Pi-Ume-Sha cancelled this year

Tribal Council on Monday voted to cancel the 2020 Pi-Ume-Sha Powwow and related Treaty Days events because of concerns like the re-
dus, parade, fair and fun.

Council made the decision based on the recommendation of the tribe’s Covid-19 Response Team.

Pi-Ume-Sha usually happens in late June. The powwow annually brings hundreds of visitors to the reservation: The potential for visi-
tors bringing the coronavirus was the factor in the Council decision.

“June is too early for such a large gathering,” said Hyllis Dauphinais, director of the Warm Springs clinic, chair of the Response Team. His recommenda-
tion to the support of Dan Martinez, Emergency Response director; Caroline Cross, general manager of Health and Human Services, and ultimately Tribal Council.

“Until we have a vaccine this is going to continue to be a seri-
ous issue,” Mr. Dauphinais said. Just because people around the state, including Jefferson County, are loosening some so-
cial distancing, safety and business closures’ restrictions doesn’t make the situation safer, he said.

“I think we still will not have large gatherings,” Dauphinais said. “And I think can-
celation of the powwow (rather than postponement) would send the right message.

“Ensuring a safe environment would not be possible while bring-
ing in a large number of people from outside to the reservation: “We just don’t have the resources to keep everyone safe,” Dan Martinez said.

Pi-Ume-Sha celebrates tribal history and culture, and was a mainstay in the Warm Springs calendar in recent years.

Fourth of July

A tradition after the Pi-Ume-Sha date is the Fourth of July. Council members discussed whether to cancel these activities as well, with a final decision com-
ing next week.

The Response Team recom-
mendation is that July 4 events be cancelled as well, though there could be a safe way to have fire-
works by the community center.

People could stay in their cars and watch the fireworks, for in-
stance. This approach could also help keep powwow and other com-
munity center during the Fourth of July.

This could help reduce the risk of fires breaking out from people lighting fireworks around the reservation—during what is projected to be a very ac-
tive fire season. This decision will require more consideration, and Council set next Monday to re-
nounce the discussion.

BIA, Housing matters at Council

The Tribal Council endorsed the hiring of a new BIA super-
visory Tribes of Warm Springs

The presentation of the hir-
ing recommendation was at Council this Monday, via tele-
conference with BIA regional director Bryan Merritt.

Council and Mr. Merritt had earlier reviewed two finalists for the position, and came to a unanimous decision on the hiring.

The new Warm Springs Agency supervisor will likely arrive in two months, Merritt said, as the background and other requirements are met.

The current supervisor, Fred Langdon, will stay on for the first months of the new supervisor’s tenure, for the job transition process. In other Council news from this past Monday, May 18:

Affordable housing

Council approved an afford-
able housing project request from Warm Springs Housing Authority director Danielle Wood.

The tax credit project will remove 18 units in the West Hills area, and two duplexes on Elk Loop. These are tribally owned units on tribal land.

The district received nearly 200 responses, and these ideas were incorporated into the ceremony. Graduation Day will be Satur-
day, June 13 at the high school. Details are still being worked out; though each student will get to walk across the stage to receive his or her diploma.

The ceremony will tentatively begin at 9 a.m., and will likely take most of the day. As the day ap-
proaches, graduates and families should prepare for cautious par-
ticipation, as a result of the social distancing requirements.

“We are so thankful for the se-
iors, their families, and the community’s patience while we work to create a memorable
graduation ceremony that also ad-
heres to current social distancing requirements,” said Brian Crook, Madras High School principal.

“I really want to thank our se-
niors and families for their input,” said Jay Weeks, Bridges High School principal. “It provided valuable information that helps us to plan the event and maintain the focus that is our seniors.”

The Warm Springs community is also planning a parade to cel-
brate this year’s graduates. The parade will be conducted with pre-
cautions, such as all participants staying in vehicles throughout the parade. Details of this are still be-
ing worked out.

Tribal Council this week heard an initial report on the Warm Springs graduation parade from the Covid-19 Response Team. Mid-
to late-June for the pa-
rade appears to be the schedule for now.

