

**2020
General Council
Update**

Page 3



**Lapwai
Basketball
Updates**

Pages 10 & 11



**B&G Club
of the Nez Perce
Tribe Update**

Page 16

N I M I I P U U T R I B A L T R I B U N E

Se̓xliw'áal / November

Volume 2 / Issue 18

Nez Perce Tribe Veteran's Program Modifies 2020 Annual Veteran Dinner



Michael Taylor, Terri Calfrobe, and Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee member Quincy Ellenwood volunteering at the Nez Perce Tribe Veteran Dinner

Amidst the pandemic, the Nez Perce Tribe's Veteran Program still wanted to honor the Nez Perce Veterans with their annual Veteran dinner. COVID was not going to stop Mary Taylor,

Veterans Benefits Specialist, from hosting the Annual Veterans Day event. She was still able to thank the Veterans for their service with a gift and meal.

This year, the Veter-

ans dinner had to be carefully thought out and adjusted to safety protocols to protect everyone in attendance. Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee granted the Veterans Program permission to continue the annual dinner, with modifications. Taylor and her volunteers distributed a drive through dinner with boxed meals. Veterans would arrive and remain in their vehicles, volunteers handed them boxed meals, a Veterans gift bag and the 2020 Nimiipuu Tribal Tribune Veterans Issue.

Eighty meals were successfully served. "I wanted to thank the Veterans for their service because it is import to me," said Taylor. "I feel it is the least we can do."

Taylor would like to thank volunteers of the community Harry Taylor, Michael Taylor, Terri Calfrobe, Toni Eneas, Evan Downy, Yvonne LeCornu, Autumn LeCornu, and Quincy Ellenwood. A special thanks to Phillip Allen who made bread rolls, Terri and Tana Wheeler-Nunez who made frybread, Clearwater River Casino and Moana's Kitchen Island LLC.

Seeing the Benefits of Focus on Wellness



Dr. Hailey Wilson

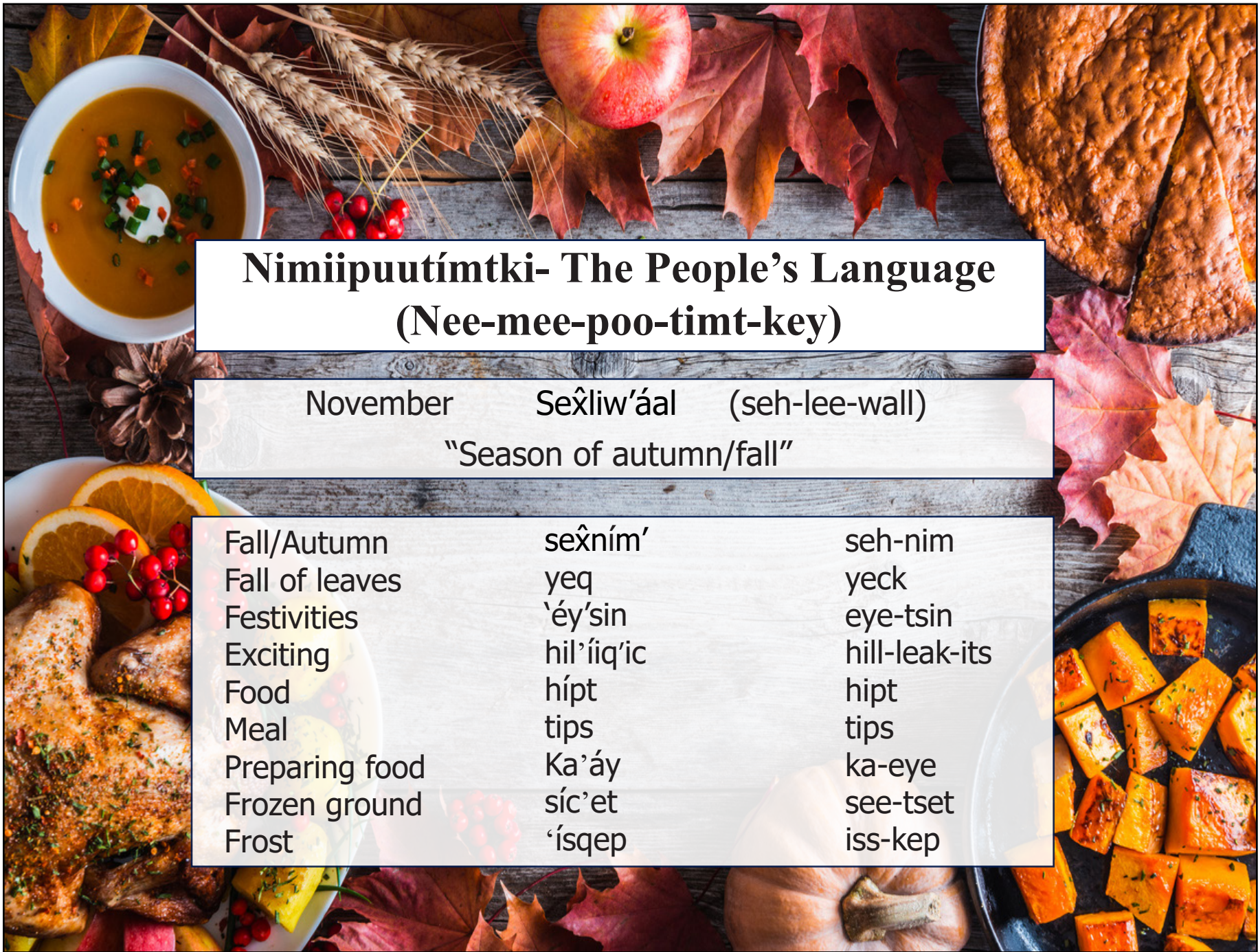
By Scott Jackson,
Lewiston Tribune

Wellness is more than fostering personal and societal health. It also promotes and is reinforced by cultural practices — particularly for people of Native American descent, according to Dr. Hailey Wilson.

Wilson, a family physician and member of the Nez Perce tribe, discussed "Fostering Native Wellness" Wednesday in a virtual address organized by the University of Idaho. The talk marked the start of Native American Heritage Month at the UI.

Wilson said "wellness" is a multifaceted concept and promoting the different facets is an ac-

Continue Reading
Dr. Hailey Wilson on Page 5



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

November Seǰliw’áal (seh-lee-wall)
“Season of autumn/fall”

Fall/Autumn	seǰnám’	seh-nim
Fall of leaves	yeq	yeck
Festivities	‘éy’sin	eye-tsin
Exciting	hil’íiq’ic	hill-leak-its
Food	hípt	hipt
Meal	tips	tips
Preparing food	Ka’áy	ka-eye
Frozen ground	síc’et	see-tset
Frost	‘ísqep	iss-kep

NIMIIPUU TRIBAL TRIBUNE

The Nimiipuu Tribal Tribune is published twice a month, on the first and third Wednesday. Our mission is to publish a timely and credible resource for our loyal readers and provide local information relevant to the Nimiipuu people and surrounding communities. Our vision is to disseminate content of interest to readers and to ensure this news publication is accessible by all.

In an effort to be more environmentally friendly, we are working to cut down on paper waste and printing cost. Hard copies will be available upon request only. Enrolled Nez Perce Tribal members are able to receive hard copies at no cost (limit one per household). For businesses and non-enrolled Nez Perce Tribal members, the hard copy subscription fee is \$36 annually. The online version is free for everyone. Subscribe today!

For more information regarding submissions, subscriptions, classified ads, display ad rates, dates and deadlines, visit:
<http://nezperce.org/government/communications/>



Contact: Chantal C. Ellenwood
208-621-4807
chantale@nezperce.org
Mailing: P.O. Box 365
Physical: 120 Bever Grade
Lapwai, ID 83540



Nez Perce Tribe’s General Council Informative Session Set for November 19 and 20

The Nez Perce Tribe will hold its Fall General Council on November 19-20 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. via livestream ONLY.
The Fall General Council was postponed twice because of COVID-19 restrictions.
Email questions for the General Council at resolutionscommittee@nezperce.org.
Text your question to: 208-791-2501 or 208-791-2502
Questions must specify the department the question is directed toward.
Texting-in questions is only available 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. each day of the meeting.
Those who ask question by email or text are asked to include who the question is for.
The General Council Committee will do its best to address all questions submitted, but time may not permit to allow for every question to be answered during General Council.
Livestream Link:
<https://Bit.ly/FallGC2020>

General Council Fall Informational

November 19 & 20, 2020
Lapwai, Idaho

AGENDA: THURSDAY- NOVEMBER 19, 2020

- 8:30 a.m.** CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- Opening Prayer by NPTEC Chaplain
 - Welcome General Council Chair – Julia D. Wheeler
- 8:45 a.m.** COVID 19 UPDATE – Emergency Operations Center Report
- NPMH – Dr. Kim Hartwig
 - Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Marty Antone (20 minutes each report)
- 9:15 a.m.** Questions/Answers
- 9:30 a.m.** NPTEC CHAIRMAN and NPTEC TREASURERREPORTS
- NPTEC Chairman – Shannon Wheeler
 - NPTEC Treasurer Report – Casey Mitchell (30 minutes each report)
- 10:30 a.m.** Questions/Answers
- 11:15 a.m.** SUBCOMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS
- Land Enterprise Commission Chair – Quincy Ellenwood
 - Natural Resources Chair – Ferris Paisano III (20 minutes each report)
- 12:00 p.m.** Lunch
- 1:00 p.m.** Questions/Answers – Land Enterprise/Natural Resources
- 1:30 p.m.** SUBCOMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS
- Climate/Energy Chair – Chantel Greene
 - Fish & Wildlife Commission Chair – Erik Holt
 - Utility Board Chair – Loretta Halfmoon (20 minutes each report)
- 2:30 p.m.** Questions/Answers
- 4:00 p.m.** Recess for the Day
- Closing prayer by NPTEC Chaplain

