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Poet Laureate of Oregon

Elizabeth Woody is an award-winning author of poetry, short fiction and essays. She is an educator and practicing artist.

She won the American Book Award for her first book of poetry, *Hand Into Stone*. She later won the William Stafford Memorial Award for Poetry, among other literary awards.

Elizabeth was a founding board member of the national Native Arts and Cultures Foundation, and was a founding member of Soapstone, a group dedicated to supporting women writers.

A member of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Elizabeth will soon be the next Oregon Poet Laureate. Gov. Kate Brown made the announcement last week, on the recommendation of the Oregon Humanities.

“It was a real pleasure to watch the selection committee coalesce around the recommendation of Elizabeth Woody as Oregon eighth Poet Laureate,” said Adam Davis, Oregon Humanities executive director. “Committee members from all parts of the state pointed to the power of Elizabeth’s poetry, the energy and dignity she would bring to the position, and the resonance of her voice.”

Gov. Brown said, “The energy



Elizabeth Woody, Oregon Poet Laureate

courtesy photo

of Elizabeth’s words bring to life the landscapes, creatures and people who make Oregon special. As Poet Laureate, she will be a great asset to our state, using vivid storytelling to help understand who we are as a

larger community.”

Elizabeth is Navajo, Warm Springs, Wasco and Yakama. She was born in Arizona, on the Navajo Reservation, but has lived most of her life in Oregon.

“The power of language in poetry, song, story and legacy has kept Oregon’s communities vibrant,” Ms. Woody said. “The literature of this land is the sound of multiple hearts and the breath of many listened to while forming as individuals in this world. It is an honor to be Oregon’s poet to serve our state’s communities in the next two years and reflect upon their strength.”

Elizabeth studied in the early 1980s at the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe. She then earned a bachelor’s degree in Humanities with an emphasis in English from Evergreen State College in Olympia. In 2012 she received a Master of Public Administration Degree through the Executive Leadership Institute of the Mark O. Hatfield School of Government, Portland State University.

Ms. Woody will assume the Poet Laureate role in late April, at a public ceremony. The Poet Laureate fosters the art of poetry, encourages literacy and learning, addresses central issues relating to humanities and heritage, and reflects on public life in Oregon.

Tribal Council election

The membership on Monday, April 4 will elect the Twenty-Seventh Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

In this publication are statements from many of the candidates of the three districts. The candidate statements are arranged in roughly the order in which they were submitted, rather than alphabetically. They begin on page 6.

Healthy savings

The Confederated Tribes’ Managed Care program, and other tribal health programs, have seen a significant savings in tribal dollars over the past few years. This is due mainly to the increased billing opportunities.

“The Affordable Care Act is working for the tribes,” said Caroline Cruz, general manager of Health and Human Services.

In recent years the tribes and IHS have focused on having as many people as possible sign up for health insurance, such as through the Oregon Health Plan, or Medicaid.

The Annual Health System report for the reservation, published by the Joint Health Commission, explains the savings the tribes have been seeing in recent years:

Managed Care saw a spending reduction of more than \$2.2 million—or 43 percent—from the year 2011 to 2014 (the most recent year for which the data is available). Community Counseling saw a decrease of nearly \$900,000, or about 37 percent. These savings correspond to increases in collections from outside sources.

“Since 2011, tribal collections (for health services) have doubled,” the Health Report says.

Since the Affordable Care Act took effect in 2012-13, Health and Human Services has focused on an improved billing department. Sharon Jones is the billing director. She works with Tina Bolton.

They are able to bill to outside insurance sources for services, such as at Community Counseling, that in earlier years were paid by the tribes.

The improvement has been significant since 2011, but there is room for greater savings, such as for services at CPS, Caroline says.

The Health and Human Services billing department is planning to move soon to the clinic, and they are planning to add one more person to their staff.

Housed at the clinic, the Health and Human Services billing team will have better cooperation and training opportunities with IHS billing experts.

Ballots coming in on Constitution election

The membership is set to give a definitive answer to proposed changes to the tribal Constitution and By-laws. For the April 11 election, 987 members registered to vote.

The total number who were eligible to register was about 3,550; so nearly 1,000 registrations are a good voting percentage of that total.

For those using the mail, ballots must be received at the Warm Springs Reservation Post Office no later than 4 p.m. on Monday, April 11.

Otherwise, ballots can be hand delivered to the Warm Springs BIA office, at tribal administration, until 4 p.m. on April 11. If you are registered and have not received your ballot, you can reach the BIA office at 541-553-2411.

Each ballot packet includes an absentee ballot envelope, and a pre-addressed postage-paid mailing envelope. The ballot itself is 16 pages: one page of instructions, and 15 separate ballot questions.

Each ballot question includes a statement of the current Constitutional provision; the result of a No vote; the proposed change; and the result of a Yes vote. As an example of the one of the ballot questions, regarding the organization of Tribal Council:

Current Constitution: Apportionment—Representation from the districts shall be as follows: Simnasho District, 3 elected mem-

bers and the recognized chief of the district, or his successors; Agency District, 3 elected, one of whom shall represent the Sidwalter area, together with the recognized chief of the district, or his successors; Seekseequa District, 2 elected members and the recognized chief of the district, or his successors.

Result of a No vote: Constitution remains the same.

Proposed change to the Constitution: Apportionment—Tribal Council members will be selected from the tribal membership that are 21 years of age and who are eligible, entitled and qualified voters.

Result of a Yes vote: The proposed change would remove districts; Council would be chosen from members at large; Chiefs would not be members of Council.

Tribal explanation

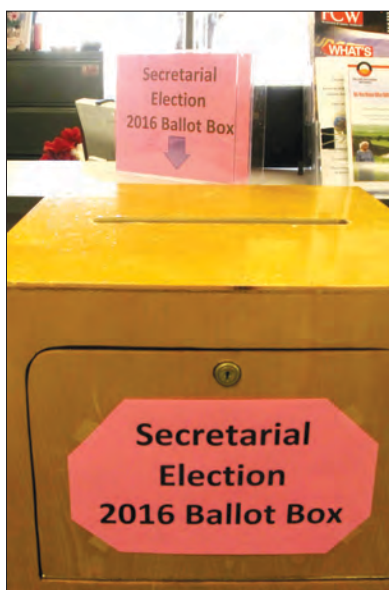
The Confederated Tribes sent a letter to tribal members last week, explaining the Secretarial election on the tribal Constitution. The letter explains each of the proposed Constitutional changes.

You can view the entire document on the KWSO website, kwsso.org

Copies are also available at mail and reception, and the tribes will have full copies at upcoming district meetings. The cover letter is being to the out-of-town tribal members.

The introduction reads as follows:

Dear Tribal Member:



D. McMechan

Ballot box at the BIA office.

The BIA recently mailed a notice to tribal members 18 and older regarding a Secretarial election scheduled for April 11, 2016. The purpose of the Secretarial election is for eligible tribal members to vote on 15 proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws. The proposed amendments relate to Article IV of the Constitution—“Organization of Tribal Council,” and to articles in the By-Laws pertaining to “Qualifications,” “Salaries,” and “Meeting and Procedure.”

The proposed amendments were initiated and brought forward by petitioners, or a group of tribal members, through the process outlined in our current Constitution under Article IX – “Amendments.”

The Secretarial election process is a federal process that the BIA is responsible for overseeing. The federal regulations are set out in 25 CFR Part 81.

The BIA-appointed Secretarial Election Board (SEB) is responsible for implementing the process and is made up of representatives from the BIA, petitioners and the Tribe. Tribal members were required to register to vote by the March 14, 2016 deadline in order to participate in the election. A total of 973 individuals registered to vote in the Secretarial election. For the election to be valid, a minimum of 30 percent of the registered voters, or 292 voters, must cast a ballot (25 CFR §81.39).

The Official Ballots were mailed on Monday, March 21, 2016 only to those individuals who have registered to vote. **All ballots must arrive by US Mail on April 11, 2016 or can be hand-delivered to the BIA – Warm Springs Agency no later than 4pm on April 11, 2016.**

Following Election Day, the SEB will post the “Certificate of Results of the Election” with the results of the election. Any qualified voter who has registered to vote can challenge the election results within three days of the posting (25 CFR §81.43).

See **CONSTITUTION** on 3



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University hosting April powwow

Southern Oregon University and the Native American Student Union will host the Twenty-Fourth Annual Spring Powwow on Saturday and Sunday, April 9-10, in the Phoenix High School main gym.

Host drum is Bad Soul. MC Gilbert Brown, arena director Carlos Calica. Head dancers Gerald Brien and Angela Ochoa. Grand entries at 1 and 7 p.m. on April 9,

First W.S. Red Cross meeting

The first meeting of the Warm Springs Reservation chapter of the American Red Cross is coming up on Thursday, April 7. The meeting will be at the community center, from 5 to 7:30 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to welcome everyone, to see who is interested in doing the jobs, and to discuss training needed for volunteers. If you are interested, please send an email to: rose.alarcon@wstribes.org

Or call Mushy at the Warm Springs Library, 541-553-1078.

The Madras High School **Senior Class** is having a fundraising yard sale on Saturday, April 9, from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. in the high school commons. Folks who would like to donate items for the sale can do that the Friday before from 6-8 p.m. They are also accepting can and bottle donations, and are having a car wash.

and noon on April 10.

Friendly competition, all categories, junior to adult. The first 10 show-up drums are guaranteed drum pay (minimum of five singers required). This is a drug and alcohol free event. Admission

is free. For more information contact the Native American Student Union at 559-301-0930. Vendors email: NASUSOU1@gmail.com

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Disability resources 541-552-6213.

Job fair on Friday

The Tribal Employment Rights Office of Warm Springs, and the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act programs are having a career fair. It's scheduled for this Friday, April 1 from 9

a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Community Center gym.

For a listing of the recent jobs advertised at Human Resources, stop by their office at the administration building.

Relay team holding raffle

The 2016 Hood to Coast Relay team is hosting a raffle for the upcoming relay. Many great prize. See the following for raffle tickets: Monica Sampson, Angel Daniels,

Leslie Davis, Monica Rees, Colleen Fagan, Jordan Leonard, Gary Sampson III, Adam Haas, Hank Ray, Ben Brisland, Jacob Haas, and Val Squiemphen.

Penny Carnival in April

Warm Springs Recreation and Head Start will host the Week of the Young Child Penny Carnival on Wednesday, April 13.

The penny carnival will be from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at the Community Wellness Center.

For more information call Recreation at 541-553-3243.

Veterans parade, expo

The Eugene Greene Sr. American Legion Post and Auxiliary Unit 48 this week is hosting the First Annual Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Parade and Expo.

The parade and expo are

happening this Wednesday, March 30.

The Warm Springs American Legion Post 48 and the Auxiliary are organizing committee and hosts.

Candidates' statements on KWSO

KWSO will broadcast Tribal Council candidate interviews, comments and statements in a special Tribal Council election program this Thursday, March 31, at noon. The show will air again

on Friday April 1, at 6 a.m.; on Saturday afternoon at 3; and on Sunday evening at 6 p.m. Tribal Council election day is Monday, April 4, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Warm Springs Community Center.

Warm Springs Community Calendar

Brought to you by KWSO 91.9 FM

Thursday, March 31

Warm Springs jurors will need to check-in at 9:30 this morning at Warm Springs Tribal Court.

There is an **Alcoholics Anonymous** meeting today at noon at Community Counseling, Alcohol Education Class is at 2 p.m. and there is a **Narcotics Anonymous** meeting at 6 tonight at the Shaker Church.

On today's **fitness schedule**: at noon there is Functional Fitness class in the Community Center social hall, Turbo Kick class in the aerobics room, and volleyball in the Community Center gym. Tonight is IBA from 6 to 8:45.

Guiding Butterflies & Mighty Warriors classes meet today from 1 to 3 in the prevention room at Community Counseling. The class is for adults to participate in cultural-based teachings, crafts and activities.

The Buffalo Skywalkers MVP League— fourth thru seventh grades—have games today. The Thunder will play the Lakers at 5:15, the Spurs and Warriors at 5:50, and it's the Blazers vs. the Bulls at 6:25.

A **First Aid class** for adult, child and infant CPR and First Aid is being offered March from 6-9:30 p.m. at the COCC Madras Campus. Class size is limited and there is a fee. To register, go by the Madras COCC or call 541-550-4130.

Friday, April 1

Fitness opportunities today include: Senior Fitness class at the Senior Center at 10:45. At noon there is basketball in the Community Center gym, and Functional Fitness class in the aerobics room. And at the Health & Wellness Center, Pilates Yoga Class is at noon.

Warm Springs Community Counseling is having a **Walk-In Group** today from 1:30-2:30. This is for potential clients who want to start the process for counseling services.

The Jefferson County Library **Film** Center will show the movie *Spotlight*, rated R, at 7:30 p.m. Films are free, and are shown in the Rodriguez Annex, next to the library in Madras.

Saturday, April 2

There is an **Alcoholics**

Anonymous meeting this morning at 10 a.m. at Warm Springs Community Counseling.

Monday, April 4

Fitness opportunities today include: Senior Fitness class at the Senior Center at 10:45. At noon there is basketball in the Community Center gym, and Functional Fitness in the aerobics room. At the Health & Wellness Center, Pilates-Yoga Class is at noon and there is Ladies Night Basketball tonight from 6 to 7:45.

The Warm Springs **Vocational Rehabilitation program** has orientation today at 3pm at their office in the industrial park. If you or someone you know has or may have a disability that is a barrier to employment or employment advancement, they can learn about their options at an orientation or by calling 553-4952.

The Soaring Butterflies - Warrior Spirit class meets today at 3:40 at the Warm Springs k-8 Community Room. This is for third to eighth grade youth, and includes culturally based teachings, hands-on activities as well as drug and alcohol prevention education.

Community Counseling has their **Walk-In Group** today at 1:30 for people interested in counseling services, and there's an **Aftercare Relapse support group** today at 5:30.

A **women's prayer group** meets Mondays from 12:05 to 12:35 at the Warm Springs Presbyterian Church.

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Tuesday, April 5

Today is an **early release day for South Wasco schools**. Students will be released at 2:15

The **AGLOW weekly bible study** is this evening from 6-7:30 at High Looksee Lodge. It is open to all and a light snack is provided.

Buffalo Skywalkers Rookies League – kindergarten and first grades – have games today. The Warriors play the Blazers at 5:15, Spurs vs. Lakers at 5:45 and the Thunder and Bulls play at 6:15.

There's an **Alcoholics Anonymous** meeting today at noon, and the **Vet-**

erans' Group meets at 1:30 at Warm Springs Community Counseling.

The Mobile Medical Unit will be at the Campus. Call I H S to schedule an appointment, 541-553-1196.

Wednesday, April 6

Today at Warm Springs Community Counseling there's an **Aftercare meeting** at 8:30 this morning. **Women's Group** is from 1-2:30. **Walk-In Group** is from 1:30 to 2:30 for people interested in beginning counseling services. **Anger Management** group is at 3:30, and **Alcoholics Anonymous** meeting at 7 p.m.

Little Miss Warm Springs meetings are held Wednesdays from 6-7:30 at the Community Center. All interested girls and parents are welcome.

The Buffalo Skywalkers All-Stars League – second and third grades – have games today. At 5:15 the Warriors play the Blazers, 5:45 it's the Spurs vs. the Lakers and the Thunder and Bulls play at 6:15.