— Dave McMechan

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The Confederated Tribes' Culture and Heritage Department is featured in a newly released education video, Culturally Responsive Indigenous Science: Connecting Land, Language and Culture. Culture and Heritage— and members from the Coeur d'Alene and the Colville tribes—worked last year with Washington State University and other partners on the project. The video, along with an education series that debuted this month on the on-line platform All Video Showcases Learning from Research and Practice, is a program of the National Science Foundation Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Education Foundation Science and Culture and Heritage— a project of the National Science Foundation on the WSU faculty and graduate students from Washington State's College of Arts and Sciences, weaving together Indigenous knowledge, stories and language. The learning modules also include a heavy tech emphasis, including video and Web applications. Working with the National Science Foundation on the video series is the non-profit TERG—Because math and science build futures.” —Dave McMechan

A free Construction Trades Online Training is coming up, as announced by the Warm Springs Workforce and Economic Development Division (WEDD) office. The four 8-hour classes will be via Zoom. When the classes are successfully completed, the trainee will attend a hands-on training at the Northwest College of Construction in Portland in July or August, expenses paid. Anyone interested can apply with WEDD as soon as possible for enrollment. Applicants should be willing to complete the training. Contact Melina Poitra at WEDD:

W.S. WEDD offering online construction training

A demonstration on the importance of water to the community (above); while CarlaDean (below) demonstrates an interactive learning application.

During the shutdown at Natural Resources

Like the rest of the tribal organization the Branch of Natural Resources has adopted the safety measures to protect employees from exposure to the coronavirus. Some parts of the branch have been able to operate, with safety measures, said Robert Brunoe, general manager. There has been ceremonial fishing; and tree planting and logging could happen in the right weather conditions, for example.

Most of the Natural Resource employees, though, are staying home, working remotely when possible, holding meetings by teleconference or Zoom.

Hongary staff have also been on duty at the Pothole facility on the Hood River; and the tribal farm has been in operation. Most of the branch employees, though—about 90 percent—have been away from their usual places of work, Mr. Brunoe said.

An important project now at the branch, and for the managers is the planning for eventual resuming of normal operation, he said.

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my2020census.gov

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They will also ask about who is living in your home on April 1; how they are related to you, their age and so on.

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Tribes continue cautious coronavirus policy

Amtrak of Jefferson County off the reservation began reducing the Covid-19 distancing and stay-home measure, meanwhile a court has ruled all the state restrictions are enforceable, though the state remains unable to enforce social distancing.

The developments are a concern, considering that many people from the reservation are crossing from neighboring counties to shop, for instance, said Hlif Dapha'nis, director of the Warm Springs Clinic. For the tribal community and membership, Tribal Council is tacking the most measured and safe approach to the very dangerous Covid-19 disease, Mr. Dapha'nis said.

"For the tribal community and members to continue coming out of your face with masks, to so-
to wash your hands often—These actions that really do make a difference."

The approach of the tribes for now continues to be that social distancing is a must, on the reservation and when community members visit or shop off reservation — Don't bring back the virus to the tribe. As of this early winter had seen a total of 17 positive tests results, out of more than 300 tested. All of the pending tests would be back by the weekend, Mr. Dapha'nis said.

"The issue as we approach the summer months, we need to be more cautious for other purposes than washing, cleaning and toi-
lets. I would like to take this time to advise tribu-
ates that the water is still operating on the emer-
gency repair of the Shoshone Creek crossing, which limit our ability to maintain high flow situa-
tions.

Currently, we are able to maintain flow rates to the reservoirs to keep them full enough to provide nor-
mal daily use of housing and commercial areas.

We will need to slow our part in conserving water to maintain the reservoirs, and also the High-
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Letters to the editor

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Valerie Mallory ~ 1976-2020

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Warm Springs Police, the FBI and Stan Van Marshall this week are investigating a weekend fire that has left two people hospitalized, one in critical condition, and authorities are now case is under investigation. When Warm Springs Police responded to a fire on Foster Street that left two people inside and the officers made it out, two people were still being care for this case. Anyone with information should contact the Warm Springs Police Department, 541-551-1771.

By following the Twenty-Eighth Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs provisions on when to self-isolate and quarantine as directed by healthcare professionals. Essential employees and first responders who have been tested with a negative result will have additional guidance about returning to work.

FIRE has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 29th day of June, 2020 @ 11:00 AM.

