The Nez Perce Tribal Housing Authority (NPTHA) held their 19th Annual Home Fair at the Pi-Nee-Waus Community Center in Lapwai, ID on June 20th, after a last minute change in the date. We would like to give a shout out to Pacific Empire Radio and our own KIYE radio for extending our event advertisements.

The Home Fair entertained over 275 community members visiting and gaining updated information and service from 30 vendors. Topics included everything from insurance, home improvements, energy efficiency, health and safety tips, estate planning, utility services and products, loan products from lenders along with a variety of other home related information booths. Vendors handed out cool trinkets of all kinds along with their information.

This year was a record of almost 100 cakes being giving away during the legendary “cake walk” that was held throughout the day. We appreciate all the people who made or donated cakes for this fun event.

As always, the NPTHA takes pride in hosting this event each year and in appreciation for all of those in attendance we provide free hotdogs, pop, popcorn and their name in a drawing for a chance to win a door prize. We gave out 43 door prizes and some of the top prizes included an electric lawnmower and a backyard fire pit.

The NPTHA also provides token gifts to each of the vendors in appreciation for taking the time to meet and greet the Lapwai community, providing valuable information on their services, products or ideas for supporting home owner needs. As always the NPTHA appreciates the Nez Perce Tribe for allowing employees an opportunity to attend our event and the Pi-Nee-Waus and Tribal Maintenance staff for providing all the tables and chairs. We are already looking forward to celebrating our 20th Annual Home Fair, which will be held on Thursday, June 4, 2020 at the Pi-Nee-Waus Community Center again from 10a-3pm. Hope to see you all there!
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BINDER
BLUE PEN
COLORED PENCILS
CRAYON BOX
CRAYONS
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FOLDERS
GLUE
GLUE STICKS
HIGHLIGHTERS
INK
MARKERS
NOTEBOOK
PAPER
PENCIL POUCH
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PENCIL SHARPENER
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To prepare for your automobile removal please have the following ready:
- Title is given with the broken down vehicle (if loans are out on the vehicle, it’s safer for his business to have the title)
- Tires are on vehicle (preferably)
- There is clear access to the vehicle for removal
- Belongings and trash are removed from the vehicle
19TH ANNUAL
Home Fair
Tammany High School sought Homebuyer Education Information

The NPTHA was invited to Lewiston's Tammany School to teach credit and affordability to their math class. Mrs. Fazio, math teacher, wanted to give her students a break from the everyday math formulas and focus on other life skills such as spending habits, credit reports, and saving for home ownership. The students were very intrigued and wanted to get a jump start on their future home. We would like to thank Mrs. Fazio for her dedication to her students and allowing us to share our knowledge and resources (experiences).

Youth Learn about the Basics of Money

The NPTHA staff along with the Nimipuu Community Development Fund (NCDF) and Banner Bank joined forces to teach youth in Kamiah (MON. 6/10), Orofino (Tues. 6/11) and Lapwai (Wed. 6/12) about the basics of money. They learned the basics of checking and savings, setting budget goals, earning income and how to identify persuasion tactics in sales and marketing. The classes educated them on how to make wise decisions when it comes to money and how this benefits the whole family. Lunches and prizes were given out during these events, sponsored by all the collaborators, and we want to thank NCDF and Banner Bank for caring for our children’s financial futures.

We had a total of 10 attendees in Kamiah, 4 in Orofino, and 19 in Lapwai. We also would like to thank the Kamiah and Orofino community centers staff for their support and assistance in making the event another success.
How do I know it’s Bed Bugs?

Bed bugs are a nasty and an uncomfortable problem. Signs and symptoms of bed bugs can be hard to detect at first, and even trickier to treat. To the untrained eye, bed bug bites can be confused with those of other biting insects. It is important to detect and manage the problem early because in about 6 months, with ideal conditions, one pregnant female laying 1 to 2 eggs per day can result in an infestation of 31,700 bed bugs. Here are nine easy signs to help you know if you have a bed bug problem.

- **RED, ITCHY BITES.** People don’t often consider bed bugs until they’ve left their mark. The appearance of flat, red welts in zigzag lines or small clusters is a key sign of bed bugs on humans. Bed bugs can also leave their bites in straight rows and, while they don’t spread diseases to humans, their bites are quite irritating and scratching them can lead to bleeding and infection.

- **UNCOMFORTABLE NIGHTS.** Bed bugs are most often found in the bed, where humans spend most of their nights. If you find yourself developing those itchy welts while laying in bed sleeping (or trying to sleep), it is likely bed bugs are the problem.

- **MARKED ARMS AND SHOULDERS.** Bed bugs tend to feed on exposed skin such as that on your arms and shoulders, which you may tend to leave uncovered while sleeping. This is different from, say, fleas and chiggers, which tend to bite around the ankles.

- **A BUGGY BED.** The first sign of a bed bug problem is obvious: the bed. After bed bugs feed on humans, they’ll leave behind blood stains resembling small rust spots. These will usually be found near the corners and edges of the bed. Bed bugs also shed their skin, or molt, several times as they mature, so you may find their oval brown exoskeletons during your search.

**QUICK INSPECTION TIPS:**

- **INSPECT THE BED.** Strip the mattress and box spring and thoroughly inspect the corners and seams. Use a magnifying glass and a flashlight. You’re looking for rust-colored, reddish-brown blood stains and/or small brown ovals (molted bed bug skin).

- **INSPECT THE ROOM.** Check anything upholstered, including chairs, couches, curtains and the edges of the carpet. Look in and behind the dressers, underneath the bed and if possible, behind the headboard. Always be on the lookout for the signature reddish-brown spots.

- **OPEN THE CLOSET.** Bed bugs can also cling to clothing, which is how they can travel and spread so adeptly. Be sure to look in your closets and check your clothing thoroughly. Bed bugs on clothes means bed bugs on humans.

If you think you have identified bed bugs, visit [https://www.bedbugs.umn.edu/bed-bug-control-in-residences](https://www.bedbugs.umn.edu/bed-bug-control-in-residences) for tips on proper bed bug clean-up or contact your local Pest Management Professional (PMP).
Vickie was hired by the NPTHA in March 1998 as a temporary Accounting Clerk. In May 1999, her status was made permanent, along with a title change to Account Technician. During her time in this position, Vickie has demonstrated her dedication and compassion for the housing participants. She assists tenants with payments and locating available resources to help them remain in their homes. Vickie supervises children of all ages when they come to the Housing office for poster contests, in addition to manning the ‘Kids Table’ at various Housing events. She has an amusing character and personality. It has been a pleasure having Vickie as an employee for the past 20 years. The NPTHA would like to congratulate her on this milestone.