Thursday, April 7

The Warm Springs **VFW Post** meets the first Thursday of each month from noon until 1 p.m. at the Veteran's Hall

The Buffalo Skywalkers MVP League – fourth through seventh grades – have games to-

day. The Blazers will play the Lakers at 5:15, The Bulls and Spurs at 5:50 and it's the Lakers vs. the Warriors at 6:25.

Friday, April 8

Fitness Opportunities today include: Senior Fitness class at the Senior Center at 10:45. At noon there is basketball in the Community Center gym, and Functional Fitness class in the aerobics room. And at the Health & Wellness Center, Pilates Yoga Class is at noon.

There is **no school to-**

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Letters to the editor

Vote no

I agree with what Ginger Smith wrote in her letter of February 17.

The Chief’s permanent seat guarantees each tribe will be represented on Tribal Council. To take that away would open the possibility that one tribe, maybe two, would not be represented. Each district elected their representatives. One district, maybe two, may not be represented if that is taken away.

To stagger the time people are actually sitting in Council would allow too few people to be making decisions concerning tribal business. Absolute power corrupts. There is already more than enough corruption in tribal administration. These changes would make things worse.

In my opinion Warm Springs BIA has been compromised by one person that worked in Washington, D.C. When my dad was still around, he got back from a trip to Washington, D.C. He told me that he found out this “tribal member” was trying to have our reservation terminated. So I don’t trust him or anybody he may have nominated for Tribal Council.

Not much time was given from when registration cards were mailed out to the due date they had to be filled out and in to be qualified to vote.

Comments I have heard on KWSO make no sense as valid reasons for these changes. It doesn’t make any sense to think nine people on Tribal Council can do a better job than 11. It would be more like a good ol’ boys club. Like politicians running for office in Washington, D.C.

In my opinion these changes are wrong and not necessary.

Johnnie Simtustus.

Leadership

I’m writing this letter in light of the numerous disheartening posts, photographs and captions on these photographs of our Tribal Council members that have surface in social media.

These posts were generated from a fictitious profile, and have been viewed and shared within and outside of

our community. What I’ve taken from these is simply an attempt to conduct a smear campaign against our esteemed leaders, Austin, Evaline, Ray, Joe to just name a few.

This election should reflect our values as a Tribal people: dignified, respectful and truthful. The fictitious profile contains none of these values, and the person refuses to reveal their true identity.

What is clearly evident is their intent to distort uncontroverted facts of accomplishments of the Twenty-Sixth Tribal Council, and ultimately disrupt the election cycle.

What we have witnessed is a tumultuous term these last three years, seemingly created by the folly and immaturity of a few members who have made numerous claims in various media forums and social media.

These edited statements have undermined our organization, and have jeopardized the legal, fiscal and political integrity of the Tribe. This has created a daunting and at times overwhelming task for the chair, vice chair, three Chiefs and older members to maintain stability in Tribal Council chambers, sustain stable government to government relations, and our fiscal affairs. They have kept a sense of predictability to maintain the Tribes’ footing.

This election cycle, it is imperative we elect members that hone decency, respect, transparency, integrity and are knowledgeable of all our documents: the 1855 Treaty, Constitution and By Laws, and Tribal Code.

I hope you all share these values and thinking when going to the polls. I for one am in full support to re-elect Austin Greene, Evaline Patt, Raymond Tsumpti Sr. as the incumbents. I also support all three Chiefs, Delvis Heath, Joe Moses and Alfred Smith Jr.

These six members are the elders of Tribal Council and possess valuable institutional knowledge and practical experience to lead the Tribe forward. Isn’t it the essence of a people that we value and listen to our elders?

It seems to me a few of

the younger members of this term have lost sight of these values. The older members of Tribal Council epitomize ethical leadership, achieved consensus and lead with a stable steady hand. All key ingredients for a smooth and successful organization.

These were the cornerstones of Tribal Council in the 1980’s and 90’s. Let’s continue on that path for good leadership and support Austin Greene, Raymond Tsumpti Sr. and Evaline Patt in their reelection bid and I also encourage you to write-in Frederick ‘Duran’ Bobb for Simnasho District.

Floyd Calica

Referendum

First, I appreciate Johnnie Simtustus’ letter. He has wise words. Those of us who know tribal history know the Simtustus family descended from a long line of hereditary chiefs who contributed to our reservation’s development.

BIA’s Secretarial Election on Constitutional amendments is April 11. Hopefully we will have a good voter turnout. Many non-resident voters did not receive a voter registration form in time to meet the registration deadline.

The statement, “There is no minimum requirement regard the number of registered voters,” is questionable. An election as important as amending a major document should have more stringent requirements than a random number of voters. It is questionable if the required number (one-third) of qualified tribal member voters has called for the referendum. Once the election takes place, it must have 30 percent of those entitled (and registered) to vote do vote. The amendment is decided by majority (51 percent or more) vote. The referendum question is to be posted in public places by April 1, 2016; so watch for it to know what you’re voting on. In doing simple math there are 973 registered voters. Of the 973, thirty percent (324) must vote. Outcome is decided by 51 percent of the 324, or 165. This is off the top of my head, so feel free to check its correctness.

Sorry, I have no flowery words for you because the Wasco way is to just get your point across (get ‘er done) with no frills. It’s vitally important that voters understand what they’re voting on. Okay, let’s get to the basic. I have heard many young people say they have been told this referendum is being held to lower the voting age to 18... Not so. If you are 18 years or older, you already are entitled to vote, provided you registered in time. Don’t be misled by people who want to change our laws to fit themselves. Don’t get confused about who can vote in Council elections. The Constitution says either sex, married, or 21 years of age, etc. That’s the difference between voting age for Secretarial Elections (18 or over), and voting age for Council elections (21 or married).

More basics: Our law states, “No person shall represent the Confederated Tribes on the Tribal Council unless he (she) is a duly enrolled member of the community who has attained the age of 21 years, and who has never been convicted of a major crime.” The nominations have already been held for all three districts. In our current status, it’s important that whoever is your choice, that person be very conscientious of our bottom line. This means being innovative in ways to save, and creative about spending and always keeping ROI (return on investment) in mind. Spend funds only in ways that yield returns. A Council member once elected becomes a public servant and time that once was theirs no longer belongs to them, but to the people they serve. A Council member is accountable to all three tribes since we are confederated, and to the people who voted for and elected him or her.

Seasoned rancher mentoring new tribal rancher

by Jo Lynne Seuffer
USDA Risk
Management Agency

Nestled on the Yakama Indian Reservation, 140 miles southeast of Seattle on the eastern slope of the Cascade Range Mountains along the Yakima River, Shawna Kalama is living her dream.

Shawna, a member of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, is a beginning rancher.

Over the past several years, Shawna has successfully leveraged USDA programs to support both her entrepreneurial education goals and her growing livestock operation.

Pursuing a Business Degree, Shawna is currently attending Heritage University in Toppenish.

Along with that busy schedule, she has established a cattle ranching operation.

Mike Shellenberger with Intertribal Ag Council assisted Shawna in obtaining a micro-loan from USDA’s Farm Service Agency in 2013.

Shawna manages a cow/calf operation that currently has 30 cows (red and black Angus), 10 calves and two registered Angus bulls.

In three years of operation, Shawna has established a direct market for her cattle through the Real Food Buying Club of Seattle. With demand for her beef, Shawna calves year round to ensure her quality beef is available every month.

Recently, her Business 101 Class, led by Profes-



Courtesy Jo Lynne Seuffer
Mike Shellenberger and Shawna Kalama.

sor Leonard Black, included hands-on instruction using USDA’s Risk Management Agency’s Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) guidance brochure.

“The SWOT analysis provided everyone in our class who are, or hope to be involved in a business enterprise,” said Shawna. “It helped me to gain insights into the past and think of possible solutions to existing or potential problems, such as managing devastating risks like bears that have killed some of my herd.”

Utilizing those methods, Shawna took advantage of an opportunity—ideas on how to overcome weaknesses and build on strengths—and met with James McCuen from the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation.

James is a lifetime, seasoned tribal rancher who grew up on the Colville Reservation in the Kartar Valley. James is also the Pacific Northwest Chairman of the IAC and recently retired from the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

“I live every day, carrying-forward my grandpar-

ents and parents’ goals to sustain the viability of our native lands,” said McCuen. “Seeing our younger tribal members follow in these footsteps as Native American farmers and ranchers is truly a dream come true.”

James shared with Shawna information about IAC’s Marketing Development Program, American Indian Foods and advice on registering and securing her business domain name through IAC’s “Made/Produced by American Indians” trademark. This allows for certification as authentic American Indian products, with enforcement by the U.S. Patent Office.

These two energized ranchers plan to stay in touch. They know firsthand they are part of Indian Country’s generations past and generations to come.

And they take seriously the role to ensure Indian agriculture continues to respect culture, self and sacred lands for years to come.

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More letters

In support

I am supporting Susan Guerin for Agency District representative on Tribal Council. I support Susan for the following reasons:

1. She has shown knowledge of the major documents, constitution, Bylaws, etc. I have heard her speak about these, and other pertinent tribal documents, in Council.
2. She has stressed to the current representatives that they should have at least quarterly meetings, if not monthly. We vote them in, they should report back to us. Susan will do this.
3. She is a communicator—some people do not like this, but those of us who are interested in what’s going on in our community, want to hear about it. She is always available to answer questions.
4. In May 2014, people began to talk about subjects not being discussed with the people by Council. Susan organized monthly meetings so communication could begin. Various tribal members began to attend and discuss our ‘corporation.’ She didn’t have to be a Council member to show she cares about our people. That’s the kind of person we need on Tribal Council.
5. She has furthered her education beyond high school.
6. She has run her own business and can read balance sheets. She has attended Council meetings to ask about our businesses’ bottom lines.
7. She is one of the founding members of the local American Legion, celebrating our veterans and

their families.
8. Her grandma, Bessie Guerin, was one of the Council members who stood up for us years ago for the McQuinn Strip. I know Susan will do the same.
Thank you. Susan will represent us well.
Mavis Shaw

Birthdays

I’d like to wish and hope my oldest son Floyd Frank Jr. and his father Floyd Frank Sr. had safe and wonderful birthdays this year.
My oldest son Junior’s birthday was on March 18, and his father Floyd Sr.’s birthday was on March 13. Just keep trucking, taking it one day at a time.
You two are still young men. Be happy. Remember those who love you.
Evette Patt, 689 W. 13th Ave., no. 1, Eugene, OR 97402.

Birth

Justine Queahpama-Mehlberg and Penny Danzuka are pleased to announce the birth of their son Callan Leroy Mehlberg, born on March 15, 2016.
Callan joins brother Colden, age 15 months.
Grandparents on the father’s side are Jim and Heather Mehlberg, and Shauna Queahpama.
Grandparents on the mother’s side are Loretta Danzuka and Gerald Danzuka.

Wrestler competing at Reno Worlds

Madras High School student and tribal member Quentin Scott is traveling to the Flo Wrestling Reno Worlds in Reno Nevada, April 7-10.
This tournament is the last stop for the prestigious Trinity Award, and last chance for Future Olympian Points.
The Trinity award is for top kid wrestlers in the country who compete on the national level, through a point system established as a tour incentive.
Last year Quentin was one match from placing at the Tulsa Nationals, and scratched in Reno due to an injury the weekend before in Iowa, at the Asics Nationals.
Quentin is a sophomore at Madras High School, where he currently participates in track and field. He and his family moved home last spring from Kansas.
Quentin also enjoys working at his Job at Frank Stables at Kah-Nee-Ta. He likes the job, he says, as a way to meet new people and saving money for sports travels.
Reno isn’t his only tourney



Quentin Scott at recent wrestling tourney.

coming up, as he is scheduled to travel to Oklahoma City, Battleground, Wash., Las Vegas, and Fargo, North Dakota for National tourneys over summer.
“Reppin’ Natives and Warm Springs,” he says, have always been a privilege and honor.
His future goals, Quentin says, are “to win titles for my people, my family and my nation of Warm

Springs.” He also has the educational goal of pursuing a college scholarship and possible Olympic Trials.
Stay tuned for fundraisers and upcoming announcements. ‘Team Q’ t-shirts will be available, plus a ‘Go Fund Me’ account: type ‘Road to Championship or Quentin Scott’ in search bar.

High Desert Museum call to artists

The High Desert Museum in Bend is now accepting entries for this year’s *Art of the West* exhibition and silent auction.
This fundraising event features fine art depictions of the Western region of the U.S. by

contemporary artists. *Art of the West* complements the museum’s annual High Desert Rendezvous gala.
The selected works will be on exhibit from July 22-September 11 in the museum’s Brooks Gallery.

Members and guests may bid on pieces during this period or buy them outright.
Rules for entry and the submission form are available online at: www.highdesertmuseum.org
Art of the West is presented by Bank of the Cascades.

Constitution

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The challenge must be in writing and include substantiating evidence. This should be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior, through the Officer in Charge as listed below:

Denys Schjoll, Election Board Chairman
PO Box 1239, Warm Springs, OR 97761

Physical address: 1233 Veterans Street, Warm Springs, OR 97761 (open 7:30 a.m.– 4 p.m.).
Phone: 541-553-2411 - Fax: 541-553-2426
Email: Denys.Schjoll@bia.gov

If it is the opinion of the Secretary that the objections are valid and warrant a recount or new election, the Secretary shall order a recount or new election.
The results of the recount of the new election are final.
On February 24, 2016, the Tribal Council passed a motion to provide the membership with information on the proposed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws.
The purpose of this letter (and the complete explanations – not reprinted here) is to provide additional information for consideration.



A California woman died in a two-vehicle head-on crash on Highway 26 last week. The wreck happened the afternoon of Monday, March 21, just past the bridge on the way to Madras.
Linda Cushing, 69, of Fullerton, Calif., was

pronounced dead at the scene. Two other people had minor injuries in the accident. The highway was closed in both directions for about an hour and half, then opened to just one lane for another couple of hours.

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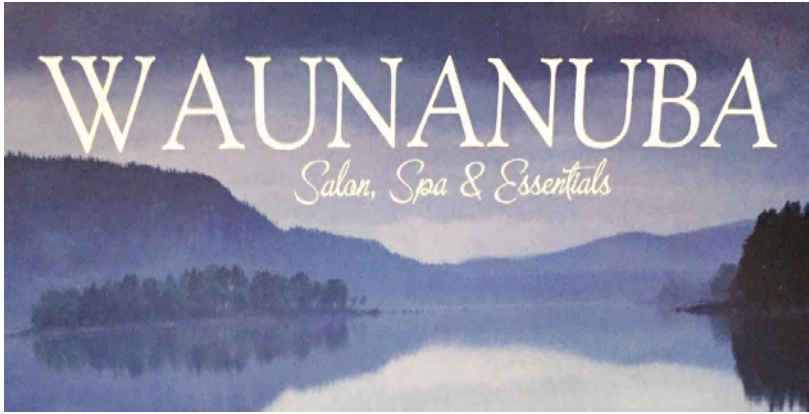
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Agency District candidates

Dan Martinez

The community of Warm Springs has been my home for 45 years. I have worked 41 years for the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, all my adult life except for the years when I served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

I have leadership experience, personal and professional. I was the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Fire Chief for 19 years. This involved emergency management, government-to-government relationships, budgeting, and administrative responsibilities.

Changes I would like to see in Warm Springs over the next 10 years:

Economic development with current and future ventures that result in livable wage jobs for tribal members, restoration of benefits to tribal members, including the elders' Pension, and per capita. We need more retail options, so more money is spent in the local community.