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. CARL IVANKAN, Respondent; Case No. JV12-18. TO: CARL IVANKAN, Petitioner, vs BOBBI GILBERT, Respondent; Case No. JV118-03, JV02-06, JV37-17. TO: JAMES SMITH JR., Respondent; Case No. JV118-03, JV02-06, JV37-17. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 16th day of June, 2020 @ 3:30 PM.

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. JAMES SMITH JR., Respondent; Case No. JV118-03, JV02-06, JV37-17. TO: JAMES SMITH JR, CPS, JV PROS. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 29th day of June, 2020 @ 1:00 PM.

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. ROBERT WARNER SR, Respondent; Case No.R027-20. TO: ROBERT WARNER SR, PETITIONER, vs ELLERY LECLAIRE, VOS. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a RESTRAINING ORDER has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 27th day of June, 2020 @ 11:00 AM.

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. CATHERINE PAYENNA, Respondent; Case No. RO26-20. TO: CATHERINE PAYENNA, CHASE HORNER, VOS. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a RESTRAINING ORDER has been scheduled 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 June, 2020 @ 9:00 AM.

JAYLYN SUPPAH, Petitioner; Case No. JV36-18. TO: JAYLYN SUPPAH, STEFAN WILLIAMS, Respondent; Case No. JV154-18. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 16th day of June, 2020 @ 11:00 AM.

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. MANLEY STREET, Respondent; Case No. JV34-16. TO: MANNY MATHIS, ANDREW & DEBBIE YOSHIDA. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a PROBATION REVIEW has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 1st day of July, 2020 @ 10:00 AM.

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. JULIA VAHIT-CLWOOD, Respondent; Case No. JV12-18. TO: JULIA VAHIT-CLWOOD, CPS, JV PROS, P&P; JAYLYN SUPPAH, Petitioner. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a CUSTODY REVIEW has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 29th day of June, 2020 @ 10:00 AM.

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. WILMA BAZA, Respondent; Case No. JV12-18. TO: WILMA BAZA, JV PROS, CPS; STUART PAUL, Respondent; Case No. JV118-03, JV02-06, JV37-17. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 16th day of June, 2020 @ 11:00 AM.

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Ken Smith ~ 1935-2020

(From page 1) In 1979, Ken gradu-
ated from Southern Oregon College with a B.S. in Business Administration. The second Native American to graduate from the University of Oregon, Ken and Sybil Conrad moved to Warm Springs in 1957, and would later welcome a son Greg and daughter Kendal to the world.

Ken was a first-generation young man, a member of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, and the only way of making a living. The checkpoints have been set up on Warm Springs land.

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**2012 Nissan Altima** - 105,956 miles - $8,995 #27591A

**2016 Buick Verano** - 63,946 miles - $12,995 #53768A

**2016 Toyota Tacoma** - 36,207 miles - $31,995 #16903A

**2014 Chrysler Sebring** - 68,549 miles - $5,995 #435059

**2012 Nissan Titan** - 112,300 miles - $18,495 #62572C

**2007 Nissan Murano** - 130,193 miles - $6,995 #92915B

**2016 Toyota Corolla** - 52,939 miles - $15,995 #33757A

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**Births**

Suraya Vinita Hicks, L-Roy A. Hicks III and Arianna Henry of Warm Springs are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Suraya Vinita Hicks, born on May 16, 2020.

Alexander Jim Anguiano, Skyonne Tillequots and Alven Anguiano are pleased to announce the birth of their son Alexander Jim Anguiano, born April 9, 2020 at 11:50 p.m.

Alexander was born at the Madigan Army Medical Center at Joint-Base Lewis McChord in Tacoma, Washington.

Maternal grandparents are Beatrice Suppah and the late Thomas Tillequots, and Ron Suppah Sr.

Paternal grandparents are Florence Culps.

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**Rental assistance relief funds now available**

Coronavirus pandemic emergency relief funds for rental assistance are now available.

Our advice to households that have been negatively financially impacted by Covid-19 is to apply through our website (below) so they can get in the queue for assistance.

Meanwhile, we are beginning to schedule phone intakes. There is more information available at the link below:

neighborimpact.org/get-help/get-housed/rent-assistance-programs/

Sincere thanks,

Molly Heiss, director, Housing Stabilization NeighborImpact Community Services.

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