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Academy welcomes students to class

There is a lot of safety and sanitizing going on at the Warm Springs Academy, though the school really is closer to normal than it has been in nearly a year.

"The staff are so excited, and the kids are happy to be back," Academy Counselor Anna Keifer was saying the other morning, helping out at the school bus drop-off area.

The whole learning day is guided by safety, from the bus or car ride to the Academy, until late afternoon when the students return safely home.

Throughout the day the masks are strictly required for teachers and staff and students; as is the social distancing—outside, in the hallways and in the classrooms.

The hand sanitizer is plentiful and used profusely. There is special safety protocol in case any student reports feeling unwell.

The entire building is thoroughly sanitized when the school day is done, with additional cleaning and sanitizing during school hours. All teachers and staff at the Academy who chose to, have now received their first Covid-19 vaccination.

Even with all of these many precautions, the feeling is that of some welcome return to normalcy. Ms. Keifer explains that at the Academy the February Character Trait theme is Compassion. To celebrate,



Dave McMechan/Spilyay

As students arrive at the Academy bus drop-off, Education Assistant Heather Smith greets them a smile and some fresh hand sanitizer, just one of the many precautions now in place at the school.

next Wednesday, February 17 will be *Random Acts of Kindness Day*. There will be paper trees in each hallway: Students, the teachers and staff are encouraged to write positive messages about one other. The Character Trait theme for March will be Dedication, with more special activities; followed by Perseverance.

Like all the schools in the district and the state—and like most in the U.S. and the world—the Warm

Springs Academy had to close last March.

The district adopted the distance learning model, and continued this approach for the 2020-21 school year, until last week, when the state guidelines allowed for in-school learning, following the strict safety mandates.

Students and families had a choice of whether to continue an at-home online approach, or to go

back to school. An overwhelming number chose to return to the classroom.

"I love it—It reminds me of why I'm here," Bambi VanDyke, Academy Principal, was saying Tuesday morning, as students were arriving for the start of the day.

"To have the kids back means the world to me."

— Dave McMechan

Education success story

There currently are very few—apparently only two—members of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs who are attorneys at law. In the near future Karlen Yallup will join this elite community of professionals.

"I've known Karlen since she was a little girl," says Carol Dick, coordinator of tribal Higher Education. "She's about the same age as my daughter. It is awesome to see her move forward, overcoming any obstacles, and accomplishing her educational goals and dreams."

Karlen is in her second year



Karlen Yallup

at the Lewis & Clark Law School, a top law school in the Northwest, and the only law school in Portland.

Karlen serves as president of

the Native American Law Students Association at Lewis & Clark. She also serves on the National Native American Law School Association board of directors.

"We're law students representing all tribal students across the country," Karlen says. "I'm representing Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska."

In another most rare accomplishment, Karlen has been accepted to work for Justice Montoya-Lewis of the Washington State Supreme Court.

Justice Montoya-Lewis is the first member of a federally recognized tribe to serve on any state supreme court in the U.S.

In addition to her law studies, Karlen has worked under a lawyer's direction providing help pro bono to people with their Wills and

Trusts, and other matters.

Karlen is a graduate of Madras High School, and a 2016 graduate of the University of Idaho.

She has worked as a Congressional Intern in Washington, D.C. for the late Senator John McCain. She was one of only 12 students chosen for the 2017 Udall Foundation Native American Congressional Internship program. She went on to serve as the 2018 Hatfield Fellow, working in the Congressional Office of Oregon's U.S. Senator Ron Wyden.

As Carol at Higher Education was saying, It is always awesome to see a young person accomplish her educational goals and dreams.

— Dave McMechan

Community Update

The Warm Springs Indian Health Service Clinic staff will host a **Covid-19 vaccination event** this Thursday, February 11 at the Community Center. To receive a vaccine you must:

Be age 55 and older (born in 1966 or before). Be a veteran of any age. Pre-schedule an appointment time. Call 541-553-2131 to reserve your vaccine and schedule your appointment time.

Clinic staff are also making calls to schedule vaccine appointments. Remember: Calls from the clinic will show as an unknown, restricted or private number. Please answer, as clinic staff may be contacting you to schedule an appointment.

Meanwhile, the Warm Springs Indian Health Service team, the Covid-19 Response Team, and tribal organization this month held a large-scale covid testing program. The was done on a voluntary basis for people who were interested in being tested.

The Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center has now conducted over 8,100 tests for Covid-19. Since March of the total tested, 686 have come back positive.

As of this Monday's IHS update, there were eight people on the reservation with active Covid-19, being monitored by health staff. Another 18 had been in close contact and were being monitored. The numbers have improved in recent weeks. See pages 6 and 7.

Remains are apparently those of missing woman

Human remains found in January on the reservation are apparently those of Tina Vel Spino, 58, who had been missing since last summer, according to police.

The remains were found by a resident on January 12 along Tenino Road, near the Tenino Creek area, said Bill Elliott, Public Safety general manager.

Tribal detectives processed the scene, with FBI special agents and the FBI Evidence Recovery Team.

The evidence was then submitted to the Medical Examiner's office for forensic evaluation. Dental records and DNA sampling were analyzed, leading authorities to believe the remains are those of Ms. Spino, who was last seen on July 26, and reported missing on August 8.

"As always in these situations, our thoughts and prayers go out to the family and friends," Mr. Elliott said.

"This department has assured the family that we will continue to piece together the circumstances surrounding her death."

To that end, Elliott said, "We are asking for the public to report any sightings or conversations with Ms. Spino during the time period around her disappearance."

See INVESTIGATION on 2

Fisheries regulations, other actions at Tribal Council

Tribal Council hsa approved regulations regarding smelt harvest in the Cowlitz and Sandy rivers.

According to Resolutions 12,766 and 12,767, as presented by Natural Resources, harvest may take place seven days a week from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

This is a subsistence fishery with an overall tribal limit of 1,800. There is no individual limit. Sales are not allowed. Gear is limited to dipnets; and the nets must be attended continuously.

The Branch of Natural Resources will have creel technicians to check your harvest. If you are not checked on the river you are required to report your catch to the harvest manager within 24 hours. The phone number is 541-553-2042 or 541-460-0272.

Tribal members must have their enrollment cards on their person while fishing. If asked you must allow your catch to be inspected by tribal, federal or state officers.

As of this past Tuesday, smelt had not yet appeared in the Cowlitz or Sandy rivers, said Mark Manion, Branch of Natural Resources harvest manager.

Small amounts of smelt have been caught in commercial fisheries around Astoria, though the fish had not yet moved into tributaries yet. Some other items coming up in February at Tribal Council include the following:

Next week there will a discussion regarding the tribes' cannabis

project; and an update from the Tribal Employment Rights Office office.

The Gaming Commission, Human Resources, Finance, Governmental Affairs, Tribal Court and the tribal Veterans Office will give updates.

Tribal Council will also meet with Public Utilities, Public Safety, Natural Resources, Health and Human Services, and Education are also coming up in February.



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10 years and growing at Salmon King

When Salmon King Fisheries first opened in February of 2011, the business offered their renowned smoked salmon, harvested, processed and marketed by the owner-operators Brigitte and Sean McConville. Ten years later Salmon King now sells 28 different Columbia fishery products: Smoked, fresh canned, smoke canned—they have eight kinds of canned fish—the popular wind-dried, the salmon candy, and more.

