 12% from a then record of 2,870 points set the previous month. And while 2018 ended up being a down year for stocks, the trend over the past decade has been so overwhelmingly positive that most investors didn't fret much.

The real concern is what happens if a correction is prolonged – say six months or more before it bounces back. Moreover, what happens if it drops a lot more than 10%? Well if the market drops low enough for a long enough period it will go from being called a bull market to a bear market. And that's the major fear. The last bear market occurred after the financial crisis of 2008 when the S&P 500 closed the year down 37%. Ouch!

I'd need a crystal ball to tell you if a big stock market correction is coming in 2020 or when the bull market will finally end. In fact no one knows -not even the big shot investing pros on Wall Street. But if you're concerned, and every wise investor should be, now is a good time to review the holdings in your 401k plan to make sure they are properly diversified to suit your needs. This means, as I've stated before in this column, maintaining a healthy balance of stocks and bonds. Remember that if you want to play it safe you should increase your bonds or fixed income investments while lowering your exposure to stocks or equities.

One strategy is to subtract your age from 100 and place that percentage of your total investments in stocks and the rest in bonds. So a sixty-five-year-old person would invest 65% of her holdings in bonds and 35% in stocks. Keep rocking toward retirement!

Ask Dr. Per Cap is a program funded by First Nations Development Institute with assistance from the FINRA Investor Education Foundation.

For more information, visit www.firstnations.org. To send a question to Dr. Per Cap, email askdrpercap@firstnations.org.

Summer Hours to Resume at Big Hole National Battlefield

WISDOM, Mont. – Big Hole National Battlefield's visitor center resumes 7 days-a-week summer operation on Monday, April 27, 2020. Stop by the visitor center between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. this summer to watch the park film, view museum artifacts, and learn more about the Nez Perce Flight of 1877.

Current visitor center winter operations are 5 days a week Wednesday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. closed Monday and Tuesday.

The visitor center will also be closed for employee development Wednesday, March 11th. The battlefield and all trails will remain open to the public.

Save the date for the upcoming Junior Ranger Day on Saturday, April 18. The park will also have guest speakers, Nez Perce demonstrators, and ranger programs throughout the summer; check out the park's website or follow us on Facebook for our most up-to-date information.

Big Hole National Battlefield is located 10 miles west of Wisdom, Mont. on Highway 43. The Visitor Center is open 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. daily in the summer. Admission is free year round. Contact Big Hole National Battlefield at 406-689-3155, visit www.nps.gov/biho, or check us out on Facebook www.facebook.com/BigHoleNationalBattlefield/. Contact: Kelly Kincaid, Kelly_kincaid@nps.gov, 208-843-7014



Cornelius (CJ) McAllaster, 24, Lapwai, ID



Cornelius J. McAllaster passed away Sunday, March 1, 2020.

Cornelius J. McAllaster was born to Bob and Nancy McAllaster in June 1995 in Lewiston. His maternal grandparents are Russ and Edith George, paternal grandparents are Pops and Nama McAllaster. Cornelius never married. In 2017, James Cayuse, his son, was born to him and Alysa Minthorn. He was very proud of his son, who lives in Mission, Ore. He is also survived by a brother, Russell George (Jalisa), as well as nephews and nieces, of Lapwai. He is also survived by aunts and uncles Lee Bourgeau, Phyllis George, Gloria Greene, Lucinda Simpson, Susie George-Weaskus, Reggie George Sr. and Teddy George Sr., all from Lapwai. He considered his cousins to be his brothers and sisters, and they are Danny, Ka-

ree, Tim, Bernadine, William, Kenny, Kelli, Rebecca, Rayna, Reg, Matthew, Frankie, Towatoy, Caroline, Jarvis, Lucas, Eli, Kamelle, Isacc, Talia, Dante, Nick, Ted, Ida and Sam. He also has relatives in the Seattle area. Family that will be greeting him in his next phase are his maternal grandparents and paternal grandmother, Grandpas Roy, YosYos and Jesse; his uncles, Timothy, Phil and Sam; and cousins Michael and Toni, along with other relatives.

