



Icon of the People; Artist Behind the Nez Perce Tribal Logo

By Virgil Holt Sr.,
Nez Perce Tribal Member

This story is being told so that all individuals and societies will know the history of a visionary person with a love for the Nez Perce people and their history. Younger generations may not know of the story of this iconic image and as tribal members they should be knowledgeable of where it came from.

"The image that represents our Tribal people must speak of the history and the heritage of our Tribe." This was the message provided to the artists seeking to submit an image to be used for the Nez Perce Tribe logo. The process started in the late 1980's and was formalized in the early 1990's. As newly elected members of the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee (NPTEC), we as a group believed that our Tribe must take a leadership role which fit our culture and history. It was a time of change for the Nez Perce and we held the belief that our Tribe must not only be part of the history of this country, but also the future. Part of this came in the form of a new logo and flag which better represented our Tribe.

As a past member of the NPTEC and the Budget &



John Macy "JC" Connor, artist and designer of current Nez Perce Tribe logo.
(Photo courtesy of Virgil Holt Sr.)

Finance Subcommittee, I was fortunate to speak with some of the artists involved in this project. One such person was John Macy Connor known by most as "JC". He founded the Dreamer Arts Company and was well known for his pride in the heritage of the Nez Perce Tribe. His boundless energy in depicting the life and times of the Warrior Society lifestyle, was known through his art work. He had art work that was shown in the NPTEC offices and other locations local-

ly; his smaller scale depictions have been displayed through various other mediums.

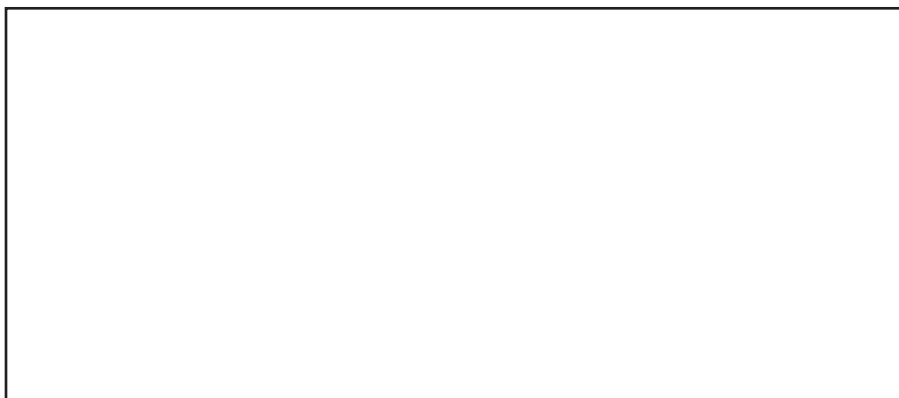
His formal training as an artist was developed at the Native American Art Institute in Santa Fe, New Mexico. He practiced the traditions of our people through his "Fast and Fancy" style of dancing in the pow wow circuit throughout the United States. He also passed down the art of singing with the drum through teaching the young people of the Tribe.

When asked about the

logo depiction and the final form, which is now a part of the Nez Perce Tribe, he was very resolute in explaining the need to show the dignity, strength and history of our People. All individuals viewing this logo must know with a mere glance what our Tribe is and what we as a People stand for as a traditional tribal society. The period in our history when the bands of the Nimiipuu acted as one and supported the signing of the Treaty of 1855 came with the belief of one People for a guaranteed homeland, which is why only that treaty is portrayed.

JC believed in the traditions, history and heritage of the Nez Perce People; his belief that our "Way of Life" should not be forgotten by the future generations, was a strength which drove him forward. He has left to all people a legacy for the future Nez Perce Tribal membership through his logo concept, to utilize as an example of the pride which Nimiipuu carry.

Our Nez Perce logo is recognizable by many throughout the Nation and the designer/artist must be a part of that memory. This man should always be remembered for the gift which he gave to the people of our Tribe and the non-Native population, to better understand our pride as a People.



Previous Logo



Current Logo

From the Desk of Kayeloni Scott, Nez Perce Tribe Communications Manager

Welcome to the 2022 edition of the Nimiipuu Tribal Tribune and thank you for continuing to support us. Without our readers and supporters, the Nimiipuu Tribal Tribune would not be where it is today. I would like to take this opportunity to recognize and apologize for the misinformation that was printed in Volume 3 Issue 24. This is not an accurate representation of the quality of work produced nor the credibility of the newspaper. It is our responsibility to uphold journalistic integrity and provide you with news you can rely on and trust. I can assure you that we will do everything in our power to ensure this does not reoccur in the future. We value and appreciate all tribal members and the communities in which we live. We are remorseful for any offense this may have caused. We hope you will provide us with a second chance to prove that we are the trustworthy news source you have come to depend on.

We are officially moving into Volume 4 of the Nimiipuu Tribal Tribune and along with that came some changes. In the last couple years COVID-19 had several negative impacts, one of those was the increased cost of printing a newspaper. Additionally, our enterprises were negatively impacted and during the last budget season we had to make some changes in order to continue providing the quality of newspaper you are used to. Our largest goal was to cut back on the number of hard copy prints as this is the costliest portion. Our second goal was to find the most suitable number of pages that would allow us the most content for the best price, as this is also a large variable in the final cost. The result was providing free subscriptions only to those enrolled Nez Perce Tribal members 65+, all others must pay the low annual fee of \$40, and placing a maximum of 24 pages per issue. We recognize these changes may cause an inconvenience, and we sin-

cerely apologize. However, we feel these changes are necessary to ensure we can continue to provide you with a newspaper for the Nez Perce people.

We continue to strive to include and cover as much content as we can in relation to the Nez Perce Tribe and Indian Country. We receive daily alerts for mentions of the Tribe which includes news articles and social media. We keep an eye on upcoming events and activities in our surrounding communities. One resource we have come to rely on heavily is direct information from individuals.

The Communications Department has one employee solely dedicated to the Nimiipuu Tribal Tribune, and as much as we'd like to, it is impossible to cover everything. All media sources retrieve much of their information from press releases and news tips from the source, and we are no different. We strongly encourage folks, departments and programs to inform us of any news they

are aware of, especially when it comes to individual success on and off the reservation. We are happy to do the work in developing content, we just need to be informed and provided the details. Tribal members and employees are also welcome to submit their own content if preferred.

We have some individuals that regularly provide us with information and we are greatly appreciative for their contributions. We hope we can expand in this area going forward and we implore you to share with us too! Additionally, this is not just limited to the newspaper. We would love to share your information on social media, in the e-newsletter and if possible provide live video coverage. Email or call us anytime and we will do our best to be a helpful resource.

The Communications Department is here as a resource to you; to share your stories, your requests, your accomplishments and everything in between.

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.

Due to the rising cost of printing and in effort to be more environmentally friendly, we are working to cut down on the number of printed hard copies. Hard copies will now be available with a paid subscription for the low cost of just \$40 annually. Enrolled Nez Perce Tribal elders 65 years of age and older are able to receive hard copies at no cost (limit one per household). The online version is free for everyone. Subscribe today!

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Language

January Wilúupup (wa-lew-poop) "Cold air travels"

Snowflakes	'a'áanm 'icu'yéeks	a-onm its-oo-yeks
Tree	tewliikt	touw-leakt
Snowball	méeqe'nim poxpok'ala	mecka-nim poh-poe-calla
Snowman	méeqe'nim háama	mecka-nim homma
Winter	'enim	en-im
It is cold	'icwéey's hiiwes	its-way-is he-wiss
It is foggy	hi'pécese	he-pat-sissa
It is raining	hiwéeqise	he-wack-issa

Ancestral Remains Discovered in Asotin

Work has been halted at a residential construction site near the Asotin County Fairgrounds in southeast Washington, where ancestral human remains recently were discovered.

Samuel Penney, Chairman for the Nez Perce Tribe, said the tribe was notified Friday when crews inadvertently found a Native American gravesite on a hillside overlooking the city.

"We are grateful for the individuals who ceased work immediately and contacted us," Penney said Wednesday. "We also appreciate the property owners for doing the right thing by working with us so we can properly handle our ancestors' remains to ensure there is no further disturbance. Surveying and monitoring of the site will continue, to help us learn more about the findings."

Asotin Police Chief Monte Renzelman said bones were discovered during installation of sewer lines for a new house. The property is owned by Chris Segroves, who purchased it from the city of Asotin several years ago.

Roto-Rooter, the compa-



The discovery site can be seen here, taped off to ensure the ground is not further disturbed.

ny doing the excavation work, notified authorities about the human remains and stopped all digging. The Asotin police chief, Asotin County sheriff and a detective visited the site, along with Nez Perce tribal officials, who have remained at the scene since the discovery. A Washington state archaeologist also was in Asotin earlier this week to view what has been found.

"Due to the age of the bones, as well as some of the artifacts found with them, it was determined it was most likely

a Native American burial site," Renzelman said. "I learned so much through this process about the Native American people's history. For instance, graves were placed on hillsides so their loved ones could be reintroduced to the water system and nature over time."

