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12 Weeks to Holiday Clean

Week One
- Decluttering & organizing your closet
- Let go of clothes that don't fit
- Clothes old and worn

Week Two
- Decluttering & organizing your Outer wear
- Toss shoes old & worn

Week Three
- Decluttering & organizing your Kitchen
- Go through your cabinets and drawers to rid of unused dishes and containers

Week Four
- Deep Cleaning your kitchen
- Scrub the oven, fridge, freezer, doors, walls, kickplate and floors

Week Five
- Decluttering your homes hot spots
- Identify areas that get messy over and over
- Make small changes to stop cycle of clutter

Week Six
- Deep Cleaning your main living areas
- Break up areas into chunks
- Progress over perfection

Week Seven
- Creating your gift giving guide
- Plan & budget your holiday shopping

Week Eight
- Create a Gifting & Wrapping Station
- Wrapping gifts early helps reduce impulse buys

Week Nine
- Declutter & organize holiday décor
- Go through your décor and get rid of items you haven't used in two seasons

Week Ten
- Get your home ready for guests
- Set out clean bedding and towels

Week Eleven
- Holiday meal planning
- Grocery shop and meal prep

Week Twelve
- Finishing touches
- Wipe down surfaces
- Set out candles
DRUGS

“Preliminary data shows fentanyl was related to 42% of overdose deaths in Idaho last year, according to the state's Drug Overdose Prevention Program.” as reported by KTVB last March. In the picture shown below, the fake fentanyl drug looks the same as the authentic pharmaceutical drug oxycodone. People who are overdosing think they are buying pharmacy pills when they are buying pills containing fentanyl leading to overdosing on fentanyl.

The Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority (NPTHA) wants to remind all tenants of their lease agreement. The NTPHA has ZERO TOLERANCE FOR DRUGS in any of our NPTHA managed units and we wish nothing other than to have drugs off our reservation entirely.

ALL TENANTS SIGN A LEASE AGREEING TO THIS: Should Lessee, any member of their household, or guest, engage in any criminal activity or alcohol abuse that threatens the health, safety, or right for peaceful enjoyment by tenants, employees of NPTHA. FOR ENGAGING IN DRUG RELATED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY OCCURRING ON OR OFF THE PREMISES, THE LEASE WILL BE SUBJECT TO TERMINATION. If you have concerns with possible drug use in your neighborhood, please contact Law Enforcement.
Owning a pet can be one of the most satisfying experiences a family can have. Once we give in to the cute puppy eyes or the playful kitty, we sometimes forget the long list of responsibilities that come along with owning a pet. Please remember, dogs and cats can be a maintenance nightmare if they are not properly supervised. They can cause damage to your home and personal belongings as well as become a nuisance to the neighbors. The NPTHA has been receiving complaints that dogs are nipping at children, fighting with other animals, getting into trash, dragging animal parts and bones throughout the neighborhood. All pets should be confined to their yard and not interfere with neighbors’ peaceful enjoyment. Please remember, your dog(s) need to be licensed, registered and approved by the NPTHA.

The Nez Perce Tribe has Civil Service Officers may pick up animals at large or issue citations for violations of the Dog Ordinance.

The NPTHA policy does not allow any vicious animals, more specifically but not limited to Rottweiler, Pit Bulls, Doberman Pinschers or any mixed breeds thereof.

“Dogs

A dog is the only thing on earth that loves you more than he loves himself.”

Josh Billings

Cats
Ultimate 8 Fall Home Maintenance Tips

1. Check smoke detectors, fire extinguishers & first aid kits
2. Clean your chimney & fireplace
3. Check windows
4. Wrap indoor pipes
5. Inspect your roof
6. Inspect your heating system
7. Stock up on Supplies
8. Finish seasonal yard maintenance
10 Steps to Prepare for Fall

Although it doesn't quite feel like it yet, Fall is just around the corner. What better time to start prepping your home for the weather to come! We've gathered some home maintenance tasks to get your home ready for this next season.

