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Simnasho hosted the Lincoln's Birthday Powwow over weekend. The powwow this year marked its Thirty-Ninth Anniversary.



Ventures' preferred site for greehouse

Warm Springs Ventures board and management met in February with the U.S. Attorney for the District of Oregon, Billy Williams, and Assistant U.S. Attorney Tim Simmons, who deals with Native policy matters.

"We presented our project overview, and an outline of the regulatory process for the reservation," said Don Sampson, Ventures chief executive officer. "They were pleased with what we presented. It was a good meeting, and we intend to continue working closely with them as we move forward."

Another recent development in the tribal cannabis production project: Ventures made a request to the tribes' Business Investment Revolving Fund (BIRF) for funding to construct the greenhouse.

The request is for \$1.8 million. The BIRF committee supports the loan, which will have to be approved by Tribal Council.

Meanwhile, Ventures has identified a preferred site for the construction of the greenhouse. The location is in the Lower Dry Creek area, past the landfill on the way to the water treatment plant.

The construction work will include a concrete pad, with the greenhouse—offices and the growing space—on the pad.

Ventures has identified a company to construct the greenhouse

The structure will have metal walls, surrounded by fencing, with security cameras inside and outside.

The security aspect of the operation is much like the security at Indian Head Casino, Mr. Sampson said.

Part of the growing operation will involve the extraction of oil from the cannabis buds. This adds value to the product, creating a higher profit margin, Sampson said. Most of the product will be in the form of the buds, he said.

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Council nomination meetings

BIA election board meets on upcoming vote

This spring will be a busy election time for the Confederated Tribes. There will be at least two, and possibly three, elections on basic tribal matters.

The membership will elect the Twenty-Seventh Tribal Council, and meanwhile will determine whether to amend the tribal Constitution.

Because of the timing of these two elections, the membership could see a third election. This would happen under the following scenario:

The membership would elect a new Tribal Council, based on the current Constitution. This vote would be based on the district nomination process, currently scheduled for later this month.

Specifically, the district Council nomination meetings are at present set as follows:

The Simnasho District, Monday, February 22; the Agency District, Tuesday, February 23; and the Seekseequa district, Wednesday, February 24.

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Marlanea beautifies at Waunanuba

Waunanuba Salon, Spa and Essentials happened at just the right

Marlanea and husband James were renting a space in downtown Redmond, where they had a successful business selling high quality beauty projects.

After a couple of years, they wanted to buy the space, remodel, and expand with a hair and nail salon. But the sale didn't happen, which turned out to be a good thing.

"The space right next door came on the market," Marlanea was saying recently. "The stars aligned, and we went for it."

James spent the next eight months on the remodeling work, and they opened Waunanuba last fall. Working at the salon now are Marlanea and James, and hairstylists Chelsea Manion, Sheena Stevens and Kristy Tay-

Marlanea, her cousin Chelsea, and Sheena are tribal members. All four of the hairdressers are graduates of Madras High School. James is the chief of sales at Waunanuba.

Warm Springs people may know Marlanea by her maiden name Manion (now Wagner).



Waunanuba hairstylists Chelsea Manion, Marlanea, Kristy Taylor and Sheena Stevens.

She grew up in Warm Springs, living here until the fourth grade, when the family moved to a farm near Madras.

Her parents are Eddie Manion

and stepmom Kelli Muskopf. to Mt. Hood Community Col-Grandparents are Urbana and atwai Ed Manion; and Rose and Keith Foster on her mother's side.

After high school Marlanea went

lege, where she earned an Associate of Applied Sciences de-

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Eagle Watch to celebrate 21st anniversary

The Twenty-First Annual Eagle Watch celebration is coming up Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 27-28 at the at Round Butte Overlook Park.

The free celebration honors eagles and other raptors that live in the Lake Billy Chinook area.

The Confederated Tribes have been co-host of the event since its beginning 21 years ago. The tribes host Eagle Watch with Portland General Electric, and Oregon Parks and Recreation.

The two-day celebration runs 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28.

The Quartz Creek Drummers and Dancers will provide a special presentation, sponsored by Warm Springs Power and Water Enterprises, at 2 p.m. on Sunday.

Other festivities will be the Eagle Village at Round Butte Overlook Park's visitor center, 10 miles west of Madras.

Attendees can meet Aquila, a rehabilitated golden eagle, as well as a great horned owl. Children are invited to build a bluebird house (on Saturday) or a bird feeder (on Sunday) and make a commemorative Eagle Watch button to take home.

For information, call the Cove Palisades State Park at 541-546-3412, or visit oregonstateparks.org;



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