Segroves, who purchased 1.28 acres for \$30,000 from the city almost four years ago, had hoped to build his dream house at the top of Filmore Street across from the fairgrounds. After encounter-

ing numerous obstacles and jumping through bureaucratic hoops, the project was back on track when the ancestral gravesite was found.

"I honestly have no idea what's going to happen now," Segroves said. "It's been one problem after another. At this point, I don't think I'll ever get to build there for two reasons. No. 1, having an archaeologist on site at all times during construction is cost-prohibitive. No. 2, and even more important, I have a moral compass. And morally, I think it's wrong to desecrate that property further, knowing there's an Indian burial site under there."

Nez Perce tribal members are keeping the property secure, Segroves said.

The 1990 Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act says descendants of those interred must be consulted and have a say in exactly how the graves are handled. Native American cultural items, such as human remains, funerary objects, and sacred objects, are supposed to be returned to the descendants.

2021 80th Birthdays

The Nez Perce Tribe honors their elders who reach their 80th year with a Nez Perce Pendleton Blanket
The Nez Perce Tribe Executive Committee presents the blanket to all Nez Perce Tribal members
This year's honorees were:

Lyle Gould
Vera June Sonneck
Deanne (Homan) Meese
June W. Stewart
Barbara Ann
Vulgamore Mary Ellen (Phinney) Mikesell
Darlene Greene Pinkham
Walter D. Broncheau Sr. (received gift in July)

Nimiipuu Fund Native Artist Holiday Popup Brings Joy Before the Holidays



Himaqis Qeci'yewyew, a big thank you, to the community support by attending and purchasing from small businesses that filled the halls of the Payniwaas Community Center in Lapwai.

Nez Perce elder Sylvia Mitchell approached the Nimiipuu Community Development Fund with a great idea to showcase artists and their precious crafts. Mitchell envisioned herself and other artists who produced goods such as art work, beadwork, sewings, that would assist with the holidays, for both the buyer and the seller. "Our team was up to the task," said the Nimiipuu Commu-

nity Development Fund. "The vendors and customers want another event, we'll look in Spring of 2022. Stay tuned!"

The Nimiipuu Community Development Fund would also like to thank their vendors: Sylvia Mitchell, Traditions Gift Shop (Stacia Morfin and Sawaya Greene), Nchiwana (Lulu Henry), Noitan Nation (Marsan Powaukee), Elk Heart Creations (Lydia Skahan-McCloud and Re Bear McCloud), Lapwai Wildcat Booster Club, Quiet Storm Holt, Sun Herrera, Carla Timentwa, Tommy Whiteplume, Ashton Picard, Jennybuck Rosalie Arthur, Lololou creations (Lauren Arthur), and Melody Soaps.



Nez Perce Tribe Basket Challenge Supplies Food & Gifts to Families in Need

In the spirit of giving, the Nez Perce Tribe sponsors an annual Food Basket contest between our various entities and departments within those entities. The distribution is handled through the Social Services Department to families in need, in coordination with their various programs.

This year the 6 baskets entered were judged by 9 staff members; all from departments with no entries. The scoring was close because, as always, the entries are truly creative. The winning departments will receive a \$200 lunch party prize.

The real meaning of the season is to give back. This has been a difficult year for so many, and taking the time to help others if you are able is more important than ever.

Acknowledging that concept and to encourage the spirit of giving, the \$200 lunch party prize will be extended to all 6 departments who entered. Besides the three mentioned earlier, we would like to thank the Wildlife Division, Law Enforcement, and Child Support Program for giving from the heart.

"We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give." (Winston Churchill)

Top Three Baskets:

Third Place:

Nightmare Before Christmas (Communications)

Second Place:

Sleigh Bells Ring

(Executive Director's Office)

First Place:

Marvel
(NPTEC)



Communications Department



Child Support Enforcement Program



Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee



Nez Perce Tribal Police Department



Wildlife Division



Executive Direction

Community Light Parade in Lapwai Raises Funds for Local Fire Department

On December 15, 2021 a night parade was held on Main Street in Lapwai. The purpose for the Lapwai Christmas Parade was to bring joy and spread holiday cheer in the community.

Nez Perce Tribal Programs would like to begin collaborating with the City of Lapwai and host more successful community events such as this.

After the parade, stew and fry bread were served and donations were welcomed. The fundraising efforts were to help raise money for the Lapwai Volunteer Fire Department. The program has no funds for uniforms or equipment. That night, a to-

tal of \$2,098 was raised for the local fire department.

The following people helped make the Lapwai Christmas Parade a success: Nez Perce Tribe Mamáy'asnim Hitéemenwees, Nimiipuu Fund, Nez Perce Tribal Housing, NPT Veteran's Program, Nez Perce Tribe Maintenance, Nez Perce Tribe Communications, Nez Perce Tribal Police Department, Nez Perce Tribe Food & Nutrition, Nez Perce Tribe Uuyit Kimti Program, Nez Perce Tribe Indian Child Welfare/CPS, Nimiipuu Health Community Health, Nimiipuu Health, University of Idaho Extension Program, Boys & Girls Club of the Nez Perce

Tribe, Lapwai Community Coalition, Black Bison, Jackie McArthur, Terri Calfrobe, Bret Lawyer & Webb Rose Photography, Lapwai Fire Department, Justin Rabago-Johnson,

Bill and Tami Skiles, Antonio Smith, John McConville, Brandon Metoxen, Judy Wilson, Ruby Moses, Julie Seeley, Delrae Kipp, and the Lapwai community participation.



‘Úuyit Kímti Delivers Gifts to Elders in Nursing Homes

The Nez Perce Tribe ‘Úuyit Kímti (New Beginings) Program brought presents to elders who are in nursing homes. All of the help was greatly loved and appreciated. Students made cards for the elders and there were beautiful handmade soaps and hats, and numerous other items were gifted to loved ones in nursing homes.

‘Úuyit Kímti would like to thank the following for their generous help and donations: Jessica Ford, Feather Holt, Fawn Domebo, Karee

Picard, Tina Guzman, Donna Konnen, Bernadine and Casey McCormack, Carmen Payne, Lotetta Higheagle, Barbara Vulgamore, David and Stacia Eagle, Rebecca Kelley and daughter, Matt and Antoinette Enick, the Ramon Eagle family, Mitchell Wilson and Taushina Eagle and 3 sons, Nez Perce Tribe Senior Citizens Program, Nez Perce Tribe Veteran’s Program (Mary Taylor), Little Roots Learning Center, Nimiipuu Health Community Health, Nez Perce Tribe Executive Direction, and Rivercity Expresso.



Qeci Yew Yew!

Indian Eyes Government and Tribal Affairs Specialist, Gabe Bohnee for delivering children bicycles to the Nez Perce Tribe Social Services Department.

Qeci Yew Yew Indian Eyes, LLC and in loving memory of the late Roxie Schescke, Indian Eyes President for your kindness and generosity <3

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Gabe Bohnee, Nez Perce

Hunting Stewardship Program Completes First Hunter Safety Course and Youth Hunt Camp

By David Moen,
Nez Perce Tribe Wildlife Division

During the first weekend of December the Nez Perce Tribe's Wildlife Division sponsored its first youth hunting camp. The camp was conducted as part the Division's Hunting Stewardship outreach initiative. It is intended to encourage hunters to use lead-free ammunition in an effort to protect community health and treaty life-sources from lead exposure via spent lead ammunition.

The camp was designed as a next step learning opportunity for tribal students who previously participated in a hunter safety course the program also offered. At the end of October, the Stewardship Program partnered with the Tribe's 4-H chapter and IDFG to teach the cross-cultural class to local youth interested in learning safe hunting techniques.

The course was free and took place at the Páyniwaas Community Center in Lapwai. It offered students professional instruction on firearm safety, rifle and ammo selection, target shooting, outdoor survival skills, first aid, animal identification, and wildlife conservation. The program attempted to offer a similar class in Kamiah as well, but not enough students registered; recruitment is ongoing.

In all, ten students graduated from the weekend



Wildlife Division Biologist David Moen and the crew after working hard to hang the day's gift and a butchering lesson. (Wildlife Division Photo)

intensive training and many others participated, including eight program volunteers and several parents. Students who completed the course received a Nez Perce Tribe certificate of recognition and an IDFG Hunter Safety card, which allows holders to purchase hunting licenses in any state.

A few weeks after the hunter safety course, Nez Perce Tribe Conservation Officer, Jerrod Rickman and Conservation Biologist, David Moen teamed up to take three Nimiipuu boys, ages ten to twelve, to the Tribe's precious lands for the Stewardship Program's first youth hunt camp.

Initially, the camp was designed for up to ten students to go on an early fall hunt, but after several delays due to wildfire smoke and local COVID spikes, the camp was whittled down to the smaller size to take extra precautions for COVID and late season winter conditions.

The students stayed at the Buford Ranch on the precious lands near Paradise, OR, and used the associated 1,540 acres as a base camp for hunting operations while also travelling to nearby National Forest lands for field experience.