1. **Purchase a Programmable Thermostat**
   Having a programmable thermostat is completely worth the investment, especially once the weather cools down. If you set your thermostat back while you're away during the day, you could save up to 10% on your air conditioning/heating bill each year. Many programmable thermostats can even be accessed from on your phone.

2. **Fertilize your Lawn**
   Applying fall lawn fertilizer will help prevent winter damage and spring weeds. Ask a local garden center or check online to find out which type of fertilizer you need and when to apply it.

3. **Reverse your Ceiling Fan (counter-clockwise)**
   During winter, warm air rises while cool air will stays close to the ground. By flipping a switch and reversing your ceiling fan, cool air is forced up, and warmer air is pushed down.

4. **Clean the Gutters**
   If rain gutters are blocked they can overflow which can cause water damage to your home, including the foundation and basement. Take out your ladder, and clear out any leaves, branches, or debris from the gutter.

5. **Plant Bulbs for Spring-Blooming Flowers**
   There are several beautiful Spring-blooming flowers but they must be planted at just the right time during the Fall. Some popular ones are the tulip, iris, daffodil, hyacinth and lily.

6. **Clean the Fireplace and Chimney**
   Before you fire up the fireplace this Winter, make sure it's clean and ready to go. Your fireplace & chimney should be cleaned and inspected every 50 burns to ensure that it's ready to be used.

7. **Check Smoke Detectors**
   Replace all batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors throughout your home. Once you've replaced the batteries, press the test button to insure they are working properly.

8. **Remove Warm Clothes from Storage**
   The seasons will begin to change and soon you'll be trading in your tank tops for sweaters and coats. This is a great time to sort through all of your warmer clothes and decide if you still want to keep everything you stored away. If you don't think you'll wear it this Fall, donate it to your local thrift store.

9. **Check Windows & Doors for Leaks**
   As the year comes to a close, the weather will get colder. If your windows are not sealed properly, your home could lose heat causing your gas and heating bills to spike! Check for leaks now and have a worry-free winter.

10. **Organize the Garage or Storage**
    With the hustle and bustle of the summer, the garage or storage most likely could use some tidying up. Install some shelving or add some hooks to keep your garage more organized year-round. Why not pull out your Fall decorations while your at it! Having proper insurance can help you rebuild, replace furniture and personal belongings. It will also bring piece of mind knowing you are covered should an unfortunate event occur.
**Nez Perce Tribal Housing**

**Schedule 2022 (Classes, events, & meetings)**

**October**

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**INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY**

**NPTHA will be CLOSED on October 10, 2022**

**November**

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<td>NPTHA Staff Thanksgiving Dinner</td>
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<td>11-4:30 p.m.</td>
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If you would like to sign up for any classes, please email nphl@nezperce.org or call 208.843.2229.

**New Homeowners Maintenance Class**

The Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority is offering a Homeowner's Maintenance Class. This two-hour class will cover the anatomy of your home, including how to inspect your home. You will learn basic DIY repairs and when you should call a contractor. We will share seasonal and preventative maintenance that can reduce repair costs and extend the life of your home. This class is jam-packed with great information for every homeowner!
Where Can I Dump?

City of Lapwai
- The Transfer Station (dump) is open the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
- It is also open on the day after Christmas
- The City also does Community Clean Up Dumpsters on Alder Ave for 10 days toward the end of October.
- Residential garbage and yard waste can be dumped

WALCO
The transfer station (dump) is open the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month in SWEETWATER Nez Perce County
The transfer station (dump) is open the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month in Cottonwood.

*All dump sites are for residents who pay for the respective location’s curb side pick-up

Contact Anna at the Lapwai Office
208-843-2229
Contact Mary at the Kamiah Office
208-935-2144

Hitman Chimney Cleaning

CALL THE NPTHA OFFICE TO SIGN UP

$45 per Chimney
Laurie Ann Cloud and Sonya Samuels-Allen celebrate Housing milestone for the excellent years of Service.