AGENDA: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2020

- 8:30 a.m.** CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- Opening prayer by NPTEC Chaplain, Announcements
- 8:35 a.m.** SUBCOMMITTEE / BOARD / COMMISSION REPORTS
- BUDGET & FINANCE Subcommittee Chair – Casey Mitchell
 - Executive Director – Jesse Leighton
 - Executive Officer – Kermit Mankiller
 - Enterprise Board Chair – Gloria Greene (20 minutes each report)
- 9:55 a.m.** Questions/Answers
- 10:45 a.m.** SUBCOMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS
- Law & Order Subcommittee Chair – Arthur Broncheau
 - Law & Justice Executive Director – Jesse Filkin Jr.
 - Gaming Commission Chair – Richard Johnson
 - TERO Commission Chair – Mary Jane Souther (20 minutes each report)
- 12:00 p.m.** Lunch
- 1:00 p.m.** SUBCOMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS (continued)
- Gaming Commission Chair – Richard Johnson
 - TERO Commission Chair – Mary Jane Souther
- 1:45 p.m.** QUESTIONS/ANSWERS – LAW & ORDER SUBCOMMITTEES
- 2:30 p.m.** SUBCOMMITTEE / BOARD / COMMISSION REPORTS
- HUMAN RESOURCE Subcommittee Chair – Rachel P. Edward
 - Senior Citizens Advisory Board Chair – Susie Weaskus
 - NPTHA Board Chair – Richard Arthur
 - Nimiipuu Health Executive Director – Roberta Jose’ Bisbee (20 minutes each report)
- 3:45 p.m.** Questions for the panel
- 4:30 p.m.** Adjourn – Closing Prayer by NPTEC Chaplain

*** SUBJECT TO CHANGE UPON COVID PANDEMIC ***

Q&A with a Tribal Hunter on Storytelling, Taking Photos of Game, and Hunting Traditions



Nez Perce ethnographer Josiah Pinkham studies his tribe's traditions and culture. (Photo by Tailyr Irvine)

By: Natalie Krebs
Outdoorlife.com

Josiah Pinkham has studied his Nez Perce tribe for decades, attempting to understand how and why his people hunt.

Even though the Nez Percé are an ancient people, tribal ethnographer Josiah Pinkham has spent much of his career focusing on the present and future. The 42-year-old might study the fossil record and visit archaeological sites across the Pacific Northwest, but his primary job is to immerse himself in the current customs, habits, and traditions of his tribe—then document it all. He calls it the scientific method of creating stories. Here's how he thinks about hunting, storytelling, and passing on traditions and history.

Outdoor Life: What is your job, and how does hunting fit in?

Josiah Pinkham: I study all aspects of our culture. There's some archival research, but I

spend a lot of time talking to tribal members, learning stuff that's important, like fishing areas, old hunting areas, places where people were buried, areas where we picked berries, and so on. One of my partners and I once learned to make sheep's-horn bows, traditionally used for hunting buffalo on horseback. I try to focus on bigger things than my job and my career.

OL: What bigger things?

JP: Trying to figure out how the Nez Percé have maintained their culture and enabled them to live in a place for 16,000 years. And the responsibility is, How do I pass that along? So fitting a career into that is what I mean. The big thing is the survival of our culture, our people, our lands, our stories, and access to all of it.

OL: What role does hunting play in that survival? How did it shape the current culture of the Nez Percé?

JP: Hunting is our culture. There's really no way we'd be

here without being hunter-gatherers, and it's something we've honed over the generations.

OL: Do you feel that heritage is restricted, given that the modern reservation is in Idaho but the tribe's historic range is across the greater Pacific Northwest?

JP: In some instances, it is restricted. In some aspects, it's easier. We're a checkerboard reservation [with parcels of tribal and private land bundled together], but I can go to Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming, and Montana, and I can hunt any national forest without a permit. And that's because my ancestors were savvy enough to reserve that right for me. It's an amazing thing that I have a reservation here in Idaho, but a part of that reservation includes hunting access in other states. Reservation boundaries are one thing, but it's really difficult for people to conceptualize me going over to Montana to hunt

buffalo as part of that reservation.

OL: How much do you identify with nontribal hunting culture?

JP: Most of the time tribal hunting doesn't look that different from nontribal hunting. We are a modern people now. We have the right to access the same hunting gear—we use rifles, compound bows, some traditional bows, and so on. The difference is the values with which individual hunters are raised and how we express them.

"We're not supposed to pose and take a picture with an animal. And that's the first thing white people do."

- Josiah Pinkham

OL: What values?

JP: There are some values that outsiders simply don't have, and what I mean by that is that for us, hunting is an act of prayer. What's really different about tribal hunting, about Nez Percé hunting for my fam-

Q & A Continued on Page 5

Dr. Hailey Wilson Continued
from Front Page



means going for a run, eating healthy or spending time with family, she said. Other times it looks like taking a nap, eating good food or watching a movie. The point is it is an active choice to take action on behalf of one's own well-being.

She said this often starts with finding "those areas of your life that you want to change and grow from."

Wellness has external benefits that make it a good investment for companies and organizations, Wilson said. The benefits include improving productivity and reducing disease and health care costs among employees, which also saves the organizations money. She said one Harvard study

found for every dollar invested into a wellness program, companies reduced their own health care costs by \$3.27.

She said wellness is good for individuals as well and for similar reasons. People engaged in wellness practices generally have higher self-esteem, better health and more productivity than they had before.

"You can essentially translate all of these benefits from the large scale to an individual level," she said. "The more you focus on overall wellness and starting to make active choices towards living a healthy and fulfilling life, you too can reap those benefits."

Discussing Native wellness specifically, Wilson connected wellness practices to the Native American medicine wheel, which resembles a circle divided into quarters she said represent the four realms of being — physical, emotional, spiritual and mental. She said these correspond with realms of wellness and can be supported in a number of ways.

Wilson said it is impossible to discuss Native American wellness without discussing a shared history of trauma

caused by genocide, forced relocation and cultural erasure through generations. She noted the indigenous people of the United States continue to experience institutional racism in their day-to-day lives and the resource-poor reservations they were relocated to more than a generation ago are among the poorest areas in the country.

Despite these injustices, she said, Native American peoples have endured and sometimes thrived. In the face of a history that sought to strip them of their cultural identity, Wilson said participating in cultural practices can be a powerful way to promote all the realms of wellness.

"To see a young person out there jamming out to his favorite drum group in what might be a hand-me-down outfit is the best feeling in the world — it's so uplifting," she said. "Someone just dancing for the love of it and the feel of it, not for money ... or recognition, but simply because it feels good — it's good for the soul and it makes the elders and the ancestors smile. That is wellness."

Wilson, who grew up in

Lapwai and now practices full-spectrum family medicine in White River, Ariz., said part of her personal journey with wellness was overcoming a feeling that she didn't belong. Even with support, a good work ethic and strong grades, she still felt like an imposter when she attended college, and those feelings intensified when she began attending medical school. She said many of the Native American students in her audience might be afflicted with similar feelings of inadequacy but told them not to be intimidated. She said in some ways, their voices are needed more urgently than most.

"This is a normal feeling. Just know that you belong here. You are needed in those circles, in those classes and at that table. Your voice and your presence are important and necessary," she said. "Part of your wellness journey needs to include finding that self-confidence and finding your place in those circles and making your voice heard."

Scott Jackson can be reached at (208) 883-4636, or by email to sjackson@dnnews.com.

Q & A Continued from Page 4

ily, is that we're not supposed to pose and take a picture with an animal. And that's the first thing white people do. After they kill an animal, they pick up the antlers and take a big smiling picture. We're taught explicitly not to do that because it's disrespectful. But we're starting to get more tribal folks that do that, and we have tribal members who are trophy hunters. I don't like it, but that's the reality. The old men that I grew up around say things under their breath when the youngsters show pictures of a good-sized buck. They'll teasingly say, "Oh, you hunt like a white man."

OL: Is it just a few individuals, or is that where you see your culture going?

JP: It depends on the family. I don't let my boys do it, and I tell them why.

OL: Where does storytelling come in?

JP: Stories are where the vast majority of values are embedded. Language conveys from one generation to the next their relationships to the rest of the world. Stories organize your value structure. Take the stories about the old men who raised me scoffing about white guys' trophies on their wall. When I tell that story to my boys, I'm not telling them, "I went to this one guy's house, he had so many trophies on the wall. He's such a good hunter." I'm telling them about how this hunter took all the sacred food and hung it on the wall. The way you talk about stuff establishes your values. [Focusing on antlers] is a different value system, and I don't think it's sustainable.

OL: Hunter recruitment is part of the national

conversation. What does it look like for the Nez Percé?

JP: A lot of family time, first and foremost. The Nez Percé are constantly trying to refine and reevaluate their value structure in this modern time. And hunting is a core part of that because we wouldn't be here without animals. And we need to figure out how to fit our relationship with hunting and modern values in that context. In some ways, it's easier. Like technology makes things a lot easier—we don't have to walk to buffalo country.

OL: And what makes it more challenging?

JP: Access. Private possession of our ancestral lands..

"I do worry that some of us are losing the relationship to the animals we hunt. If something's not important to you, are you going to keep it around?"

- Josiah Pinkham

OL: Are you hopeful for the future?

JP: I have to be. I do worry that some of us are losing the relationship to the animals we hunt. If something's not important to you, are you going to keep it around? Hunting is sacred, an act of prayer. And it's worth hanging on to for the next generation, and worth fighting for.

OL: We covered a lot of serious stuff. Is hunting fun?

JP: Oh yeah. When we say that we're going hunting, it's more of an open activity. We say, "Hey, let's go cruise," and we'll take a rifle. It's more about being out, connecting, rustling around, and getting back to your roots—rejuvenated and recharged. You can throw all the flowery language you want at it, but it just feels freaking good.