CJ learned how to sign the names of some animals before he learned how to speak. He went to Camelot Elementary, where he received citizenship awards every year and one year received that award in eight of the nine months of the school year. He also attended Sacajawea Junior High in Lewiston through the ninth grade before transferring and graduating from Lapwai High School at age 17. As a youth, he loved Animal Planet and Pokémon challenges at Hastings. CJ liked computer games, he liked Reader Rabbit at age 2 and then moved on to more challenging online gaming. He liked camping, fishing, hunting, gathering huckleberries, roots and tea. He enjoyed going for walks. He helped his dad cut fish and butcher game,

and learned to make jerky and canned fish and meat. He hunted buffalo for an elder in Montana and fished for lamprey at Willamette Falls. He was grateful to our ancestors for maintaining inherent rights to hunt, fish and gather and was always interested in what was going on with our tribal resources. At age 14, he addressed the Tribal Health Board and told them of his concerns and mistreatment from the old IHS clinic. At age 15, he approached the Nez Perce Tribe Fish and Wildlife Commission to change the Nez Perce Tribal Code to allow hunting with a bow by Nez Perce; they did not respond the way he hoped. He then went to the next step and approached the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee to request the change, and they approved his request for tribal hunters to have the ability to hunt with a bow.

He enjoyed reading and watching YouTube for enjoyment and as a learning tool. He enjoyed comical stuff and learning about spirituality, cultural and an array of social topics, which he was able to have deep discussions on. He also liked to laugh and tease and joke. He often walked the hills outside of Lapwai and observed the animals,

and he learned the locations of their dens and respected all God's other creatures, with which he felt close ties. CJ was grateful for Shannon of Aqua Touch Car Wash for taking a chance on employing him, and there he made many friends and was a dedicated employee. While working full time at the Aqua Touch, CJ attended night school, taking welding classes with plans to enroll in the fall in the Lewis-Clark State College welding vocation program. He exercised regularly, worked hard at the car wash and found the time to help his mom with projects. He liked making dream catchers and gave them away, a skill he learned from his cousin, Toni.

Cornelius will be greatly missed, but his work and learning here is done. We respect God's plan for our loved one and can let him go knowing he will be on his journey to a glorious place to join others who went on before him. A service is set for 2 p.m. today at Vassar-Rawls Funeral Home in Lewiston, with light snacks to follow. A funeral procession will be at 5 p.m. today from Vassar-Rawls Funeral Home to the Pi-Nee-Waus Community Center in Lapwai. Funeral services will be at 6 p.m. today at the Lapwai Community Center.

Donna Calkins, 91, Lapwai, ID



Donna "Granny" Jean Calkins was born June 26, 1928, at Spalding. Her parents were James Otis and Eva Laverne White. She was one of eight siblings — seven girls and

one boy. She was an enrolled member of the Nez Perce Tribe.

She married Donald "Johnnie" E. Calkins Sr. on September 7, 1946, and resided in Lapwai.

She graduated from Lapwai High School in 1945 at the age of 16. She attended the University of Idaho for a year, and then graduated from Fred Ulen's Lewiston Business College in 1946.

In 1946, she went to work for the State of Idaho, Department of Public Assistance. In 1949, she began work at the U.S. BIA, then transferred to U.S. DHEW-PHS, Indian Health Service, on July 1, 1955.

Donna worked her way

up through the ranks of the federal service until she was promoted to service unit director in 1974. Her responsibilities were over five states and several Native American tribes. When she was promoted, she was the very first woman, as well as a Native American woman, for this position. She then retired as service unit director June 30, 1983.

She had three sons, Donald Jr. "Tinker," Monte and Gary; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. Her husband, Donald "Johnnie" Calkins Sr., died in 2004. She was preceded in death by five sisters and survived by a brother, Billy White,

and a sister, Karole White.