We need a healthy community, with nurturing, drug-free families who can easily access the resources they need to



achieve and support recovery and healthy lifestyles. This includes continued emphasis and support to embrace our traditional ways—fishing, hunting, food gathering, and protecting our natural resources and sovereignty.

We need additional affordable housing, infrastructure development—water and sewer—and new tribal buildings—a courthouse, administration, community center and public safety facilities.

Alcohol, drugs and addiction have negatively affected our community. I am not aware of any family that has not been harmed by addiction. Addiction breaks down families, and keeps people in poverty, including children.

Addiction is one of the

biggest contributors to our struggles, past and present. I believe that our people deserve the best possible treatment resources and recovery supports.

People who are seeking recovery from addiction also need clean/sober housing and employment.

I believe that holding people who commit crimes accountable is important; however, I would like to see the local criminal justice system focus on rehabilitation, and affording people with addiction issues the opportunity to engage in recovery and gain back their dignity.

Regarding employment: Our people need jobs, and jobs that pay a livable wage. When people can support their families and not simply “scrape by,” kids are healthier, the community is healthier, there is less crime, and the local economy improves.

I support tribal member preference in hiring, tribal member successor and apprenticeship programs.

Dan Martinez

Anita Jackson

Greetings fellow tribal members,

My name is Anita Jackson, and I am a candidate for an Agency District Tribal Council position.

Over the past 20 years we as a tribe have experienced a sharp decline in many areas, despite efforts to prevent it. This current Tribal Council worked very hard to halt the decline and to establish a solid base from which we can start to recover. I applaud them for their efforts, and believe that we as a tribe are now in a good position to continue to improve our economy, increase employment with livable wages, and rebuild the tribe to its former greatness.

Our future is in our hands. We need to elect members to Tribal Council who we can rely on to protect our sovereign rights, to work together in the best interests of the membership and our future generations.

I believe we are all equal, and I will do all I can to ensure that every family, every man, woman and child have equal access and opportunity to benefit from our tribal and individual rights and assets. I believe the membership should have meaningful opportunities to participate in our government, and be heard and included in major tribal decisions.

I believe leaders listen first, think and process



information, and then make decisions based on the best information they have. Our leaders must base their actions on what is beneficial to the tribe, rather than a small group or their family and friends.

I believe our leaders have a duty to keep the membership informed, to let the membership know the basis for each decision, to be able to admit mistakes and correct them, and to respond to the membership's questions and concerns. I believe each Council person represents the entire tribe, as well as his or her district.

I believe our leaders should be guided by our traditions, our culture, our unwritten laws that were given to us by the Creator. Education is a lifelong process that in this day and age includes the teachings of our elders, life experiences, and ‘formal’ school-based education. Our elders always stressed the importance of comparing new ideas against our traditions and culture. We live in the twenty-first center but our old ways still provide the guidance we need to ensure a great future.

There are many issues that our leaders must act on immediately. An example is the physical infrastructure of our reservation—it is not adequate to meet our needs, and we must find ways to make the necessary improvements. The federal government has a trust responsibility to uphold our 1855 Treaty rights, and we must hold all the federal agencies accountable, including Interior, Justice, Education and Health, as well as Congress, to ensure there is adequate funding and resources available to fulfill that responsibility. We must utilize the federal court system to uphold our legal rights under our Treaty and under federal law.

We as a tribe need to come together. We cannot afford to leave one person behind! We are resilient but only by working together will we once again reach our full potential as a great and generous tribe, and proudly guide our nation into the future.

I will not make promises to get votes. We have a tough road ahead and hard and difficult decisions will have to be made. I am not afraid to make them. I can promise that I will make the best decisions I can for all our people and our future generations.

I humbly ask for your vote in the upcoming Tribal Council election.

Anita Jackson

Demus Martinez

My experience includes work with the Tribal Court, as an advocate with legal aid, and as a private practice.

A requirement was passing the local bar exam. I gained knowledge of the tribal written and unwritten laws, the Treaty and Constitution and By-Laws, and federal Indian law.

I've worked with Victims of Crime Services, and the Native Aspirations Prevention Coalition, focusing on alcohol and drug, suicide and tobacco prevention.

I believe in volunteer work. For instance recently, I volunteered with the cannabis referendum.

Over the next 10 years on the reservation, I believe the number one priority is employment. I think a realistic goal



would be slashing unemployment by 50 percent.

I would also like to see justice reform, including a new justice facility. To exercise sovereignty you have to have sound justice system, including Corrections.

A third thing would be more small business ownership, helping the community and creating employment. We have many people on

the reservation with great talents who could develop small businesses.

Working with the Prevention Coalition, I know the impact that alcohol and drugs have on the reservation. I've witnessed this personally, and in my family.

Through the Tribal Court, I know that a large percentage of the criminal cases involve alcohol and drug abuse. I believe in prevention starting at a young age.

Working on Tribal Council requires that a person set aside personal interests, and work for a common goal. My work with the court gives me this experience, as negotiations is a requirement in the justice system.

Demus Martinez

Leona Ike Smith

Wife of Kanim Smith Sr., mom to Jonathan R. Smith, Mario L. Smith, and Julius B. Smith Sr.

Grandmother to Tyrell Smith, Joseph Smith Jr., Keshawn Clements-Smith, Kanim Smith III, Julius Smith Jr., Latasha and Ashley Sampson, Tashena Smith and Kisha (Smith).

Stepmom to Aaron, Kanim Jr., Joseph and Angela Smith-Sampson (autwai 2007). Adopted mom to Emily Blackdog



Ponyah, Sioux and Jermaine Williams, Mojave (autwai 2011).

Eldest daughter to Chief of Middle Columbia Fred Ike Sr. (autwai 2003) and medicine society Daisy Ike (autwai 2013). Sister to Fred Jr., Ivan (autwai 1957), Lucas, Tyrone, Tom (autwai 2005), James, Freddie, Nelson, Deana (autwai 1958), Lovie and Lena.

Step-daughter to Wilbur Slockish, Fud Suppah, Loretta Yallup (autwai) and Yvonne Colfax.

Cameron Smith Lucero

Dear tribal member, Hello, my name is Cameron J. Smith-Lucero. I am one of many proud members of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs (enrollment no. 4156). My tribal heritage is Wasco and Warm Springs. I'm writing to ask you to vote for me as an Agency District member of Tribal Council.

I am the oldest of four, and the only male. My three younger sisters are Leanne Smith Lucero, Illante Smith and Tai'Anne Smith.

The two last names I have are because I represent both my mother



and father's families. My mother's name is Rachelle Smith, and my father's name is Leander Lucero.

“Why not?” is the biggest question I've asked myself every time I look in the mirror. And my answer is, “I be-

lieve I can help make a change.” I may have only gotten my GED, but I'm also a very honest and humble person who practices what I preach.

Yes, I do have a past, one that I've learned from. Negative choices and mistakes were replaced with positivity and humility here in the present day. And the positive changes I've made I believe can be applied to help make changes in our tribes for the better—and make for a brighter future for our future generations. Lead by example.

Cameron J. Smith-Lucero.

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Agency District candidates

Valerie Switzler



First I would like to say thank you to those who are responsible for nominating me. It is an honor just to be regarded as person who can diligently represent our people.

My entire life I have served my people. I will do my best to be an advocate for the people, whether it is in the community, at state or federal government proceedings or international settings. It has always been a strength of mine to work with people and come to agreement or understanding.

I believe in education, whether it is stemmed in the community or at a college institution. And I believe in balance. For example, not everyone wants a desk job, but in order to become experts out in the field, education and training are needed to speak the language of those who make the rules.

We need scientists in forestry, botany, water and air. It would be good to find those who are strong in these skills when they are young, so they may be guided in this manner.

Several members of our community do not want to follow the traditional route of education

how to find out the answers. Sometimes they will find they are the only person of color in the room.

Many things fall in line once you teach a child. We will come out of poverty, our health will improve, our economics will become self-sustaining once we have learned how to handle and take care of our resources.

Whether you can contribute because you went to university, vocational or longhouse, we all have an important role in the economics of this reservation. And if we have two or three of these trainings, the better it would be for our tribe.

We have been blessed with many gifts, the most precious of those are our elders, our children and our caregivers.

There were hard decisions made, and still more to make as we travel this road of uncertainty. But it has been done before, and if we seek that balance and work hard—like our elders—we too can bequest an abundance of resources like our ancestors left for us.

Valerie Switzler

Mona Smith-Cochran



Itukdi Chuusdi Naika itgulxam, Naika ishawashxliy X'yoya is my Indian name. My given name is Mona Smith-Cochran. I always turn to my Creator God for guidance and our elders. My elder parent atwi' Alvis W. Smith Sr. showed me, and taught me how to be a hard working person. These teachings showed me at a young age to take care of business, and not to be dependent on other people to take care of me. I have always been a hard worker, since my first job at twelve years of age.

I will be committed to my people and dedicated to creating solutions for our Tribal members. I have attained three undergraduate degrees, and was successful in receiving my Masters degree. My life experiences as an employee with the state, federal and tribal entities—providing me professional social skills and social interaction—enable me to be objective, neutral and open minded. These qualities will have a positive benefit for the tribes and tribal members.

My concerns include protection of Tribal Sovereignty, Economic Development, Implementing the Tribal hire policy, and providing positive support and services for tribal members who are seeking a higher education. Another priority is improved recreation for a healthier quality of life for our people and families. I would like to see the Tribal Council representatives have positive collaboration and team work for the betterment of the people.

These are a few of the critical areas that I prioritize for the future of our youth, adolescents and for the generations to come.

With all due respect I am seeking your support and your vote.

God Bless You and Yours.

Mona Smith-Cochran

Carina Miller



My name is Carina Miller. I am an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs and I am running for a seat on Tribal Council from the Agency District.

My parents are Ken “Kenman” Miller and Sue Matters. My grandmother was atwai Faye Waheneka and my grandfather was atwai Sidney Miller. My great grandparents were Fannie Waheneka, Grant Waheneka, Lucy and Walter Miller and Walter and Eleanor Matters.

I was born and raised in Warm Springs. I went to Warm Springs Elementary, then Jefferson County Middle School and graduated from Madras High School.

Growing up I participated in many different clubs and activities. The older I got the more I realized what made these experiences so wonderful were the people. Whether it was high school sports or 4-H camp, I learned a lot by being involved and by spending time with my peers in different settings. Looking back I’m thankful for the adults who made youth activities a priority.

I have a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Oregon. Go Ducks!

After college I worked for Warm Springs Tribes Children’s Protective Services, then went on to work for the Confederated Tribes of Umatilla at Cay Uma Wa Head Start. I also volunteered doing Girl Scouts, Warm

need to begin to heal together as an entire community.

We need hope, and as a candidate I have tried to represent the best parts of who we are—as strong, resilient, culturally rich, rooted, smart, healthy people.

I truly believe our people can return to a good place, with the right leaders who lead by example, who treat everyone equally and have respect for all.

Experience, education and passion for our people is why I am seeking your vote as Agency District Representative on Tribal Council for the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

I realize I must learn more in the areas of: Tribal operations; the economic forecast; priorities and strategic plans; opportunities, and good things in the works. But I am ready and able to work hard to learn and apply my skills and energy to contribute to advancing the tribes from where we are—to a better place for Our People, Our Land and our Financial Health.

I am a young, progressive thinker who believes in respect, hard work and caring about each other.

I appreciate the time you took to read this letter and hope you consider casting a vote for me as your Tribal Council Agency District Representative.

Thank you,
Carina Miller

Ryan G. Smith Sr.



Greetings, my name is Ryan G. Smith Sr. (Smitty), son of Lepha Marie Smith and Raymond Gene Smith.

My grandparents belong to the Miller, Adams and Smith families, and my family relations further include the Tohet, Thompson, McCorkel and Tufti families.

I am asking for your support to represent the Agency District in the Tribal Council election.

The pressing job at hand is to help better the daily lives of the people of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

I believe that I have the knowledge and skill set to do this. I am currently a member of the Fish & Wildlife committee (since 2002) and work for the tribe as the Hydrologist in the Tribal Environmental Office. In 1997 I received my degree in Environmental Studies from the University of Oregon.

I grew up fishing and hunting this reservation, and continue to do so on and off our reservation.

I feel qualified to help our tribe and its members to gain economic health and stability in the coming years. The experiences I’ve gained and shared by being part of the Fish & Wildlife committee, Columbia River Inter-tribal Fish Commission, Resource Management Inter-disciplinary Team, and Project Inter-disciplinary Team, have taught me policy, management and cooperative skills. I have a good attendance record, a decent grasp of scientific principles, and I’m willing and open to hear concerns, issues and new ideas!

With a shrinking and uncertain tribal budget we have to use tribal dollars to benefit our tribal people. Our budget needs to allow for growth and expansion. In the past we have always valued and utilized outside recommendations and insights like Oregon state studies, third party recommendations, consultants and legal council. They have all had their opportunities to contribute, yet we are still waiting for the very low hanging fruit to be produced and used to tribal members’ benefit.

We will be competing for state and federal funds in the coming years, and adjusting to very aggressive outside influences. Other tribal nations have truly raised the bar on what the CTWS will need to do for these dollars in the future.

Considering demographics of our tribe, a majority of our people are below 30 years of age. This is our workforce. So should the young people be our main focus, and how can we adjust our priorities?

Every year an additional 60-100 people are added to our workforce. What are their options? Very few limited duration, seasonal and part time jobs seem to be the only option for them.

Youth work experience has always been a Council priority, but what is the track record for this concern? We still need all of Council to champion this!

I hope to take part and

critically review plans and strategies for tribal use of funds. I don’t believe we need to increase revenues by increasing resource extraction. Treaty reserved resources on this reservation are struggling to survive.

I saw a missed opportunity when Warm Springs K-8 was occupied, and there were no plans about how to use the Warm Springs Elementary area. I think that the campus area has been talked about long enough.

A fresh produce store, bakery or laundry mat could create great tribal businesses and tribal jobs.

The campus plan has to be a priority for this Council! Trout Lake, Dry Creek and Blue Lake campgrounds are seriously lacking upgrades, and investments in all our parks are low hanging fruit options.

The executive, judicial and Congressional entities have failed miserably to meet our tribal trust responsibilities. We do need to better organize this for sure.

We are a culturally rich people with customs, practices and beliefs where unique niches have flourished. We as a tribe caught all fish destined for everywhere. We must retain rights to hunt and fish, and exercising that right is fundamental as a tribal member of Warm Spring.

I would push to be the steward for Council on natural resources issues. A true co-management status and integrated tribal philosophies can’t be over emphasized. Thanks for your time and hope to have your support.

Ryan G. Smith Sr.

Simnasho District candidates

Orthelia Patt

Fir of all is to thank the Education Committee for bring forth the partnership project between the Tribe and state agencies. Especially the state agency meeting with the school board on the high drop-out rate, suspensions and expulsions. Thankful the partnership will make efforts to include our Indian languages, and possibly include more meaningful classes for Native American students.



We need to seek federal grant funds for more reservation-wide employment and training projects for both women and men. With the continued budget reduction there has to be cost-cutting accomplished without interrupting the public service departments such as the Warm Springs Police Department, Water Management, Utilities and Fire and Safety departments.

Orthelia Patt

Charles ‘Jody’ Calica

I volunteered to serve our country, from 1965 to 1968, as a U.S. Navy combat veteran during the Viet Nam War. While tragic, it was an excellent lesson in witnessing personal sacrifices for a greater good. I was also grateful to serve as the BIA superintendent at the Northern Idaho Agency, working with the Nez Perce, Coeur D’Alene and Kootenai tribes, until I was asked to return to serve as the secretary-treasurer of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.