Tribal Law Enforcement Expert Hired to Coordinate Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons Program in Washington

A former Nez Perce police chief has been selected to serve as the Washington state coordinator for cases involving missing and murdered indigenous people.

David J. Rogers has been selected to serve as the program coordinator of the Missing Murdered Indigenous Person program for the Department of Justice and the U.S. Attorney's Offices in Washington.

Rogers has an extensive career in law enforcement as a police chief, consultant, trainer, lecturer and educator.

"I am so pleased to have David fill this important role, moving our state forward in investigations of missing persons cases involving our tribal communities," said U.S. Attorney Brian Moran. "As an enrolled member of the Nez Perce Tribe, with deep experience and contacts in Pacific Northwest tribal communities, he is ideally qualified to work with our tribal partners to increase safety and security in Indian Country."

As coordinator, Rogers will work with federal, tribal, state and local law enforcement agencies to develop procedures for responding to cases of missing and murdered indigenous people. The position is part of the U.S. Justice Department's Missing and Mur-



David J. Rogers (Photo: U.S. Justice Department)

dered Indigenous People initiative that was launched this past year. Under the program, coordinators will be hired for 11 states, including Washington.

For the past four years, Rogers has run his own consulting firm, Tribal Public Safety Innovations LLC, involved in the training of tribal police and probation officers across the country.

From 2013 to 2016, Rogers served as the chief of police for the Nez Perce Tribal Police in Lapwai, Idaho. As Tribal Police Chief, he was responsible for a 24-person department covering a 1,200 square-mile-area of jurisdiction.

From 2003 to 2013, Rogers was the Tribal Public Safety Manager at the Criminal Justice Center for Innovation at the National Criminal Justice Training Center in Wisconsin.

In that role, Rogers developed and implemented training for law enforcement officers in tribal police forces across the country and served as Director of the National Indian Youth Police Academy introducing Native American youth to careers in the Criminal Justice field.

Prior to his position with the Criminal Justice Center for Innovation, Rogers served as a program manager at the

Western Community Policing Institute at Western Oregon University. While there, he was a trainer on U.S. Department of Justice Community Oriented Policing programs for more than 200 tribal communities across the country.

Early in his law enforcement career, Rogers served on police forces in Clark County, Washington; Multnomah County, Oregon; Latah County, Idaho; and Columbia River Inter-Tribal Enforcement, Hood River, Oregon.

U.S. Attorney William Barr announced the Murdered and Missing Indigenous Person Initiative in November 2019, and the Western and Eastern Districts of Washington joined forces to hire a coordinator who could lead the initiative in all 29 tribal communities in Washington.

As the MMIP coordinator, Rogers will work closely with federal, tribal, state and local agencies to develop common protocols and procedure for responding to reports of missing or murdered indigenous people.

Rogers will work closely with the Tribal Liaisons in both the Western and Eastern Districts of Washington, as well as state and local partners, working on the issue of missing and murdered indigenous persons.

Nez Perce Tribe Provides Library Resources for Children

clearwatertribune.com

The Nez Perce Tribe, through their local education program fund, has contributed \$10,000 to the Valnet library consortium. These funds will be used to purchase digital ebooks and audiobooks that all library card holders within the consortium service area will be able to access through Overdrive. Librarians in the consortium, composed of school and public libraries in both eastern Washington and north central Idaho, will purchase ebooks and audiobooks primarily for children and young adults.

A portion of the grant funding will also be used to educate library staff from Valnet school and public libraries on circulation and cataloging of items, making them more accessible to students and the public in general.

"This project will allow us to purchase hundreds of ebooks and audiobooks for children.

Access to these materials is always important, but it is essential during this time when COVID is making education challenging for schools and families," according to Jennifer Ashby, Asotin County Library Director. Valnet library directors, including those in the Lewiston School District active in the grant application process, are especially excited to be able to offer more resources for children in our region.

Purchases of digital material will take place over several months in order to ensure new materials are constantly available for our youngest readers.

Celebrating National Native American Heritage Month and a New Vision for the Nation

nativeartsandcultures.org



As we celebrate Native American Heritage month in November, we remember that Native sacred places, lifeways, and traditions have shaped this land since time immemorial—and Native people continue to create, share, and inspire despite centuries of colonization.

Art exists to tell a story about who we are, where we've been, and where we're going. And as we look to the future in a moment of so much crisis and uncertainty in our country and world, we know that Native knowledge can help us all chart a path forward—healing from the past, understanding and navigating our present, and inspiring positive change for the future. The arts are an essential component of justice for Native peo-

ple. Reclaiming our language, our culture, and expressing our art in modern times after generations of attempted erasure is a necessary act of Indigenous resilience and liberation."

Just five days ago, after months of a contentious and divided election, a new President-Elect Joe Biden and Vice President-Elect Kamala Harris were declared, calling for unity and pledging to represent all people in the United States. Almost 160 million Americans voted in this election, the largest turnout in American history. We're especially thrilled that a record-breaking six Native American house candidates won their respective races, more than any previous Congress. And most historic, the first woman

was elected as Vice President, and even more notable she is the first Black and South Asian woman to hold this high office.

Many may not be aware that our democratic system was inspired by the Iroquois Confederacy's Great Law of Peace. In 1988, the U.S. Senate paid tribute to the Iroquois with a resolution that said, "The confederation of the original 13 colonies into one republic was influenced by the political system developed by the Iroquois Confederacy, as were many of the democratic principles which were incorporated into the constitution itself."

The Iroquois Constitution is known as the Great Law of Peace for having brought together five nations that had been involved in continuous inter-tribal conflicts at the expense of the well being of their societies. Those five nations came together under the Iroquois Confederacy, and their people became known as the Haudenosaunee. In 1744, chief Canassatego of the Onondaga Nation, which was part of the Iroquois Confederacy, gave a speech urging the 13 colonies,

then at odds, to unite as the Iroquois had. In his speech, Canassatego used the metaphor that many arrows cannot be broken as easily as one. This inspired the bundle of 13 arrows held by an eagle in the Great Seal of the United States.

As we reckon with a history that has silenced Native truth, as the movement for racial equity surges across our country, as we yearn for the ability to gather, learn, and share experiences together, as climate change threatens our homelands, and as Native elders and culture bearers age—we also reflect on this moment in time. Now is not the time to shy away from the challenges that stand in our way of being a united peoples. There is a glimmer of hope in our democracy during these momentous times, and as Native peoples, we will continue to listen to the voices of our ancestors and forge forward. We will use our creativity, arts, and cultures to inspire the human spirit, unite with one another, and shine a light on the most pressing social issues we face in our communities and nation.

Lapwai Schools Will Remain Open with Current Modified Schedules & Rigorous Health and Safety Protocols

On November 13, Idaho Governor Brad Little placed Idaho in a Modified Stage 2. The Lapwai School District was already operating under modified schedules with strict protocols and masks required. School continued with the current approach Monday, November 16th.

The restrictions on gatherings do not include students taught by an educator in a school setting.

Despite rising cases, exposures have not been traced to instructional hours at school. I would like to thank our staff for their urgency and consistency with safety procedures.

Governor Little stressed the importance of our students

remaining in their classrooms for in-person instruction as much as possible: "We put millions of dollars toward the safe operation of schools. Schools are controlled environments and they remain safe places

to work and learn, when protocols are followed. School buildings are not the place where virus transmission is occurring," Governor Little said. "School closures threaten the biggest capacity issue facing



our healthcare system—the availability of healthy workers. If a healthy nurse or doctor must stay home to facilitate online learning for their children, then they can't care for the sick and help get us through this crisis. Our kids need to remain in school for in-person instruction as much as possible."

Lapwai School District School Health and Safety Protocols: <http://www.lapwai.org/School%20Health%20and%20Safety%20Protocols%209-14-20.pdf>
Blended Learning Stage 2 Plan Continues: <http://www.lapwai.org/Stage%20%20-%20Lapwai%20School%20District%20Reopening%20Plan%20.pdf>

COVID-19: Little Rolls Idaho Back to Modified Stage 2; National Guard to Help Hospitals

By: Jacob Scholl
Idahostatesman.com

Responding to Idaho's worsening coronavirus crisis, Idaho Gov. Brad Little announced Friday that he is moving the state back to Stage 2 of its Idaho Rebounds reopening plan with some modifications but he resisted any stricter measures, such as a mask mandate.

The big impact of the move is on private and public gatherings, which will be limited to 10 people. Bars, nightclubs and some other businesses had to be closed in the original Stage 2, but that is not the case this time. They may remain open as long as they operate under coronavirus guidelines. At bars, for instance, there can be only table seating, just like in restaurants.

The gathering limits do not apply to religious or political events, according to the governor's office. Little said his new executive order does not close any businesses.

With record numbers of cases and hospitalizations this week, Little announced Friday that he also will sign

an order to mobilize members of the Idaho National Guard to help medical facilities deal with the virus. According to Little's executive order, 100 members of the Guard will be mobilized for 30 days.

Hospitals have been struggling with staffing because health professionals are getting sick and can't work, and hospital capacity also is a concern, Little said.

"This is the biggest challenge facing health care right now — the availability of trained healthy nurses and doctors to care for all patients, not just COVID-19 patients. This impacts all of us, whether we have COVID-19 or not," Little said.

On October 26, Little announced that Idaho would move back into Stage 3 of the state's Idaho Rebounds reopening plan. That move limited indoor gatherings to no more than 50 people as well as outdoor gatherings to 25% capacity. It was made after several months of Idaho remaining in Stage 4 of the plan, with the state repeatedly failing to meet the metric

goals needed to move forward.

Dr. Christine Hahn, state epidemiologist for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, said the state has been missing the mark on a variety of metrics because of the latest surge: "It will be no surprise to any of you that things are not trending in the right direction."

The governor once more emphasized the need for personal responsibility while refusing to enact a statewide mask mandate.