She is a member of NARFE since retirement. She kept busy through presenting Native American beadwork at the Orchards Elementary fourth grade. She also presented at the Lewiston fourth grade Rendezvous at Nez Perce County Fair Building since the beginning. She is known as "Granny the Fry Bread Lady."

Her hobby was beading belt buckles, pendants, earrings and key chains. She also loved to bake birthday cakes, fry bread and pots of chili for special occasions. She was a lady who would always have care packages ready for her grandkids' trips.

Bid Notification

The Nez Perce Tribe is accepting bids for the use of the tribal units listed below for fireworks sales by Tribally-licensed fireworks retailers.

Tribal Units Available for Bid

Tribal Unit #45, US Hwy 12-Orofino

Tribal Unit #3103, Catholic Creek Cemetery-Lapwai

Tribal Unit #1620B, US Hwy 12-Kooskia

Tribal Unit #1355, US Hwy 12-Kamiah

Legal descriptions provided by Property & Tax Compliance Office in Lapwai, Idaho.

Bids must include name, address, enrollment number of the bidder, name of the site and dollar amount of the bid per site. A bidder may bid on ONLY one site in a sealed envelope. The sealed bid must be submitted by April 6, 2020 no later than 4:30 p.m. to the Property & Tax Compliance Office in Lapwai.

For further information, please call (208) 621-3677.

THE TRIBE RETAINS THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS.

Senior Citizens & Congregate Meal Participants

At this time social distancing is important to stay healthy.

- * The Dining Hall will NOT be open for sit down meals.
- * Dine-in will only be available for pick up/to go.
- * Homebound meals will continue as regular until further notice.

For questions regarding this notice, please contact:
Jackie McArthur at 208-843-2463 or Mary Tallbull at 208-935-3411

Acknowledgement of Clearwater River Casino Donation in 2020

On behalf of the Wisteqwn'eemit Fund Board, we thank the Nez Perce Tribal Enterprises, Clearwater River Casino & Lodge Marketing Department, for donating \$ 5,000 to the Wisteqwn'eemit Fund Giving and Sharing in 2020. These funds will be used to help match grants or contributions from foundations and businesses outside the community to better promote and assist in the protection and advancement of the Nez Perce culture and way of life through philanthropic endeavors:

Our vision is:

- To advance the social, cultural and sustainable economic prosperity of the Nez Perce people.
- To provide additional and improved services with increased opportunities for the people.
- To continue to preserve, protect and enhance our precious natural resources for the people.

If you would like to find out more about the Wisteqwn'eemit Fund or to make a donation please go to the website:

<https://www.thenezperceway.org>

or facebook: www.facebook.com/Wisteqwn'eemit

or contact Ann McCormack, Treasurer,
by phone 208-621-3710 or email annm@nezperce.org

WSU MOU Tribal Scholarship

THE DEADLINE for WSU MOU Tribal Scholarship has been extended to

March 20, 2020!

For any high school seniors/potential transfer students interested in attending WSU in the fall, this scholarship is for \$4000/year, renewable for 4 years, a total of \$16k! More information and the scholarship packet can be found at:
<https://native.wsu.edu/mouscholarship/>

•Applicants must be an enrolled member of one of the tribes that is signatory to the Memorandum of Understanding with WSU. (Nez Perce Tribe, Coeur d'Alene Tribe, Colville Confederated Tribes, Confederated Tribes of the Salish and Kootenai, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation, Cowlitz Tribe, Kalispel Tribe, Kootenai Tribe of Idaho, Quinault Tribe, and Spokane Tribe)

- Applicants must have a minimum high school or college GPA of 3.0.

The Nez Perce Tribal Education Department is part of the process as students are required to get nomination of their Tribe by submitting the app first to the Education Department for signatures of the director and Tribal Chairperson. The process is outlined in the app.

Agriculture Leases

The Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Nez Perce Tribe are advertising agriculture leases expiring 2020/2021.

