### Looking to new year with UAV program

#### Katrina Blackwolf

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### Council approves cannabis agreement

Warm Springs Ventures has de- voted the recent cannabis agreement with the state of Oregon, regulating cannabis production on the reservation. This is a major step toward implementing the production and marketing of cannabis products.

### Miss Warm Springs 2017 Katrina Blackwolf

Katrina Blackwolf has wanted to be Miss Warm Springs for some time now.

### Valley Community College

Valley Community College, rating in Bio-technology. I’ve really immersed in it teaching anatomy, human anatomy—what I want to do with my degree and in my career.”

### Kah-Nee-Ta

Suicide prevention will be one of her platforms as Miss Warm Springs.

### Soar Systems

Drone, and demonstrate their systems program really takes off.

### Kah-Nee-Ta Resort Project

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### Aurolyn Stwyer

The center, Ms. Stwyer said.

### Anm

A focus of the tribner’s UAS program is the use of the drones in the power line maintenance, inspection and repair.

### Dave McIntosh

The drone at left was flown this summer near a de-energized power line on the reservation.

### A focus on the tribe’s UAS program

There are four areas with job potential for the tribes with the UAS program, Aurolyn said. The jobs aspect of the program has been important in obtaining the state funding, she said.

### Robert Hamstreet

A drone pilot.

### Office of Natural Resources

is the source of the Senior Pine- tree stumpage payments, Mr. Hamstreet said.

### Ellen Grover

She was the president of the Future Farmers of America, and won a Student Leader Scholarship at Yakama Nation.

### John Bevis

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There are a variety of planned happenings this week, including some non-perishable food and pantry donations.

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Wednesday, Jan. 11
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Agreement: tribes, state agree on cannabis project

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The states have no regulatory jurisdiction on the reservation, and therefore cannot impose regulation on tribal cannabis production or reservation.

At the same time, the states through the OLCC determine the products that are allowed to be sold on reservations in Oregon.

So in order to have a viable enterprise, the states are required to grant the tribes access to the Oregon market. At the same time, the tribes are required to respect the Oregon law.

The tribes, through the Cannabis Commission, will be the regulatory body for production on the reservation.

The commission will ensure that the product meets the state standards, including aspects such as labeling and solvents, for example.

When the tribal product meets the state standards, the tribes can then assert the unique regulatory issue from the reservation to the state market. There is no plan for sales on the reservation.

The inter-governmental agreement includes provisions on whether the tribal product does meet the state standards. In this case, the state would be able to prohibit, or embargo, the product from the state market.

If this happens, the Cannabis Commission would work with the OLCC on resolving the matter.

An amicable resolution would most likely be mutually agreed upon between the tribal and state regulatory bodies, Ellen Groser said. The inter-government agreement envisions a cooperative approach, which the tribes have taken with both the state and federal government on this issue.

There is a dispute resolution process set out in the inter-government agreement, in case the Cannabis Commission and OLCC cannot agree to a mutual agreement.

In an unlikely and worst case scenario, an irreconcilable disagreement would end up in state court.

The tribes’ legal counsel said she would bring up the matter with the state council, in order to clarify this point to tribal members.

The inter-governmental agreement is for a term of ten years, with an automatic renewal for another five years.

The tribal membership in Warm Springs voted in favor of the referendum with more than 80 percent of the voters saying yes. The referendum also saw the largest turnout of tribal members in referendum, in tribal history.

Meanwhile, Vermont is in the process of electing an executive director of the cannabis enterprise.

**Court issues big decision in Indian Child Welfare Act case**

The Indian Child Welfare Act was passed by Congress in 1978.

The Act is a federal law that seeks to keep American Indian children with Native families.

Congress passed ICWA in 1978 in response to the alarmingly high number of Native American children being removed from their homes by both public and private agencies.

The intent of Congress under ICWA was to protect the best interests of Indian children and to promote the stability and security of Indian tribes and families.