In addition, the shop sells handmade jewelry, crafts and other gifts, and a variety of beads, sewing and basketry supplies. Around Christmas time they have smoked elk and huckleberry jam. And this week they have their Valentine’s Day Specials.

Salmon King Fisheries—located at the Plaza by Indian Head Casino—sells items both locally and to visitors; and the shop has many customers across the country who order online or by



Brigitte McConville, also a Councilwoman of the Seekseequa District, at her shop by the casino. For phone orders, call 541-980-5680. Also, see their Facebook page; or salmonkingfisheries.com

phone. Of the large number of orders for the December holidays, and now for Valentine’s Day, many are local orders, while a great many more are shipped to customers around the country. Salmon King also provides fish to the New Wave Foundation, a non-profit that helps elders and families who are in need. Clearly, after one decade and counting, the business is stronger than ever.

Investigation: determining cause of death

(Continued from page 1)
The missing persons report regarding Ms. Spino was taken last August 8. “At this time, it is too early to determine the manner of death. We are still working on that,” said Josh Capehart, Warm Springs Lt. of Investigations. Anyone with information is asked to contact Warm Springs Tribal Po-



Tina Vel Spino
lice Department investigators at 541-553-2202. The tribal police office number

is 541-553-1172. Funeral arrangements start this Thursday, February 11 with Waashat Services. There will be service on Friday at the community center Pavilion starting at 8:30 a.m. Family and friends ask, Please adhere to Covid protocols, wear your mask, social distance, refrain from hugs and handshakes, bring hand sanitizer.

COVID VACCINE UPDATE

We are receiving a large shipment of the Moderna COVID Vaccine
A Community wide COVID Vaccination Event will be held on
Thursday February 11
At the Warm Springs Community Center

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 - A Veteran of any age

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NEUROSCIENCE OF PREJUDICE: Racism and the Brain

Dr. Larry S. Sherman, Ph.D. will explore how our brains engage in prejudice, and how understanding these processes suggest ways that we can overcome prejudice and racism in our society.



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Letters to the editor

Culture & Heritage

The Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes is seeking to fill one position on the Culture and Heritage Committee--Warm Springs.

The person should be community oriented, and possess positive rapport with the community. The candidate should have an interest in the tribal culture and heritage, and understanding and appreciation of, and the capability to interpret the traditional activities of the tribal community. Some understanding of the tribal organization structure and functions is also preferred.

Letter of interest and resume should be submitted no later than Thursday, February 18. Drop off at the administration building, addressed to Michele Stacona, S-T/CEO. Or mail to:

Michele Stacona, S-T/CEO, PO Box 455, Warm Springs, 97761. You may also send by email to: michele.stacona@wstribes.org

Please sign a criminal background check: forms can be emailed or mailed to you. If you mail in application, the forms will be mailed to you. Information is confidential to the S-T/CEO

Your input

Papalaxsimisha—"Unity" in the Ichishkin language—focuses on supporting indigenous students and their families on their educational journey.

Papalaxsimisha uses culturally based educational practices and grounded in the acknowledgement and awareness of historical trauma and healing.

The goals of the program is the support students and their families in high

school completion and career/college readiness.

Our goal is to provide relevant services in the areas of drop-out prevention, health, wellness and healing all through an indigenous lens and practice.

To help our programing adapt to meet the needs of the community, many events are going virtual.

Papalxsamisha and Warm Springs Health and Human Services is conducting a survey to help guide virtual programing to the community.

And if you have children, please help them fill out the survey, as this will help guide programing for them as well.

This survey is anonymous, and is available online. Contact: charlene.dimnick@wstribes.org

Jaylyn Suppah, program manager; Jillisa Suppah, prevention coordinator; and Charlene Dimmick, prevention coordinator.

Community notes...

The 2021 **Lincoln's Powwow** at the Simnasho Longhouse is not happening this month due to the coronavirus pandemic.

KWSO 91.9 will broadcast recordings from previous years' powwows, this weekend February 12-14, as a way to offer the sounds of the Simnasho Longhouse.

Due to the pandemic, the Warm Springs Community Action Team will not be hosting their **AARP Tax Aide Site** this year.

You may be able to get an appointment for tax preparation and filing with

NeighborImpact. Their offices in Bend can be reached at 541-318-7506 and in Redmond at 541-548-2380.

To learn more about how to complete and file your income taxes yourself, online - check out the IRS website: irs.gov/filing/free-file-do-your-federal-taxes-for-free

The Warm Springs Credit Enterprise has their **drive-up window** open weekdays 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

They are closed for lunch in the noon hour. The window can be used for payments, check cashing, picking up and dropping off loan applications. The ATM lobby is open Monday thru Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

MHS hoops

Hello everyone,

The Madras High School basketball program is moving forward, and treating our upcoming season this May and June with the hope and expectation that it will happen.

With that being said, We are starting to fundraise again. We have opened up our Fan Cloth Store for fans and players to get new gear as well as support our program.

Every time a player sells an item, we get a certain percentage back in money from that sale. There is an option to add a name and/or number as well on the back of some items. A total of 40 different items to choose from!

Our store will stay open for a month. All orders will be delivered to the address you provide. All items will be delivered before the season starts. If you have any questions please contact Jerin Say

At the B&G Youth of Year event

Rebecca Francis is an eighth-grader at the Warm Springs Academy.

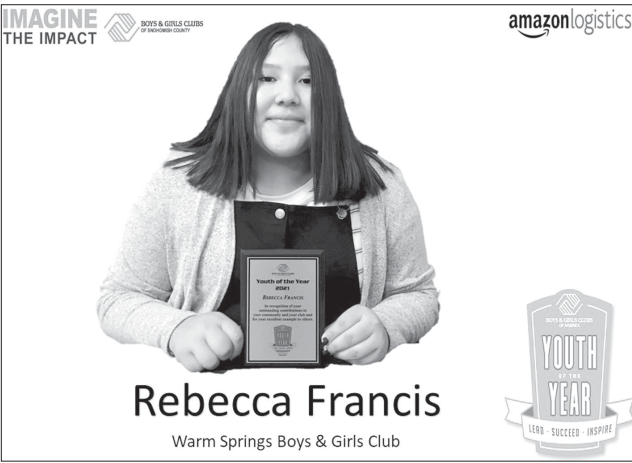
The Warm Springs Boys & Girls Club chose Rebecca to represent the club at the Snohomish County Boys & Girls Clubs Youth of the Year event.

The competition is for Club teen members ages 14 and older. This year the competition was held on zoom.

Each year Boys & Girls Clubs select a teen to represent their club in the competition.

The teens complete an interview process, and write a short speech about their club experience.

Rebecca did a great job representing the club. In



her speech she talked about overcoming obstacles in her life, the importance of family and her future goals after high school.

The Youth of the Year is a National Boys & Girls Club of America competition.

The winner of this event will move on to compete

in a state competition. Rebecca said the experience was a great one. Her advice for future teens:

“Always work hard and never give up on anything, especially your dreams.”

Great job and Congratulations, Rebecca!

at jsay@509j.net or 541-777-7904. Thank you for your support!