Upon arrival, the students received camo hunting backpacks, water bottles, hats, socks, first aid kits, and cutting boards. Many of these items were generously donated by regional outfitters-Cabela's in Missoula, REI in Spokane and Boise, and First Hunt Foundation in Kamiah-thank you! Students were also given head lamps, ear protection, wilderness survival books, survival skills bandanas, and each had a chance to put together their own fire kits.

Both Tribal employees provided hands-on instruction on topics like sighting-in new ammunition, target practice,

shooting postures, basic tracking and hunting strategies, including "spot and stock," "posting up," and "driving," an approach that involves 'pushers and sitters.' Program staff also went over other introductory outdoor lessons, such as hunt preparation and gear choices, fire making, knife sharpening, butchering and meat-care. At the end of the experience students learned about community provisioning responsibilities and the importance of contributing to a giveaway. All the meat harvested by the hunt mentor (Officer Rickman) was donated to the Tribe's Children's Home and two Senior Centers to provide venison for youth and elders.

The hunt crew was out till dusk and up hunting before dawn from Friday night until Sunday morning with quizzes in the field and cooking on an open fire in between. After Sunday morning's hike and hunt at the ranch, the rest of the day was spent butchering and packaging the precious meat gifts received. Before leaving that day, a debrief circle was held. After discussing some of the highlights they had experienced, the students were asked to summarize the hunt camp in two words. These were their responses, "difficult and amazing, cold and fantastic, knowledgeable and sharing." Leo Jackson added, "I liked that we were asked to turn off our phones and not to use them while we were here. I think it would have been harder for me to focus on what we were doing having that. I also liked just listening to the silence out here."

To see more photos of the learning adventure, check out the Tribe's Fish and Wildlife Commission group Facebook page. For more information on the Hunter Stewardship program and the advantages of lead-free hunting, visit the Wildlife Division webpage at www.nezpercewildlife.org



Nez Perce Tribe Conservation Officer, Jerrod Rickman demonstrating the gutting lesson. (Wildlife Division Photo)

Lapwai Sweeps Past Opponents at the 9th Annual Avista Holiday Tournament

Lewiston, Clarkston, Lapwai, Grangeville, and Moscow's boys and girls teams each represented the area in the ninth annual Avista Holiday Tournament.

The Lapwai boys were called the most intriguing team heading into the tournament this year, and for good reason.

The defending Idaho Class 1A Division I state champions are currently running through each school that takes them on, even with the recent schools being larger divisions.

The Wildcats are fresh off of an 80-68 victory over 5A Coeur d'Alene on December 18, and on December 22 Lapwai also took down 4A North Central, 81-60.

With the challengers banging at Lapwai's door, the Wildcats were anxious for the 2021 Avista Holiday Tournament. Lapwai faced off with the 3A Kellogg Wildcats (6-4). In a clash of the two Wildcat teams, Lapwai came out on top quite easily, thrashing Kellogg 70-46.

In the semifinal game, Lapwai met Xavier Santana and the Clarkston Bantams. In a battle against another 5A school, Lapwai came out on fire putting heavy pressure on Santana throughout the game. Santana is an AAU buddy of some of the Lapwai guys, which put a fun target on his back. Lapwai beat Clarkston 76-52.

And finally, in a battle



AJ Ellenwood jumps for the ball at tip off for the Avista Holiday semi-final game against the Clarkston Bantams.

of the unbeaten, Lapwai took on 5A Lewiston for the Avista Championship. Both teams were 8-0 for this game, but someone had to take the L.

The Wildcats took the court confidently, as did Chanse Eke and the Bengals. The first quarter started out toe to toe where Lewiston took a 4-0 lead. That lead would not last long, Titus Yearout hit the first shot of the game for Lapwai, followed by a 3 from Kase Wynott to give Lapwai a one-point lead. Yearout knocked down a corner 3 with two minutes left in the first quarter to put Lapwai up 17-12.

The Bengals quickly answered with a 3 to trim the Wildcats' lead to two. Kross Taylor then nailed a corner 3

for Lapwai which was followed by a Bengal layup. AJ Ellenwood hit a 3 before the buzzer to give Lapwai the 23-17 edge.

The Wildcats started the second quarter on an 11-4 run to take a 34-21 advantage. The Wildcats never looked back. Lapwai handed Lewiston their first loss of the season in an 81-63 victory at the Avista Holiday Championship.

Wynott led the Wildcats with 29 points and went 9-9 from the free throw, Yearout finished with 18 points, Terrell Ellenwood-Jones added 15 and Taylor contributed 12. Ellenwood had 9 rebounds in the championship game.

In the past, Lewiston had outnumbered Lapwai at the annual event, beating

the Wildcats by identical 66-48 scores in 2018 and 2019. But from the opening tip in this one, everything seemed to go in the Wildcats' favor.

Wynott was named the tournament's MVP and Yearout was named All-Tournament.

It was evident from the roaring cheers that carried throughout the LCSC P1FCU Activity Center, that the tournament held in Lewiston was filled with the faithful fans from Lapwai and outnumbered the Bengal fans in their home town.

This ends a five-game stretch for Lapwai (9-0) where they've played schools from larger divisions. The Wildcats went easily undefeated in the run, winning by an average of 19 points.



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Turn Life Experience into College Credit with New LC State Portfolio Option

As part of its Adult Learner Initiative to help meet the needs of working adults, Lewis-Clark State College is offering a new portfolio development course to give individuals the opportunity and instruction to successfully document and demonstrate college-level competencies they have acquired through work or outside the traditional higher education process and earn college credits for it.

LC State has offered a type of portfolio class off and on for nearly three decades, but for specific subject credits only. The new portfolio class is for all majors and minors, including those in Career & Technical Education, offered at LC State. A student can earn up to 25 percent of an associate or bachelor's degree, depending upon the major, and put them well on their way toward degree completion.

The portfolio development course will run Jan. 18-March 11, 2022, and has a fee of \$50. One college credit is also available for the eight-

week online course, which won't have a scheduled meeting time, but rather will let students work at their own pace and meet with the instructor and faculty to aid them. By the end of the eight weeks, the goal is for the student to put together a portfolio that provides evidence they have met the established learning outcomes that are equivalent to college-level courses. Students can gain knowledge and skills through experiential opportunities, such as jobs, training or life experiences.

A student can earn college credits by documenting and demonstrating comprehension of learning outcomes and objectives consistent to the course outcomes. A student must be able to demonstrate at least 70 percent knowledge of learning outcomes of a related college course, which may include theoretical or conceptual knowledge as well as application of subject-specific principles.

Upon completion of the course, the portfolio is sub-

mitted to the appropriate division for review by faculty with expertise in the subject matter. Once reviewed, the student will be notified of the results. If the portfolio demonstrates college-level learning sufficiently equivalent to specific course outcomes, the notification will include how many credits/classes can be awarded. Consistent with LC State's Idaho sister institutions, a transcription fee of \$75 per class will be charged if students wish to list them on an official LC State transcript.

Fred Chilson, interim vice president for Academic Affairs and dean of Graduate Studies at LC State, said the college started its most recent Adult Learner Initiative around the time the COVID-19 pandemic hit in 2020. Since then, college officials have had time to work on the portfolio course to meet the needs of working adults, military members, and others. Luther Maddy, interim dean, School of Professional Studies, and Martin Gibbs, dean of Liberal Arts & Sciences,

developed the course with help from Chilson and Andy Hanson, senior vice president/vice president for Student Affairs.

"We have been offering a portfolio program, but we needed to create a model and establish consistency with this new course," Chilson said. "This course is consistent across all majors and is designed to meet the needs of the student. It is perfect for the working adult who wants to increase their opportunity for advancement and salary."

The course will include videos and information to help the students build their portfolios. Students will also have the opportunity to meet with the instructor, both live and remotely, who will aid them with their portfolio. The finished portfolio must be submitted by the March 11 deadline to be eligible to receive credit.

For more information or to register for the LC portfolio development course, visit the course webpage. There is also a webpage set up specifically for the adult learner.

Nimiipuu Health Mass Vaccination Team



Nimiipuu Health would like to shed light on our Mass Vaccination Team! With the current vaccination recommendations to include children ages 5-11 and the incentive from the Nez Perce Tribe, four Mass Vaccination Clinics were held. It takes plenty of time and effort to host these events for the community, and we would like to thank this group for all of their hard work and dedication. They have successfully administered 541 COVID-19 vaccinations in the past two months in the mass vaccinations alone! This does not include numbers from the regular vaccination days in the clinic. Great job team! Keep up the awesome work!

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His/Her Own Story is to highlight Nez Perce Tribal Employees and their departments and communities they serve. Visit the link below to fill out the His/Her Own Story survey
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The 12th Annual Nez Perce Tribe S.T.E.M Fair



Vendors and participants at the 2021 STEM Fair.
(Photo courtesy of Solo Greene).



Nez Perce National Historical Park booth at the 2021 STEM Fair.
(Photo courtesy of Solo Greene).

By Solo Greene,
Nez Perce Tribe ERWM Program

The Nez Perce Tribe and the Nez Perce Tribe's Environmental Restoration & Waste Management (ERWM) Program completed the 12th Annual Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM) Fair on December 2, 2021, at the Páyniwaas Community Center in Lapwai, and the fair was a huge success.