ICWA sets federal requirements that apply to state child custody proceedings involving an Indian child who is a member or a member of the child’s tribe. The Act has been described as the “most far-reaching piece of legislation passed by Congress to protect the nation’s Indian population.”

Since 1978, ICWA has been interpreted in a number of cases involving Indian children and their parents.

In a 2015 court order, the judge found the defendants had violated the plaintiff’s due process rights under the 14th Amendment during the course of the 48-hour hearing. In the end, the defendants failed to provide notice of the claim against Indian parents, the issues to be resolved, and the statute’s bar to removing a child from the tribe.

The bill would be the result of a four-year process and would receive a final vote in the House later this session.

The legislation requires that any company wanting to produce cannabis on the reservation be a member of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla.

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Tribes, park, PGE to host 23rd Eagle Watch

Operation Warm Up... More than just coats

Operation Warm Up is in place for Warm Springs community members to find a warm coat for this winter. The focus is on coats, but Operation Warm Up offers much more.

* Drop off the Family Resource Center Social Service Offices. Open Monday through Thursday, January 4 and 5, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. (operating during lunch)

* This is a program, first come first served, of the Warm Springs Health and Human Services Branch and Social Services Department.

* On hand are gently used coats from Columbia, gently used coats from Columbia, limited new coats and recycled clothes, comforters, blankets, sweatshirts, window insulation kits, small space heaters.

* Warm Springs Health and Human Services Department.

* Operation Warm Up offers much more.

* The focus is on coats, but community members to find that next time you cash a paycheck.

* a sudden, we will be more accountable as those you observers eyes, you are just as vacate your account.

* Love your people enough to condence those who abuse our people, then all of you who abuse the people, will face the same fate if you do not correct your ways. See the love in the eyes of those who abuse you, see the love for our history and most important, our future.

* Until then, our tribal government continues to operate, our businesses will continue to fail and our people will continue to suffer.

* Love your people enough to condone this activity.

* The IHS Diabete program provides these education sessions on the second Tuesday of each month.

* From 2—4 p.m. in the Clinic Room, 30 Chukar Road.

* The classes are designed to teach you how to become a successful homeowner.

* Participants will learn how to find, finance, purchase and maintain a home.

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Miss Warm Springs Pageant 2017

The following are some of the items coming up on the January Tribal Council agenda:

Monday, Jan. 9
9 a.m. - Bureau of Indian Affairs update with the acting superintendent.
10 - Office of Special Trustee update with Charles Jackson.
10:30 - Realty items with Urbana Ross.
1:30 p.m. - Legislative update conference calls, federal and state.
2:30 - Tribal attorney update.

Tuesday, Jan. 10
9 a.m. - Funeral benefits agreement with Lynn Davis and Lisa Lomas.
10 - Minors Trust Investment policy statement with Alfred Estimo.
11 - Land Buy Back program with Randy Sorel, Alyssa Macy and Lenny Macy.
1:30 p.m. - TV Barie with Kathleen Scan, Culture and Heritage Committee.
2:30 - Implementation Plan update with Alyssa Macy.

Wednesday, Jan. 11
9 a.m. - Financial overview with Alfred Estimo and Dennis Johnson.
10 - Management Plan update with Michele Stacona and Alyssa Macy.
11 - Economic Stewardship update with Kahseuss Jackson.
12:30 - Range & Ag Committee with Delford Johnson.
2:30 p.m. - Tribal Council with CRITFC.

Monday, Jan. 16
9 a.m. - Review minutes and resolutions.
10 - Every Student Succeeds Act with April Campbell of the Oregon Department of Education and the Education Committee.
11 - Adoption election discussion with Howard Amsel, Lynn Davis and Alyssa Macy.

Tuesday, Jan. 17
9 a.m. - Kah-Nee-Ta update.
10 - Museum at Warm Springs.
11 - Housing Authority.
1:30 p.m. - Timber LLC.
3 - Cannabis update with Ventures.
All draft resolutions and motions, including any attachments or exhibits, will be due by the first Friday of each month by 5 p.m. Send by email to Word form for review:
michele.stacona@wstribes.org
lynn.davis@wstribes.org

Monday, Jan. 30
9 a.m. - Indian Head Casino.
10 - Power & Water Enterprises.
11 - Composite Products.
1:30 p.m. - Warm Springs Telecom.
2:30 - Credit.
3 - Vital Stats.