Here is the website for our store: fancloth.shop/SQQLS

From NAICCO

After closing the books for 2020 we are pleased to announce that the Native American Indian Center of Central Ohio—NAICCO—is now valued just above \$400,000. This is a huge step forward for all of us here at NAICCO.

To put this into perspective, going into 2020 NAICCO was valued under \$350,000. Together, in one year, we increased the value of NAICCO by more than \$50,000.

Needless to say, this is a significant achievement. We did this together through do-

nations, endowments, fundraisers, and honorariums. Together, we all helped move NAICCO that much closer to realizing the dream of a Bigger and Better NAICCO—new and improved NAICCO, inclusive of land and a larger community building. From the bottom of our hearts, we'd like to take this time to send an enormous ‘Thank You’ out to all of you who helped move the needle as much as you did in 2020.

We are more than half way there now, yet we still have a ways to go before reaching the mark of \$700,000.

To continue helping us write this new, successful chapter in modern-day Native American history, continue to follow the Bigger and Better NAICCO campaign on NAICCO's social

media platforms throughout 2021.

There you will find campaign announcements and updates. As well, continue to share the Bigger and Better NAICCO campaign with your family and friends.

Again, thank you all for your love and support! See naicco.com for more information.

Masami and Ty Smith, Native American Indian Center of Central Ohio.

Apology

I apologize to Sam W. for the inconvenience I caused on January 2, 2021. And I would like to apologize to Jimmy S. for the inconvenience I caused on the same date. It will never happen again.

Wendell E. Greene.

From the desk of the W.S. Veterans Representative

Frankie Williams, the Confederated Tribes Veterans Representative, can be reached at 559-798-7102; or at his email: frankie.williams@wstribes.org. His office is at the Warm Springs Forest Industries LLC building by the former mill.

Women Veterans

Women served in the United States Military as early as the Revolutionary War. Since then, women of all ages, ranks, and levels of authority have entered every branch of service, made significant contributions, and suffered the same sacrifices as men.

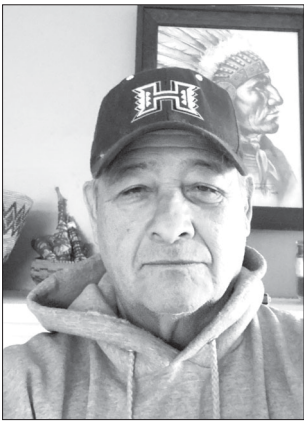
As a woman with military service, you may qualify for a wide range of benefits offered by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

VA benefits

Women veterans may be eligible for a wide-variety of benefits available to all U.S. military veterans.

Veterans Administration benefits include disability compensation, pension, education and training, health care, home loans, insurance, vocational rehabilitation and employment, and burial.

See our Veterans page for an overview of the benefits available to all Veterans.



Frankie Williams, W.S. Veterans Representative

Center for Women Veterans

The Veterans Administration Center for Women Veterans monitors and coordinates VA's administration of benefit services and programs for women Veterans.

The Center advocates for a cultural transformation that recognizes the service and contributions of women veterans and women in the military, and also raises awareness of the responsibility to treat women Veterans with dignity and respect.

Women Veteran coordinators

There are Women Veteran Coordinator—WVCs—located in every regional office who function as the primary contact for women Veterans.

WVCs provide specific

information and comprehensive assistance to women Veterans, their dependents, and beneficiaries concerning VA benefits and related non-VA benefits.

They may assist you in the claims intake, development, and processing of military sexual and personal trauma claims.

VA health care for women veterans

At each VA medical center nationwide, a Women Veterans Program Manager—WVPM—is designated to advise and advocate for women Veterans.

The WVPM can help coordinate all the services you may need, from primary care to specialized care for chronic conditions or reproductive health.

Woman Veterans who are interested in receiving care at VA should contact the nearest VA Medical Center and ask for the WVPM.

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VA benefits for survivors of military sexual trauma

VA has special services available to help women who

experienced military sexual trauma—MST—including free, confidential counseling and treatment for mental and physical health conditions related to MST.

You do not need to have a service-connected disability or injury, and may be able to receive this benefit even if you are not eligible for other VA care.

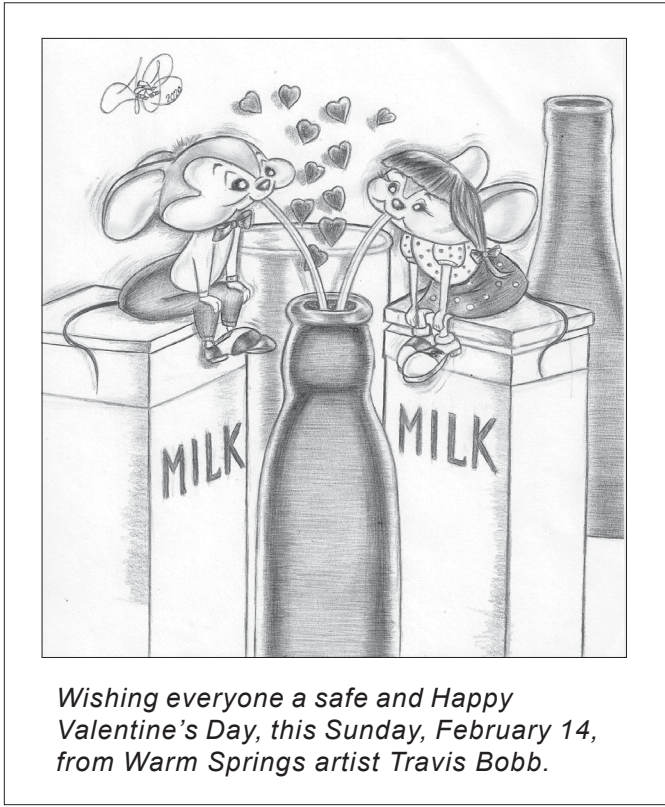
You do not need to have reported the incidents when they happened or have other documentation that they occurred in order to receive MST services.

Every VA facility has a designated MST coordinator who serves as a contact person for MST-related issues. This person is your advocate and can help you find and access VA services and programs, state and federal benefits, and community resources.

If any of our women veterans would like to get more information regarding any benefits that they have earned you can contact your Warm Springs Tribal Veterans Representative:

frankie.williams@wstribes.org
Or call me at 559-798-7192.

You may also contact Laura Moore in Madras: laura.moore@cojefferson.or.us
Her phone number is 541-475-5228.



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Tri-Valley Conference play for MHS

The Madras White Buffalos athletics teams are competing in the Tri-Valley Conference—a decision that was not easy this year.

School officials and athletics coaches, as they planned for student athletics this month and into the spring, at first thought to limit travel as much as possible, and compete on a regional level.

The region, though, was not completely on board with this approach; and other schools in the region were planning to play in their own leagues.

Madras High School leaders were concerned that if the school did not commit to their own league—the Tri-Valley Conference—the school would have ended up with a lack of contests and viable competitions.

“We know how important competing is to all our programs,” said Mark Stewart, Madras High School vice principal and interim athletics

director. “And given the conditions locally we felt it best for athletic programs to compete in the Tri-Valley Conference.”