Proposal deadline for submitting an offer on leases is

March 20, 2019

You can pick up a proposal for lease at BIA or Land Services in Lapwai.

For more information, please contact
the Bureau of Indian Affairs office
at (208) 621-4823,

or the Land Services Division at (208) 843-7392.

LATE MODEL CLEARANCE

Joe Hall

 <p>2014 HONDA CRV EX ONLY \$16,999 #17878A, 4 CYL, AUTO, TILT, CRUISE, POWER WINDOWS AND LOCKS, ONLY 65,000 MILES</p>	 <p>2018 FORD CMAX HYBRID ONLY \$18,999 #22866D, HYBRID, AUTO, COLD WEATHER PACKAGE, ONLY 14,000 MILES</p>	
 <p>2010 FORD F-150 CREW CAB FX4 ONLY \$20,999 #23075B, V8, AUTO, AC, MOON, LEATHER</p>	 <p>#2015 TOYOTA HIGHLANDER LIMITED ONLY \$26,999 #23203A, V6, AUTO, MOON, LEATHER AND MORE</p>	
 <p>2017 FORD EXPLORER XLT ONLY \$28,999 #23162A, V6, AUTO, REMOTE START, XLT TECH BUNDLE, TRAILER TOW PKG, ONLY 28,000 MILES</p>	 <p>2016 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER SPORT ONLY \$53,999 #L7693A, 500 HP SUPERCHARGED V8, MOON, LEATHER, NAV, ONLY 22,000 MILES</p>	
 <p>2008 HYUNDAI VERACRUZ #17807AL, V6, AUTO, LOADED, MOON, AWD WAS \$9,999 NOW \$8,999** \$170/mo. 60mos.*</p>	 <p>2013 TOYOTA COROLLA #17932L, 4 CYL, AUTO, LOADED, 4 DOOR S WAS \$9,999 NOW \$8,999** \$150/mo. 72mos.*</p>	 <p>2011 CHEVY 2500 4X4 #23201L, V8, AUTO, AC, CD WAS \$9,999 NOW \$8,999** \$170/mo. 60mos.*</p>
 <p>2007 FORD F-350 4X4 #17360L, 6.0 DIESEL, 6 SPEED, XCAB, XL WAS \$13,999 NOW \$9,999** \$190/mo. 60mos.*</p>	 <p>2012 CHEVY TRAVERSE AWD #17916L, V6, AUTO, 3RD SEAT, CENTER BUCKETS WAS \$11,999 NOW \$10,999** \$180/mo. 72mos.*</p>	 <p>2008 CHEVY 1500 4X4 #22538AL, V8, AUTO, CREW CAB, AUTO, LT WAS \$14,999 NOW \$10,999** \$200/mo. 60mos.*</p>

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See dealer for more details. Plus tax & doc fees, O.A.C. *Offers good until 3/4/19

Temporary Job Announcement

The Nez Perce Tribe General Council is currently seeking dependable, hardworking Tellers/Sergeant-At-Arms to assist with the Non-Partisan Primary Election in all 3 Communities LAPWAI, KAMIAH & OROFINO. Applicants must be an enrolled member of the Nez Perce Tribe and age 18 years or older.

College students and/or unemployed individuals will be preferred. You must be able to commit for the full day.
Application Deadline: Monday, March 23rd, 2020 by 4:30pm

Primary Election: April 4, 2020

Pineewaus Community Building in Lapwai, ID
Wa-A'Yas Community Building in Kamiah, ID
Teweeppuu Community Building in Orofino, ID

Applications are available at: Pi-Nee-Waus, Teweeppuu, Wa-A'Yas & NPT Human Resources. Please submit all applications and a copy of two types of identification to: Melissa Guzman, Attn: General Council Tellers/Sgt. Arms,

By Email: melissag@nezperce.org

By Fax: 208.843.7414 or

For questions or inquiries, please contact:

Melissa Guzman Ph: 208.621.3828 E: melissag@nezperce.org

Kamiah Job Announcement

Maintenance / Construction Worker

The Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority is accepting applications for a Maintenance/ Construction Worker for our rental units in the Kamiah area. Minimum four years experience in residential maintenance/construction, high school diploma or GED, valid driver's license and be insurable. Skilled in home repairs, construction knowledge in carpentry, plumbing, electrical, roofing, sheet rocking and painting. Legible writing, ability to document all work performed on appropriate forms, communication skills and great customer service. Excellent benefits, Tribal & Indian Preference will apply. The NPTHA reserves the right to transform this position into a training position if sufficient Indian Preference applications are not received. Submit NPTHA employment application to: Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority, P.O. Box 188, Lapwai, ID 83540. More information at (208) 843-2229. Open until filled.

Local Closures

Although there aren't any confirmed cases of the COVID-19 virus in our immediate area, this is a precautionary measure to ensure the health and welfare of staff, children, and the community.

CLOSED:

- * Lapwai School District, (resuming 3/30/20)
- * Lewiston School District
- * Clarkston School District
- * Lapwai Mamáy'asnim Hitéemenwees-Early Childhood Development Program
- * Kamiah Mamáy'asnim Hitéemenwees-Early Childhood Development Program
- * The Boys & Girls Club of the Nez Perce Tribe (resuming 3/30/20)
- * Lapwai PiNeeWaus Community Center
- * Kamiah Wa-A'Yas Community Center

Prairie River Library District

Prairie River Library District leadership is closely monitoring recommendations from officials regarding COVID-19 to protect the health of communities PRLD serves. With that in mind, local library branches are reducing services to only essential transactions such as materials checkout and return, and limited computer services. All programs, meetings and outreach events planned for the libraries' eight locations are now cancelled, effective immediately. We ask that you please remain at home if you are showing symptoms of illness. Since PRLD eliminated fines last month, there will be no penalty for keeping items currently borrowed by our patrons. Visit prld.org to find your local branch, manage your Valnet library account, or access our numerous digital offerings. Digital library services are always accessible from any location with internet access and include ebook and audiobooks to your phone or tablet with the Libby app (Kindle owners should use the OverDrive app). In addition to our digital resources, we encourage patrons to follow our libraries on Facebook or Instagram for updates and ideas on how to spend this time constructively. For more information, call PRLD's headquarters in Lapwai at 208-843-7254. This situation is fluid and may change. PRLD will make every effort to keep our communities informed of further developments.



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List of Postponed/Cancelled Events

- * **March 16-19: HazWOPER Training (POSTPONED)**
- * **March 17: Senior Advisory Board Meeting (POSTPONED)**
Out of respect for Moffett family
New date: March 19 @12pm Hearthstone Bakery
- * **March 20-22: Littlefoot Ellenwood Memorial 40 & Over Basketball Tourney (POSTPONED)**
New date: May 1-3
- * **March 20-22: Nez Perce Hunter Education Course (POSTPONED)**
 - * **March 20: LCSC's 33rd Annual Native American Awareness Week (CANCELLED)**
- * **March 21 : Nez Perce Tribe Employee Banquet (CANCELLED)**
 - * **March 21: All That Glitters Adult Prom (CANCELLED)**
 - * **March 21: CRC Spring Fever Machine (CANCELLED)**
- * **March 23-24 & 27-28: B.A.A.D Tournament (CANCELLED)**
- * **March 24: Kamiah Elders Cultural Group (POSTPONED)**
- * **March 27-29: Sleeping Chief Basketball Tourney (POSTPONED)**
 - * **April 1: Upriver Horse Riding Clinic (CANCELLED)**
 - * **April 4: CRC Ludacris Concert (CANCELLED)**
 - * **April 8-9: Native Artist Professional Development Training (POSTPONED)**
 - * **April 10: Youth Native Artist Professional Development Training (POSTPONED)**
- * **April 18: CRC Clearwater Combat MMA (CANCELLED)**
- * **May 9: CRC Hells Bells (CANCELLED)**



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