My career has been dedicated to education, ensuring the health, safety and welfare of our community, our

youth, and our natural resources, while respecting our traditional and spiritual values and the preservation of tribal sovereignty. I faithfully served our people and our reservation for 37 years, starting in 1976 until retiring in 2014. If there is a need or an opportunity that I might further serve our people and our community, let that be the will of the Creator and a vote of our people.

Charles Jody Calica

Raymond Tsumpti Sr.

I want to thank Janice Clements for the nomination to be the district’s representative. Also, thank you to Neda Wesley for the second. Every three years, the three districts offer their best candidates to represent them. I have had the honor to sit with the best minds and most respected representatives that the tribes have to offer. We often came together and made some difficult decisions on behalf of the tribes, and more importantly for the generations yet to come. Our important documents, such as the 1855 Treaty, the Constitution and By-laws, Corporate Charter and the Declaration of Sovereignty, have played a large part in coming to good decisions, in protecting the future and our sovereignty. I have stated this term has been a challenging effort, by that I mean there



suggests that “north-enders” are less than equal to the rest of the membership. I for one am proud to be a north-ender. It’s a shame that a handful of people would resort to outside campaign smear tactics. They forget that we are a tight-knit community. The only people they hurt are themselves and their family members, whom I feel sorry for. We all know who these people are. They’re hoping that I respond to their childish school-yard bullying tactics. Whatever the outcome of the election, I want to thank my district for their confidence to be their representative for seven terms. To that I wish all the good, mature-minded candidates well in their goal to be a representative of the tribes. Respectfully, Raymond C. Tsumpti Sr.

was total disrespect to our major documents and to other members of Tribal Council. This disrespectful attitude demonstrated a pure lack of knowing and understanding of traditional values and the foresight to look out for future generations, as past representatives had done. There was a term spoken in a tone that I have not heard in 50 or 55 years, that would be “north-ender.” It

Sylvester ‘Sal’ Sahme

In me’ nai moo ma’, my name is Wa’ticks na’ ckit, I was named after my grandmother Millie Queahpama’s father, Chief of the Tygh Valley Tye cch’ pums. I am a 70-year-old grandson of Frank Queahpama. My grandfather was the Warm Springs Chief at the time our Constitution and By-laws were adopted in 1937. I spent my school years attending the Simnasho School, graduating from Madras High. I have a bachelor’s degree from the University of Minnesota. Before retiring I worked for our tribal membership for over 40 years. I earned my Master’s Degree while working full time, writing our tribes’ first health plan. The plan (my Master’s Thesis) led to the building of our health clinic. Our number on health issue was alcoholism. Today alcohol is still the drug of choice, with meth a close second. As a young health department manager and planner, the secretary-treasurer and Tribal Council directed me to use the data and research from our plan to prepare our Council’s testimony for the appropriations hearings held in Washington, D.C. The results of our testimony were alcohol treatment and program funds for our people, and a full funded staffing package to run our new clinic. Today we still hear our sister Northwest tribes say how envious they are of our staff and program funding. My work and traveling with the Council taught me how to develop our tribes’ tribal, state and federal health care funding and program unmet needs



and position statements. The Council demonstrated to me how to promote and win support with the counties, state and tribes, especially ATNI, NCAI and other national Indian organizations. During these trips, we always came back with new health, education and economic development resources for our people. This made our quality of life and times good. We all see and feel what’s happening to our government and the effect it has on our people. We’re not on the cutting edge of tribal health care or leading Indian Country in economic development. I’d like to help bring those good times back to all of our people. Within the next three years we need to compact/contract all IHS health funding and programs. I believe it’s time for our people to take complete control of our health. We are responsible, smart and self-supporting people. The Health and Welfare Committee is on record recommending an IHS compact to the present Council. During my time on the Health and Welfare Committee, I was told we have \$30 million in health fund savings, and no plan on what to do. I can help plan how to use these savings and lead compacting all IHS staff and programs. I have also worked as an economic development di-

rector. I helped build the Simnasho Store and Commodity Food building. My work in business and economic development contributed to the Oregon Tourism Commission’s Creative Tourism Development Award for a sustainable tourism plan. Our people have a tool to create jobs using our natural resources. This means our people working and earning a decent living wage. These jobs would transport, guide and control visitor access and guest services, and contribute to the management of our natural resources. One of the biggest challenges we face is working together. We need community and economic decisions that help all our people. As stated in our Declaration of Sovereignty: Ultimate sovereignty is vested in our people, who received that sovereign authority in the forms of laws given by the Creator and by the land itself. Our people have delegated only limited authority to the Tribal Council and have reserved the rest of our national sovereignty to ourselves. Our membership must have a say and play a critical role in decisions that affect our future. We have the tools and plans. We have retired seniors who’ve had my experience of being mentored by past senior managers and Councils. I’m will to share and teach what I’ve learned. We don’t have to create a new tribal member leadership and mentor program or an economic development strategy. We have the tools and resources.

Sylvester ‘Sal’ Sahme.

Priscilla Frank

My name is Priscilla Frank, enrolled member with the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. I have lived on the reservation all my life. My parents were Delbert Frank Sr. and Celia McKinley Frank, both enrolled members of Warm Springs. I have three sons (one daughter is deceased), ten grandchildren, and ten great grandchildren. I am now a retired employee from the Warm Springs departments and enterprises, where I spent many years of enjoyable employment, a few as manager, supervisor or in a key position. After retirement ten years ago, I went on to serve the tribes on the Warm Springs Casino and Resort Enterprise (three terms), the Warm Springs Housing Commission, Land Use Committee, and Culture and Heritage Committee. My commitment and ambition have always been to be a strategic team player of a dynamic working body of the tribes—good decision-making does prove to be fruitful for the tribes. I have lived among a few Warm Springs Tribal



Council people of past years, who were visionaries. My foundation of strong, firm values and work ethics developed from models in tribal decision-making, Isaac McKinley (Ida McKinely household), Delbert Frank Sr., Jacob Frank Sr., Olney Patt Sr., Harold Culpus, and many more leaders of this tribe. My vision is to become an active and committed participant among my tribal membership, for youth, parents and elders. The core of strong support is our tribal members with many valuable ideas directed at successful results, ownership and involvement, with a firm focus on long-term positive results. We are now in a very challenging position, nationally, regionally, and tribally. There are many perspectives to be

taken into account. My focus is contributing to progressively move forward. Education, knowledge and experience have been mileposts of successful results for the tribes. Tribal members of Warm Springs have been resilient, even during depression days. Transparency creates ownership by active participation and firm strong systems among the investors. One person cannot be all of a well functioning system. A body has many branches with different functions to operate properly. Achievement requires all investors. A long range plan can provide actual results in a reasonable time frame with the least cost, with review of measurable results. Everlasting successful results can happen with enduring commitment. Our reserved documents have served our tribes well, and have served to protect how the tribes have functioned successfully. Let us all join hands as Indian people and be strong in long-term successful results. Priscilla Frank

Have you heard about the Personal Health Record? What? The Personal Health Record, or PHR. What’s that? The new IHS Personal Health Record provides patients with access to their own medical records. Patients who choose to sign up for an account will be able to view their own health information online, securely. This includes reviewing lab results,

learning about their medications, verifying the accuracy of their medical records, and downloading a copy of their health information. Patients will also be able to email their health care team through the system. Sign up at phr.ihs.gov Or stop by the clinic for a brochure on the new Personal Health Record.

Seekseequa District

Lee Harvey Tom

Dear Members of the Seekseequa District:

My name is Lee Harley tom. I have been nominated to run as a Tribal Council representative of our district.

I am the son of the late Christine Wewa Tom and Elmer Tom Sr. I was born and raised in Warm Springs, and have lived here my whole life on the Metolius Bench in the Seekseequa District. I built my home there and raised me kids Justin, Liana and Kristen there.

I have a long line of history and teaching from my family members serving on prior Warm Springs Tribal Councils. My grandfather, Sam Wewa, served on the very first Tribal Council. My mother Christine Wewa, uncles Melvin Wewa and Wilson Wewa Sr., and my cousin Wilson Wewa Jr., also served as representatives of our district.

I attended the Warm Springs boarding school, Madras junior and senior high schools, and Chilocco Indian School in Oklahoma and Chemawa Indian School. I have an Associate's Degree in Building Technology from Portland Community College.



I furthered my education in the construction field and obtained my Building Inspector Certificate and Home Appraisal Certificate from Chemeketa Community College, and have attended many other classes and training in Small Business Management, Accounting and Leadership.

I started work at a young age in the potato and berry fields, and with the Boys Youth Camp, where were worked for only \$1 an hour. I worked as a laborer behind a shovel; I was a logger (choker setter and timber faller); worked for Warm Springs Forest Products Industries; and I've been a rancher all my life, taking care of my livestock.

The last 25 years I have worked off and on the reservation for the Carpenters

Union Local No. 306, Washington State Union, Southwest Union in Las Vegas. I have been trainer for apprentices; I have been a building inspector, Senior Housing Coordinator, and served on the Land Use Planning and Range and Ag committees for six years. I have been newly selected to serve on the Tribal TERO Commission.

I feel I could use my vast experiences and knowledge in many ways to help the Tribe move in a positive direction. There are many issues right now that need a strong voice for the people to protect our history and the sovereign right of the people, and especially for our youth.

I would be extremely honored if you would vote for me to be one of the Seekseequa representative on the Warm Springs Tribal Council, not only to represent the Seekseequa District but all members of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs in a respectful and professional manner.

Thank you,
Lee H. Tom

Agency District

Gabriel Walker

Dear Tribal members of Warm Springs,

I'm Gabriel Walker from the Agency District running for the Twenty-Seventh Tribal Council. My lineage is from the Wheeler-Greene-Stacona family from my mother's side, Michelle Holliday.

I'm blessed and honored to be nominated for such an important role in our Tribe's democracy. I would like to thank the members from my district for the nomination.

I believe this election is critical to our well-being, livelihood, and the economy in future business ventures. I stand strongly for new direction with a business sense platform to help reach obtainable goals for our tribal economy, and all memberships' livelihood.

We're facing real issues within our tribes, and they need to be addressed. Some examples are:

High percentage of poverty and unemployment;

No new avenues for jobs;

Minimum wage gaps, equal pay for woman, minimal focus on the small business sectors within our economy;

And the overall confidence in our Tribal Council decisions and leadership.

A lot of these concerns are voiced by our



tribal membership and are consistent topic within the community. I know and believe it's time to voice your concerns. I will stand with integrity, humble-ness and compassion as a future leader for our nation.

My platform for this Tribal Council term is primarily focused on the culture of our livelihood and economics for the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. Honor and live by our Treaty, exercise our sovereignty as a nation, and unite the tribes of Warm Springs to stand together, as our ancestors stood traditionally in the past.

I'm strongly advocating doing what is right for our people, our reservation and future generation to come. I stand with every other tribal member to see the future in business development—new

enterprises and creating the small business sector. This translates to jobs, steady growth in wages, and an increase in our minimum wage to a livable standard for our membership.

We can no longer live in poverty. As a future leader in Tribal Council, I will work with others and make those decisions, helping our membership become self-sustaining and out of the status quo "living in poverty" in Indian Country.

I believe in creating a true tribal member job development program—with tribal member preference, and embracing our future leaders to gain experience in all departments and enterprises.

I will stand with our people, and we all need stand together.

I encourage electing and voting that best represents you. Your voice is important and respected.

I'm interested to hear from each of you no matter what tribe you reside in, and I hope the other candidates will do this as well.

I appreciate your support and vote. Together we will fight further more into the future. God bless our tribe and membership.
#Vote4Gabriel

Kind Regards,
Gabriel Walker
#3273

Simnasho District

Evaline Patt

Greetings everyone.

My name is Evaline Patt from the Simnasho District. I grew up in the Northend of the reservation on Schoolie Flats.

My parents are Atwais Amos Simtustus, Sr. and Dorothy Thompson Simtustus. I was second oldest of eight siblings, five brothers and two sisters.

I have had two children, William "Hobo" Patt, who has four children, and Jordan J. Patt, who is now an angel in heaven.

I have served on Tribal Council during this latest term, the Twenty-Sixth Council, and would like to serve again.

I have worked for the tribes in a career as an Accountant, then in the field of Archives, preserving photos, tapes and paper documents regarding the three tribes.

After building two careers, I gained experience and knowledge of the various aspects of the tribal organization. This has been valuable, and I feel most helpful in working as a Tribal Council member.

I have worked for the tribal organization for almost 40 years in various areas, such as Accounting, Kah-Nee-Ta Accounting, and at the Museum at Warm Springs.

I have served on the Education Committee



for 12 years, and the Land Use Planning Committee for three years. I served as a board member for the Credit Enterprise since 1997, and the Warm Springs Housing Authority since 2013.

I knew that Tribal Council as the governing body of the tribal organization, the topics and issues would be wide and the responsibilities would be huge. Going into the Twenty-Sixth Council term there were many challenges with the most critical being the dwindling of revenues.

As I've learned, building revenues is not an overnight deal, and the Twenty-Sixth Council has initiated two programs to generate revenue for the tribes. And change is necessary as time progresses, as long as we continue the path set out for us by the former Council members' vision for self-sufficiency of the Confeder-

ated Tribes of Warm Springs.

Continuing with the distinct identities of the three tribes in their traditions, culture and languages, I think will carry us to the future in that way.

I would appreciate your vote for me to serve again on Tribal Council. I am an elder with many years experience working for the tribes, ready to take the responsibilities and face the challenges, keeping in mind our present and future generations. I have good work ethics, and am conscientious of time. I am grateful for my parents teachings, learning honesty, trustworthiness and knowing right from wrong. My parents taught me to have a belief in the Creator.

I will devote my time serving as a Tribal Council member. I appreciate hearing from the people in the community and tribal departments. I think that it is for the people that this tribal organization has formed.

We are rich in the history of where we come from. Our ancestors went through hard times for us, for what we are today. Assist me in working for the survival of our people in the future.

Thank You.
Evaline Patt

Seekseequa District

Vesta Johnson

Nixmgbski, I tookti kadux, and how oo oo, my Native name is Chuckwush—my English name is Vesta Johnson. My parents are Delford Johnson and Ginger Smith. One thing each parent taught me was to be proud of who I am—I am very proud of my Paiute and Wasco blood. I am so excited for the potential opportunity to be your voice for the Seekseequa District.

One past Tribal Council person really impressed me with her service to our district—that was atwai Carol Wewa. She shared information with us in the district, and I think that was excellent of her to do, as it kept the door swinging both ways—Information from Council to the people, and the people's voice going back to the chambers. That is the best example I can share of what effective communication looks like.

I have valuable work in finance, counseling, health, real estate, domestic vio-



lence, and successful private business owner sectors. I understand teamwork as I have military service in the U.S. Army, and am a veteran.

Tools I have in my tool box to help do a spectacular job include: an Associates, Bachelors and Masters degrees. I am also currently a law school student. When time permits I will complete my last year as a PhD in Clinical Psychology, and another PhD in Education Psychology. Equally or more important is my education from my elders. One of my favorite teachings is from an elder who taught me that "Everyone has value." I take this teaching to heart.

If elected when I go into the chambers: I will go there carrying your wishes—your dreams, your voice—not mine. I feel there is so much work to be done here in our community that I don't want to travel, unless it is an imperative to create jobs, create business opportunities, or substantially help our people in some way—I want to be in chambers getting it done!