"Half of Idaho's population is under a local ordinance requiring masks, but we are seeing noncompliance with those local orders. Or, people are wearing their masks in public but then take them off in social settings where the virus is more likely to spread," Little said. "Law enforcement can cite individuals for violating local ordinances, but law enforcement cannot be everywhere all the time. That is why I maintain this comes down to personal responsibility. Please, wear a mask whenever you're around another person who is not in your household so we can protect

lives, preserve health care access for all of us, and continue our economic rebound."

Since the backward move on October 26, Idaho's coronavirus problems have only worsened.

Throughout this week Idaho broke its records for the most confirmed cases and overall cases in a single day, adding 1,250 confirmed cases and 1,618 total cases on Wednesday. Idaho's positive testing rate hit an all-time high as 16.9% of tests were positive for the virus.

Hospitalizations have grown to record levels, with 361 people in Idaho hospitalized because of COVID-19. The state had just 118 open ICU beds available for those in critical need as of Thursday.

The hospital system said a pause on pediatric admissions at St. Luke's Magic Valley would also continue, with patients sent to other hospitals if they need admitted.

"Alarmingly, our hospitals are telling us it is only a matter of weeks, at the current rate of spread, before they must start rationing care," Little said.


Congratulations!

Sonya Samuels-Allen
Idaho School Boards Association

**2020 School Board
Chair of the Year**

*Thank you for the years of
dedication to our schools.*





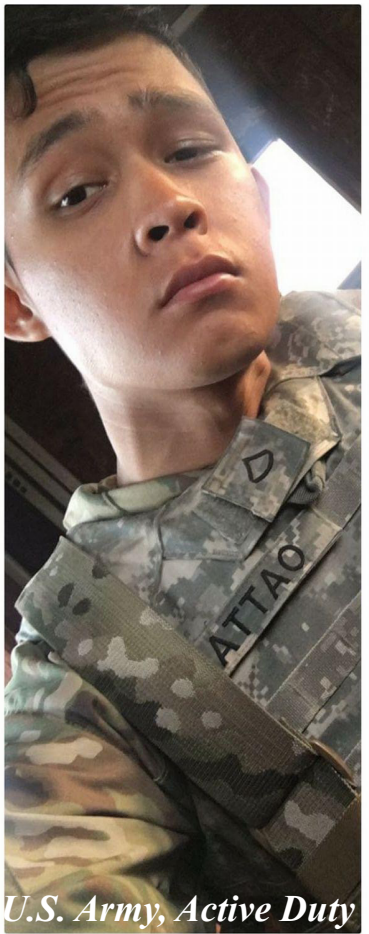
ARMY MOM'S PRAYER

Dear Lord,

Give me the greatness of heart to see the difference between a mother's love and duty to country.
Give me understanding that I may know, when duty calls them they must go.
Give me a task to do each day, to fill my thoughts when they're away.
And Lord, when they're in a foreign land, keep them safe in your loving hand.
And Lord, when duty is in the field, please protect them and be their shield.
And Lord, when deployment is so long, please give me the support to remain strong

Amen

Joseph Arthur Attao, U.S. Army, Active Duty



Native Group “Western Native Voice” Comes to Nimiipuu Reservation

Lapwai, Idaho- Western Native Voice Inspires Native leadership through community organizing, leadership developments and public policy advocacy. We navigate both on and off Tribal reservations using culturally tailored community organizing and engagement models to mobilize Native Americans. We strive for a world absent of discrimination and inequality, where every human has equal access to safety and success. Building on the successes of our ancestors, we equip our members with tools to address local community needs, and encepholitical and personal power. We educate Native Americans on opportunities and strategies to expand and inspire civic responsibility that includes year-round community organizing, voter registration voter mobilization, policy education and engagement. Training on engaging in the

legislative process is also available. We ensure that the Native Voice is apart of public policy from creation to implementation. For more information on becoming a member please contact Rika Powau- kee at rika.powaukee@gmail. com or 310.439.0418. She is currently running a giveaway for new members and everyone will receive a new t-shirt! Please go to <https://western-nativevoice.org/support-our-vision/become-a-member/> Western Native Voice, established in 2011, is a nonprofit, nonpartisan social justice organization working to strengthen Native American communities through civic engagement, education, leadership, and advocacy. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. Western Native Voice is a non-profit, non-partisan social justice organization working to inspire Native leadership

through community organizing, education, leadership, and advocacy. WNV organizes in both rural and urban communities using a culturally tailored community organizing and citizen education model to build Native leadership.



Wash your hands, wear your mask, rock the Western Native Voice logo. (Photo from Western Native Voice Facebook)

ROGERS
CHRYSLER • DODGE • JEEP • RAM

COME SEE OUR SELECTION OF
PRE-OWNED VEHICLES
WE'RE OPEN!

2006 DODGE DAKOTA SLT
STK#20D312K **\$9,995**

2015 CHEVY TRAVERSE 1LT
STK#20D279B **\$14,995**

2016 NISSAN ROGUE
STK#20D195A **\$16,495**

2019 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE LIMITED
STK#20UD301 **\$33,995**

2015 JEEP RENEGADE TRAILHAWK
STK#20UD310 **\$19,995**

2018 JEEP CHEROKEE LATITUDE PLUS
STK#20D250A **\$25,995**

2018 DODGE CHARGER SXT
STK#20D238A **\$29,495**

2004 FORD SUPER DUTY F-450 DRW
STK#20D275A **\$12,995**

ROGERS
CHRYSLER • DODGE • JEEP • RAM
We Care About What You're Driving!

208.743.9493 • 1.844.338.8818
1824 Main St, Lewiston, ID
rogersdodge.com

WE ARE OPEN
FOR ALL YOUR ESSENTIAL VEHICLE NEEDS!

2019 Subaru Impreza 2.0i Premium CVT
\$19,900
WAS \$22,494
Rear Camera, Heated Front Seats, Bluetooth
STK# 20US104

2018 Subaru Impreza 2.0i Premium CVT
NOW JUST \$21,995
Perimeter Lights, Heated Front Seats, Rear Camera
STK# 20US135

2017 Subaru Forester 2.5i Premium CVT
\$22,984
WAS \$23,995
Moon Roof, Auto Temp Control, Rear Camera
STK# 20S728A

2019 Subaru Crosstrek 2.0i CVT
NOW ONLY \$24,995
Security System, Bluetooth, Alloy Wheels
STK# 21SD66A

2009 Ford Flex 4DR SEL
\$8,474
WAS \$9,995
AWD, 3rd Row Seating, Leather
STK# 20S740B

2019 Hyundai Elantra SEL Auto
\$15,291
WAS \$17,995
Lane Departure, Auto Headlights, Security System
STK# 20US115

2018 Chevy Equinox AWD LT W/3LT
NOW ONLY \$22,995
Emergency System, Blind Spot Sensor, Parking Sensors
STK# 20US131A

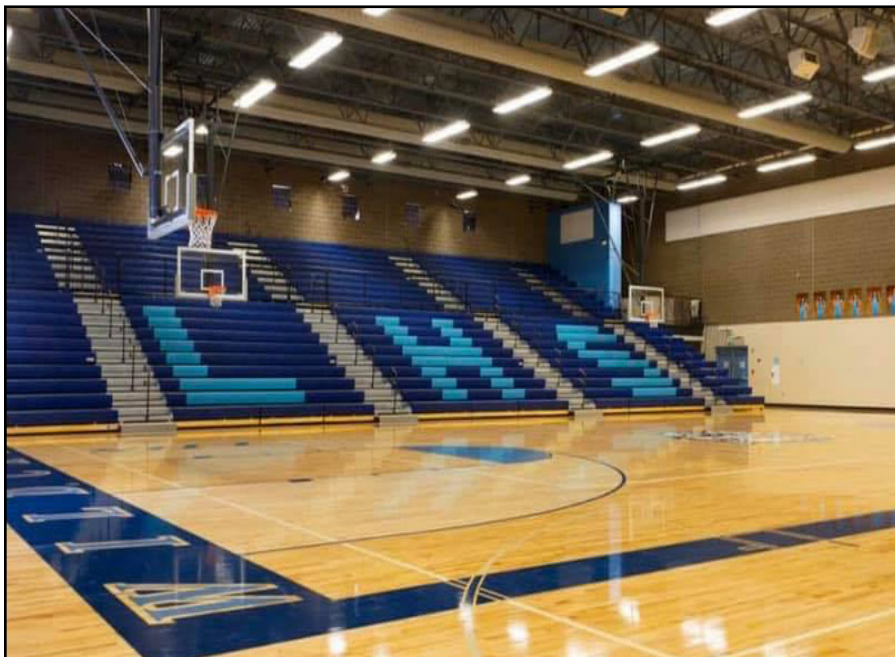
Over 60 certified pre-owned vehicles to choose from!
NO SECURITY DEPOSIT REQUIRED. PLUS TAX, TITLE AND \$150 DOC FEE. ON APPROVED CREDIT. SEE DEALERSHIP FOR DETAILS.

ROGERS
SUBARU
We Care About What You're Driving!

208.743.2700
1720 21st St., Lewiston, ID
rogerssubaru.com

Seŋliw'áal | November

Empty Stands with Idaho Rolling Back to Stage 2



Governor Little has set the State of Idaho back to Stage 2 of the Idaho Rebounds reopening plan and limits indoor gatherings to 10 people.

The Whitepine League/Central Idaho League has made the decision to exclude all fans from the stands while in stage 2.

Upon returning to stage 3 of the Idaho Rebounds reopening plan, which limits indoor gatherings to 50 people or less, Idaho High School Activities Association (IHSAA) and Lapwai School District passes will not be accepted

unless they accompany a special pass. No general admission tickets will be sold at the door.