Tuesday, Jan. 31
9 a.m. - Kah-Nee-Ta update.
10 - Tribal Council with CRITFC.
11 - Tribal Council with CRITFC.
1:30 p.m. - EPA on Portland Harbor with Robert Brunoe.

Some of the former Miss Warm Springs

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Summary of Tribal Council meetings

(The following are summaries of recent Tribal Council meetings.)

December 5, 2016
1. Roll call: Chief Joseph Moses, Chairman Eugene Greene Jr., Vice Chairman Charles Calea, Ronald Suppah Sr., Victor Swinton, Catrina Miller and Brigitte McCollister. Minnie Yahni and Francel Miller, Recorders.
2. Bureau of Indian Affairs and Office of Special Trustee Updates.
3. Call to Public discussion.
4. Motion made authorizing the Secretary-Recorder to identify $175,000 loan from the tribes. To report back what the funds are costing, and terms of the loan.
5. Motion made amending Tribal Council’s agenda to add to an enterprise update for December 13 at 4:30.
6. TIERO discussion: Motion made authorizing the negotiating team to contact other tribes to schedule a meeting. Possible date December 21 or 13:30.
8. State legislative update.
10. Motion made authorizing the Secretary-Recorder to sign a letter to Rick Moliter, 909 school district superintendents, regarding the reverting of district-county portion of the former elementary school site to the tribes.

Motion made to amend the agenda to present the Cannabis Inter-governmental Agreement on December 27.

11. Motion to approve Resolution No. 12,252: expenses for Intensive Forest Management activities pursuant to exhibit funding for 2017.
12. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 12,260: 2017 fishing regulations are hereby approved, adopted, and entered by Tribal Council.
13. Motion to adopt Resolution No. 12,260: restrictive regulations are approved for tribal subsistence fishing for smelt at the Cowlitz River during 2017.
14. With no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 1 p.m.

December 6, 2016
3. Land Buyback program update.
4. Funeral burial policy discussion to be scheduled for early January.
5. With no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

December 12, 2016
1. Roll call: Chief Debra Heath, Chief Joseph Moses, Chief Alfred Smith Jr., Chairman Eugene Greene Jr., Vice Chairman Charles Calea, Raymond Trump, Ronald Suppah Sr., Carina Miller, and Brigitte McCollister. Minnie Yahni and Francel Miller, Recorders.
2. 2017 Tribal Council Budget Update.
3. Motion to approve Resolution No. 12,252: fishing for smelt at the Cowlitz River during 2017.
4. With no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.

December 27, 2016
1. Roll call: Chief Joseph Moses, Chairman Eugene Greene Jr., Vice Chairman Charles Calea, Raymond Trump, Ronald Suppah Sr., Victor Swinton and Catrina Miller, Recorders.
2. Motion approving an amendment giving elders time to share concerns.

MHS, Academy sports

In Madras High School sports on Sunday, January 14:
6. Boys freshman JV and varsity basketball teams host Mountain View. Games are at 4, 5:30 and 7 p.m. The girls basketball team will travel on the road at Mountain View High School.
7. T ante into KWSO Friday evening at 7 for Modoc Wild Rider Basketball.

In Madras High School sports on Saturday, January 7:
1. JV and varsity swimming teams travel to a meet in The Dalles, and varsity swimmers will have a meet at Bend High School.
2. On Tuesday, January 10: Girls’ freshman JV and varsity basketball teams host Sisters. Games start at 5 and 7 p.m. the boys team play at Sones High School. Also on January 6 at the Warm Springs Academy. Warm Springs Academy basketball information night is at 5 in the school cafeteria. Dinner is at 5:30, and the boys basketball awards are at 6.