I feel in a public office, the people are the most important, and my goal would be to have at a minimum a district town hall for updates. Together we could make our district, our community and our tribe a viable and successful tribe, as it once was in the past.

It is time for a change. Your voice, not mine, must be heard. I am a goal-oriented person, and when I set my mind to help others—it happens!

Sincerely,
Vesta Johnson.

Agency District candidates:

Wissy Smith.
Terry Squiempfen.
Mike Clements.

Seekseequa District:

Wendell Jim.
Reuben Henry.

Simnasho District:

Raymond 'Captain' Moody
Emerson Squiempfen.
Ron Suppah.

Agency District candidates

Jeff Sanders



I have worked in tribal government for 49 years. I worked all my adult life for the tribes, from 1960 to December 2009, in one capacity or another.

My years of employment include six years as a line supervisor within the department and/or offices, and 10 years as a department head supervisor (six or more offices or departments supervised). I served eight years as a general manager with over four or more departments. This totals 24 years of work experience as a supervisor or manager within the tribal organization.

I have received over 200 hours of management training that was specifically related to senior management. This training included but was not limited to strategic planning, executive management courses, executive forum training, total quality management, work life training, team building, BIA budget training/workshops, general manager workshop training, budget training and internal audit.

I am a lifetime member of the Elliott Palmer VFW Post 4217, with service in Germany in the U.S. Army, serving in the Sixty-Eighth Armored Division, 1957-1959.

In addition to organizational training I have been a part of other organizational related committees and appointments.

I served 21 years on the Jefferson County 509-J School District Board of Directors. I served a number of terms as the board chairman, in addition to being on the 509-J budget committee for 21 years. I also served on the Education Service District budget committee.

I have been elected to the Oregon State School Board Association, and served two 4-year terms. I held the position of secretary treasurer, vice chairman, president-elect, and president of the Oregon School Board Association. While on this board I was also appointed to the National School Board, as the Oregon minority representative for the state of Oregon.

I have served on the tribal Alcohol and Drug Council for 20-plus years, and was chairman for nine years. We administered a \$600,000 grant from the Robert Woods Johnson Foundation for Substance Abuse Prevention.

The governor of the state of Oregon appointed me to two 2-year terms on the state Alcohol and Drugs Council. This council has the oversight responsibility for reviewing all state agencies, departments, programs and services on alcohol and drug matters.

I have served on three Oregon State task forces on education and school board issues, minority issues, and state Vocational Rehabilitation reform.

I also served as the co-chairman for the Jefferson County Community Task Force on race relations between Native American and Hispanic, and the non-Indian communities.

Positive changes I would like to see in Warm Springs over the next 10 years:

Development of a positive cash flow from current and future tribal enterprises.

To have tribal members with four-year college degrees, and/or two-year AA degrees that reflect the needs of tribal government, its enterprises, and private business needs of the community.

Solutions to, or significant results to our drugs and alcohol problems, with partnerships between tribal programs and services, Indian Health Services, and outside alcohol and drug providers.

Jeff Sanders

John Katchia Sr.



My name is John Katchia Sr., and I am seeking your vote for Tribal Council for the Agency District. I have worked in logging, and at Warm Springs Forest Products Industries.

At WSFPI I worked as a saw filer, oiler and millwright helper, then as moulder set-up and quality control technician. My other positions at the mill include quality control supervisor, production coordinator, operations manager, and chief executive officer.

On a personal note I have coached teen club basketball, t-ball and Little League baseball.

Tribally I have participated as Housing board commissioner, and on the Timber Committee, and the WSFPI board.

I have hunted for the longhouse, first with my uncles Harvey Tohet and Perry Greene. Later on Isaac Mitchell and I were appointed as head hunters for the longhouse. From 1999-2006 I was on Western Wood Products Association Technical Services, Quality Assurance, and grade rules committee.

My wife is Lupe Katchia. Children are Damion, John Jr., Rodney, Kara Katchia and Danni Herkshan.

The tribes' per capita has gone from \$100 to \$25, and a similar event happened with our Senior Pension. A number of our enterprises are teetering on the edge of bankruptcy. A long series of events have occurred to get us in this predicament.

When the membership voted for the Gorge casino, the wheels came off. There were visions of \$100 million a year, with

All the business ventures have sovereignty issues that need close attention. We have circumvented our self determination rights through NOAA, Marine Fisheries, federal Fish and Wildlife, gaming compacts, OLCC rules and regulations.

The various tribal committees need to have a greater voice in the activities of the tribes. The committees ensure tribal member participation in the tribal government. They give continuity of tribal affairs, including our unwritten laws (Taman wit). IRMP and funding agency regulations have made tribal wants and views irrelevant. Put knowledgeable, credible tribal people on the committees and enterprise boards.

Diversity of opinion has long been a cornerstone of our strength. Like spokes on a wagon wheel, there are many paths to the center of truth or accomplishment.

The world of commerce is flowing, moving, changing. If we are to thrive, we need to be in stop with the times. Our challenge is to remain true to our core beliefs, and change the tribes into a sustainable organization.

Having dealt with numerous changes, we will have to deal with the normal negative passive-aggressive resistance to change. In closing, I would urge you to get out and vote in the Tribal Council election. If you read this, I thank you for your time.

John Katchia Sr.

Jason Smith



Good day, Warm Springs. My name is Jason Wesley Smith. I am a 49 year old Wasco tribal member (2451). My truly amazing wife Snuffy is a Umatilla tribal member who was raised on the Yakama Reservation. We have two beautiful daughters who are 27 and 23. Both of them have recently graduated from college. We are very proud of the accomplishments that our children have achieved, and grateful that they strived to please their parents and come home for a bit after college. This means so much as a parent.

My parents are Buck and Susie Smith of Warm Springs. They are very well known in our community. I believe I have the best parents in the entire world, and I'm so proud to be their son. I lost my brother, Troy, in 1983, and can't imagine our relationship and partnerships if we were given the opportunity to grow into adults together. My family is a huge part of who I am; my late grandparents are Dorothy and Stanley Smith Sr., and great grandparents are Anne and Wesley Smith of Dry Hollow.

I also have a brother and sister, Butch and Lori Smith of Madras, along with my nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles that are all a part of me as well. Last, but probably first, are all my favorite cousins. I want to name them all but not enough ink (aye). As

five years as the vice president of the Northwest Inter-Tribal Ag Council (NWIAC). From 1999-2006 I owned and operated the very well known Deschutes Crossing Restaurant.

I have served as the Warm Springs Baptist Church treasurer for 12 years. I have been the president of the Warm Springs Rodeo Association since the early 2000s. I was appointed by Pres. Obama to the Farm Service Agency Oregon State Technical Committee.

One of my lifelong commitments has been being a member of the Professional Wild Horse Racers Association (PWHRA) for 33 years. I have been the president of the PWHRA the last five years. I was appointed by Tribal Council to the Warm Springs Casino and Resort Enterprises board for five years, and served as chairman from 2014-2015. I am also a member of the National Tribal Horse Coalition, which is an organization close to my heart for the protection and management of our tribal horse population since its inception in 2009, and have served as their president since 2011.

Enough about myself, now I would like to talk about serving our membership, our community, and the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

you can see, I am very family oriented, and think family is the cornerstone and backbone of our reservation. We should strive to become one Big Happy Family.

Education/work history

I graduated from Madras High School in 1985. I went on to receive my Bachelor of Science Degree from Oregon State University in June of 1991. I started working for the tribe in September of 1991 as a Range Specialist for the Range and Agriculture Department. After seven or eight years in that position I was promoted to the Range and Ag Manager from within the Branch of Natural Resources. I have been working on the range my whole life as a rancher with cattle and horses.

In the '90s I served two terms on the Range and Ag Committee. I also served on the Inter-tribal Agriculture Council (IAC) Board of Directors for eight years, and

My vision

When thinking of running for Tribal Council, I believe we need to be on a quest to serve our people. We need to keep our youth and elders in the forefront of our decisions. How do we do this? We do this with Love, Spirituality and Unification!

We must have love for one another, and care for all our people. From the beginning of my existence I've always heard of reasons, rumors and recommendations of how people should feel, think or act towards different families or groups of people. In my mind we are all good people. We can be slow to anger, and be open to discussions, with well thought out solutions before a quick knee jerk reaction. We can change our mindsets to that frame of thinking. We can help one another over the hurdle, through the hard times, on to a promotion, with our sincere support and encouragement for the good will of our people. Our good will bring others to join our team.

We as Indian people have always been spiritual people. I believe we need to step back and take a look and see where, and perhaps why we

have wandered, and strive to start a path back to where our Elders have once had us. Unification is strength. We are weak if we are divided and not one. No matter the district, the tribe, or the last name, we are still Warm Springs.

Let's band together and become the power that we once were. Let's forgive and forget, and remember that together we can all work side by side towards success.

Then to the grind, jobs, jobs, jobs

It seems that "jobs" is what we've been hearing about for years now. How do we best create and maintain jobs? By actively creating our economy. If we promote economic opportunities, support business developments, provide education opportunities and incentives, develop recreational opportunities (just to name a few), we will be well on our way.

We need 100-plus small businesses that make a buck, or even break even, that will employ a tribal member or two. Looking for one silver bullet that will solve all our financial problems is maybe unrealistic. Maybe a franchise or two, a warehouse, a mall

with food courts: these can help build our local economy that we need here in Warm Springs.

We are a resource rich tribe that can explore many possibilities to utilize our land. Sovereignty is a powerful word, we need to exercise it. We have existing tribal jobs and departments that can think "outside the box." We need internships with colleges and trade schools. We can even create our own local interns with our own criteria. Many of our people have special needs or handicaps that need careers and employment as well.

This is just a start to some ideas, concepts and possibilities. We can work as a team so that we as a tribe can implement and start achievement into some great possibilities.

Thank you

I want to take the time to thank the membership for giving me the opportunity to run for Tribal Council and serve our people. It's a very prestigious honor to be a nominee and given a chance to be at the table with our well respected elders, Chiefs and leaders. God Bless,

Jason W. Smith

Agency District candidates

Susan Guerin



Candidate: Susan Guerin.

Parents: Johnnie and Karen (Wahpat) Guerin.

Grandparents: Phillip Guerin and Bessie (David) Guerin.

Grandparents: Chester Walpat Sr. and Theda (Aguilar) Whalawitsa.

Residence: 50 years in Warm Springs.

Education: Eastern Oregon University (Philosophy, Politics, and Economics.)

Employment: Secretary, Firefighter, and Emergency Medical Technician, water truck driver, grader operator.

Business: Chinook International, LLC.

Volunteer: Gymnastic coach (17 years), tutor (10 years), Miss Warm Springs Committee; Our People’s Meeting facilitator; American Red Cross.

Boards: North American Indigenous Games Council; Bob Beamon’s Golf & Tennis Classic; Team Oregon; Eugene Greene Sr. American Legion Auxiliary No. 48.

Associations: Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI); National Congress of American Indians (NCAI).

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Tribal Council representatives must serve our members with two-way communications. We are a nation, not a club. We are many, not a few.

To represent adequately, Council must know the conditions, goals, and dreams of our people, of our families and of our businesses. Council must inform us of the issues and then seek our input. Since 1996 I have found my own way to attend ATNI and NCAI just to keep up with the issues, successes, and business models of other tribes. We must follow legislation as it happens so that

we don’t make the same mistakes of our past, or that other tribes have made.

CTWS is a member corporation. As such, our members must be kept in the loop and their input sought on corporate issues. Our members possess varied and vast knowledge and experiences. Even the children must be asked what they aspire to become, and then Council must include these in 5, 10, 15, 20, 50 year plans.

In February of 2014, a tribal member was experiencing an unhealthy employment situation that caused me to advocate for tribal member employment rights. Three months later, I asked other tribal members to help organize a weekly meetings, which became known as “Our Peoples’ Meeting.” There we discussed issues that affect our people, our corporation, and our nation. Not only did we talk, but we actually met each other; some we only knew by face. Together, we asked questions and sought answers. Sometimes we were met with piety or ignored, but eventually our written requests garnered answers, which we used to formulate solutions to our nation’s problems. When we were told of harassment on the job, we posted the personnel code related to that issue. When we were told a TM getting passed over for a job, we wrote a letter to the supervisor and to Human Resources citing the policies, resolutions and ordinances that support tribal member preference in hiring.

When we learned of successes, we applauded. In short, we protected and promoted our people. This was and still is a group effort, but I am the designated letter writer and the messenger. Why? Fear of retribution. I am self-employed so this was

not my worry, but it did come with a price. The most personal of all is that some of my family members have stopped talking to me, because in our search for answers, we found that their relative(s) were involved with unacceptable behaviors and dealings that gave non-tribal members preferences, privilege and benefits that tribal members did not have equal access. I am prepared to continue the aggravation for the good of all, and not just for the good of some.

As a member, you will have access to privileged information that we uncovered and is not suitable for publication to the general public. This is business of a personal, corporate, and national nature that must be kept within our sovereign nation. Just contact me.

I accepted the nomination for Council this time to facilitate actual transparency for our members. Our Council must humble themselves and Do The Task. Council hold monthly meetings; bringing issues to the people BEFORE passing resolutions and laws that affect us all. It is the “we” and not the “I” that will propel this nation forward and to greater days. The knowledge of 11 people does not compare to the knowledge base of an entire nation.

I have given you my philosophy, but what about the issues? I promise all our tribal members that I will continue to ask what you want for your families; for your community; for your corporation; for our nation.

I finish with the source of my strength; the Great Creator. Let’s make a deliberate decision to entrust the One who created everything! I promise to seek divine guidance—the Creator must be at the head of our nation!

Susan Guerin

Jonathan W. Smith Sr.



My name is Jonathan W. Smith Sr., and I am 44 years of age. I am the son of Janice Smith and William Leonard, although I was raised by my grandparents Milan Smith Sr. and Betty David.

I am a proud father of three wonderful children named Jonathan Smith Jr., Callista Smith and Racquel Smith. I am half Warm Springs and half Wasco and have spent most of my life here on the reservation. I am a lifelong treaty rights advocate, fisherman and ceremonial hunter.

I am happy to announce that I am a candidate for the Warm Springs Agency District Tribal Council 2016-2019 Term.

I have served in many capacities for the tribe at the technical level and policy level. Some of my notable achievements have been long-term in nature. My work has taken me through many departments here on the reservation, and I have had the privilege to work with many wonderful people.

When I was a young man fresh out of high school I heard about the Predator Control Program happening along the Columbia River. I decided to apply and ended up getting hired to work. I got to fish for a living as a young adult along the Big River.

An emergency incident happened and I came back home to stay with my family. I ended up working at Warm Springs Composite Products, where I got a lot of my work ethics that I still subscribe to.

I did a term as Safety Committee chairman at Composite Products, and learned about the world of a profit enterprise.

I went to work for Warm Springs Forest Products Industries because I became allergic to the dust at Composite Products. I learned blue the collar work ethic of production in a fast-paced enterprise while performing both these jobs.

I operated high tech machinery, power tools and heavy equipment. I learned supervisory skills that became a daily kind of thing.

After seeing another ad for a training position in Natural Resources Fisheries Department, I decided to apply. I discussed it with my family, and moved to Maupin.

This job involved working with state and federal agencies, and required the ability to work with a diverse range of people.

I worked there and became a state certified

Fisheries Technician. I appeared in The Dalles *Chronicle* many times, and became familiar with tribal, state and federal fish management plans in the process.

I was promoted to Assistant Manager of the \$7 million Parkdale Fish Facility, and became familiar with our tribal management policies.

This is where I did a lot of my baseline networking in fisheries with all the tribes, federal and state programs.