The Whitepine League and Central Idaho League of Superintendents have been actively meeting to determine a path forward including game protocols which are in compliance with the Idaho Rebounds Plan and Guidelines from the IHSAA. The Superintendents' group successfully applied for an all-league waiver to allow up to 60 spectators per game, 30 home and 30 away when Idaho returns to stage 3.

This does not apply to the team staff such as the players, referees, coaches, clock operators, bookkeepers/statisticians, trainers, school maintenance staff (for sanitizing purposes), away team bus driver and game administrators toward the 60-person limit. Concession and gate staff stationed in the lobby also do not count.

Each student athlete will be issued two passes for his/her respective game and each pass is only valid for one entry to that specific game: C-squad, JV or Varsity. Ticket prices are set by the Whitepine League and pass holders will be charged a gate fee when presenting their pass. Please do not lose your pass, as it is non-replaceable.

C-squad game pass holders will be allowed into the gym 15 minutes prior to the start of the game. Upon conclusion of the C-squad game, all spectators must immediately exit out of the side doors. The same protocols will apply to JV and Varsity games. Early entry will not be available for any game. It is necessary to clear the gym between games for

sanitizing purposes. All guests exit through the back emergency doors labeled "exit only."

Again, only special pass holders will be allowed into the gym and only during the game for which they hold a pass. The game will be livestreamed on the Lapwai Athletics Facebook page so fans can watch from home.

Masks are required in the gym and will be available at the door and six feet social distance seating will apply. If you are feeling sick, please stay home. Home and visitor sections will be clearly marked. Spectators are expected to sit on the appropriate side and socially distance as much as possible. These are unprecedented times and we thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding as we try to navigate the situation safely.

"It is extremely important that safety measures and social distancing protocols are followed," said Lapwai superintendent Dr. David Aiken. "Our intent is to protect our student athletes while continuing to provide them with as much of a normal season as possible."

HELP US BUILD THIS GINGERBREAD HOUSE!

AGES 10+ PLEASE

AVAILABLE TIMES:

3-5 P.M.

DECEMBER 8-11

*AT LAPWAI
COMMUNITY
LIBRARY*

103 N. MAIN ST.



WE THANK THESE
SPONSORS:



PRE-REGISTRATION IS
REQUIRED DUE TO SOCIAL
DISTANCING GUIDELINES.



208-843-7254



LAPWAI.LIBRARY@PRLD.ORG

RSVP

Prairie River
Library District
PR
LD
Prairie River

Glory Sobotta Leads the Wildcats in Season Opener with 25 Points

November 14, 2020 - Despite not being able to have loved ones and community members in the stands, the Lapwai Wildcats girls' varsity basketball team picked up right where they left off last year and went to work, demolishing their first opponent in a season opener home game. "They did a really good job on defense," said head coach Ada McCormack-Marks, 2019-20 North Idaho Female Team Coach of the Year. "We missed a few we shouldn't have, but they played great team ball overall. Their communication was a lot better than it had been."

The defending Class 1A Division 1 State Champion Wildcat team defeated St. Maries 77-48 in a nonleague victory, causing 30 turnovers for the Lumberjacks along the way. Senior guard, Glory Sobotta lead the Wildcats with 25 points and freshman Jordyn McCormack-Marks added 10 points and 7 rebounds. Grace Sobotta, last year's Whitepine Player of the Year, Lauren Gould,

and Omari Mitchell each contributed with 9 points apiece. Saturday's game was broadcasted live on the Lapwai Athletics Facebook page. Just one day before the game, Idaho went into stage 2 of the Idaho Rebound reopening plan which put a halt to all fans attending games while in this current COVID pandemic stage. Once Idaho returns to stage 3, Lapwai will honor a special holders pass where each athlete is allowed two family members to attend the games. "Right now, I'm just glad the girls are able to play," said coach McCormack-Marks. "With the bench and coaches cheering, if that's what we can get, they'll feed off of it," she added.

Lapwai — Gr. Sobotta 9, McCormack-Marks 10, Mitchell 9, Gl. Sobotta 25, Gould 9, Shawl 5, Hererra 2, Moliga 6, Oatman 2, Young 0.

St. Maries — Sines 8, Janssen 0, Badgett 5, McGreal 3, Christensen 4, Rimel 15, Watkins 4, Mitchell 2, Miller 5, Hammond 2, Spray 0.



The Wildcats blocking out after a St. Maries missed free throw



Sophomore Lauren Gould at the line for the Wildcats

Lapwai High School Girls Basketball 2020-2021

Date:	Opponent:	Location	Time:
11/2	First Day of Practice	Lapwai HS	TBD
11/14	St. Maries	Lapwai, ID	6 & 7:30
11/20	Genesee	Lapwai, ID	6 & 7:30
12/1	@ CV	Kooskia, ID	6 & 7:30
12/4	Potlatch	Lapwai, ID	6 & 7:30
12/7	Logos	Lapwai, ID	6 & 7:30
12/10	@ Prairie	Cottonwood, ID	6 & 7:30
12/12	@ Troy	Troy, ID	3 & 4:30
12/14	@ Orofino	Orofino, ID	6 & 7:30
12/15	Kamiah	Lapwai, ID	6 & 7:30
12/28-12/30	@ Avista Tournament	Lewiston, ID	TBD
1/5	@ St. Maries	St. Maries, ID	5:30 & 7
1/7	@ Logos	Moscow, ID	6 & 7:30
1/9	@ Genesee	Genesee, ID	6 & 7:30
1/12	CV	Lapwai, ID	6 & 7:30
1/15	@ Potlatch	Potlatch, ID	6 & 7:30
1/21	Prairie	Lapwai, ID	6 & 7:30
1/23	Troy (Senior Night)	Lapwai, ID	1 & 2:30
1/26	@ Kamiah	Kamiah, ID	6 & 7:30
2/	District Tournament	TBD	TBD
2/	Regional Play-In Game	TBD	TBD
2/	State Play-In Game	TBD	TBD
2/	State Tournament	TBD	TBD

Bold (League Games)

Coach:
Assistant Coaches: Ada Marks, Iris Domebo
Athletic Director: William Big Man
Principal: Dr. D'Lisa Penney
Superintendent: Dr. David Aiken

Lapwai High School Boys Basketball 2020-2021

Date:	Opponent:	Location	Time:
11/13	First Day of Practice	Lapwai HS	TBD
12/2	@ Timberline	Weippe, ID	6 & 7:30
12/5	Logos	Lapwai, ID	1 & 2:30
12/8	Prairie	Lapwai, ID	6 & 7:30
12/11	Troy	Lapwai, ID	6 & 7:30
12/17	@ Kamiah	Kamiah, ID	6 & 7:30
12/28-12/30	@ Avista Tournament	Lewiston, ID	TBD
1/8	Genesee	Lapwai, ID	6 & 7:30
1/11	@ St. Maries	St. Maries, ID	5:30 & 7
1/14	@ CV	Kooskia, ID	6 & 7:30
1/16	Potlatch	Lapwai, ID	1 & 2:30
1/19	@ Prairie	Cottonwood, ID	6 & 7:30
1/22	@ Troy	Troy, ID	6 & 7:30
1/28	Kamiah	Lapwai, ID	6 & 7:30
2/1	@ Logos	Moscow, ID	6 & 7:30
2/5	@ Genesee	Genesee, ID	6 & 7:30
2/8	St. Maries	Lapwai, ID	6 & 7:30
2/12	@ Potlatch	Potlatch, ID	6 & 7:30
2/16	CV (Senior Night)	Lapwai, ID	6 & 7:30
2/	District Tournament	TBD	TBD
2/	Regional Play-In Game	TBD	TBD
2/	State Play-In Game	TBD	TBD
3/	State Tournament	TBD	TBD

Bold (League Game)

Coach: Zach Eastman
Assistant Coaches: John Williamson, Tommy Miles-Williams
Athletic Director: William Big Man
Principal: Dr. D'Lisa Penney
Superintendent: Dr. David Aiken

National Congress of American Indians CEO Kevin Allis Announces Departure



During the National Congress of American Indians 77th Annual Convention & Marketplace First General Assembly, Chief Executive Officer Kevin Allis announced his departure from the organization

after serving 18 months as CEO. "Having the opportunity to serve Indian Country in this capacity has been the job of a lifetime. It has been an honor to work alongside the talented staff at NCAI on behalf of tribal nations. I've been here since June, 2019, a year and a half. And my vision here was to get the organization to a place where it was financially strong, internally solid, the infrastructure sound, the work environment comfortable, and the output - Amazing," said Allis during his remarks. "We have made it to where we needed to go. And

now it's time to pass the torch to a new executive officer that will take what we've built in the last 18 months and take it even further. I'm going to be transitioning out of NCAI over the course of the next couple of months," said Allis. "During his tenure as NCAI's first CEO, Kevin played an integral role in advancing the interests of tribal nations in Washington, D.C. and throughout Indian Country," said NCAI President Fawn Sharp. "NCAI wishes Kevin well in his future endeavors and thanks him for his service," continued President Sharp.

About the National Congress of American Indians: Founded in 1944, the National Congress of American Indians is the oldest, largest and most representative American Indian and Alaska Native organization in the country. NCAI advocates on behalf of tribal governments and communities, promoting strong tribal-federal government-to-government policies, and promoting a better understanding among the general public regarding American Indian and Alaska Native governments, people and rights. For more information, visit www.ncai.org.