This decision was not made lightly, and all other avenues were explored to limit travel. At the end of the day, however, the school saw that if the Buffalos were going to have competition, the decision was for league play.

“We are excited to compete in the TVC, as it will bring some ‘normalcy’ to the school year,” Mr. Stewart said. “And we think this is something we are all looking forward to.”

Fall sports scheduled—now underway at the high school—are football, volleyball and soccer. Here are some competitions that are coming up:

Volleyball (JV starts at 4:30, varsity at 6 p.m.)—Tuesday, March



2: Molalla at Madras. March 4: Madras at Molalla. March 9: Madras at Estacada.

Football (varsity at 7 p.m.)—Friday, February 26: Madras at the LaPine Jamboree. March 5: Molalla at Madras. March 12: Madras at Estacada.

Boys soccer (JV at 4 p.m., subject to change based on official availability)—March 2: Molalla at Madras. March 4: Madras at Molalla. March 9: Madras at Estacada.

Girls soccer (JV/V start at 4 p.m. subject to change based on official availability)—March 2: Madras at Molalla. March 4: Molalla at Madras. March 9: Estacada at Madras.

(Note: Cross Country schedule was not yet available at press time).

Fund to help family whose home burned

Earlier this month, a fire destroyed the home of residents in the Sidwalter Flats neighborhood of the reservation. Most fortunately, the residents were not harmed.

Fire crews say the home was in the 84 hundred blocks of the B166 Road. The family pet ferret died in the fire, according to the report.

The official cause was under investigation, though a

resident’s daughter-in-law told fire officials a burning log had rolled out of a wood stove and touched it off.

A relative has set up a GoFundMe account. The family, who lost everything, includes children ages 5 and 9, plus adults ages 22, 40, 66 and 77.

You can contact Mary Davis, homeowner, if you are interested in helping.

IHS covid testing across Indian Country

Across Indian Country in February, another 180,873 tests came back positive for Covid-19, among testing conducted by the Indian Health Service.

Since last March, IHS has conducted 1.97 million Covid-19 tests.

Based on the data, the highest rates have been in three IHS ser-

vice areas:

The Navajo Area at 16.9 percent positive. The Phoenix Area at 14.6 percent. And the Oklahoma City Area at 13.5 percent.

Based on weekly averages, three areas have shown the highest recent increase in positive testing. They are the three regions

listed above: The Navajo area, Oklahoma City Area, and the Phoenix Area. Overall, 9.9 percent of IHS tests have been positive since the onset of the pandemic. Meanwhile, the 7-day average has dropped off after increasing during the holiday season. It now stands at 9.1 percent.

Study: Native people more willing to be vaccinated

Native Americans are more willing than the general population to be vaccinated against the coronavirus, primarily out of responsibility to their communities, according to a new report by the Urban Indian Health Institute.

The institute studied national data regarding American Indian peoples’ knowledge, attitudes, and beliefs about the Covid-19 vaccine.

The study surveyed American Indians and Alaska Natives across 46 states—representing 318 different tribal affiliations—to gather information ranging from individuals’ willingness to receive a Covid-19 vaccine to the hurdles they face in accessing healthcare and resources.

“This data will be important to all organizations conducting Covid-19 vaccine education efforts,” said Abigail Echo-Hawk, director of the Urban Indian Health Institute (UIHI).

“Native communities have unique challenges and needs that usually are not considered in public health campaigns.”

American Indian people continue to be disproportionately impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. The covid incidence and mortality rates

are 3.5 and 1.8 times that of non-Hispanic Whites, respectively.

While there has been worry about vaccine participation in Native communities, 75 percent of study participants claimed they would be willing to receive a vaccine.

That is higher than the national average, according to an Ipsos survey from October 2020, which indicates that 64 percent of the U.S. general population was willing to receive a vaccine.

“Willingness to receive a vaccine and hesitancy are not mutually exclusive,” said Ms. Echo-Hawk.

“Fear and distrust of government and medical systems still exists in our community, which are hurdles that we have to overcome.”

Echo-Hawk hopes the report can start to create a better understanding of the unique perspectives of Native people.

“The data indicates that most Native people willing to be vaccinated feel it is their responsibility for the health of their community,” Echo-Hawk said. “This shows what motivates our community when it comes to decision-making.”

Report key findings:

Seventy-five of participants were willing to receive a Covid-19 vaccine.

Seventy-four percent of participants claimed that getting vaccinated is their responsibility to their community.

Seventy-two percent of participants wanted evidence that the vaccine is safe right now and in the long term. Thirty-nine percent of all participants reported difficulty traveling to their clinic for an appointment.

Two-thirds of participants willing to get vaccinated were confident that Covid-19 vaccines were adequately tested for safety and effectiveness among Native people.

Seventy-five percent of participants willing to get vaccinated had concerns about potential side effects. Twenty-five percent of participants were unwilling to receive a Covid-19 vaccine.

Ninety percent of participants unwilling to get vaccinated recognized Covid-19 as a serious disease. Eight-nine percent of participants unwilling to get vaccinated had concerns about potential side effects.



A Valentines Day selfie special from Travis Bobb.

Suspects arrested in death last August near Madras

A homicide near Madras last August has led to the arrest of three residents of the reservation.

Charges against the three suspects include second-degree murder, robbery, conspiracy and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

The alleged incident involves a deceased Redmond man, Brian Jones, 51, whose body was found in August of 2020 near Highway 26 northwest of Madras. Around the time police also located his vehicle on the reservation.

Arrested last month on the felony warrants were Salvador Robinson, 27, Theresa Winishut, 27, and Stephanie Belgard, 37. They were being held without bail in the Jefferson County Jail.



Jeff. Co. Sheriff's Office

Charged with second-degree murder, robbery and other alleged crimes are Salvador Robinson, Stephanie Belgard and Theresa Winishut.

Last August, the body of Mr. Jones was found by a passing motorist off Northwest Danube Drive, about seven miles northwest of Madras.

After the initial investigation, Jefferson County Sheriff Jim Adkins asked the public for help in solving the case.

Information released to the public were the make of the vehicle, a silver 2005 Toyota Corolla;

and a store security video.

This led to development of a theory of the crime, including suspects.

More recent DNA analysis by the state police Forensics Lab and Medical Examiner’s Office then resulted in the arrests of the three suspects.

The Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office wishes to thank the Warm Springs Police Department—“critical in helping locate and arrest” the three suspects, Sheriff Adkins said.

The Major Crimes Team, the Oregon State Police Forensics Lab, the State Medical Examiner’s Office and the Jefferson County District Attorney’s office were also of great help, Adkins said.