After an accident, I moved back to Warm Springs to start Advanced Glass Repair, a local high tech state of the art windshield repair company. We have been in business for over 16 years, and have repaired thousands of windshields.

Some of our clients include the U.S. General Service Administration, the tribal vehicle fleet, the Warm Springs Police Department, Chilkat Enterprises, Warm Springs Fire and Safety Insurance Companies, and hundreds of private car owners.

I started working at the Warm Springs Police Department for a few years as a corrections officer and in the 911 dispatch center.

I learned about tribal laws, policies, codes and criminal social structure. I could not continue working there because of personal injury, so I moved out of that department and applied for the Fish and Wildlife Committee.

I received an acceptance letter, and still remember a former atwai Councilwoman’s words. At the swearing in ceremony she told me, “Listen, I voted for you because I believe our young and smart people need a voice, so stand up and be that voice for your generation. And always do the right thing... I see you’re a young father, and I’ll know you will do those things for your people.”

My first year on that term was pretty much a listen and report kind of learning. I became more assertive once I learned my role and the things you should be doing and when you should do them. I became very knowledgeable with our working documents of the legislative side of government.

The next term I became chairman of the Fish and Wildlife Committee because of my knowledge of these documents, policies, procedures and the things we ac-

complished.

I have worked in the Environmental Health Department at Indian Health Service in Warm Springs. During this time period I became very familiar with the federal laws, rules, policies and procedures. I became certified in Hazardous Waste First Responder, Hazardous Waste Operations (Hazwoper), OSHA Site Supervisor for Hazardous Waste Sites, FDA Food Safety Inspections Officer, EPA Building Inspector and disease prevention.

I conducted environmental health and safety inspections for the tribal government and for the Klamath Tribe. I conducted facility inspections, food safety inspections, employee safety inspections, and water program compliance and monitoring as well.

I am now a regular Fish and Wildlife Committee member, and also sit on the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission. I have specialized my work on modernizing the Columbia River Treaty, keeping Nestle out of our homeland, protecting our traditional foods, protecting water quality, planning for climate change (climate change adaptability and resilience), preventing oil and coal contamination along the Columbia.

I have focused on housing along the Columbia River, and preserving our traditional way of life.

I am also the chairman of the Land Use Planning Committee. We have done a lot on our committee term for the local community. We have supported the tribes’ economic development activities, standardized our metal salvage operations for the tribe, coordinated environmental remediation projects, updated transportation and infrastructure development plans, and worked with federal partners and other tribes. We have worked with ATNI, and focused on ceremonial activities for treaty access sites, joint committee sessions, and treaty and constitution training for new members, and many other things.

I am a true auto-didact sometimes, in that I often read a high volume of books, internet blogs, periodicals, reports, case studies, management and comprehensive plans.

Now that you know a little about me, with the diverse work background and the experience that are grounded with roots here in our community, I know I would serve our people well in the next Tribal Council.

Vote **Jonathan W. Smith** for Agency District!

Casino hosting Relay for Life tourney

Indian Head Casino will host the Relay for Life—Jefferson County 4-person golf scramble tournament in May.

The tourney is set for Saturday, May 21, at the Kah-Nee-Ta Resort golf

course.

The entry fee is \$50 per individual, or \$200 for a team (carts not included). \$5 mulligans (two per person); and \$5 four-foot putting string (one per team).

For more information,

contact Willie Stacona at 541-280-3859. The mailing address is Willie Stacona, c/o Indian Head Casino, PO Box 890, Warm Springs, 97761.

Please help Indian Head Casino in the fight against cancer.

Jobs at Indian Head Casino

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Ext. 7710

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COFFEE STATIONS ATTENDANT1 PART-TIME.
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The Crooked River Ranch Spring Fling open golf tournament is coming up on Saturday and Sunday, April 16-17. All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society.

The entry fee is \$300 per team. This includes two rounds of golf with a cart, lunch on both days, and raffle prizes.

There will be \$5,500 in prize money (based on a field of 60 teams).

For more information, contact Pat Huffer, PGA professional, 5195 SW Clubhouse Rd., Crooked River Ranch. Or call 541-923-6343. The email is: cccpat@crookedriverranch.com

Seekseequa District

Brigette McConville

Hello, my name is Brigette (Scott) McConville. I am running for the Twenty-Seventh Tribal Council, and would like to represent the Seekseequa District in which I reside.

I am currently self-employed as a business owner of Salmon King Fisheries, located by Indian Head Casino. I started the business in 2011. We commercial fish on the Columbia River. We sell our fish fresh, frozen, canned and smoked. We also have retail wearable art, beadwork, basketry and supplies. And we have beadwork and basket classes at the store twice a month.

I also served as a Columbia River Inter-tribal Fish commissioner, and the Fish and Wildlife Committee of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

Besides dealing with the business and management of fish I teach history and art in the Columbia River school district. By invitation I come into classrooms k-12. I teach a plateau history because I am able to communicate the importance of community education and awareness of our tribes’ treaty and land management activities in



our ceded lands, usual and accustomed lands and aboriginal territories.

I also serve on the board of directors of the Oregon Historical Society, appointed by the governor. Again, I’m able to be a part of the state’s recognition of Oregon history telling, and support our tribes involvement overall.

My involvement on reservation and off reservation is great, and keeps me busy. I feel as a candidate, tribal member and resident I can serve and support the interests and concerns of our people as a whole. I believe in face to face conversation with a cup of coffee or tea, but am available via cell phone, Facebook, email and letter writing. We are a confederated tribe: the Warm Springs, Wasco and Paiute within and outside the boundaries of our reserva-

tion. Communication is key to our tribal government.

Personally, I am a mother of three children, August, Rosebud and Annalise. I am married to Sean McConville (Nez Perce). We live in Seekseequa on the reservation. I graduated from Madras High School in 1987, graduated from COCC in 1989, and worked for Cultural Resources as a cultural resource technician, doing cultural surveys for timber sales, roads and new development such as housing.

I attended Oregon State University, graduating in 1997. I then worked for Cultural Resources as a tribal anthropologist from 1997 to 2012. I have resided in Warm Springs my entire life with the exception of furthering my education.

My daughters and I are ceremonial food gatherers for the Agency Longhouse. Warm springs is my home, and I am asking for your support and your vote on April 4.

Thank you for your time and consideration for a vote.

Brigette McConville.

Simnasho District

Orvie Danzuka

Greetings to all tribal and community members, my name is Orvie Danzuka.

I am of Warm Springs, Wasco, and Paiute descent. My parents are atwai Gerald Danzuka Sr. and atwai Kathleen Heath. My maternal grandparents are atwai Nathan Heath and atwai Lillie Heath. My paternal Grandparents are atwai George Danzuka Sr. and atwai Loreen Tufti (Brunoe).

I am currently running for a seat on Tribal Council as a Simnasho District representative.

First, I would like to thank the Elders, community leaders and all Tribal Council representatives for their hard work and continued dedication to our tribal sovereignty, Treaty, and people.

I am running for a second term on Tribal Council because I would like to continue the path this Tribal Council has begun, engendering healthy economic growth, and encouraging system changes that promote health, safety, security, and self-sufficiency for our people.

I will continue to bring open-minded and proactive thinking skills to Council.

I have a Bachelor of Science degree in Natural Resources from Oregon State University. I have worked as a Water



and Soils Technician, Fisheries Technician, Natural Resources Summer Youth Coordinator, Wildland Firefighter, Forester, and most recently appointed as Forest Manager.

I currently serve on the Intertribal Timber Council Board as the Secretary, Education Committee Chair and am also active on the Symposium Committee and served briefly as Chair for Awards Committee.

My career is natural resources based, and many of my leadership skills have been acquired through formal classes and trainings, but I have also gained experience and knowledge from observation and communication with current and past leaders.

My most recent term as a Council member gave me invaluable experience in the political realm and I’ve made numerous contacts that have been helpful for the tribe. I

have most recently testified at Washington, D.C. at the budget appropriations hearing to advocate for much needed additional funding, and our team met with Assistant Secretary of the Interior Larry Roberts to discuss our cannabis initiative.

Leadership is a skill that my mother impressed upon me by example. She told me that good leadership starts with the attitude that your job is to serve the people, not the people serving you.

The tribes have made some positive progress—TERO, expanded off-reservation hunting, additional housing, travel by delegation—but our work is most definitely not done. Communication with our membership is still lacking, we are close to getting an MOU completed with the 509-J School District (expanded curriculum to include culture, language and history), new economic ventures to pursue, increase employment, etc.

I believe I can offer and share insight through a process of dialogue with professionals and community input that will enhance the advocacy needed to ensure our treaties, our sovereignty, and prosperity for future generations.

Respectfully submitted,

Orvie Danzuka

Agency District

Eugene Austin Greene

tNiix lkwi’I tlaawxma and Itukdi wigwa:

I am Mustalik, shiapo name Eugene Austin Greene. Having served three terms on Tribal Council, this is the fourth time I have been nominated to serve as a Tribal Council representative, and I thank the people for their trust and confidence in me.

My experience to serve my people comes from the years I have previously served on the Council, along with the years I have had in public relations, not only job related but also social and community related activities. This includes working with our youth and families through my work at the Recreation program and our Community Wellness Center.

I have gained valuable knowledge through those experiences as well as my respect for the wisdom of our elders. I took time to listen and learn from elders on what is important to our people. I paid attention when my father Eugene Greene Sr. served on the Tribal Council. He had years of experience working with our people and also holding the Tribal Council chair seat. My years of experience of sitting at the Council table have helped me understand how important that role is. I feel all this experience and knowledge has helped prepare me to continue to serve my people.

Decisions made by the Tribal Council affect our people now and for generations to come, so it is important that we remember who we are, not only our role in the business world but keeping strong our culture and traditions. This plays a strong role in our sovereignty. I



am a very humble individual, but I pride myself on my understanding of our people, our needs, and how our history plays into the important decisions made today for our future.

I know and understand the historic and guiding organic documents, that which guides our people and how they drive the Council. I am attuned to good communications to the People and still carry the belief that we continue with needed district meetings and General Council to keep the people informed and getting our people’s input. It is important to be able to report to the tribal membership on how we are doing as a whole, and how our enterprises are performing and the effect of such on the people. Reporting to the people is a responsibility of each individual Council member to their people, and if elected I will commit to regular reporting to the membership. As well, each Tribal Council member has an open door policy to all tribal members, and I will gladly discuss matters of importance.

Very important items this Tribal Council worked on that I’ve been involved in and would like to carry forward include the General Plan of the tribes’ annual budget. That once the an-

nual budget is approved the plan for financial allocation and usage is properly carried out. Also to be considered is the budget assurance of Trust assets to our people’s per capita and Senior Pensions. I know travel has always been a concern and the dollars spent on such, thus this Tribal Council has reduced the amount of travel by only allowing delegation and pre-approved tribal for Tribal Council members, and I would like to see that continue.

It is important to remember who are and our role as a tribal member in general. As an elected official for this Tribe, you must put that foremost and know why we are here. Thus another important item that will carry us forward is the federal trustees and their roses on protection of the 1855 Treaty.

If elected to the next Tribal Council I would not only bring knowledge and continuity of the work of the present Council, but I would like to see us move forward with a sound executive team, that team is critical to carry forth the objectives and needs of our people. That is important to me, as well as keeping as a priority the proclamation of the Council’s priorities. One important item we have been working on that I definitely want to see continue is that of economic development and opportunities of such. We look now and into the future with our people’s Health, Education, and the importance of our youth and elders.

Thank you and well wishes to all nominees.

Eugene Austin Greene.

Seekseequa District

Shirley Allen

I have both a formal and information education, and throughout the years I have utilized both. I have a Bachelor’s degree in Science and Elementary Education, with a minor in Special Education. That allowed me to teach for 15 years.

When I wasn’t teaching, I used by truck-driving certificate, and worked in road construction. I did that for ten years, to supplement my teaching income.

I familiarized myself with federal and state laws, and tribal laws in the Finance Department. I believe I have good communication skills, oral written and presentational, that help with budgeting.

I have experience in community and social projects. I am member of the San Carlos Cancer Committee, that fundraises for cancer victims.

Most recently, I am delving into a starting a Youth Cattlemen’s Asso-



ciation in Warm Springs, to grow quality beef for our community.

A positive change I would like to see the building up of more social capital in the community, especially in health and wellness. History tells us there is a high distrust of past leadership. I would like to see people have more confidence in the tribal leadership.

This could be accomplished through effective communication with the membership, and holding Council members accountable.

Also to build social capital, we need to administer a soft evaluation of the IHS health service delivery, and a hard evaluation at the end of each fiscal year, so we can program plan.

I think the impacts of addiction are evident in our community. This weighs on the court system, and social and health services.

We need an economic boost in the private sector. I’m looking forward to the cannabis and UAV programs. These will help with employment on the reservation.

I believe we need to develop a skill center here in Warm Springs. This would help our younger generation to acquire skills to help us in the future.

Through education people can create their own jobs, and their own businesses, rather than relying on the tribes to create a career or job.

Thank you.
Shirley Allen

Agency District candidates

Toni Made



I would like to take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Toni (Smith) Made. I am enrolled with the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs (Wasco/Warm Springs/Grand Ronde descent).

My late parents are Roscoe and Rose Mary Smith. My grandparents are the late Alfred Smith Sr., and Lucinda (Scott) Smith. I was raised on the Warm Springs Reservation along with six brothers and sisters.

Being an effective Tribal Council member requires strong leadership skills. The person must have the abilities to speak on their feet, to present effectively, and adapt. The person must be energetic, well spoken, and educated—not just formal education but educated through “life itself.”

Ask yourself if you are looking for someone who has good, common sense, and is not afraid to speak up. Our great candidate should have a natural, calm style of communication and possess reflective listening—not only to each other, but to our elders—and to all our people. A great candidate knows the challenges we face as a people. It is very important that we keep in mind: *“What the successful candidate actually ‘brings to the table.’ With your vote, I can bring all of this to the table.”*

Life has been very, very generous to me. I attended college majoring in Business Administration at OSU, Eugene Business College and Lane Community College, earning an Associates Degree and initiation into the Phi-Theta Honors Fraternity (3.83 GPA overall).

I was raised in Warm Springs by my mother along with my brothers and sisters. I was very young when I dedicated myself to helping our people, which I continue to do this day.

As I look back through my life that has prepared me for Tribal Council, it makes me smile, *I am content...I am confident...I love my people dearly.*

Prior to returning home my job endeavors included support staff at OSU, the U of O, and Lane Community; Administrative Assistant/

Estomina, Orie, Shanina and Merima—became champion pow-wow dancers, individual and team dance, and members of the “Little American Indian Dance Troupe.” I continue to strive to teach my grandchildren about our culture and traditions. *Please know—that I do know the struggles of not only our young families but of our elders, I know about the financial woes we all face...*

I remain open to challenges, change, new things, and maintain strict confidentiality. I maintain strong integrity, trust and honesty.

My ability to listen reflectively and speak are essential. My proven work record, mediation skills and tact supports effectiveness in building a team.

Many of you know about the long hours I have devoted to serving my people—daily—for the last 25 years.

I am fair and continue to help our people help themselves. I believe you will hear about my kindness and sincerity... about my gifts of conscience and gratitude.

I have always maintained our sovereignty and jurisdiction of the CTWS. You will hear about the many, many people I have helped in recovery, and the many, many families I have helped through crisis, giving them strength and hope.

My abilities to develop collaborations and awareness are unsurpassed. I am not afraid to continue to step forward and accept the difficult challenges we all face.