Idaho Sees Record Turnout During 2020 Presidential Election



eastidahonews.com

It's safe to say that Idahoans wanted their voices to be heard in the 2020 Presidential Election. At least 867,250 Idahoans voted in the election, according to Secretary of State Lawrence Denney. Official election day voter registrations are still being tallied by all 44 Idaho counties, but the unofficial numbers indicate a record 84.96% of the state's 1,020,820 people voted in the general election. Deputy Secretary of State Jason Hancock tells East-

IdahoNews.com the final number won't be known for a few more weeks. Once official election day voter registrations are all added up, the voter turnout is expected to be about 82%. "There was a lot of interest in the Presidential Election race and that brought a lot of people out," Hancock explains. "Donald Trump as president has been someone who's gotten a lot of people excited about voting on both sides." Hancock says another factor that likely drove the turnout rate was the unique-

ness of holding the election during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. There was also a high level of turnout in the May Primary, which was the first-ever all absentee ballot election. "A lot of the people who requested ballots for that absentee ballot election in May also checked the box to get an absentee ballot for the November election as well," he says. "A lot of ballots got mailed out to potential voters." Hancock doesn't believe that Idaho has ever been close to having a million reg-

istered voters in the state before. He credits part of that to Idaho growing, as well as the interest that Presidential Elections carry with them. "We always see a spike in registrations around a Presidential Election," Hancock stated. "If a person is only going to vote in one election every four years, odds are this is the election they're going to vote in." With more absentee ballots being sent out than they've ever seen for a general election before, Hancock says there was a large number of Idahoans who voted early. But there was "significant" traffic at the polls as well. "It really took all three (options)," says Hancock. "It's a good thing that we had all three available because, if the number of voters who actually came out had piled into any one of those voting methodologies, it would have stressed the system more than it did." Hancock says polling places were set up in such a way that people could vote safely amid COVID-19 and he's grateful to the county clerk offices who made sure of that. "There were a lot of challenges, but really, I thought it came off tremendously well," Hancock says.

Dailymail.com

U.S. Divorce Rates Hit a 50-Year Low

Divorce rates in the U.S. have hit a 50-year low and marriage rates are at their lowest level on record, according to new data.

Census data analyzed by the Institute for Family Studies on Tuesday shows that out of every 1,000 marriages in 2019, only 14.9 ended in divorce, the lowest level since 1969.

It continues a long-term decline in divorce rates from a peak in 1980 - and initial data from 2020 suggests that the trend is likely to continue this year, despite the pandemic and lockdowns that many predicted would push couples to split.

"I think what we're seeing is marriage is becoming more selective," said W. Bradford Wilcox, a senior fellow at IFS and a professor of sociology at the University of Virginia, in an interview with DailyMail.com.

"They are more educated, more affluent and more religious than the general population at large, and they are also older than people were 30 or 40 years ago who got married. All those traits reduce the risk of divorce," he added.

At the same time, people are getting married at a lower rate now than they ever have before. "For every thousand unmarried adults in 2019, only 33 got married. This number was 35 a decade ago in 2010 and 86 in 1970," Wang wrote.

Though the data is very preliminary, there are signs that the divorce rate will continue to drop this year, despite the economic and emotional stresses of the pandemic.

"The drop in the divorce rate is likely to continue in 2020, despite the pandemic," Wang wrote. "According to data from the American Family Survey, a majority of married Americans (58%) say that the pandemic has made them appreciate their spouse more and half agree that their commitment to marriage has deepened."

Wilcox agreed, sharing data with DailyMail.com showing that divorce rates

had declined sharply this year in Florida, Rhode Island, Oregon and Missouri, while rising somewhat in Arizona. "In most of the states we've looked at, divorce is down and down markedly this year," he said.

Wedding and divorce data is reported at different times by different states, making it too early to fully assess the national impact of the pandemic on marriages.

Wendy Diane Manning, co-director of the National Center for Family & Marriage Research at Bowling Green State University, points out that many courts were closed in the early days of the pandemic, making it difficult to obtain a divorce or get married.

Manning, who is not connected with the IFS study, said that the impact of lockdowns was likely to make strong relationships stronger, and push weaker relationships toward a split. "I think it's probably worked a little bit both ways, and they offset each other," she said. She concurred that trend toward couples being more selective about getting married was the main driver of the long-term decline in divorce rates.

"The people who are entering marriage are people who traditionally have lower divorce rates," she said, citing rising levels of education, wealth and higher ages among those getting married.

"Marriage is held in high regard and sometimes held in such high regard that people want to wait until everything is so in place before they do it," said Manning. "We hold it in such high regard that we aren't willing to enter it unless everything is right."

Researchers point out that there are increasing class divisions between those who marry and those who don't, leaving those who are less wealthy and educated less likely to reap the social and legal benefits of marriage.

"College-educated and economically better off

Americans are more likely to marry and stay married, but working-class and poor Americans face more family instability and higher levels of singleness," Wang wrote.

"For Americans in the top third income bracket, 64% are in an intact marriage, meaning they have only married once and are still in their first marriage. In contrast, only 24% of Americans in the lower-third income bracket are in an intact marriage, according to my analysis of the 2018 Census data," she added.

"This sobering news about marriage puts a damper on our hope for the future of American families," Wang wrote. "With the rates of both divorce and marriage dropping in America, we expect to see the marriage divide deepen and poor and working-class Americans increasingly disconnected from

the institution of marriage."

Wilcox told DailyMail.com: "I would predict about a third of young adults today will never marry. The downside to that is the data are pretty clear, even 20-somethings who get married are more likely to be happy," he added. "Marriage delivers a lot more emotional satisfaction and stability than a lot of young adults realize."

Wilcox predicted that divorces would decline sharply in 2020, before rising next year as people who were unable to get a divorce during the pandemic seek a split. Ultimately, he believes the economic shock of the pandemic will drive divorce rates even lower over the next decade or so. "That's what we saw in the last Great Recession," he said. "Since the Great Recession, people have become more cautious about family life in general, and divorce specifically."

Nez Perce Tribe Financial Assistance

Elder Assistance

General Assistance

LIHEAP

Burial

Administration

we've moved

OUR NEW ADDRESS

311 Agency RD

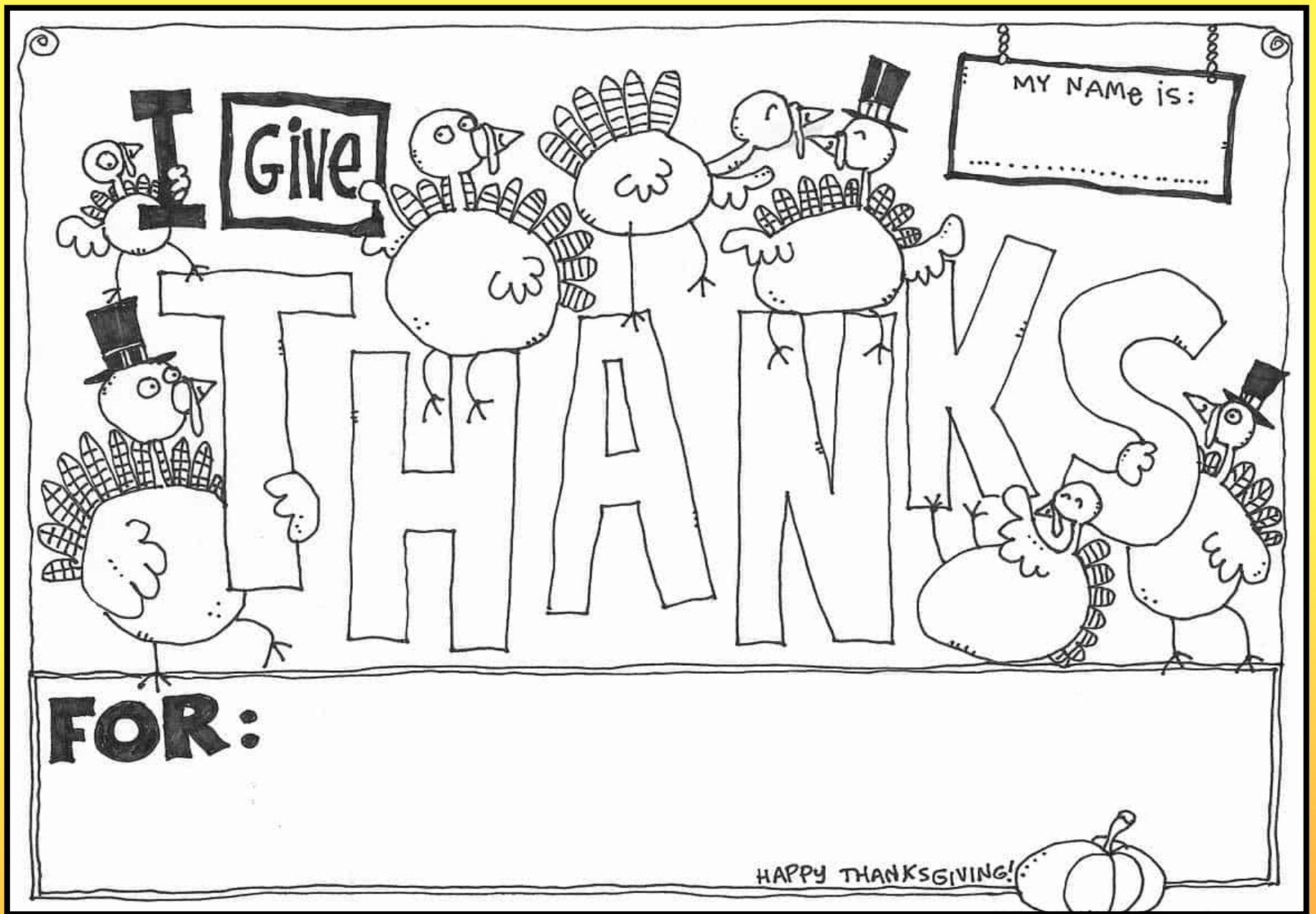
Lapwai, ID

(Right across the street, the Old Ivison building)