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In the Tribal Court of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs

Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Jason Begay, Defendant; Case No. FG1-20. TO: Jason Begay:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Criminal Arraignment 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 **February 23, 2021 @ 8:00am**

Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Susie Briseno- Thompson, Defendant; Case No. CR60-19. TO: Susie Briseno- Thompson:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Show Cause hearing 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 **February 23, 2021 @ 8:00am**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs BRIAN RENFRO, Respondent; Case No. DO161,162,163-12. TO: CAROLYN STRONG, BRIAN RENFRO, WINTERDAWN SELAM:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an 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 **8TH day of MARCH, 2021 @ 2:30 PM**

VICTOR VELASQUES, Petitioner, vs RENEE MILLER, Respondent; Case No. DO21-21. TO: VICTOR VELASQUES, RENEE MILLER:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an CONSERVATOR 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 **17TH day of MARCH, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

CORINNA SOHAPPY, Petitioner, vs LOLA SOHAPPY, Respondent; Case No. DO15-21. TO: CORINNA SOHAPPY, LOLA SOHAPPY, GABRIELE SOHAPPY CHARLIE, DAVIS SOHAPPY SR., DAVIS SOHAPPY JR., RENEE SOHAPPY-GARCIA:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an CONSERVATOR 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 **17TH day of MARCH, 2021 @ 9:00 AM**

S T E P H A N I E CHAPMAN PATT, Petitioner, vs SHEENA CULPS, Respondent; Case No. JV26-20. TO: STEPHANIE CHAPMAN PATT, SHEENA CULPS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an CONSERVATOR 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 **8TH day of MARCH, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs B E T H A N N E LONGKNIFE, Respondent; Case No. JV26-20. TO: B E T H A N N E LONGKNIFE, CPS, JV PROS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an DISCOVERY 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 APRIL, 2021 @ 4:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs MAUREEN WINISHUT, Respondent; Case No. JV64-06. TO: MAUREEN WINISHUT, WENDI HILLER:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP 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 APRIL, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

LOUISA FUENTES, Petitioner, vs TRACY FRANK, Respondent; Case No. DO16,17,18-21. TO: LOUISA

FUENTES, TRACY FRANK, LORI FUENTES:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an CONSERVATOR 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 **5TH day of APRIL, 2021 @ 10:00 AM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs JACQUELYN SMITH, Respondent; Case No. JV77-08. TO: JACQUELYN SMITH, STANLEY SMITH, WENDI HILLER:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an 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 **1ST day of APRIL, 2021 @ 3:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs CHARLENE CHEE, Respondent; Case No. JV129-07, DO110-09, JV27-20. TO: CHARLENE CHEE, REX ROBINSON-ANGELES, SARAH IKE, CPS, JV PROS:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an DISCOVERY 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 **7TH day of APRIL, 2021 @ 10:00 AM**

JAMES KATCHIA SR, Petitioner, vs CATHERINE KATCHIA, Respondent; Case No. DO187-13. TO: JAMES KATCHIA SR, BETTY GEORGE, CATHERINE KATCHIA:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an CONSERVATOR 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 **5TH day of APRIL, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs B E T H A N N E LONGKNIFE, Respondent; Case No. JV26-20. TO: B E T H A N N E LONGKNIFE, CPS, JV PROS:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an JURISDICTIONAL 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 **15TH day of APRIL, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

CYWS, Petitioner, vs CHARLENE CHEE, Respondent; Case No. JV129-07, DO110-09, JV27-20. TO: CHARLENE CHEE, REX ROBINSON-ANGELES, SARAH IKE, CPS, JV PROS:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an JURISDICTIONAL 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 **21ST day of APRIL, 2021 @ 9:00 AM**

NOTICE OF HEARING FOR CHANGE OF NAME: IN THE MATTER OF: JOIE RAE SIMTUSTUS-CHAVEZ; Case No. DO14-21. JOIE RAE SIMTUSTUS-CHAVEZ, Petitioner.

The above individual has filed a Petition with this Court to change said name from JOIE RAE SIMTUSTUS-CHAVEZ to JOIE RAE SIMTUSTUS. A hearing on this matter has been set for **2:00 PM on the 23RD day of MARCH 2021**, at the Warm Springs Tribal Court. Any person who may show cause why this Petition should not be granted must file such objection in writing on or before **8TH day of MARCH, 2021**.

Warm Springs Ventures, Petitioner, vs Juanita Smith-Lopez, Respondent; Case No. CV42-19. TO: Juanita Smith-Lopez, Warm Springs Ventures:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a CIVIL COMPLAINT 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 March, 2021 @ 11:00 AM**

Warm Springs Ventures, Petitioner, vs Jasmine Caldera, Respondent; Case No. CV3-19. TO: Jasmine Caldera, Warm Springs Ven-

tures:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Show Cause 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 March, 2021 @ 10:00 AM**

Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Petitioner, vs LaTonia Smith, Respondent; Case No. CR247-20. TO: LaTonia Smith:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Arraignment 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 **March 16, 2021 at 08:00 am**

TALYA HOLLIDAY, Petitioner, vs ANTHONY HOLLIDAY SR., RESPONDENT; Case No. DO121-20. TO: TALYA HOLLIDAY, ANTHONY HOLLIDAY SR.:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE 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 MARCH, 2021 @ 9:00 AM**

VERNON SAMPSON, Petitioner, vs PAULETTE HENRY, RESPONDENT; Case No. DO139-10. TO: VERNON SAMPSON, PAULETTE HENRY, HATTIE HART:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a MODIFICATION 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 **15th day of MARCH, 2021 @ 10:00 AM**

S I A G I G I HINTSATAKE, Petitioner, vs BENJAMIN HINTSALA., RESPONDENT; Case No. DO07-21. TO: SIAGIGI HINTSATAKE, BENJAMIN HINTSALA:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a PETITION FOR SUPPORT 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 **31st day of MARCH, 2021 @ 4:00 PM**

J E R E M Y HERKSHAN, Petitioner, vs JAMIE BALL, RESPONDENT; Case No. DO30-20. TO: JEREMY HERKSHAN, JAMIE BALL:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a SHOW CAUSE 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 **9th day of MARCH, 2021 @ 2:30 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs GLENDA FISHER, RESPONDENT; Case No. DO159-06. TO: GLENDA FISHER, ANGEL DEJESUS MEDEL:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a PERMANENCY 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 **9th day of MARCH, 2021 @ 3:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs E L I Z A B E T H WHITEPLUME, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV81-19. TO: ELIZABETH WHITEPLUME:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a 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 **25th day of MARCH, 2021 @ 9:00 AM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs SONJA MADRID, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV114-03. TO: SONJA MADRID:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a CUSTODY 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 **3rd day of MARCH, 2021 @ 3:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs HESTER TAYLOR, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV19-19 JV20-19 JV21-19 JV91-19. TO: HESTER TAYLOR:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a CUSTODY REVIEW/PROBATION 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 **15TH day of MARCH, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs CHELSEY HEATH, VERN HEATH, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV82-19 JV83-19 JV69-13 JV128-07. TO: CHELSEY HEATH, VERN HEATH:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a CUSTODY 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 **31st day of MARCH, 2021 @ 10:00 AM**

MARY E. YOUNG, Petitioner, vs JAMESON MITCHELL, RESPONDENT; Case No. DO1-21. TO: MARY E. YOUNG, JAMESON MITCHELL, EMILY BROOKHY:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Conservator 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 **17th day of MARCH, 2021 @ 4:00 PM**

R A Y M O N D HURTADO, Petitioner, vs COLLEEN HURTADO., RESPONDENT; Case No. DO06-21. TO: RAYMOND HURTADO, COLLEEN HURTADO:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE 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 **17th day of MARCH, 2021 @ 3:00 PM**

CARA JAMES, Petitioner, vs ISAIAH HOLLIDAY, RESPONDENT; Case No. RO3-21. TO: CARA JAMES, ISAIAH HOLLIDAY:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a RESTRAINING 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 **23rd day of FEBRUARY, 2021 @ 10:30 AM**

PROBATE

In the matter of the estate of Easton Aguilar, W.S., A/ U, deceased. Estate no. 2020-PR83. To Justine Aguilar, Regan Calica and Nicole Charley: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **April 5, 2021 at 2 p.m.**

In the matter of the estate of Emerson W. Smith, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2020-PR84. To Louis W. Smith, Bucky M. Cochran, El Freda L. Gentry and Jeremiah J. Smith: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **April 5, 2021 at 10 a.m.**

In the matter of the estate of Darrell Anthony James Smith, W.S., U/A. Estate no. 2015-PR39. Affidavit of giving notice amended final account and order setting time for filing objections was posted January 18, 2021.