I will give you nothing but my level best—as I always do—if elected as your Agency Tribal Council Representative.

I care very much about our people. I will stand... I will speak about the many challenges we face with unemployment, economic endeavors, housing, finances, tribal member preference, dealing with the alcohol and drug challenges we all face, with confidence and sincerity for our people.

Respectfully, I humbly ask for your Yes vote of Confidence for **Toni Made**, Agency District representative.

“Change we can believe in! Toni Made.”

Glendon N. Smith



Work History

My very first job with the Tribe was at Water and Soil, Natural Resources back in summer of 1994 as a summer youth employee. In 1995, I was employed at Forestry, Natural Resources, again as a summer youth employee, which was also the fencing crew.

In 1996, I worked during the spring and summer for Kah-Nee-Ta resort at the Village as a life-guard.

In 1997, I worked for White Horse Rafting Company, which was owned by Bruce Brunoe Jr., during the spring and summer months.

At the beginning of the summer of 1998 to fall of 1999, I worked for JR Smith Logging, Tomcat Logging, and Wissie Smith Logging.

During the summer months of 2001-2002 and from 2003-2004, I was employed at Warm Springs Project Engineering as a survey tech. I also worked with BIA Engineering Department during these years as well.

In summer of 2006, I helped oversee and manage a group of summer youth workers.

From the fall of 2006 to spring of 2008, I worked for Jefferson County School District, first as a teacher assistant and later as a substitute teacher.

In July 2008, I was appointed as an Associate Judge for the Tribal Court by Tribal Council, as a temporary Judge and eventually as a full-time Judge. I worked as a Judge for 7 years and 2 months.

In September 2015, I was appointed by Tribal Council to the Secretary-Treasurer/CEO position.

Education/Training

Associates of Arts Oregon Transfer Degree, Central Oregon Community College.

Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies, Oregon State University-Cascades.

Master of Science in Administrative Justice and Security, University of Phoenix.

Certified Training in Tribal Judiciary Skills, the National Judicial College, Reno, Nev.

Multiple certificates from trainings that relate to: alcohol/drug issues, criminal, civil, juvenile, domestic relations, judicial procedure, evidence, mediation, family court, bench skills, jurisdiction, sovereignty, code amendments, and indirect basics.

Accomplishments

The tribal bar exam was recreated in 2011 by former Chief Judge Susan Alexander.

In 2011, I was the first person to take and successfully pass this bar exam. This exam is still be administered at the Tribal Court today.

In 2009, I started a community service work program, named ‘clearing the way,’ where defendants were required to clean up sections within the Warm Springs Community. In 2012, I turned this program over to the Parole and Probation Department.

In 2010, I started the Blood Alcohol Content (BAC's) compliance practice. This practice required defendants to report to Warm Springs Corrections on a daily basis to register a double zero reading on the intoxilyzer and keep a daily log for compliance.

This is a successful practice that is still being used today. It has helped defendants to maintain their sobriety on a daily basis. This practice is also being used by the Juvenile Court to help parents maintain their sobriety.

From 2011 to 2015, I was the chairman for the Justice Team, which has served as an advisory board to Tribal Council for code revisions.

Notable revisions that were presented to Tribal Council and successfully passed by resolution:

Updated Juvenile Code.

Removed Illicit Co-habitation and Fornication Provisions from the tribal code, since both were ineffective.

Increased General Contempt Powers from \$180 to \$500, and 10 days jail to 30 days jail per offense.

Enacted the Victims Rights Ordinance.

Revised BAC threshold for DUII from .1% to .08% to synchronize officers training to the law.

Revised Ch 380, Sex Offender Provision, introducing a ‘homeless’ definition and reporting requirement and strengthening requirements for tier three offenders.

Created and introduced Private Disorderly Conduct WSTC 305.434 to effectively address habitual detox offenders.

W o r k e d collaboratively with COM, GMs, and directors to balance the 2016 budget.

Vision

I would like to see our Tribe and Membership become more stable in the future. There are so many instabilities related to: alcohol, drugs, jobs, housing, income, health, economy, crime, and sovereignty, etc.

I have learned, in my experience, that there are various ways to help bring more stabilization to the community and Tribe.

Bringing more stability to our community and membership will require some major decisions.

The membership will have to be included in the decision-making process, but there will also be some decisions made where Tribal Council will have to make independent decisions, which is why the membership will have to choose the best candidate that they can trust.

“Do not sit on your Rights”

Glendon N. Smith

Employment

The following jobs were posted recently withthe tribal Human Resources Branch:

Budget Grant & Contracts Specialist - Contact Arthur Mitchell - 541-553-3219.

Manager-Native Aspirations Program - Contact Caroline Cruz - 541-553-0497.

Secretary - Contact Caroline.

Behavior Health Ad-

ministrator - Caroline.

Early Intervention

Consulting Teacher - Caroline.

Receptionist (Limited Duration) - Elizabeth Hisatake - 541-553-3209.

Children's Mental Health Specialist - David Howenstine - 541-553-3205.

Adult Mental Health Specialist - David.

Dual Diagnosis

Therapist - David.

Adult Substance

Abuse Treatment Specialist - David.

Adolescent Substance Abuse Treatment Specialist - David.

Community Health

Nurse - Katie Russell - 541-553-2460.

Tribal Day Care Teacher - MayAnne Mitchell - 541-553-3241.

Day Care Receptionist/Secretary - MayAnne.

Day Care Substitute

Teacher - MayAnne.

Support Services Coordinator - MayAnne.

Bus Driver - Jodi Begay - 541-553-3242.

Wildland Firefighter -

Family Service Advocate - Jodi.

Hydrologist - Jon Treasure - 541-553-2020.

Natural Resources Intern - Pah-Tu Pitt - 541-553-2029.

Landscape Biological Monitoring Specialist - Pah-Tu.

Seasonal Wetland Technician - Pah-Tu.

Wildland Fire Module-Squad Boss (2 positions) - Dorian Soliz - 541-553-8198.

Firefighter Fuels (18 positions) - Glen Smith / Joel Thompson - 541-553-8199.

Squad Boss/Fuels - Glenn / Joel.

Wildland Fire Module-Asst. Sup. - Dorian Soliz - 541-553-8198.

Wildland Firefighter -

Gary Sampson / Renso Rodriguez - 541-553-8193 /8194.

Equipment Operator/Operations - Jabbar Davis - 541-553-1146.

Assistant Engine Operator - Vernon Tias Sr. / Lionel Smith - 541-553-8309 /1147.

Engine Operator - Vernon / Lionel.

BNR Conservation Law Enforcement Ranger - Oswald Tias - 541-553-2033.

Fuels Technician - Brad Donahue Jr. - 514-553-8301.

F&W Tech II- Nursery Limited Duration - Deana Smith - 541-575-1866.

Fish Biologist - Amy Charette - 541-575-1866.

LD Lamprey Project Tech IWillamette Falls -

Cyndi Baker - 541-553-3586.

Fisheries & Wildlife Technician I - Marc Manion - 541-553-2042.

GIS/IT Manager - Bobby Brunoe - 541-553-2002.

Restoration Crew Boss - Doug Dunlap / Bill Reynolds - 541-553-2001.

Restoration Tech - Doug / Bill.

Restoration Crew Driver/Member - Doug / Bill.

Police Officer - Lt. Jason Schjoll - 541-553-3272.

Corrections Officer (5 positions) - Ron Gregory - 541-553-3272.

Journeyman Plumber - Don Courtney - 541-553-3246.

Engineer Technician (Electrical) - Don.



In the Tribal Court of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. MADELINE BRUNOE, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV180-04 DO245-03. TO: MADELINE BRUNOE, TERRINE RABBIE, SILAS HOWTOPAT, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an CUSTODY REVIEW HEARING has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 18TH day of MAY, 2016 @ 3:30 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Marissa Kalama, Keith Charley Jr. Respondent; Case No. JV242,243,244-03. TO: Marissa Kalama, JV Pros, CPS, Keith Charley: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Bench Probation Hearing has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 13th day of APRIL, 2016 @ 3:30:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. MADELINE JIM, Respondent; Case No. JV70-15. TO: MADELINE JIM, SIMON PAUL, GREGORY MARTIN, JV P&P: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a SHOW CAUSE Hearing has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 13th day of APRIL, 2016 @ 9:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Jessica Tufti-Jim, Levi Jim, Respondent; Case No. JV108-15. TO: Levi Jim, Jessica Jim, CPS, Juvenile Prosecution: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Bench Probation Review has been rescheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 11th day of April, 2016 @ 11:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. GENA SMITH, DIAMOND TEWEE, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV35-12. TO: GENA SMITH, DIAMOND TEWEE, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an PERMANENCY HEARING has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 26TH day of MAY, 2016 @ 2:30 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. ANTONIA WAHSISE & CASEY GRAHM, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV84-03. TO: ANTONIA WAHSISE, CASEY GRAHM, JACOB/STEPHANIE MAY, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP REVIEW has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 8TH day of JUNE, 2016 @ 11:30 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. LAVONNE BOISE, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV106-06. TO: LAVONNE BOSIE, CATHERINE KATCHIA, WILLIAM KATCHIA, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an CUSTODY REVIEW HEARING has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 26TH day of MAY, 2016 @ 10:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. MADELINE BRUNOE, EDWARD JONES, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV28,29-15. TO: MADELINE BRUNOE, EDWARD JONES, CPS & JV PROSECUTO:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an PERMANENCY REVIEW has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 6TH day of JUNE, 2016 @

9:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. FAWN BEGAY, RESPONDENT; Case No. DO38-01. TO: FAWN BEGAY, LYNN & ALFRED ROY, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP REVIEW has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 18TH day of MAY, 2016 @ 10:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. ROSE SANCHEZ, HAOLD BLACKWOLF, RESPONDENT; Case No. DO56,57,58-14. TO: ROSE SANCHEZ, HAROLD BLACKWOLF, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an CUSTODY REVIEW HEARING has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 28TH day of APRIL, 2016 @ 3:30 PM

ARLENE SMITH, Petitioner, vs. VERNON SMITH SR “BESTA”, Respondent; Case No. DO9-16. TO: ARLENE SMITH, VERNON SMITH SR “BESTA”, VOCS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Elder Protection Order has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 12TH day of APRIL, 2016 @ 3:30PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. MADELINE BRUNOE, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV180-04 DO245-03. TO: MADELINE BRUNOE, TERRINE RABBIE, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an CUSTODY REVIEW HEARING has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 18TH day of MAY, 2016 @ 3:30 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. LARISSA NAPIYER, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV39,40-07. TO: LARISSA NAPIYER, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an PERMANENCY REVIEW has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 28TH day of APRIL, 2016 @ 2:30 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. MADELINE BRUNOE, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV111-15. TO: MADELINE BRUNOE, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an CUSTODY REVIEW HEARING has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 4TH day of APRIL, 2016 @ :30 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. ESTER LAWRENCE, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV98-14. TO: ESTER LAWRENCE, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 18TH day of APRIL, 2016 @ 2:30 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. ANTONIA WAHSISE & JAMIE FELDMAN, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV84-03. TO: ANTONIA WAHSISE, JAMIE FELDMAN, VICKIE/DAVID MARQUADT, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP REVIEW has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 11TH day of JULY, 2016 @ 10:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. ANTONIA WAHSISE & JAMIE FELDMAN, RE-

SPONDENT; Case No. JV84-03. TO: ANTONIA WAHSISE, JAMIE FELDMAN, TAMARA/ T H O M A S WATTENBARGER, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP REVIEW has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 26TH day of MAY, 2016 @ 9:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. JENNY REDFOX & SAMPSON PRICE SR, RESPONDENT. TO: JENNY REDFOX, SAMPSON PRICE SR, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an PERMANENCY REVIEW has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 16TH day of MAY, 2016 @ 2:30 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Alberto Briseno, Respondent; Case No. CR386-15. TO: Alberto Briseno:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Evidentiary on Monday, April 25, 2016 @ 10:00 am has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice, you are summoned to appear in this matter at the 25th day of April 2016 @ 10:00 am

HARRY PHILLIPS & MELISSA M. KNIGHT, Petitioner, vs. ROBINIQUE HATLESTAD, RESPONDENT; Case No. CV91-15. TO: ROBINIQUE HATLESTAD:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Civil Hearing has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the April 27th, 2016 @ 4:00 PM, at the Warm Springs Tribal Court.

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. MADELINE BRUNOE, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV33-15, DO54-94. TO: MADELINE BRUNOE,

RICKY SMITH SR, IDA SMITH, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an PERMANENCY REVIEW has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 16TH day of APRIL, 2016 @ 3:30 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. S H A R O N D E E MITCHELL, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV54-10. TO: SHARONDEE MITCHELL, CHARLES VANPELT, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an CUSTODY REVIEW HEARING has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 20TH day of APRIL, 2016 @ 3:30 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. GERALDINE SWITZLER, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV15-11. TO: GERALDINE SWITZLER, CPS & JV PROSECUTOR:

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PROBATE

In the matter of the estate of Woodrow W. Smith Jr., W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate file no. 2016-PR03.

Notice is hereby given that Woodrow W. Smith Jr., who at the time of death last known residence was 8525 Hwy 26, Warm Springs, OR, died on Jan. 19, 2016, and the court has appointed Valerie Squiemphen as public administrator.

In the matter of the estate of Daniel Brisbois, Sr., non-member, deceased. Estate no. 2010-PR50. Notice of final accounting and time for objecting was posted on March 18, 2016.