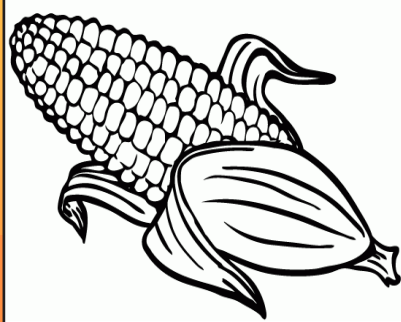


(208) 843-2463

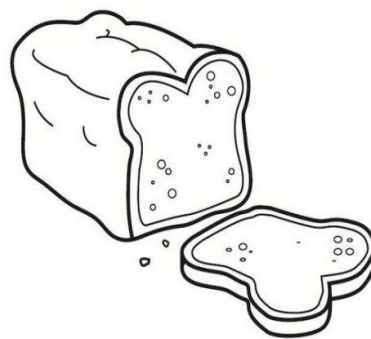
Thanksgiving Coloring Pages



Carrots
cawitxwáakos
saw-weekt-walk-o's



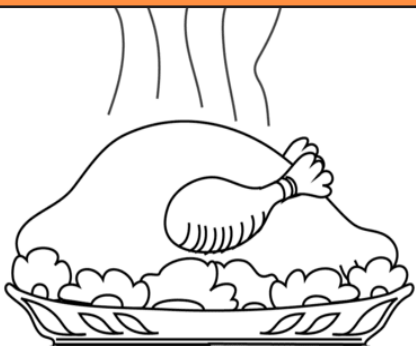
Corn
cát'oxc'
tsa-tokes



Bread
'ipéex
ee-peh



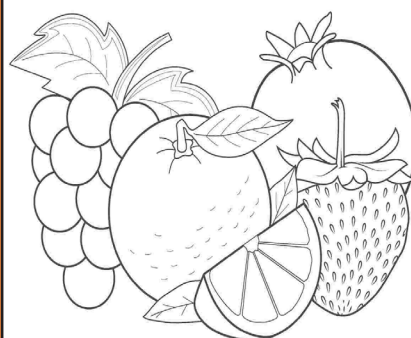
Ham
hoq'hóoqnim núkt
hoke-hoke-nim nookt



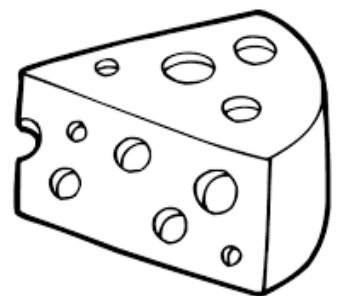
Turkey
siitísnim núkt
see-tees-nim nookt



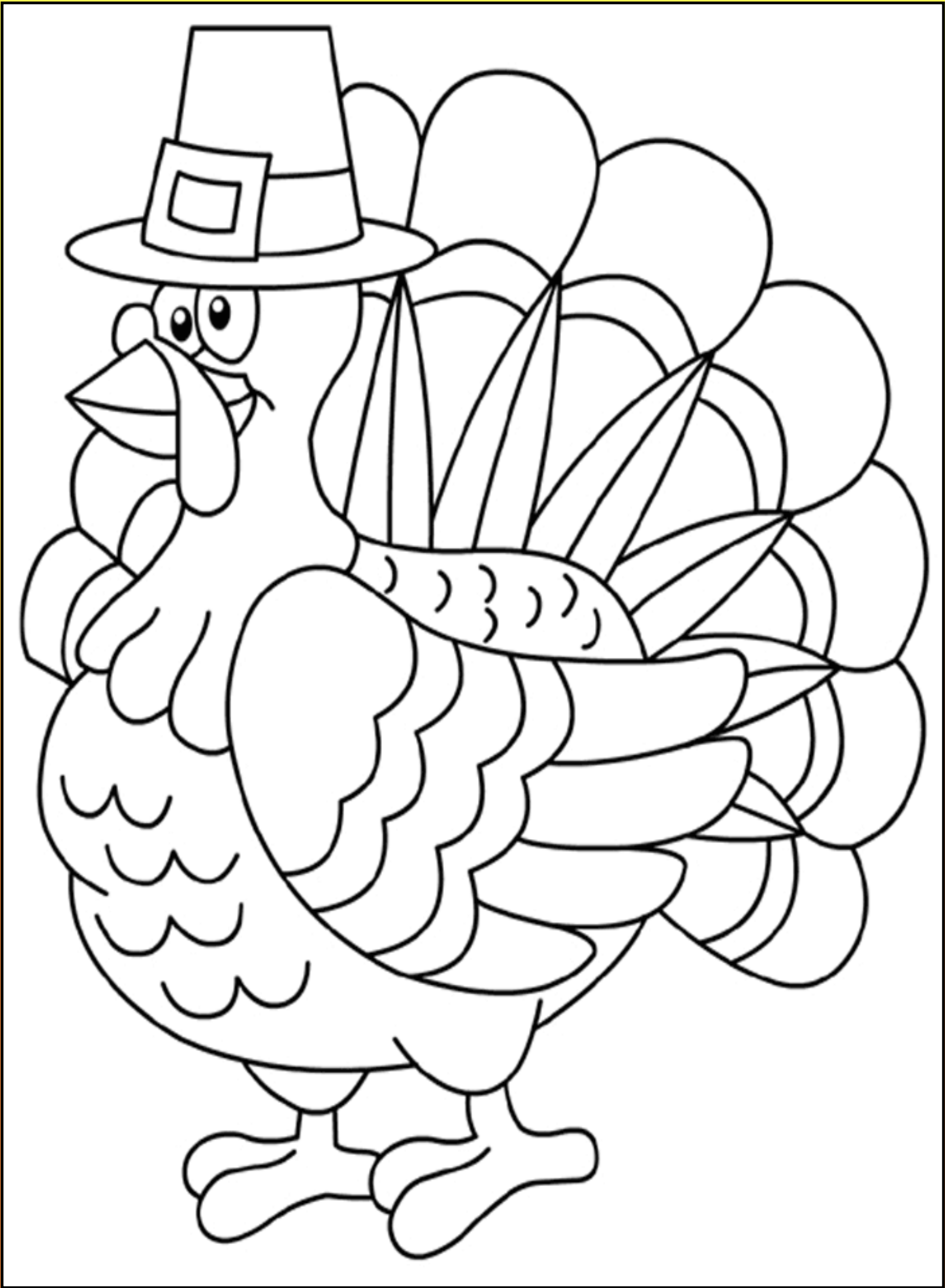
Salt & Pepper
kéetwen'es & pisáq'is
cat-when-nis, pis-ah-kiss



Fruit
timanítwit
tim-on-neat-wit



Cheese
sapáamacin
sa-pom-muts-in



Nimiipuu Health Hours Update

Updated hours as of 11-13-2020. Due to COVID-19, NMPH clinic doors will remain unlocked.

Emergency/Urgent Care Services are listed below:

COMMUNITY HEALTH

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

PHARMACY (Outdoor drive-up)

Monday – Friday 8:30am - 5:00 p.m.

OPTOMETRY (Door locked)

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30pm
Closed 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. for lunch

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

WELLNESS CENTER (4 maximum)

Monday – Thursday 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Friday 6:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

LAPWAI/KAMIAH DENTAL

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
8:00 a.m. – 12:00pm, 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 pm
Closed for lunch 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

ER Hours

(M,T,TH,F) 8:00 a.m. -9:00 a.m.
Wednesdays 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Closed 1:00 p.m.- 4:30 p.m.

(Kamiah Dental Services vary on Fridays, call ahead of time)
Closure Days for Mandatory Trainings (Admin Action: 3-24-2020) Every 5th Wednesday 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
For Medical Emergencies after hours,
please go to the nearest Emergency Room or call 911.

Boys and Girls Club of the Nez Perce Tribe

Safety is the number one priority of the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Nez Perce Tribe and we are doing everything possible to keep our Club members & staff as safe as possible during the Covid-19 pandemic.

One of the precautionary Covid-19 procedures our organization has taken is putting our Club members & staff into age/grade groups called "Pods" which is to help the minimization of exposure or spread of Covid-19 at the Clubhouse.

We learned an individual tested positive for Covid-19 at our Clubhouse. All Club member's parents whose child was exposed have been notified by the Clubhouse. Parents that have been contacted are advised to consult with the local public health officials on recommended Covid-19 procedures. Due to the exposure our Teen Center which is for age groups 12-18 & grades 7th-12th will be CLOSED until November, 23rd 2020 for isolation & quarantine measures recommended by local public health officials.

The Clubhouse will remain OPEN for Club members ages 5-11 that are in grades K-6th.

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Nez Perce Tribe will continue to work with local public health officials and are taking all precautionary measures regarding deep cleaning and sanitizing of Club facilities to ensure the safety of our Club members & staff. We will continue to keep you updated during this very challenging time. As always, we remain committed to our Club members, staff their families and our community.

New Indigenous Etsy Store

Nez Perce Owned
Coffee Mugs, Tees,
Hoodies, Towels,
Stickers, Socks etc...

[Etsy.com/shop/noitannation](https://www.etsy.com/shop/noitannation)

Photo Credit

Kamiah homecoming photos
printed in Nimiipuu Tribal
Tribune Volume 2, Issue 17
courtesy of Clearwater
Progress and Kamiah Football
Facebook Page.



NEZ PERCE TRIBE

WINTER GEAR DRIVE

Please help keep our community members warm!

- Coats, hats, gloves, and scarves
- Drop off at Pi-Nee-Waus or Wa-A'Yas lobby.
- Must be NEW items.
- Donated items will be handed out during a December distribution to Nez Perce Tribal Member households
- Items must be dropped off by Friday, December 4th.

CONTACT: 208-843-7360 Lapwai / 208-935-2525 Kamiah




NPT HOUSING AUTHORITY

TOY DRIVE

Please join in the season of giving!

- Drop toys off at NPTHA Offices.
- Must be NEW items.
- Donated items will be handed out during a December distribution to Nez Perce Tribal Member households.
- Items must be dropped off by **Friday, December 4th.**

CONTACT:
Anna Lawrence 208.843.2229 / annal@nezperce.org



Looking for Ways to Give this Holiday Season?