In the matter of the estate of Illona Lillie, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2020-PR90. To Adele Wahleneka, Jake Wahleneka, Walter Wahleneka and Harlen Wahleneka. You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **April 5, 2021 at 3:30 p.m.**

In the matter of the estate of Gerald Wewa Sr., W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2020-PR86. To Vonde Lee Wewa, Charles Wewa, Romana Wewa and Jerold Wewa: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **April 5, 2021 at 2:30 p.m.**

In the matter of the estate of Joann J. Bryant, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2020-

PR62. To Anita Bryant and Sonja Bryant: You are hereby notified that an informal probate notice is scheduled for **April 5, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.**

In the matter of the estate of Jackson E. Boise, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2019-PR55. To Antony Boise and Salena Polk: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **April 5, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.**

In the matter of the estate of Dolan M. Wahleneka Jr., W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2020-PR24. To Latisha Wahleneka, Kiana Wahleneka, Dolan Wahleneka III and Ambrosia Suppah: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **March 4, 2021 at 3:30 p.m.**

In the matter of the estate of Patricia A. Tulee, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2020-PR72. To Roy Tulee: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **April 7, 2021 at 9 a.m.**

In the matter of the estate of Randolph H. Smith, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2020-PG89. To Rhoda Smith, Tiffany Smith, Wesley Smith, Lula Smith, Nicki Smith, Olivia Smith and Dyanna Smith: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **April 8,**

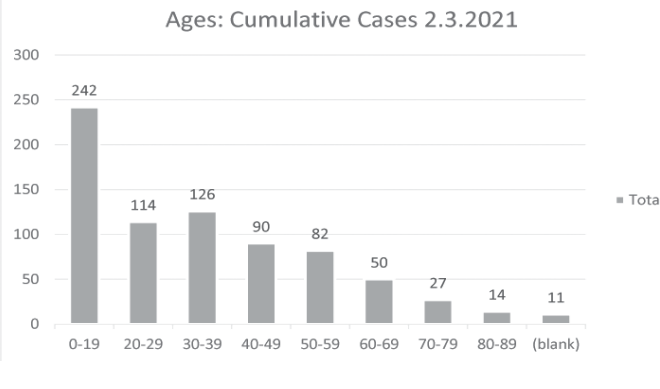
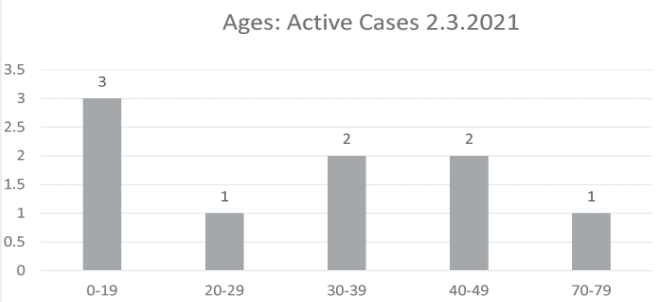
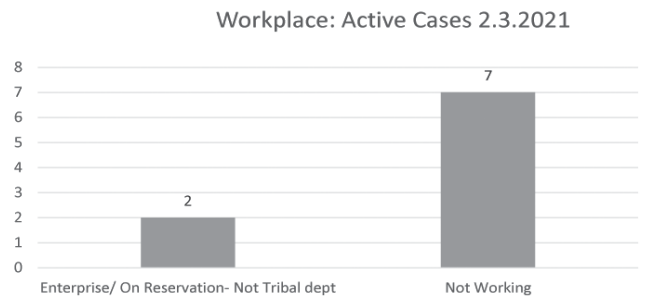
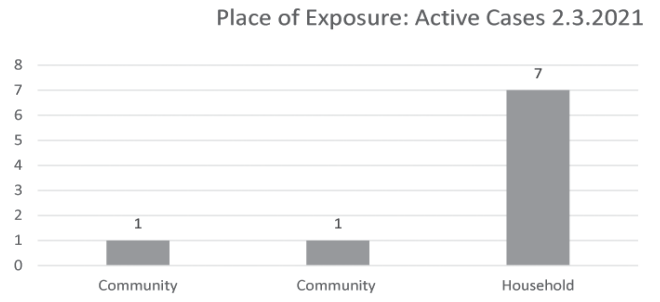
2021 at 3:30 p.m.
In the matter of the estate of Floyd S. Gibson, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2020-PR61. To Clayton Gibson and Verleen kalama: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **April 5, 2021 at 3 p.m.**

In the matter of the estate of Valeana A. Sargeant, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2020-PR70. To Clara Gleason, Reggie Gleason, Helath Crookedarm, Olivia Gleason-George, Adeline Gleason, Roberta Gleason, Roshena Sargeant and Talon Sargeant: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **April 12, 2021 at 10 a.m.**

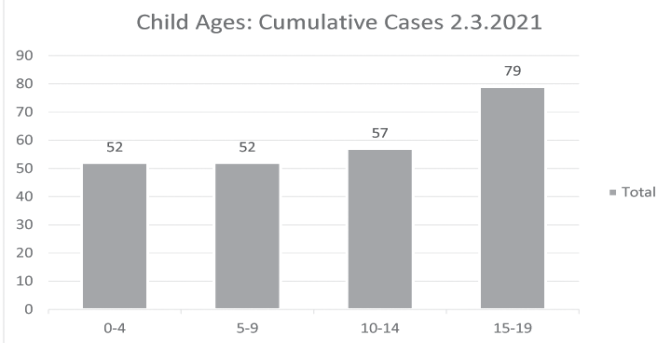
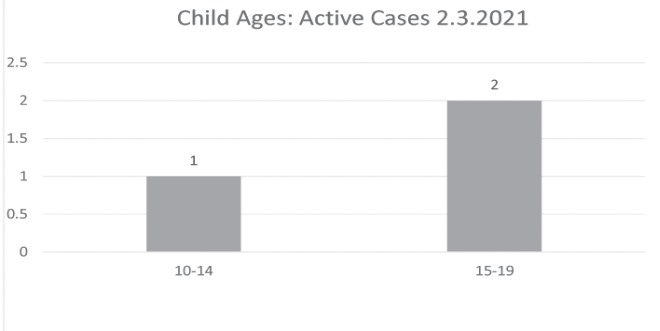
In the matter of the estate of Neda B. Wesley, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2020-PR88. To Aurolyn Stwyer, Henry Stwyer, Davis Stwyer, Wendell Greene, Jamey Wesley: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **April 8, 2021 at 4 p.m.**

In the matter of the estate of Serina Wolfe, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2020-PR29. To Richard Wolfe, Richard Wolfe Jr., Charles Wolfe and Tyryn Wolfe: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **April 6, 2021 at 3:30 p.m.**

The graphs below are a snapshot, as of late last week, of Covid-19 case demographics on the reservation. Active cases on February 3: Nine; and cumulative since last March as of February 3: 756. Data provided by Community Health, IHS, Health and Human Services, Tribal Council and the Confederated Tribes Covid-19 Response Team.