Public Safety - Proceedings at Tribal Court

Criminal arraignments - March 15

ARTHUR, Matthew; CR150-16; TR
DANZUKA, Winema; CR121-16; DWS/R
GILBERT, Allen; CR164-16; DC
HINTSATAKE, Siagigi; CR182-16; OJ
HOWTOPAT, Donald; CR185-16; PR, DOP
LUCIEI, David; CR184-16; PR, DOP
LUCIEI, Norman; CR183-16; PR, DOP
PANIAQUA, Hector; CR179-16; PDP, UUPCS, DWS/R
SCOTT, Crystal; CR162-16; DWS/R
STARR, Joseph Sr.; CR838-15; CN, CTTOAM
WOLFE, Lucy; CR12-16; UUPCS, PDC

Bail/bonds - March 15

BELGARD, David Jr.; CR198-16; CCWPDITX; NEW CHARGES; CR698-15; DC SC/FTC-BP
SUPPAH, Myrtle; CR204-16; FTSDNEW CHARGES
JAMES, Josephine; CR414-16; FI, DWS/R (CoOC) SC-FTC-BP

Bail/bonds - March 16

BELGARD, David Jr.; CR198-16; CCWPNNEW CHARGES; CR698-15; UUPCS, DC SC/FTC-BP
GILBERT, Allen; CR205-16; CIPC; CR164-15; DC
HASKINS, Charisse; CR815-15; DUII, REX4, DWS/RWARR; SC/FTC-WELLBRIETY
JAMES, Josephine; CR414-16; FID, DWS/RSC/FTC-BP
MILLER, Elizabeth; CR208-16; HR, A&BNEW

CHARGES

STORMBRINGER, Sonja; CR14-16; TRWARR; SC/FTA-CRIM ARRN
WESLEY, Jamey; CR354-15; C T T D O A M FURNISHINGWARR; SC/FTA-JURY TRIAL; CR678-15; A&B SC/FTC-BP
WOLFE, Lucy; CR12-16; UUPCS, PDC

Bail/bonds - March 17

BELGARD, DAVID JR. CR198-16; CCWPNNEW CHARGES
BELGARD, DAVID JR. CR698-15; UUPCS, DC SC/FTC-BP
GREENE, JAMES CR209-16; DUII, RE NEW CHARGES
SMITH, JOHNNY CR210-16; DC, OJNEW CHARGES
W O R L E Y , NICHOLASCR772-15; MM, REX2, DUIISC/FTC-SP
WORLEY, NICHOLAS CR711-15; DUII, RE SC/FTC-BP
STORMBRINGER, SONJACR14-16; TRWARR; SC/FTA-CRIM ARRN
WESLEY, JAMEY CR354-15; CTTDOAM FURNISHINGWARR; SC/FTA-JURY TRIAL
WESLEY, JAMEY CR678-15; A&B SC/FTC-BP

Bail/bonds - March 18

GOVERNOR, Juliene; CR426-15; A&BX2, CNSC/FTC-BP
JOHNS, Phillip; CR140-16; UUPCS, PDPWARR; SC/FTA-CRIM ARRN
SMITH, Johnny; CR210-16; DC, OJNEW CHARGES
STORMBRINGER, Sonja; CR14-16; TRWARR; SC/FTA-CRIM ARRN

WESLEY, Jamey; CR354-15; C T T D O A M FURNISHINGWARR; SC/FTA-JURY TRIAL; CR678-15; A&B SC/FTC-BP
WING, Charles; CR214-16; UUPCS NEW CHARGES
WORLEY, Nicholas; CR772-15; MM, REX2, DUIISC/FTC-SP; CR711-15; DUII, RE SC/FTC-BP

Bail/bonds - March 21

AMERICANHORSE, Leonard; CR215-16; A&BNEW CHARGES
ARTHUR, Clifford III; CR862-15; UUPCS, PDP, CWWPSC-FTA-STATUS HRG
CULPS, Rronnie Sr.; CR105-13; MPNSC/FTA-REST HRG
GOVERNOR, Juliene; CR426-15; A&BX2, CNSC/FTC-BP
JOHNS, Phillip; CR140-16; UUPCS, PDP WARR; SC/FTA-CRIM ARRN
WESLEY, Jamey; CR354-15; C T T D O A M FURNISHINGWARR; SC/FTA-JURY TRIAL; CR678-15; A&B SC/FTC-BP
WING, Charles; CR214-16; UUPCS SC/FTC-RC

Criminal arraignments - March 22

AMERICANHORSE, Avery; CR167-16; UUPCS, DC AMERICANHORSE, Leonard; CR175-16; DC
BOISE, Eric; CR178-16; UUPCS; CR795-15; DUII
BROWN, Harold; CR152-16; DUII
CALDERA, William; CR169-16; A&B, PDC, HA
CHARLEY, Allen; CR170-16; A&B, PDC; CR 471-15; DC
H E I S T E M A N - MITCHELL, Sharondee; CR207-16; CN, CA (OTR)

HOPWTOPAT, Chanda; CR804-15; MM
JIM Ricky; CR160-16; DUII, DWS/R, RE
RUBIO, Marta; CR206-16; CCOP
SMITH, Aaron; CR168-16; CWWP, ORHBM
STORMBRINGER, Cari Ann; CR151-16; AS
STROM, Charlie; CR74-16; MM

SWITZLER, Victor L.; CR177-16; PDC
THOMPSON-SAMPSON, Brent; CR316-16; UPDP
TOTUS, Damien; CR317-16; DUII, DWS/R, REX2

Bail/bonds - March 22

AMERICANHORSE, Leonard; CR215-16; A&BNEW CHARGES
ARTHUR, Clifford III; CR862-15; UUPCS, PDP, CWWPSC-FTA-STATUS HRG
CULPS, Ronnie Sr.; CR105-13; MPNSC/FTA-REST HRG
GOVERNOR, Juliene; CR426-15; A&BX2, CNSC/FTC-BP
JOHNS, Phillip; CR140-16; UUPCS, PDP WARR; SC/FTA-CRIM ARRN
CALICA, Lei; CR55-16; A&BWARR; SC/FTA-CRIM ARRN
STRONG, William; CR218-16; PDP, UUPCSNEW CHARGES
CROOKEDARM, Rima; CR217-16; DUII, REX2, DWS/RNEW CHARGES; CR540-15; DC SC/FTC-BP; CR683-15; DC SC/FTC-BP
STARR, Joseph Sr.; CR838-15; CN, CTTOAMWARR; SC/FTA-STATUS; CR7-16; SC/FTC-WELLBRIETY
Criminal arraignments - March 22
BROWN, Harold; CR152-16;

DWS/R
CHARLEY, Leonard Sr.; CR161-16; UUPCS
JACK, Matthew; CR159-16; UUPCS, MM
JIM, Jason; CR157-16; UUPCS, PDP, DWS/R
JACK, Nicole; CR103-16; DWS/R

Bail/bonds - March 23

BLACKWOLF, Edward; CR699-15; DUII, RESC/FTA-EVIDENTIATRY HRG, CR604-15; DUII, REX2 SC/FTA-EVIDENTIARY HRG
BROWN, Harold; CR152-16; DUII (CoC)
CROOKEDARM, Rima; CR217-16; DUII, REX2, DWS/RNEW CHARGES; CR540-15; DC SC/FTC-BP; CR683-15; DC SC/FTC-BP
GOVERNOR, Juliene; CR426-15; A&BX2, CNSC/FTC-BP
JACK, Nicole; CR226-16; DUII, RE, DWS/R, (COoC)NEW CHARGES
JOHNS, Phillip; CR140-16; UUPCS, PDP WARR; SC/FTA-CRIM ARRN
STARR, Joseph Sr.; CR838-15; CN, CTTOAMWARR; SC/FTA-STATUS; CR7-16; DUII SC/FTC-WELLBRIETY
STRONG, William; CR218-16; PDP, UUPCSNEW CHARGES
SUPPAH, Myrtle; CR204-16; FTCDP, CN (COoC)SC/FTC-RC
WALLULATUM, Randall; CR781-15; DCSC/FTC-WELLBRIETY

Bail/bonds - March 25

BROWN, Harold; CR152-16; DUII; CR228-16; CIPCNEW CHARGES
CALICA, Jose; 30-16; TR, UUPCSNEW CHARGES
CULPS. ANTHONY,

SRCR222-16 FTR&ASC/FTC-FTR

JACK, NICOLECR226-16; DUII, RE, DWS/RNEW CHARGES

JACK, NICOLE CR106-16; A&B, ABx2 SC/FTC-SP
MILLER, TERRANCE CV47-14; LVSC/FTC-CSW
SCOTT, CRYSTAL CR162-16; DWS/RFTA-CRIM ARRN
SUPPAH, MYRTLECR204-16; FTCDP, CN SC/FTC-RC
W A L L U L A T U M , R A N D A L L C R 7 8 1 - 1 5 ; DCWARR; SC/FTC-WELLBRIETY

Bail/bonds - March 28

BROWN, Harold; CR152-16; DUII; CR228-16; CIPCNEW CHARGES
CALICA, Jose; CR30-16; TR, UUPCSNEW CHARGES; CR59-16; DWS/R SC/FTC-BP
HEATH, JR., Rorbert; CR235-16; PDP, UUPCSNEW CHARGES
HUDSON, Zane; CR233-16; RE, RDNEW CHARGES
JACK, Nicole; CR226-16; DUII, RE, DWS/RNEW CHARGES; CR106-16; A&B, ABx2 SC/FTC-SP
JIM, Matthew; CR232-16; CA, HANNEW CHARGES
JIM, Ricky; CR160-16; DUII, RESC/FTC-RC
KALAMA, Angeline; CR234-16; CA, HANNEW CHARGES; CR621-15; TR, DC SC/FTA-CRIM ARRN
MILLER, Terrance; CV47-14; LVSC/FTC-CSW
SUPPAH, Myrtle; CR204-16; FTCDP, CN SC/FTC-RC
WALLULATUM, Randall; ANDALICR231-16; DCNEW CHARGES; CR781-15; DC WARR; SC/FTC-WELLBRIETY

JCSD Elementary Schools gear up for K-5

JCSD’s Buff Intermediate and Madras Primary Schools are looking forward to serving students in grades K-5 beginning in the fall of 2017. Both schools are preparing to make the transition comfortable and easy for students and families.

“The change is helping the district create a more equitable learning environment for all students,” said JCSD Superintendent Rick Molitor. “It also should make things easier on parents and students. There will be fewer school transitions for our students enabling them to form more of a connection with their elementary school. It will also help make involvement and coordination at lot easier for families.”

Both elementary schools are taking steps to make new students and family members feel welcome.

“We are very excited to welcome the intermediate learners to our school,” said Madras Primary School Principal Deborah Hunt. “Many of them attended here as young learners. We are also looking forward to working with students for not just three years, but now up to six if they come as kinders.”

Hunt believes the older students will serve as role models for the younger students.



Art time at Buff Intermediate.

“There will be leadership possibilities that our older learners can bring to our school culture,” she said. “Also, having the continuity of staying at the same school for a longer period of time will help students feel safe and connected.”

Hunt is looking forward to the opportunity to really get to know learners and their families and is planning a family welcome event in the spring. If parents have questions before that, they can contact Principal Hunt at 541-475-3520.

The staff at Buff Intermediate is excited about welcoming younger students to their campus. Principal Billie White is looking forward to the opportunity to see students grow socially and academically for six straight years.

“Having the chance to form that bond with both students and families is important,” White explained. “Parents will have the chance to get to know me as well as the staff and continue to form relationships that will hopefully make them feel like they are a part of the school.”

To ease the transition, White encourages parents who have questions to come in for a visit.

“Parents are their child’s biggest advocates and an important piece of their education,” White explained. “Bring your student in to tour the building. Talk to your child about the changes. We are going to have the best years here at Buff. Bring your smile, bring your sense of humor and be ready to learn.”



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April	
11	School Board Meeting, 7 p.m./ SSB
11-12	No School, Teacher Work Day
25	School Board Meeting, 7 p.m./SSB



Members of the Warm Spring Youth Tribal Council meet in the MHS library to plan for an upcoming event (from left: Malia Collins, junior; Keeyana Yellowman, senior; Raymond Sam-Smith, sophomore; Savannah Holiday, junior; Ashley Meanus, senior; Gavin Begay, senior).

Native students share hopes for the future

There is a group of Native American students at Madras High School that have hopes for the future and deep respect for the past. Six members of the Warm Springs Youth Tribal Council recently shared some of the challenges and opportunities the district faces with taking cultural understanding to the next level.

“The district does a good job of teaching students that everyone is here together and keeping us integrated,” said Malia Collins, grade 11. “I went to a school where Indians only hung out with Indians and it’s not like that here, but there’s still a lot more work to do.”

According to Collins and the other Youth Tribal Council members, what JCSD students and educators need is a deeper understanding and more curriculum about Oregon’s Native American history.

Senior Ashley Meanus explained that programs offered before and after school or during Indigenous Peoples Month can be good, but it’s not enough and they can also perpetuate stereotypes. She also said that not everyone participates.

“Pow Wows and performances are fine, but it’s important to understand our Oregon tribal history and we also need to talk about our Native American culture in a modern sense, so native students have a sense of self identity.”

The Warm Springs Youth Council hopes for a future that further integrates Native American history into the curriculum. Not just general history, but specific teaching about the nine tribes of Oregon. They also want teachers and students to talk more about historical and intergenerational trauma, which they believe will create a stronger sense of identity and pride, along with a more accepting school culture for all students, teachers and staff.

MHS seniors and Warm Springs Youth Council co-presidents Keeyanna Yellowman and Gavin Begay hope to help create a Native American Student Union that advocates for cultural awareness and education year-round.

“A lot of our teachers have the option to integrate Native culture into the classroom, but they may not have the tools or understanding,” said Yellowman.

The district team has been working to live up to the JCSD Strategic Plan in terms of integrating culture into the school buildings according to JCSD Superintendent Rick Molitor, who served as an advisory panel member for the Oregon American Indian/Alaska Native Education State Plan.

“The state plan is a much needed step in our work with native students and I would like to see the goals in the plan, many of which are what our students are telling us, a key focus for our next education agreement between the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs and 509J.

Molitor said that the district team has already started working to implement the Oregon American Indian/Alaskan Native Education State Plan. Part of this effort includes providing culturally relevant professional development for school district staff, increasing recruitment and retention of Native teachers, and implementing historically-accurate, culturally-embedded Native American curriculum and instructional materials into the classroom.

“We’re proud of the progress we’ve made, but we recognize that we still have work to do,” said Molitor. “We’re doing more to engage Warm Springs families and honor and celebrate our Native American culture. We’re also proud to see our MHS students taking a leadership role through the Youth Tribal Council.”

Other district efforts to enhance cultural awareness and engage Warm Springs families include hosting MHS parent teacher conferences at Warm Springs K-8 Academy, partnering with Warm Springs’ Val Swifter to bring programs to students, and creating more opportunities to learn about and celebrate Native American culture.



Student Glenn Bruno, grade 7, gets ready for the annual science fair at Warm Springs K-8.

Including the Native American Experience

To ensure the success and engagement of all students, the Jefferson County School District has been taking steps to integrate Native American culture into its curriculum. These efforts include:

- Implementing a new social studies curriculum that incorporates Native American history and culture. Resources that will be used include “First Oregonians” and “Indians in Oregon Today.” This curriculum will be implemented next fall for grades 6-12, with grades K-5 to follow.
- Providing culturally responsive training and teaching strategies for current teachers, including those at Warm Springs Academy. This training was developed by the Coaching For Equity Institute.
- Incorporating culturally responsive training into the new teacher induction program focusing on “Strength Through Diversity.” The training includes a tour of all the communities the district serves and a trip to the Warm Springs Museum for the American Indian Culture and History experience.
- Efforts to encourage more Native Americans to become teachers as part of the “Teach Central Oregon” program. These efforts include a collaboration with George Fox University to offer a bachelor’s degree in teacher education that includes one class per week and one Saturday class in Madras so that teaching candidates can work and attend school at the same time.
- New programs that will bring native dance and language experiences to Warm Springs Academy.
- Culturally significant attire worn at graduation ceremonies.
- A resolution passed by the district last year to celebrate both Columbus Day and Indigenous People Day.



Hatfield Fellowship opportunity

The Mark O. Hatfield Fellowship was established in 1998 as a living tribute to Senator Hatfield. Each year one Native American is selected to be the Hatfield Fellow and serve as a member of the staff of one of Oregon's representatives in Congress in Washington, DC.

This internship lasts for nine months. The fellowship was established by the Grand Ronde tribes.

Completed application packets are due no later than 5 p.m. on April 29. Postmarks are not considered. The mailing address is:

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The Hatfield Fellowship is also in memory of Susan Long, the senator's devoted assistant, who epitomized the best in public service.

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Hatfield Fellows are capable, motivated individuals, who, through their work in Washington, acquire new skills and experiences to be change makers and leaders in their communities, producing long-term benefits for all of the tribes and the Pacific Northwest.

Fellows also participate in the American Political Science Association's (APSA) month-long fellowship orientation. During this time, APSA fel-

lows in journalism, political science and international policy become acclimated to the environment in Washington, DC.

By collaborating with APSA, Fellows have an instant support network, including the director of the fellowship program who acts as a resource and a mentor.

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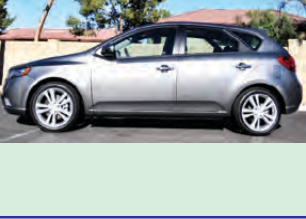

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