The 12th Annual STEM Fair included 30 vendors from different agencies, colleges, universities and Nez Perce Tribal Programs. It also included 57 representatives from the different vendors. There was no fee for the vendors, but they were asked to bring a door prize for the students. We had door prize drawings for the students every twenty minutes.

We would like to extend a special thank you to those vendors: American Indian Science & Engineering Society (AISES) Columbia River Chapter, GIZMO-C'DA, Idaho STEM Action Center, Idaho STEM Action Center- Idaho North & North Central STEM Ecosystem, Institute for Health in the Human Ecosystem, Lapwai Community Library, Nez Perce National Historical Park- Cultural Resources, Nez Perce National Historical Park- Natural

Resources, Nez Perce Tourism, Nez Perce Tribe Air Quality Program, Nez Perce Tribe Bio-Control Program, Nez Perce Tribe Cultural Resources Program, Nez Perce Tribe Environmental Restoration & Waste Management Program, Nez Perce Tribe Forestry & Fire Management, Nez Perce Tribe University of Idaho Extension Program, NiMiiPuu Health, Boise State University, Lewis-Clark State College- Native American, Minority and Veteran Services, Lewis-Clark State College- Teacher Education & Mathematics Divisions, Lewis-Clark State College- Nursing & Radiographic Science, Northwest Indian College, University of Idaho- College of Engineering, University of Idaho- College of Natural Resources, University of Idaho- College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Walla Walla Community College Washington State University- Tribal Relations & Recruitment, Washington State University- College of Engineering & Architecture, Washington State University- Department of Merchandising, Design & Textiles, Washington State Department of Ecology, Xexus-Greene Energy L.L.C./KIYE.

To go along with the vendors, we had 545 elementary,

middle school and high school students visit the fair, as well as, several community members, college students and Nez Perce Tribal employees. The elementary, middle school and high school students came from Lapwai Elementary, Lapwai Middle/High School, Lincoln Middle School (Clarkston, WA), Clarkston High School, Culdesac and Highland High School (Craigmont, ID). Besides introducing the students to a variety of different STEM fields, the vendors were able to talk to students about scholarships, internships, employment opportunities, school programs and different connections and opportunities. As mentioned earlier, many students also won door prizes.

Sponsors of the 12th Annual STEM Fair included the Nez Perce Tribe, Nez Perce Tribe's Environmental Restoration & Waste Management (ERWM) Program, Lapwai School District, and the Pi-Nee-Waus Community Center. The door prizes provided by the vendors were also a big part of the sponsorship.

Solo Greene, the ERWM Education Specialist and STEM Fair Coordinator, said, "This was one of the biggest fairs we've had so far. We continue to grow and get better every

year. We had a good mix of vendors, and the representatives, as well as, the students seem to connect and really enjoy themselves. Our goal and purpose is to introduce students to the many different STEM fields and opportunities and to gain the interest of the students into those fields, and this year, I think we've done that. We are so rich in natural resources. We need more students going into those fields so we can take better care of the land and earth."

Solo said that one of the things that keeps him motivated and going is a quote from Too-Hool-Hool-Zute, a Nez Perce Chief from the Dreamer Faith, he read when he first transferred over to ERWM from the Nez Perce Tribe's Early Childhood Development Program over twenty (20) years ago. The quote says, "The earth is part of my body. I belong to the land out of which I came. She is my mother." I've never forgotten that quote.

Solo also said he would like to thank all the vendors, volunteers, schools and sponsors, and a special acknowledgement to Aqua Greene-Elwell, Pete McCormack, Promise Shawl, Sawaya Greene, Solara Greene and Antonio Smith for all of their help, qeci'yew'yew.

The Shad Hoard: is the Proliferation of a Nonnative Fish in the Columbia River Harming Native Salmon?

Eli Francovich,
The Spokesman-Review

On any given day at Bonneville Dam on the Columbia River, the most common fish fighting its way up the dam's fish ladders is a silvery member of the herring family.

In fact, during some years nonnative shad, which were first introduced to the West Coast in the 1880s, make up more than 90% of recorded upstream migrants, according to an Independent Scientific Advisory Board report to the Northwest Power and Conservation Council published in November.

That reality has raised questions about how, or if, shad are impacting native steelhead and salmon, two ocean-going species whose populations have plummeted in recent decades.

"We want to know whether the shad are in some way contributing to salmon and steelhead declines," said John Epifanio, the lead author of the report. "Or alternatively, are they just simply taking advantage of some changes in the ecological conditions in the basin itself and out in the ocean?"

The report doesn't offer a conclusive answer to whether shad are hurting salmon, although it does highlight how a changing climate and disrupted ecosystem can favor one species while hurting another.

In the case of shad, it's likely that they're taking advantage of a number of things, Epifanio said.

First, dams on the Columbia River have slowed down the flow of the water, which has in turn led to warmer water. Shad can survive a wider range of temperatures than salmon. Unlike salmon, they do not build protective nests (known as redds). Instead, their gametes (combination of sperm and egg) are dispersed into the river with eggs and hatchlings passively float



Shad are said to be tasty, despite being oilier and bonier than salmon, but they're historically an East Coast fish and often looked down upon by the region's fishermen. (Spokesman.com Photo).

downriver along with currents.

Finally, the hydropower system appears to help shad, at least in some cases. Before 1960, there were fewer than 20,000 adult shad per year at Bonneville Dam. After The Dalles Dam was built, their numbers rose to 1 million a year.

Epifanio said that increase is likely because The Dalles Dam flooded Celilo Falls, previously a barrier to the upstream migration of shad. Since then, shad numbers have increased at an average rate of about 5% per year.

"We are looking at a population growth rate that is ... almost doubling every 10 years," he said.

That's a troubling trend. What's more, the abundance of shad has increased farther up the Columbia River system and into the Snake River, said Jay Hesse, the director of biological services for the Nez Perce Tribe's Department of Fisheries Resources Management. Biologists have seen increased numbers of shad above Lower Granite Dam, he said.

"We are concerned about the impacts that they may have on the native ecology and particularly our efforts to

restore healthy and harvestable salmon population," he said.

The science board's report found several ways in which shad could be negatively impacting salmon, but the report did not establish a "direct causal link," Epifanio said.

Shad may be competing with salmon for food and nursery habitat. It's possible the increased number of shad is supporting a larger-than-normal avian predator population, which could lead to more predation of salmon and steelhead.

It's not necessarily all negative. There have been reports of steelhead eating shad and Hesse said migrating shad bring much-needed nutrients to northern watershed.

Direct ecological impact aside, for the Nez Perce, other tribes and nonindigenous anglers, it's also a question of culture and tradition.

"We're a salmon people, not a shad people," said Anthony Capetillo, the aquatic invasive species biologist for the Nez Perce tribe.

On the East Coast, shad are a popular (and valuable) fishery, which is why they were introduced on the West Coast in the 1880s.

The East Coast shad population is in decline. Tribal managers tried to jump-start a commercial shad fishery in the early 2000s, said Stuart Ellis, the harvest management biologist for the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission.

Shad are a tasty fish, although bonier and oilier than salmon. That's perhaps part of the reason commercial and recreational fishing hasn't taken off, he said, although recreational fishing for shad has increased in recent years.

"Out here in the West, people don't have a connection to shad," he said. "But they are a fine fish to eat."

Ellis and other managers see increasing the social appetite for shad angling as one option for controlling the population and urge further research into the dynamics between shad and native ocean-going fish.

"These emerging issues and potential risks warrant increased attention by resource managers in the Columbia River Basin to address uncertainties about possible shad effects on declining native species and to cultural practices," the report concludes.

Kamiah Church Gets Prestigious Grant

National award designates First Indian Presbyterian landmark as an irreplaceable civic asset that provides invaluable resources to the community



The First Indian Presbyterian Church in Kamiah is shown in this late 1800s photo.
(Photo courtesy of Patricia Carter-Goodheart).

By Kathy Hedberg,
Lewiston Tribune

One of Idaho's oldest sacred places — which has served as a refuge in time of war and a sanctuary for Nez Perce Indians and non-Indians to worship together — is the recent recipient of a prestigious national grant.

First Indian Presbyterian Church in Kamiah is one of 15 historical congregations in the United States to receive a \$250,000 award from the National Fund for Sacred Places and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Bob Jaeger, president of Partners for Sacred Places, said the recipients of the grant, which include the Washington National Cathedral and St. John's Lafayette Square, both in Washington D.C., are "irreplaceable civic assets that provide invaluable resources to their communities, sharing space for everything from COVID-19 vaccinations to nutritional food programs and child care programs."

The awards, he said, are intended to help recipients renovate their buildings so they can grow their ministries and thrive into the future.

The matching grant for the Kamiah church was written by Gwen Carter and her daughter, Patricia Carter-Goodheart,

both Nez Perce tribal members and members of the First Indian Presbyterian Church.

"We were told we were only the second Native American congregation to apply for this," Carter-Goodheart said. "We're just shocked that we are able to get this kind of grant because, really, it was something that we've seen in the past but we thought, 'No way.' These are amazing landmarks and we're among that. We've always felt that our church is a beautiful, amazing place and to receive that recognition — it's a great feeling to have."