The Nez Perce Tribe (NPT) has 3 great ways you can donate and give back

- 1) NPT Departments & Programs Create a Social Distancing Basket for families,
- 2) Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority Toy Drive,
- 3) Nez Perce Tribe Winter Gear Drive. See details below on how and where to donate.

NPT Departments & Programs: Social Distancing Basket Challenge (see green flyer below)

In the spirit of giving during the COVID-19 pandemic ALL tribal entities, departments, and programs are invited to create a Social Distancing Basket. Items should support individuals/families staying home over the holidays. Examples include board games, puzzles, movies, etc. Donated items will be handed out during a December distribution to Nez Perce Tribal Member households.

- Baskets must be delivered to the Veterans Conference Room on December 4th or December 7th
- Basket dimensions must be no larger than the size of an 18-gallon tote to qualify for a prize
 - Must be NEW items
- Public will be able to view the baskets on December 8th
- Prize will be a \$200 lunch party awarded to top 5 teams with #1 Team wins both lunch & employee store voucher (max of 30 employees)

CONTACT: Executive Direction 208-843-7324

NPTHA Toy Drive (see red flyer on page 16)

Please join in the season of giving!

- Drop toys off at NPTHA Offices.
 - Must be NEW items.
- Donated items will be handed out during a December distribution to Nez Perce Tribal Member households.
 - Items must be dropped off by Friday, December 4th.

CONTACT: Anna Lawrence 208.843.2229 / annal@nezperce.org

NPT Winter Gear Drive (see blue flyer on page 16)

Please help keep our community members warm!

- Accepting coats, hats, gloves, and scarves.
- Drop off at Pi-Nee-Waus or Wa-A'Yas lobby.
 - Must be NEW items.
- Donated items will be handed out during a December distribution to Nez Perce Tribal Member households.
 - Items must be dropped off by Friday, December 4th.

CONTACT: Lapwai: 208-843-7360, Kamiah: 208-935-2525



SOCIAL DISTANCING



BASKET CHALLENGE

In the spirit of giving during the COVID-19 pandemic **ALL** tribal entities, departments, and programs are invited to **create a Social Distancing Basket**. Items should support individuals/families staying home over the holidays. Examples include board games, puzzles, movies, etc. Donated items will be handed out during a December distribution to Nez Perce Tribal Member households.

- Baskets **must be delivered** to the Veterans Conference Room **on December 4th or December 7th**
- Basket dimensions must be no larger than the size of an 18 gallon tote to qualify for a prize
- Must be **NEW** items
- Public will be able to view the baskets on December 8th
- Prize will be a \$200 lunch party awarded to top 5 teams with #1 Team wins both lunch & employee store voucher (max of 30 employees)

CONTACT:
Executive Direction
208-843-7324





\$40

UNLIMITED

Everything

Minutes • Messaging • Streaming

INLAND CELLULAR

inlandcellular.com *#Live INLAND*

208.798.0245 • 2612 Nez Perce Dr., Lewiston, ID 83501
509.552.4595 • 330 Diagonal St., Clarkston, WA 99403

Upriver Youth Leadership Council Announces Festival of Trees 2020,
Beginning November 20



(Kamiah)-Here it is! What you have been waiting for! Due to COVID and the cancellation of Olde Fashioned Christmas, the event of the season has been reinvented. Do not miss the holiday sparkle, brought to you in a whole new way! Upriver Youth Leadership Council (UYLC) and the Teen Center are excited to announce the 2020 Festival of Trees event will begin on November 20th.

Our community Christmas artists have been busy as elves creating gorgeous trees, wreaths, tablescapes and more in anticipation of your generous bidding to support the Teen Center. These creations will be scattered throughout the community in local businesses for your viewing pleasure and on the Upriver Youth Leadership Facebook and Instagram pages. Bidding can be done

at the Teen Center located at 405 Main Street in Kamiah, or on the Facebook Page where an event album will be created. Bidding will end on December 4th at 7:00 PM. To liven up the event even more, a scavenger hunt has been added. Beginning November 20th, maps can be picked up at the Teen Center. On each map will be the businesses where the 2020 creations are placed. Visit each

one and answer a question about the creation or location, return your completed form and be entered into a drawing for many great prizes! Prizes include: \$20 Jacobs Lumber Gift Certificate; \$20 Pizza Factory Gift Certificate; \$20 Hogsback Deli Gift Certificate; \$20 Inland Cellular Gift Certificate; \$20 Hub Gift Certificate; \$10 IdaJo Coffee Gift Certificate; and more. Event organizers are hoping this year's event will be very successful in an effort to recoup some of the lost revenue caused by COVID-19, and at the same time being able to still offer one of the communities traditional Holiday events, albeit with modifications. 2020 has truly been a year to think outside of the box! For further questions about this years event, please contact Sharlene Johnson at 208-743-0392 or upriverylc@gmail.com.

MUCHO MUNCHY BOX

2 Beef Soft Tacos
2 Crisp Meat Burritos
2 Med Mexi-Fries


\$12


TacoTime


ORDER ONLINE
HAPPYDAYEats.com

LEWISTON • CLARKSTON 

IT'S BACK
DEEP FRIED TURKEY
LIMITED TIME OFFER



Arby's

LEWISTON • CLARKSTON 

TWO LARGE TWO TOPPING PIZZAS

\$19⁹⁹ LIMITED TIME OFFER




PIZZERIA
SOUTHWAY
& DELI

ORDER ONLINE
HAPPYDAYEats.com

SOUTHWAYPIZZERIA.COM  

Bessie Annette Blackeagle, 28, Kamiah, ID

The world lost a beautiful soul Bessie Annette Blackeagle on October 31, 2020 in Kamiah, ID. Bessie had a unique way of touching people's heart, whether it was family, friends, or even those she met only briefly.

May 16, 1992 Bessie Annette Blackeagle was born to Frank Blackeagle and Dani Scott in Spokane, WA. Bessie was known as Wétxuuiis Wees-Return from far away. Her Indian name was given by uncle, Norton Blackeagle. She spent her life living throughout Idaho and Montana.

During childhood, Bessie took piano lessons and became a proficient pianist. She was active in karate and earned a black belt. She graduated from Lapwai in 2010. While in high school, Bessie was active in basketball, cheerleading, and the school mascot. In 2009 she placed for drama, traveling to Moscow, ID to compete in a state competition. Also, was selected to participate for Miss Idaho Teen, winning the talent show as a designer and seamstress. Featured in Indian Country Today Magazine,



nominated as an Ambassador from the school and traveling to Australia. She held numerous school office positions throughout the years.

After high school, Bessie attended Lewis Clark State College where she completed a minor degree in Nez Perce Language. Bessie was an avid practitioner of Nimiipuutimt. She was an actor in the LCSC production of Tim'neepe, Heart of the Monster. The Nez Perce National Historical Park Service offered an internship. Her teaching included Lapwai After School Program, North West Indian College, Lewis

Clark State College and Culture Camp. She had many jobs including, Nez Perce Tribe Historical Park, Nez Perce Tribe Language Program, transcriptionist, Early Childhood Development Program and Stinker Station.

Bessie had a strong belief in her culture which included: Waala'ahsasa, Medicine dance, Root Feast and the Pow wow circuit. She loved to sing, dance and hoped to save the earth. Bessie held two crowns, Looking Glass and Ee'pah'tes celebrations. She was an avid gather of traditional medicines, cleansing

and praying in a sweat lodge. She loved to build and sweat with her aunties on the Blackeagle side. Throughout the years, Bessie participated in numerous 1877 war memorials in Idaho, Montana, and Canada. She created many memories with her grandparents; learning history and sharing stories while traveling to the memorials. As a member of On Eagle Wings she traveled to various places throughout the country.

Bessie is survived by mother, Dani Scott of Lapwai; Grandparents, Scottie and Bessie Scott of Lapwai; siblings, John Oatman of Lapwai, Andrew and Philip Blackeagle of Kamiah; nieces, Robin Scott and Minoka Redstar of Nesplem, WA, Niomi and Sienna Gomez of Pasco, WA, Jon Wheeler of Lapwai; cat "little boy" and dog "sunflower" of Lapwai, and horse "sik'em of Kamiah. Bessie is proceeded in death by father, Frank Blackeagle; grandparents, Rueben Blackeagle and Veda Jackson-Blackeagle; uncle, James Scott; aunt, Cynthia Blackeagle; cat "Maurice Muppet Blackeagle".

WE PRINT!

NEED A YARD SIGN?

Political • Sales
Services • Real Estate
- And Much More -

Vinyl Banners & Yard Signs

1628 Main St., Lewiston
printcraftprinting.net

Free Quotes Call Today!

208.743.2922

MASK UP

TOGETHER
WE CAN STOP THE
SPREAD OF COVID-19

Clearwater River CASINO & LODGE

208-746-0723 | www.crcasino.com | 17500 Nez Perce Road, Lewiston, Idaho



SUNDAY-THURSDAY 8:00AM-12:00AM
FRIDAY-SATURDAY 8:00AM-2:00AM

FEATHERS OF FORTUNE
NOVEMBER 26
3PM-9PM
\$500

RAKE
IN THE WINNINGS
FOR YOUR SHARE OF
\$15,000!
EVERY SUNDAY 1pm-6pm

Clearwater River
CASINO & LODGE
\$1000
12PM - 12AM

BLACK FRIDAY FRENZY

IT'SE-YE-YE CASINO
\$250
4PM - 9PM

GOBBLIN' FOR CASH
\$200
NOVEMBER 26 3PM-9PM

25th Anniversary GIVEAWAY
START EARNING ENTRIES NOVEMBER 1st
CASH DRAWINGS
SNOW BLOWER WOOD SPLITTER WOOD STOVE
DECEMBER 20TH 9AM-8PM

IT'SE-YE-YE CASINO

208-935-7860
419 3rd St. Kamiah, Idaho