Hospitalizations: Total inpatient: Two. Total hospitalized and discharged since last March: 70.



Update to quarantine rules

The Confederated Tribes have made some changes recently to the Covid-19 quarantine and isolation guidelines. Some of the changes came about as the vaccination program is under way.

One of the primary guidelines is as follows: If someone has been in contact—that is, within six feet for more than 15 minutes over a 24-hour period—with a positive case, then that person should quarantine for 14 days.

However, there are some situations where the dates change:

First: If the person does not have symptoms for seven to 10 days after the contact with the positive case, the person can be released from quarantine. The person will need a second test if released before the 10 days.

Second: If the person had both Covid-19 vaccination shots, and it has been at least two weeks from the second shot, then the person is not asked to quarantine. They can monitor themselves for symptoms for two weeks.

Third: If the person is living with a positive case who cannot completely isolate—shared bathroom, or the positive case is a child, as examples—the person may be asked to quarantine for 24 days.

To explain the 24-day requirement:

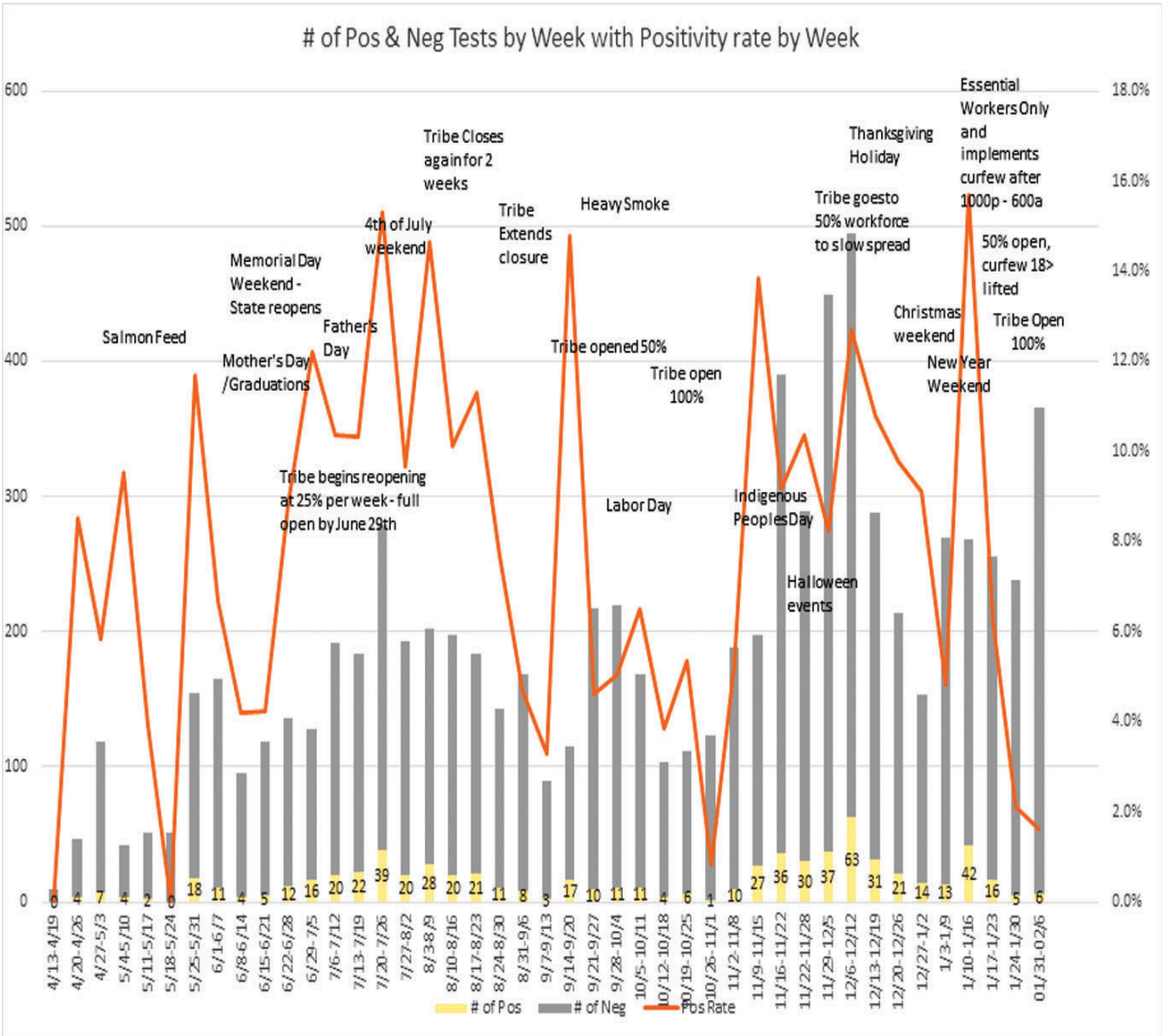
The person has to wait 10 days for the positive case to no longer be contagious; then at that point the two-week quarantine starts.

Health and community assistance workers try to find alternative housing, though this is not always possible.

Fourth: Multiple contacts with positive cases: If a household has people who turn positive at different times, quarantine may be extended. Health and assistance again attempt to find alternative.

Please note: Quarantine is for people who are not positive, but have been exposed to someone who is or was positive. The concern is the incubation period, which is two to 14 days from the time of exposure. The person can become positive at any time during the incubation phase of the illness, and the idea is to not have the person around others.

Isolation, on the other hand, is for people who have tested positive and are contagious. They are considered contagious for 10 days after their symptoms started, or 10 days after the positive test if they do not have symptoms. *Update provided by Katie Russell, Tribal Community Health.*



The latest graph showing positive Covid-19 tests (the orange line) and negative tests (grey bars) by week among the tribal community. As the graph demonstrates, mid and late January into early February saw a drop in the number of positive test results, a tribute to people who are practicing the safety measures.



Openings on tribal boards of directors

Tribal Council is seeking to fill a number of positions on three boards of the Confederated Tribes—the Credit board, Indian Head Casino, and Warm Springs Ventures.

There is one position open on the Warm Springs Credit Board of Directors. This position is for a non-member. Some of the qualifications: Have a reputation for industry, dependability, honesty and integrity.

Letter of interest and resume for anyone interested in serving on the Credit board must be submitted by 5 p.m. on Thursday, February 18. Letter and resume may be dropped off at the Administration building, addressed to Michele Stacona, Secretary-Treasurer/CEO.

Or send by mail: Michele Stacona, S-T/CEO, PO Box 455, Warm Springs, 97761.