First Indian Presbyterian, which sits east of Kamiah along U.S. Highway 12, is one of two Indian Presbyterian churches in Kamiah. The congregation was formed in 1871 and the present building was constructed in 1873 under the supervision of Henry Spalding, who introduced the Presbyterian religion to the Nez Perce tribe.

Gwen Carter explained that the reason for two such churches in Kamiah is that when they were built, there was not a bridge over the Clearwater River to connect the community. The 18 acres belonging to First Presbyterian included a small village where tribal

members lived and a cemetery where their remains are buried.

The church grounds also include the MacBeth house that belonged to Kate and Sue MacBeth, who followed Spalding's work for the native Presbyterian congregation.

Carter said her great-great grandfather, Felix Corbett, along with Chief Lawyer, were among the founding members of the congregation. U.S. soldiers and tribal members worked together to build the church.

Although Spalding and the MacBeth sisters tried to stamp out the native culture, the church continues to include both traditional Nez Perce and Presbyterian practices in the Sunday worship services.

"I think we all believe that we all worship the same God, we just have different ways of doing it," Carter said. Some of the Nez Percés adopted non-Indian religions, she added, following the influence of whoever was the Bureau of Indian Affairs agent at the time.

Currently, "we do songs in Nez Perce and some prayers. We follow (the Presbyterian) lectionary and that's been fairly recent. Prior to that, we picked the topic we wanted to study."

The national grant is the first phase of a fundrais-

ing campaign to raise money for a number of projects in the church, including infrastructure repair, replacement of stained glass windows, outdated insulation removal and the relocation of bats that have taken up residence in the roof.

The campaign also will include hiring a historical archaeologist to help identify unmarked graves in the church cemetery.

Carter said tribal members, some of whom have moved from the area, have requested to be buried in the old cemetery. In the process of internment old gravesites were discovered. Carter said it's likely those graves were originally marked with wooden crosses or markers that deteriorated over the years.

"We need to identify those and expand the cemetery," she said.

The project also will include upgrading the MacBeth house and restoring some of the dwellings of the original village site.

"So we have a lot to do," she said.

The church will hold its 150th anniversary celebration Dec. 19, marking the first service of the congregation on Dec. 24, 1871. Further commemorations are planned for the spring.

"We wanted to have an opportunity for people to share their stories, pictures and recollections of the area," Carter said. "We're one of the last tribes to have remnants of their former village. So we have that and we're entrusted with taking care of it."

The church, headed by the Rev. Mary Jane Miles, has 48 regular members.

Anyone wishing more information about the church campaign or to make a donation may contact Gwen Carter at 1907 Ninth Ave. in Lewiston or call 208-816-1782.

Fewer Dams Provided Migrating Fish a Significant Advantage

By Eric Baker,
Lewiston Tribune

JOHN DAY, Ore. — Ian Tattam pushes the tip of a walking stick into a likely spring chinook salmon redd. “It’s loose,” he says of the mound of gravel in the upper reaches of the Middle Fork of the John Day River. That squishiness is a sign of recent spawning activity. In September, an adult female chinook used her body to excavate a depression for her eggs and then carefully piled gravel over them. The eggs will mature into juvenile fish sometime between March and May. “The strategy they have evolved is to spawn in the fall so the fry emerge first thing in the spring and maximize the productivity benefit in spring when growth conditions are good,” said Tattam, a fisheries biologist for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife at La Grande.

But that strategy comes with risk. Adult fish that return to the river in the spring when water is high and cold must survive over the summer when they are vulnerable to low flows and high temperatures. The emerging fry will face the same perils and others, like an abundant predator population, during the year or more they spend in freshwater. Intense heat waves like the one that struck in June can take their toll on both adult and juvenile fish.

It’s an evolutionary gamble made by spring chinook throughout the Columbia Basin and Pacific Northwest — one that will become more risky with climate change. A good and bad example: The John Day starts in the Elkhorn, Strawberry and Blue mountains of northeastern Oregon and flows about 300 miles west and north across a sparsely populated region to join the middle stretch of the Columbia River. Despite the relative lack of development, humans have had a significant impact on the river, which has been degraded by mining, logging,



Ian Tattam, fisheries biologist with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, walks across a log spanning the John Day River. The number of dams the fish negotiate to get to the two rivers is a crucial factor. (Lewiston Tribune Photo).

grazing and irrigation withdrawals. In many places, the river has been disconnected from its floodplain. Its lower sections are hot and low in the summer. Some stretches have been hemmed in by dredge mining and riparian alteration.

“None of the habitat would strike you as being what you would consider excellent chinook habitat,” said Jim Ruzicky, fish program manager for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. Efforts are underway to repair some of that damage. The Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation have conducted extensive habitat improvement work on the river’s Middle Fork, some of it on the same ground covered by Tattam and his crew during spawning surveys in September. But its lack of high-quality habitat makes the relative success of wild spring chinook in the John Day River remarkable. “It’s kind of counterintuitive. You wouldn’t expect that John Day fish would return at a rate three to five times higher than Snake River fish, but they do,” said Adam Storch, a scientist with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Storch is one of several scientists who has worked on a long-running study comparing salmon and steelhead returns in the John Day and

SNAKE rivers. The work shows John Day fish, despite the degraded habitat, routinely outperform fish from the Snake River Basin in one key survival metric — smolt-to-adult ratio. The metric tracks the percentage of juvenile salmon and steelhead that survive their migration through freshwater to the ocean and ultimately return as adults. The survival disparity between the two tributaries of the Columbia River is one of the key arguments made by scientists and fish advocates for breaching the four lower Snake River dams.

Fisheries scientists and policymakers say for a run to be stable, it needs to achieve a smolt-to-adult return rate of at least 2 percent. A rate of 4 percent is necessary for a run to grow. The long-term rate for wild Snake River spring chinook, as measured at Lower Granite Dam, is less than 1 percent, and for wild steelhead, it’s about 1.7 percent. On the John Day River, the rate is more than 4 percent for chinook and above 5 percent for steelhead. The John Day River doesn’t have any hatcheries, so all of the fish, with the exception of strays, are wild.

It’s the kind of survival fisheries managers on the Snake River, with its abundance of high-quality habitat in the mountains of central Idaho

and northwestern Oregon, dream of. What explains the disparity in smolt-to-adult survival? Why would the river with habitat that is in much poorer condition and more vulnerable to climate change be home to fish runs that are doing better?

The scientists conducting the study say dams are the most likely explanation. The John Day River is free-flowing. Fish that return there must negotiate just three dams on the Columbia River — Bonneville, The Dalles and John Day. Fish that return to the Snake River must pass eight dams — four on the Columbia and four on the lower Snake. Dams slow the speed of the river and lengthen the time it takes for juvenile fish to reach the ocean. That makes them more vulnerable to predators and getting lost in slackwater reservoirs.

The fish are also exposed to stress and injury when passing the dams. Studies show the fewer times smolts pass through hydroelectric turbines at the dams or the system of screens and pipes designed to protect them from that fate, the better they survive to return as adults.

“You start running out of culprits,” said Art Martin, a fisheries scientist with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. “The fact that those Snake River fish have to traverse more dams as juveniles and adults is a likely factor in this increased mortality in the Snake River fish compared to the John Day fish.”

Breaching the four dams has long been discussed as a way to save Snake River salmon and steelhead. The effort to do so gained momentum this year when U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson, R-Idaho, unveiled his \$33.5 billion concept that would remove the earthen portions of the dams and compensate affected communities and industries. Now Washington Gov. Jay Inslee and Sen.

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Patty Murray, D-Wash., are also looking at breaching and how services provided by the dams might be replaced. At the same time, the Biden administration is negotiating with the Nez Perce Tribe, Oregon and environmental groups in an attempt to settle decades of litigation over the dams. All three entities support breaching, something the federal government has long resisted. Tattam says the poor-quality habitat on the John Day has an impact on juvenile fish survival. But so do the dams. Having just three dams to contend with, instead of eight, makes a difference.

"John Day fish are behind in freshwater. They are not producing as many smolts per spawner in freshwater as even just the neighboring Imnaha and Grande Ronde populations," he said. "But they make up for it, or even surpass the other populations in the Columbia River and later in the ocean."