In Madras High School sports on Monday, January 9:
5. Boys varsity basketball team hosts Cascade. The boys varsity basketball team travel to a meet at Crook County High School.

On Thursday, January 12: Warm Springs girls volleyball visit Sisters at 4.

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There are the official results from the tournament:

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Smelt fishery at Cowlitz

Tribal Council adopted smelt fishing regulations for the Cowlitz River. This is a tradition of the Confederated Tribes. During the smelt run—with peak movement occurring in February and March—the following regulations apply:

Fishing may continue until 2,250 pounds are harvested by members; until the end of the season; or until the run is 7 days away. A Tribal fishery identification upon request of the state is now in place.

The Branch of Natural Resources is responsible for the biological monitoring of the fishery. Tribal members must carry enrollment cards at all times while fishing and transporting smelt.

Members must produce the identification upon request of the state of Washington. A member who produces tribal identification does not require a state fishing license.

Tribal members must report their catch to the Branch of Natural Resources on-site at the fishery locations.

Medicine Society, Fallon Nevada, 64 vs. Portland, 57: Fiftieth Third Annual Warm Springs All Indian men’s tournament.
In support of Kah-Nee-Ta  

Whereas the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon is a federally recognized Indian tribe; and,  

Whereas the Tribe formalized Kah-Nee-Ta Resort (KNT) as a suborganiza- tion for economic pur- poses pursuant to Article 5, Section 1(f) and (l) of the Treaty of 1957, and,  

Whereas the BIRF fund has sufficient funds to cover the $175,000 working capi- tal needs of KNT but does not, at this time, contain suf- ficient funds to meet the working capital needs of KNT; and,  

Whereas the Secretary-Treasurer and KNT will work with the BIRF Com- mittee to develop appropri- ate terms and conditions and documentation for a BIF loan to KNT; and,  

Whereas a supplemen- tal budget is necessary to fund some or all of the ad- ditional working capital needs of KNT in the form of a loan to KNT; and,  

Whereas the funding re- quest is based on the follow- ing:  

1. Development of a short-term operation, capi- tal improvement and man- agement plan for KNT by January 31, 2017, to mini- mize unnecessary expenses or loss of revenue; and,  

2. Development of a long-term operation, capi- tal improvement and man- agement plan for KNT by December 31, 2017 that ensures self-sufficient and financially sound opera-  

tions, and;  

3. Development of financial and operational perfor- mance metrics and monthly reporting to Tribal Council and/or the Secre- tary-Treasurer to track per- formance metrics during the term of KNT’s loan agreement with the Tribe; and,  

4. The KNT Tribal Council has agreed to operate, manage, maintain, and improve KNT resort to remain operational in the best interest of the Tribes; and,  

5. The KNT Tribal Council has agreed to become self-sufficient; and,  

6. To become self-sufficient; and,  

7. To continue operating and maintaining KNT and to continue operating and maintaining a seasonal closure of KNT and;  

8. A tribal invest- ment is necessary to prevent an off-season closure of KNT and to continue opera- tions until the busy season  

9. To assist with the development of the tribal busi- ness enterprises composed of the following:  

10. To develop and improve KNT; and,  

11. To develop an effective mechanism to oper- ate with the BIRF fund in accordance with the terms and conditions and docu- mentation for the BIF loan to KNT; and,  

12. To authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to initiate a supplemental budget proce- dure in an amount up to $400,000 for working capital pur- poses to KNT, earmarked as a loan in the best interest of terms and condi- tions similar to the BIF fund loan; and,  

13. To authorize the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary-Treasurer to de- cide and execute any supplemental loan or supplemental documentation for the BIF fund and any supplemental budget loans in a manner consistent with the BIF fund terms and conditions and to undergo any additional ac- tions, make any filings or pay any sums reasonably neces- sary to carry out the intent of these resolutions. (Resolution no. 2177.)
Leadership Corner
A Message from Rick Molitor
Superintendent

Recently, one of our community partners told me how impressed she’s been by our students. She visits our schools each month to gather positive stories and shared that she is always greeted with smiles and kindness. She said our students consistently open doors for her, answer questions thoughtfully, and demonstrate all-around courtesy and respect. I’m not surprised, but it always makes me feel proud when I hear these comments. And I hear them often.