You may also submit by email to: michele.stacona@wstribes.org

Applicants: Please sign a criminal and credit background check—Forms can be emailed

to you. If you mail in your letter and resume, the forms will be mailed to you once your letter/resume are received. Information submitted is confidential to the S-T.

Indian Head Casino

There are two positions open on the Indian Head Casino Board of Directors. The openings call for one tribal member, and one non-member. Submission deadline, and means of submission are the same as above.

Warm Springs Ventures

Warm Springs Ventures is the economic development corporation of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. There are currently two positions Tribal Council seeks to fill:

One position is for a tribal member, and one for a non-member. Duration of each term will be until December 31, 2023. Submission deadline, and means of submission same as above.

Protecting Our Children Conference this Spring

The National Indian Child Welfare Association will host the Thirty-Ninth Annual Protecting Our Children Conference in April.

The early-bird registration deadline is March 1. This year the conference is fully virtual.

The Indian Child Welfare Association—NICWA—annual four-day conference has become the premier national event addressing tribal child welfare and well-being.

Keynote speakers range from tribes sharing best practices and lessons learned to youth with lived experience in child welfare systems. Last year there were more than 1,400 attendees, and conference grows each year.

Participants represent a cross-section of experience and interests including child welfare, mental health, and juvenile justice service providers; legal professionals; students; advocates for children; and tribal, state, and federal leaders.

This year participants will be able to attend from the comfort of their own home or office. All attendees will need internet access or a phone for call-in options. Webcams are encouraged for networking activities. Please be sure to register each person individually, as they will be given a unique login. Email: training@nicwa.org

And check out the website: nicwa.org/conference

Plan to honor Native rights leader at Capitol

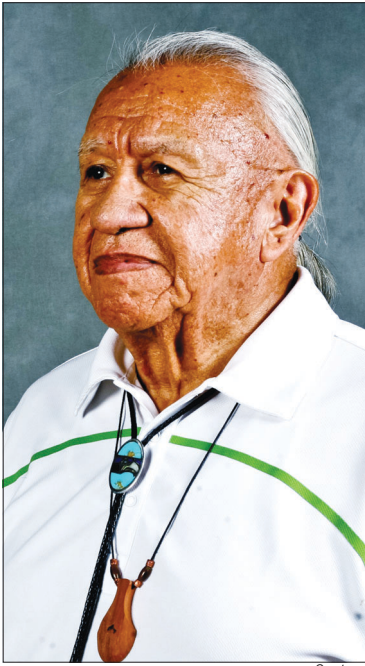
A statue of Billy Frank Jr. may replace one of Dr. Marcus Whitman in National Statuary Hall at the U.S. Capitol.

Washington state legislators are proposing to swap the Dr. Whitman statue with one of Nisqually tribal leader Billy Frank Jr.

Mr. Frank was an environmental activist who fought to honor treaty fishing rights, becoming one of the foremost Native American leaders in the nation. Mr. Frank died in 2014 at the age of 83. He was posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Barack Obama.

Marcus Whitman was a nineteenth-century doctor and missionary in the Oregon Territory.

Rep. Debra Lekanoff, of the Skagit Valley in Washington tribe, is a member of the Tlingit tribe, and currently the only Native American woman in the Legislature. Last week Rep. Lekanoff brought forward House Bill 1372 to request the statue swap:



Billy Frank Jr.

“There’s no one better than Billy Frank Jr, who stood with all of you,” she told the House State Government and Tribal Committee.

“He has stood in the rural areas of western Washington and watched the rivers flow... He has stood in al-

most every one of your rivers and wished for the salmon to come home.”

The bill’s supporters said Frank’s fight to preserve a way of life benefited every Washingtonian by helping to protect the state’s natural resources. Mr. Frank served as chair of the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission for nearly 30 years.

Lt. Gov. Denny Heck called Frank “perhaps the greatest consensus builder and peacemaker ever” around the environmental issues of cool, clean water, healthy salmon runs and preserving natural resources.

Heck, who often walked through National Statuary Hall during his years in Congress, said that if the statue of Frank is placed there, “Every single time any person from Washington visits our nation’s Capitol, they will stop, they will look up, and they will stand tall and proud because Billy Frank was a great man.”



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Salmon spawn beyond Grand Coulee dam

First time in generations

The Grand Coulee hydro-dam on the Columbia River in the northern Washington is a massive structure, constructed between 1933 and 1942. Downriver is the Chief Joseph dam built in the 1950s.

More than 70 years ago, Grand Coulee blocked salmon and steelhead from reaching 645 miles of habitat in the upper Columbia River, where they once traditionally spawned.

Both Grand Coulee and the Chief Joseph dam were built without any fish passage.

Tribes and agencies in the early 1980s began study-

ing the feasibility of returning spawning salmon to the upper Columbia beyond the dams.

Now 40 years later, there is evidence a reintroduction program is working: Colville tribal biologists have found dozens of spawning ‘redds’ above the dams in Columbia tributaries.

Crystal Conant, a Colville tribal member of the Arrow Lakes and SanPoil bands, has been an advocate of the reintroduction program. Earlier this month, Ms. Conant visited one of the spawning sites. “I was shocked at first,” she said.

“Then I was just overcome with complete joy. I don’t know that I have the

right words to even explain the happiness and the healing.”

Decades ago, in blocking the salmon from returning to the upper reaches of the Sanpoil River tributary of the Columbia, the local tribes were prevented from carrying out fundamental cultural practices.

These include the *Salmon Songs* that called the fish back from the ocean; and spear fishing around Kettle Falls, over which the river tumbled and roiled.

The recent discovery of the spawning sites above the dams is a potential good milestone in the decades-long work to bring the fish back to their traditional habitat.

Pilot killed in plane crash was not certified

One-mile spiral downward lasted eight minutes

The Portland businessman killed in the spiraling, fiery plane crash on the reservation in January had just failed to pass a rating course to fly solo.

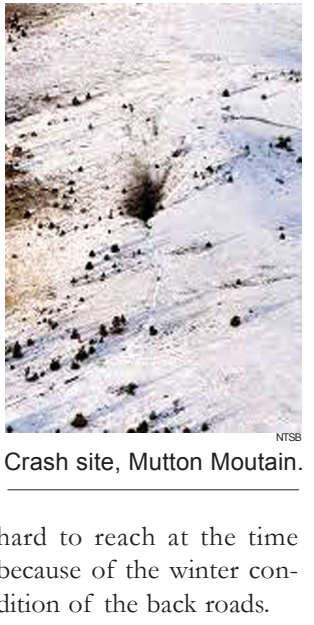
The January 9 flight, scheduled from Troutdale to Boise, was also the pilot’s first time alone at the controls: This was a finding in the preliminary report by the National Transportation Safety Board.

Richard Boehlke, 72, was

killed in the Mutton Mountain crash of his Cessna Citation jet.

According to the investigation, at one point near the reservation, an air controller in Seattle warned Mr. Boehlke that he was flying at low altitude. He was also given a number of direction corrections.

The plane climbed to 31,000 feet before entering into a one-mile downward spiral. Eight minutes later the plane crashed. Warm Springs emergency responders were called to the scene,



Crash site, Mutton Mountain.

hard to reach at the time because of the winter condition of the back roads.

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