Others note that chinook in the John Day and Salmon River had comparable survival rates decades ago. But they diverged after hydrosystem development between Lewiston and the Tri-Cities. "Whatever side of the argument you fall on, something happened around 1975 when the Snake River dams were finished," Storch said. Salmon bread basket If you want to find good spring chinook habitat, just look at a relief map of central Idaho, says David Johnson, director of the Nez Perce Tribe's Department of Fisheries Resources Management. It's wrinkled with mountain valleys above 5,000 feet in elevation and peaks that reach even higher. Spawning streams, fed by spring and summer snowmelt, stay cool even in July and August. Many are in wilderness areas owned and managed by the federal government. Those not protected as wilderness are mostly surrounded by public land where

development is limited. "The Snake River Basin makes up the lion's share of the remaining habitat (in the Columbia Basin) for anadromous salmonids, and actually it's always been that way," Johnson said. "The Snake River Basin really has been the bread basket for salmon in the Columbia River Basin." It once produced an estimated 2 million spring and summer chinook annually, 50 percent or more of the entire Columbia Basin population. "The vast amount of remaining habitat in the Snake is the exact type of habitat they need. It's mountain streams," he said. Johnson and other fisheries scientists contend removing the earthen portions of the four lower Snake River dams will reduce dam-related mortality, allowing the fish to achieve smolt-to-adult rates in the 2 to 6 percent range and take fuller advantage of their high-quality habitat. "If you want to do something for anadromous fish in the entire Columbia Basin, you've got to do something for the Snake River Basin," Johnson said. Change is coming: Much of that habitat sits at elevations that scientists expect to remain viable even as temperatures rise because of climate change. That is critical, said Jay Hesse, director of biological services for the Nez Perce Tribe's Department of Fisheries Resources Management. As the climate warms, areas below 5,000 feet are likely to see more rain than snow during the winter. They will accumulate less snowpack, resulting in a much shorter duration of high spring flows that both adults and juveniles depend on. Streams will run lower and warmer in the summertime and surviving during the hottest days will be more difficult. "The prediction is that snowpack-driven systems will not be existing under 5,000 feet or even higher," Hesse said. "That is why we see the Snake Basin as being so important to hanging on to these fish," he said.



Fisheries biologists with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife ready to set out on the John Day River for a spawning survey for chinook salmon earlier this fall. (Lewiston Tribune Photo).

He points to places like the South Fork of the Salmon River and its tributaries like the Secesh River, Johnson Creek and the East Fork of the South Fork River. "Those fish spawn at 6,000 feet in elevation and the mountains go up from there and that is where the snowpack is predicted to remain in the future. Those fish will still be spawning and rearing in habitats that are driven by winter snow and spring snowmelt." But despite the high quality of habitat, wild Snake River spring chinook and steelhead are struggling. They have been under the protection of the Endangered Species Act for about 30 years. According to an assessment by the Nez Perce Tribe, 42 percent of wild Snake River spring chinook and 19 percent of wild steelhead have seen 50 or fewer spawning adults return to their spawning grounds for at least four consecutive years, putting them at risk for extinction.

Back on the John Day's Middle Fork, Tattam records the redd and marks it by tying a piece of pink flagging to a

nearby bush to ensure the nest isn't double-counted in follow-up spawning surveys. At the end of the day, he and his team have counted only a handful of redds, far below the long-term average. Counts are down on the river's North Fork as well. Like a lot of places in the Pacific Northwest, it's a tough year for wild spring chinook salmon. The river is showing vulnerability of its habitat. Tattam says the low numbers could be tied to the June heat wave but also noted this year's adults are descendants of adults that returned and spawned in 2013 when another hot summer took a heavy toll on adult fish. Low numbers tend to beget low numbers. "It would be common in big abundance years to walk up to some of these tail outs and see two or three females digging and four to eight males lined up by size jousting for position," he said. "But right now I'm pretty happy to have seen two redds thus far. This could have been a really bad year, especially with the heat dome, but they somehow seemed to have survived it."

January is National Radon Month; Radon is Found in 1 in 15 Homes

January is National Radon Action Month. It is essential to be aware and knowledgeable about radon, thus the importance behind the month's cause.

Radon is an odorless, colorless, and tasteless gas that can cause lung cancer and other long-term exposure issues. Radon is a radioactive gas that occurs naturally in soil. It enters your home through cracks in concrete floors, walls, floor drains and sump pits. It's produced through the breakdown of uranium in soil, water, and rocks.

As you breathe, the radon gas can release tiny bursts of energy that can damage living lung tissue and can lead to lung cancer over time.

Radon is the leading cause of lung cancer deaths among nonsmokers in America and claims the lives of approximately 21,000 Americans each

year. The EPA and the U.S. Surgeon General urge all Americans to protect their health by testing their homes, schools, and other buildings for radon.

"Exposure to radon is a preventable health risk, and testing radon levels in your home can help prevent unnecessary exposure. If a high radon level is detected in your home, you can take steps to fix the problem to protect yourself and your family," reads a statement from Environmental Protection (EPA).

Kits are used to test for radon in a home. If radon is detected at an unsafe level, officials will contact certified radon professionals to help decrease the levels in the home.

Order a \$10.95 test kit at www.radonidaho.org. For further information, please contact ERWM Air Quality at 208-621-3821 or email johnab@nezperce.org.



City of Lapwai WELCOMES



Ruby Moses

Hello, my name is Ruby Moses. I am an enrolled Nez Perce Tribal member. I am excited to join the City of Lapwai as the new Utilities Administrator. Previously I was a Bank Service Manager for over 10 years and the Nez Perce Tribal Gaming Enterprises, at both the It'se Ye Ye and Clearwater Casinos for 11 years. I bring over 25 years of management, accounting, and customer service experience to my current position. I am looking forward to serving the City of Lapwai residents in this capacity and am thankful to the City of Lapwai for affording me this opportunity.

Nimiipuu Health would like to congratulate Sasheena Williams on her in-house transition! Sasheena has recently transferred from her 8-year service in Dental to our Behavioral Health department as a Peer Recovery Coach! Before coming to NMPH, Sasheena worked as a hotel receptionist at the Clearwater River Casino.

Sasheena's desire to make a difference in the lives of others brought her to Nimiipuu Health. In her role as a Recovery Coach, Sasheena States, "I can contribute to creating a healthier world for our people. Life-changing and lifesaving makes this opportunity all worth it." In her down-time, Sasheena loves spending time with her family, traveling, fishing, cooking, baking, cleaning, shopping, music, bird watching and photography. She adopted her first bonus kid in 2018. Jhene Aiko is one of her favorite artists. Halloween and Christmas are her favorite holidays. She LOVES shoes. She gets anxiety being in large crowds, and loves being outdoors huckleberry picking and root digging. One struggle that made Sasheena who she is today is her journey overcoming alcoholism and helping others through that struggle as well.

Words Sasheena likes to remember in hard times are, "Everytime that it seems like life is punishing you, understand that you're only being prepared for everything that you have coming to you." -Londrelle

Congratulations on your transfer Sasheena, we are so happy to continue having you on our team!

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WINTER WEATHER WATER GUIDE

HANDY TIPS TO KEEP YOUR PIPES FROM FREEZING

It's all about prevention

Frozen pipes can leave you without water in the worst of weather. And cost a lot to repair. But with a few simple steps, you can easily preserve both your budget and your peace of mind.

AMERICAN WATER

BEFORE COLD WEATHER SETS IN:



Check sprinkler or irrigation systems

Make sure you've turned everything off and fully drained the system.



Identify your home's freezing points

Check your home for pipes in areas that might be prone to freezing, such as crawl spaces, unheated rooms, basements, garages, and exterior walls.



Know how to shut off your water

Locate your main water shut-off valve. You may want to tag or label it so you don't have to search for it in an emergency.



Strengthen your defenses

Eliminate sources of cold air near water lines by closing off crawl spaces, fixing drafty windows, insulating walls and attics, and plugging drafts around doors.



Protect your pipes

Where pipes are exposed to cold, wrap them with insulation or electrical pipe heater (even fabric or newspaper can help).

WHEN TEMPERATURES STAY BELOW FREEZING:



Keep water working

Keep water moving through the pipes by allowing a small trickle of water to run.



Give pipes a helping hand

If pipes run through cabinets or vanities, open the doors to let warmer room temperatures flow in.

BUT IF YOUR PIPES DO FREEZE:



Thaw pipes with warm air

You can melt the frozen water in the pipe by warming the air around it with a hair dryer or space heater. Be sure not to leave space heaters unattended and avoid the use of kerosene heaters or open flames.



Shut off the water immediately

Don't attempt to thaw pipes without turning off the main shut-off valve.



Be careful turning water back on

Once pipes are thawed, slowly turn the water back on and check pipes and joints for any cracks or leaks that might have been caused by freezing.

Anthony (Tiger) Wayne Henry, 85, Pullman, WA



Anthony (Tiger) Wayne Henry, aka Wachumyus (Rainbow), began his journey to be with Creator on Thursday, December 15, 2021 surrounded by his family.

Anthony was born February 25, 1961 to Billy D. Henry and Marilyn (Johnson) Lowery in Lewiston, ID. He was a proud member of the Confederated Tribes of the Colville reservation and a descendant of Old Lookingglass, the Asotin Band and Joseph Band.