Sometimes it’s easy to get distracted by our challenges and we forget to celebrate our successes. Fortunately, we see student progress. Fortunately, we are reminded that our kids have great potential and that our staff is outstanding.

To kick off the New Year, I want to dedicate this month’s Schools in Action to simply celebrate our students and staff and our accomplishments in 2016.

On behalf of the JCSD team and school board, I’d like to wish you all a very Happy New Year and a great 2017.

Rick Molitor, JCSD Superintendent

Buff Elementary students enjoy art time.

MHS Future Farmers of America competitors.

Reading time at MRSA is special with help from Warm Springs elder Lois Squamaphene.

Members of the Warm Springs Youth Tribal Council work to enhance cultural awareness at Madras High School.

Teachers and staff make learning fun at Ahtanum Elementary during Pi Day.

Buff Elementary students link up reciprocal Little White with leadership announcements.

MHS transition students learn skills to become independent adults.

JCMS Iron Chef: Heather Horn, Jose Mendez and Madison Johnson take the competition.

Fun at Madras Elementary’s Family Geography Night

JCSE celebrates Future Business Leaders of America. Future business leaders and NHS Junior Carly Beach (front) becomes vice president for FBLA’s Cascade Region.

Madras High School leaders learn construction trade skills and work toward graduation with help from the Heart of Oregon Corp Youth Build Program.

Mendocino Elementary students and staff celebrate a new play structure thanks to generous donations from community members.

Hector Benge, another successful 5th year graduate from Madras High School.

Native American students from JCSD Academy and Madras High School take part in the Native Stand health education program to learn about coming of age issues.

PAC Calendar
January
18 Buff Elementary Winter Concert: 12:10 - 2 p.m.
March
12 La Boheme: 3:00 p.m.

Calendar
January
9 School Board Meeting: 7 p.m.
16 No School: Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
23 School Board Meeting: 7 p.m.
27 School Board Meeting: End of Quarter Teacher Work Day

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The Warm Springs community is cordially invited to the 2017 Heart of Oregon Corps YouthBuild graduation celebration. The celebration is set for this Thursday, January 5, starting at 11 a.m. The ceremony will be held at the Madras Performing Arts building located next to Madras High School, 412 Bulb Street in Madras.

However, the recent weather has caused the cancellation of various school activities. It was not yet clear whether this would include the Thursday board meeting.

On the agenda, if the meeting happens, is the superintendent search update, with Steve Kelley of the Oregon School boards association. Another item is the proposed calendar for the 2017-18 school year budget; and hearing of citizens and delegations.

You can reach the district office at 541-475-4912.

At 509-J

The Jefferson County School District 509-J Board of Directors was scheduled to meet this Thursday, Jan. 5, at the Madras Performing Arts Center multi-purpose room.

Students graduating from YouthBuild

Elders luncheon this week

The Warm Springs Veterans Program will host the Elders Holiday Luncheon this Thursday, January 5, at the Agency Longhouse.

There are a number of Warm Springs youth who will be graduating. Here is the full list of the YouthBuild graduates: Angel Arzate, Chelsea Bradley, Gabriela Cohetzaltitla, Ruben Bantez Cardenas, Myla Calpas, Thomas Edra Jr., Kevin Hopnostic,Rodger Jack, MariAngel Kennington, Anthony Lepas, Christopher Martinus, Alex Martin, Jasmine McCool, Sebastian McMahon, Martin Mejias, Jesus Morales, Parrik O’Bar, Scott Powell, LaOlah Scott, Roman Siva, Ashley Sullens-Flores, Cameron Welsh.

Please come help us celebrate the many accomplishments of Cohort 4, 5 and 6. Bench David, school district liaison.

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