Anthony grew up in Lapwai and lived his childhood years being raised by his grandparents Francis and Edwina Henry. Anthony attended Lapwai Schools, where he competed in football, basketball, and boxing. In his younger years Anthony was a Ol'Style Traditional dancer, and his lifelong love of the outdoors included riding motorcycles, hunting, fishing and being a provider for his family. He enjoyed fishing at the Lochsa and Rapid River and spent one season fishing on the Columbia River. Anthony had a love for rock and roll, fast cars and enjoyed spending time at the Spokane and Yakima Speedways. Anthony lived a fulfilling life which he accomplished many great and wonderful things Anthony married Tawna Bybee of Lapwai in June 1980 and had two children; they

later divorced. He held many jobs throughout his travels in the Pacific Northwest and was employed by Blount/ATK, Nez Perce National Historical Park, Burlington Railroad and did tree thinning. His greatest achievement was being a self-taught mechanic he loved working on cars and building things with his hands. Anthony was preceded in death by his daughter Rainbow May Henry, granddaughter Amber Lee Henry, grandson JJ Rodriguez-Jim and Niece Charisse Holt; brothers; Darryl George, Jr., Adam Matthews and Billy Henry, Jr. Paternal Grandparents, Francis (Frenchy) and Edwina (Taylor) Henry; Maternal Grandparents, Moffett Johnson, and Theresa High-eagle. Anthony is survived by his parents; Billy D. (Donna) Henry of Lapwai and Marilyn (Jerry) Lowery of Wapato,

WA. Anthony lives on through his children; Billy J. (Tiffany) Henry, Dante Henry both of Lapwai, ID, Myrtle Jim and Antonio Henry-Garmon both of Yakima, WA. His Brother; Marcus (Moose) Matthews of Boise, ID, Sisters; Arleen Henry, Dawn Henry, Adrienne Henry, and Tracee Holt all Lapwai, ID; Andrea (Willie) Tomma of Wapato, WA, Debbie (Cyrus) Henry of Toppenish, WA and Jamie Garner of Boise, ID. His Aunt Kelly (Aqeel) Ahmed of the Country of Bahrain. Anthony is survived by 19 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. A private dressing service and memorial were held on Friday, December 17, 2021 and funeral services, Saturday, December 18, 2021 at the Pi-Nee-Waus Community Center in Lapwai, ID. Final resting place and burial Jonah Cemetery, Sweetwater, ID.

Colleen Lilia Lupe, 88, Lapwai, ID



Colleen Lilia Lupe was born March 7, 1933. She entered into eternal Rest December 28, 2021.

Colleen was born to Lavinia Williams & George Burke at Hood River, Oregon.

Colleen spent her early childhood being raised by her maternal grandmother Alice Hayes. She attended a one room school in East Kamiah, where she met her future husband, Oliver Jackson. She only went to school until the 8th grade.

Colleen & Oliver were married on March 27, 1954 and had nine children together- Ol-

ivia, Oliver, Randall, Bennett, Eric, Dean, Tracey, Jeanette, and Alexis. They lived in several logging towns, Pierce Headquarters, Kamiah & Lewiston. She and Oliver later divorced. She later met her second husband Warren Lupe and they had one son, Levi, and they resided in Cibecue, Arizona. She later divorced Warren.

Colleen Lupe was an ordained minister who traveled through out the United States and Canada over a sixty-year period. She had a strong voice, intercessory prayer and deliverance ministry. She would assist people by counseling domestic & family issues. She would attend the courts to advocate for those in need. There were also times she would be led to speak with several NPTEC leaders, to encourage and provide her wisdom.

One of her memorable ministerial moments was to attend a Multi-Tribal Christian Prayer of Reconciliation to Plymouth, Rock, Massachusetts. She lived many places

which some of them included the Quinault Rez and also the Oglala Sioux Rez. She learned to make her star quilts while living on the Oglala Sioux Rez. This is where she also earned her G.E.D and then started taken college courses. She then returned to her homeland for the remainder of her life.

Colleen is preceded in death by her mother, Lavinia Williams. Her father, George Burke. Her grandmother Clarence Burke. Her sisters Phyllis Moffett, Carrol and Emily.

Her brothers, Forrest Williams, Marvin Williams, Leeland Ellenwood, and William Burke. Her daughter Olivia Jackson. Her sons, Oliver Jackson, Bennett Jackson, and Eric Jackson. Her adopted sister, Pautette Weasel Bear. Her sons, Randy Jackson, Dean Jackson, Tracey Jackson and Levi Lupe. Her daughters, Jeanette Jackson and Alexis Polk.

She also leaves 33 grandchildren and 66 great-grand children and one great great grandchild.

CONGRATULATIONS

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Patricia Maye Williamson, 78, Lapwai, ID



the eventual love of her life in Harold "Skip" Williamson. Patty and Skip would eventually have two sons of their own, John Williamson and Thomas Williamson.

Throughout her adult life, Patty was a great cook and worked in the Lapwai schools as a cook. She was a loving individual and considered every kid within the community to be her grandchildren.

Patricia "Patty" Maye Williamson was born May 13, 1943, in Raleigh, N.C., to Robert Gilliland and Beatrice Mills. Patty was an Army brat, and frequently moved throughout her lifetime. Eventually, Patty ended up in Orofino where she met her first husband, James Barber, and had two children, Shannon Barber (Marcell) and Victor Barber. The two would later divorce.

Patty passed away Sunday, Dec. 19, 2021, at Life Care Center of Lewiston of an age-related illness. She was preceded in death by her parents, and daughter Shannon.

Patty is survived by her husband, Harold; sons Victor, John and Thomas; and many other grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Services for Patty were held at 10:00 a.m. December 23, 2021 at the Pi-Nee-Waus.

This only led her to

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This Accelerated program is designed for participants to gain valuable teaching experience, develop a teaching portfolio, jumpstart their teaching career and securing employment in the exciting field of Early Childhood Education.

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January 14th, 2022
Call or Text: 208-935-8587
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Tiny Tots Learning Center

Start Date: January 2022

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UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

QUESTIONS: AUSTIN DOMEBO
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Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority is accepting applications for:

Grants Coordinator-HAF

Full time Grants Coordinator for our new US Treasury Homeowners Assistance Fund. Develop, manage and report on required activities, thorough knowledge and understanding of mortgage financing and re-financing, and other administrative support functions. Bachelor degree in related field, two years administrative experience, excellent skills in customer service, math calculations, writing, organizing, office machines, computers & technology, valid driver's license and bondable. Open until filled. Nez Perce and Indian Preference applies. Submit NPTHA application to: Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority,

P.O. Box 188, Lapwai, ID 83540. For job description or more information, please call (208)843-2229. Open until fill

Maintenance / Construction Worker

The Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority is accepting applications for a Maintenance/ Construction Worker for our rental units in the Lapwai 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 info: (208) 843-2229. Open until filled

Administrative Assistant

The NPTHA is seeking an experienced Administrative Assistant to support multiple grant funded programs. Requires two-year degree or equivalent

in related college courses, two years of administrative experience and one-year supervisory experience preferred. Applicant must possess excellent verbal and written communication skills, ability to work independently, excellent office management skills, excellent mathematical skills, proficient in various software applications, database mgmt., charts, graphs and presentation. Full time with benefits. Tribal and Indian Preference will apply. Please send NPTHA application to: Executive Director, Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority, P. O. Box 188, Lapwai, ID 83540 or email NPTHA@nezperce.org. More info call 208 843-2229. Open until filled

NEZ PERCE TRIBE COVID-19 INCENTIVE LOTTERY

\$1,000 WINNERS

ERIC UNRUH
LUCY PETERSON
ANTOINE MAREK
EDITH LUCILLE POWAUKEE
PATRICK SOBOTTA
ASHLEY HENDREN
VICTORIA HAZEL WEASKUS
GORDON WEBB
MALCOLM TANNER

\$200 WINNERS

VINA HARRISON
MONET AVERILL-ALFREY
STEPHANIE TAYLOR
SYLVIA ESTELLE MITCHELL
COLLEEN LUPE
ESAI MOSES
ANGELA REBELLS PICARD
CANDACE GREENE
CYLEN AARON MOSES
DIANA AGNES ELLENWOOD
EDWARD MAIN
JUANIKA HILL
SERGIO ALVAREZ ISLAS
DANCING CLOUD WILLIAMS
BRENT LLOYD
JOLANDA EVITA VILLALOBOS
GEOFFREY LANCASTER
AARON ALFREY
CONSTANCE GEORGENE EVANS
ROBERT L. JOHNSON JR
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ROSE MARIE KETCHUM
NATHALIE BRENDA MOOSE
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JAMES HOLT JR
SHANI ROY (PINKHAM)
SASHEENA WILLIAMS
TAMMY HIXSON
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TRACI MCKARCHER
KRISTINA WILSON
DELBERT WAYNE ELLENWOOD

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KEITH TWOHATCHET
AUDRA CARLENE GREENE
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VESTA VILLALOBOS
JANNELLE GIBBS
MIRANDA DOMEBO
DARRYL REUBEN
JOSLYN LEIGHTON
KALEIGH STEFFY
WENONA CHRISTEL HOLT
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ARIELL ELLENWOOD
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Almost all of the COVID-19 Vaccine Incentive Drawings have taken place. The final drawing took place January 5, 2022. Names will be included in the next issue.

Drawings have been held each week starting in November and finishing in January. Congratulations to these recent lucky winners!

Please Note:

All names included in the lottery were received from Nimiipuu Health, based on the release of information forms that were received and completed verification. Individuals that opted to not participate in the lottery were not and will not be included.

The drawing occurred via Face Book Live, in effort to reach the largest audience possible. It was recorded and sent out via mass email following completion of the event. A list of all the winners were also shared on all media platforms and a link to view the video also.



CONGRATS

Nez Perce Tribe December Employee of the Month

*Marsan Lawyer
NPTEC Support Staff*

"I have had the pleasure of working with this person for over 10 years. During that time, I have witnessed her work ethic and commitment to our department and organization. She is willing to step up and take on challenges with a smile, great attitude and a few jokes to brighten the way. Her understanding of the processes needed to complete the work flow our office handles makes her an invaluable part of the team. She is a team player, compassionate, creative and driven. Overall she is an amazing lady and is deserving of this recognition." --

Vestal Smith

Congratulations

JASMINE HIGHEAGLE
2021 NPT EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR



‘Úuyit Kímti Accepting Donations

Now that Christmas is over,
please consider donating your unwanted gifts
to the Nez Perce Tribe ‘Úuyit Kímti (New Beginnings) Program.

‘Úuyit Kímti is accepting winter clothing, toys, accessories,
small home decor and kitchen ware for the families they serve.
‘Úuyit Kímti helps families start new beginnings by supplying
items they need. Donations can be taken to the ‘Úuyit Kímti
Program centers in Lapwai and Kamiah.

Donations will remain confidential.

‘Úuyit Kímti in Lapwai- 101 Agency Road
‘Úuyit Kímti in Kamiah- Wéeyes Community Center

For more information,
please contact ‘Úuyit Kímti at 208-791-6135.

Notice of Vacancy

Gaming Commission

The Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee (NPTEC)
is seeking letters of interest from individuals interested in
serving a three (3) year term on the Nez Perce Tribe
Gaming Commission. The individual appointed will serve
January 2022 to December 31, 2025.

Please submit your letter of interest and resume to
Marie Baheza, NPTEC Executive Assistant,
nptec@nezperce.org
by close of business on January 7, 2022.
Letters received after the close of business
on January 7, 2022 will not be considered.

View the class description at:
[https://nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/
Class-description-NPTGC-Gaming-Commissioner-2006.pdf](https://nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Class-description-NPTGC-Gaming-Commissioner-2006.pdf)

View the gaming ordinance at:
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Gaming-Ordinance.pdf](https://nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Gaming-Ordinance.pdf)

Notice of Vacancy

TERO Commission

The Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee (NPTEC)
is seeking letters of interest from individuals interested in
serving a three (3) year term on the Nez Perce Tribe
TERO Commission. There are two (2) TERO Commissioner
Vacancies. The individuals appointed will serve
beginning January 11, 2022 through January 11, 2024.

Please submit your letter of interest to
Marie Baheza, NPTEC Executive Assistant,
nptec@nezperce.org
by close of business on Friday, January 7, 2022.
Letters received after the close of business
on January 7, 2022 will not be considered.

View TERO bylaws at:
[https://nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/
TERO-Bylaws.pdf](https://nezperce.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/TERO-Bylaws.pdf)

Nez Perce Tribe Moves to Stage 4

The Nez Perce Tribe
Emergency Operations Com-
mand (EOC) continues to
monitor the COVID-19 situa-
tion. Recently Nimiipuu Health
reported over the last month
a steady decline in COVID-19
cases with a current positiv-
ity rate of 2.7% and .14 cases
per day, over the past 14 days.
In tracking the trends, there
has been a steady decline in
positive cases this time last
year that persisted into March
of 2020. There have been no
positive cases reported as a
result of having the 2021 Fall
General Council in person.

COVID-19 vaccina-
tions continue to be sched-
uled and the Tribe's COV-
ID-19 Vaccine Incentive has
proven to be successful.

Given this information it

has been approved by the Nez
Perce Tribal Executive Commit-
tee to move into Stage 4 of our
COVID-19 Pandemic Response.

Stage 4 allows for
large gatherings/ events and
continued travel. Face cover-
ings are still required when a
six-foot distance cannot be
maintained. Social distanc-
ing must continue where
possible. Regular sanitation
and hand washing is a must.

For events, every at-
tempt should be made to host
outdoors. If this is not feasible,
event planners should aim for
a venue with enough space to
comfortably fit the desired at-
tendance size with six-foot dis-
tancing, high ceilings and good
ventilation. If a person feels
sick, they are required to stay
home and monitor symptoms.

COVID-19 Recommendations

Fully vaccinated people
do not need to quarantine af-
ter contact with someone who
had COVID-19 unless they
have symptoms. Fully vacci-
nated people should be tested
3-5 days following a known
expo-sure to someone with
suspect-ed or confirmed COV-
ID-19 and wear a mask in pub-
lic indoor settings for 14 days
or until they receive a negative
test result. If you are asympto-
matic, you may return to work.

Unvaccinated people
who have COVID-19 symptoms
and have taken part in any ac-
tivity that puts them at higher
risk such as travel, attending
large social or mass gather-
ings, or being in crowded or
poorly-ventilated indoor set-
tings need a COVID-19 test.

Vaccinated and Un-
vaccinated individuals: If you
have had close contact (within
6 feet for a total of 15 minutes
or more over a 24-hour pe-
riod) with someone with con-
firmed COVID-19, you need to
test. If you have been asked
or referred to get tested by a
healthcare provider, or state,
tribal, local, external, or ter-
ritorial health department,

you need to test. If you have
had exposure from a known
positive case (confirmed with
test) within 6ft., more than
15 minutes without a mask
you need to test and quaran-
tine until your test results are
available. If you were COV-
ID-19 positive within the last
three months, no need to
test if you are symptom free.

Reminders: Employees
who feel sick are NOT to come to
work and patients who feel sick
are NOT to come into the clinic
before calling the triage nurse.
Please call the triage nurse
FIRST to be screened. 208-
843-2271, ext. -2851 or call
ext-2810, 2814 or 2821 to be
placed on the phone triage list.

Please be patient.
Your call is important to us
at NMPH. NMPH Staff re-
main very busy and will re-
turn your call when able.

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following numbers: (208) 790-
1842, (208) 790-1840, (208)
790-1839. Please remember
these or write them down for
future reference, in the event
that they try to contact you.

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Email: oscar@bossheatingandac.com

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Email: chantellesouther81@gmail.com

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Phone: 208-451-4915
Email: dianalwarden@msn.com

D-3 Native Wood Works, LLC

Phone: 208-507-0348
Email: braddr@hotmail.com

Falcon Construction

Phone: 208-791 3882 / 208-843-2341
Email: montie.phillips@yahoo.com

Hipeexnu kii U Nuun Wisiix, Inc.

Phone: 208-816-6552
Email: www.hipeexnu.org

Intertribal Terrestrial Services, LLC

Phone: 208-791-6552
Email: its.teressa@nezpercesystems.com

Jason Hendren

Phone: 208-413-1831
Email: jasonh@gmail.com

J. Marek Construction

Phone: 208-791-9056

Kamiakin Systems Integration

Phone: 509-494-4474

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Phone: 208-848-6828/208-790-8948
Email: levijholt@gmail.com

MB Plumbing

Phone: 509-751-6018

McFarland Enterprises

Phone: 208-843-2353/208-816-2657
Email: michaelmcfarland566@gmail.com

Nez Perce Tourism, LLC

Phone: 208-790-8873
Web Site: nezpercetourism.com

Tiny Tots Learning Center

Phone: 208-935-8587

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Phone: 208-935-8959

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Web Site: www.trisllc.com

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Phone: 208-790-0022
Email: onthevergesince1855.com

White Shield, Inc.

Phone: 509-547-0100
Email: sfricke@whiteshield.com

WW Transport LLC.

Phone: 208-962-5926

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Clearwater River Casino 208-746-0723, Fax 746-5715
Commodity Foods Kamiah 208-935-4115, Fax 935-4125
Commodity Foods Lapwai 208-843-7305, Fax 843-7401
Communications 208-621-4808
Conservation Enforcement 208-843-7143, Fax 208-843-7148
Construction Office 208-621-4871
Court Kamiah 208-935-2525
Cultural Language Lapwai 208-843-7402, Fax 843-7308
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Cultural Resources 208-843-7313, Fax 843-7419
Day Labor Program 208-621-3673
Distance Learning Center Kamiah 208-935-4106, Fax 935-4126
Distance Learning Center Lapwai 208-843-7336
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Human Resources 208-843-7332, Fax 208-843-7414
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Nimiipuu Health Kamiah 208-935-0733, Fax 935-1005
Nimiipuu Health Lapwai 208-843-2253
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Students For Success Kamiah 208-935-4109, Fax 935-4120
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TERO Kamiah 208-935-4703, Fax 935-4120
TERO Lapwai 208-843-7363, Fax 843-7365
Tewéepuu Center 208-476-7407, Fax 476-5578
Tribal Police Law Enforcement Kamiah 208-935-4107, Fax 935-7897
Tribal Police Law Enforcement Lapwai 208-843-7141, Fax 843-5337
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Water Resources 208-843-7368, Fax 843-7371
Watershed Division 208-621-3525, Fax 843-9192
Wéeyes Center 208-935-2525, Fax 935-4100
Wildlife-Lapwai 208-843-2162, Fax 843-2427
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