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Community update

The Indian Health Service for the Warm Springs tribes updated the Covid-19 data for Tuesday of this week, September 7:

On that date there were 11 active covid cases on the reservation, receiving daily monitoring. There were three community members hospitalized with the disease, no one on a ventilator.

Total number of primary vaccinations in the community was at 2,911. Total number of second shots was at 2,435; and 30 individuals had received the third, or booster shot. The booster at this time is available to vulnerable members of the community, such as those at senior assisted living. You can call to schedule a vaccination anytime at the Health and Wellness Center, 541-553-2131.

Hopeful start to 2021-22 school year

Classes started this week for students of the 509-J school district. At the Warm Springs Academy the first-through eighth-graders started on Tuesday. Half of the kindergarteners started this Wednesday, and the rest return this Thursday.

At the high school, the freshman returned on Tuesday, and the tenth- through twelfth graders returned this Wednesday.

Masks are required to start the school year in the effort to prevent the spread of Covid-19 and to keep everyone safe. No one is allowed in a school district building



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without wearing a mask.

School hours at the Warm Springs Academy are 8:45 a.m. to 3:55 p.m., except for the Late Start Mondays, when school begins at 10:15 a.m. with doors opening at 9:55.

At Madras High School and Bridges High School, the school day is from 8 a.m. to 3:05 p.m., except for late start Mondays when school starts at 9:30. For the bus routes, see the district website at jcsd.k12.or.us/

The first day of in-person classes begins at the Warm Springs Academy, as the buses arrive Tuesday morning. For details on the covid safety protocol of all 509-J schools, see page 5 of this publication.



Construction crew pours concrete for the new pedestrian path along Highway 26.



Dave McMechan/Spilyay

Warm Springs Construction crew installs storm drainage along Highway 3 project.

Roadway progress

The construction company working on the Highway 26 safety corridor project this

week is beginning more paving. This work will be between mileposts 103 and 111.

The work will be at night, from the hours of 7 p.m. to 7 a.m.: Drivers should anticipate up to 20-minute delays, as one lane of the highway will be closed, controlled by flaggers and pilot cars.

During the daytime, the contractor will perform excavation and earthwork activities. New curb and drainage pipes will also be installed along the shoulder of the highway.

Warm Springs Construction also continues their safety project along Highway 3. Features here include the pedestrian path along the highway, and rock-fall work.

Tribal Council initiates 2022 budget process

The Tribal Council this month is hearing the budget presentations of the enterprises, branches and departments of the organization.

The district and General Council meetings will then happen in October.

Meanwhile, the following are some of the items coming up on the Tribal Council agenda for the remainder of September (subject to change at Council discretion):

Wednesday, September 8

9 a.m.: 2022 proposed budget with Secretary-Treasurer Glendon Smith and the Finance lead.

10: Willamette Falls Trust discussion with Gerald Rodriguez.

11: Cares Act prioritization discussion with S-T Smith and Michele Stacona.

1:30 p.m.: American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) discussion with Glendon and Michele.

2:30: Chuush Fund proposal discussion with Chico Holliday and

Michele.

3:30: Carbon sequestration update with Robert Brunoe, Branch of Natural Resources.

Thursday, September 9

9 a.m.: Landfill update with Joie Simtustus, tribal Sanitarian.

9:30: Water infrastructure update with Lonnie Henderson and Jay Matheson.

10: Meet and greet with the new Warm Springs Academy principal Lonnie Henderson, and district superintendent Jay Mathisen.

11: Meet and greet with Columbia River Bank manager Mary Lucy Lino.

1:30 p.m.: Update on four priorities for Cares Act fishing with the Fish and Wildlife Committee, tribal attorney John Ogan, Chico Holliday and Tim York.

2:30: Update on Columbia River housing with John Ogan.

3:30: Update on Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER)

funds with Vernon Wolf and Bobby Brunoe, Natural Resources.

Monday, September 13: Budget presentations.

9 a.m.: Natural Resources with Bobby.

10: Education with Valerie Switzer.

11: Health and Human Services with Caroline Cruz.

1:30 p.m.: Public Safety with Nancy Seyler.

2:30: Public Utilities with Chico.

3:30: Committee attendance discussion.

Tuesday, September 14: Budget presentations.

9 a.m.: Budget overview with the S-T and Finance lead.

10: Secretary-Treasurer discussion with Glendon.

10:30: Human Resources with the new director.

11: Governmental Affairs dis-

cussion with Louie Pitt.

1:30: Finance with Isaac George.

2:30: Administrative Services with the S-T.

3:30: High Lookie Lodge with Lonnie Parsons.

4: Community Assistance with the S-T.

Wednesday, September 15: Budget presentations.

9 a.m. Tribal Court with Lisa Lomas.

10: General and Administrative, debt service, capital and tribal gatherings with the S-T and Isaac.

11: Tribal Council.

1:30 p.m.: Council support services with Doris Miller and Norma Heath.

2:30: Fish and Wildlife Committee On-Reservation with Jonathan Smith.

3:30: Fish and Wildlife Off-Reservation with Bruce Jim.

Thursday, September 16: Bud-

get presentations.

9 a.m.: Timber Committee with Levi Van Pelt.

10: Water Board with Flint Scott and Terry Squiempfen.

11: Health and Welfare Committee and Austin Greene.

1:30 p.m.: Education Committee with Ardis Smith.

2:30: Land Use Committee with Jonathan Smith and Lyle Katchia.

3:30: Culture and Heritage Committee with Myra, Lorraine and Deanie.

Friday, September 17: Budget presentations.

9 a.m.: Irrigation and Agriculture Committee with Terry, Flint and Dustin.

10: Cannabis Commission with Ronald Roome and Starla Green.

11: Gaming Commission and Surveillance with Sandra Main.

1:30: Museum at Warm Springs with Liz Woody.

See **TRIBAL COUNCIL** on 3



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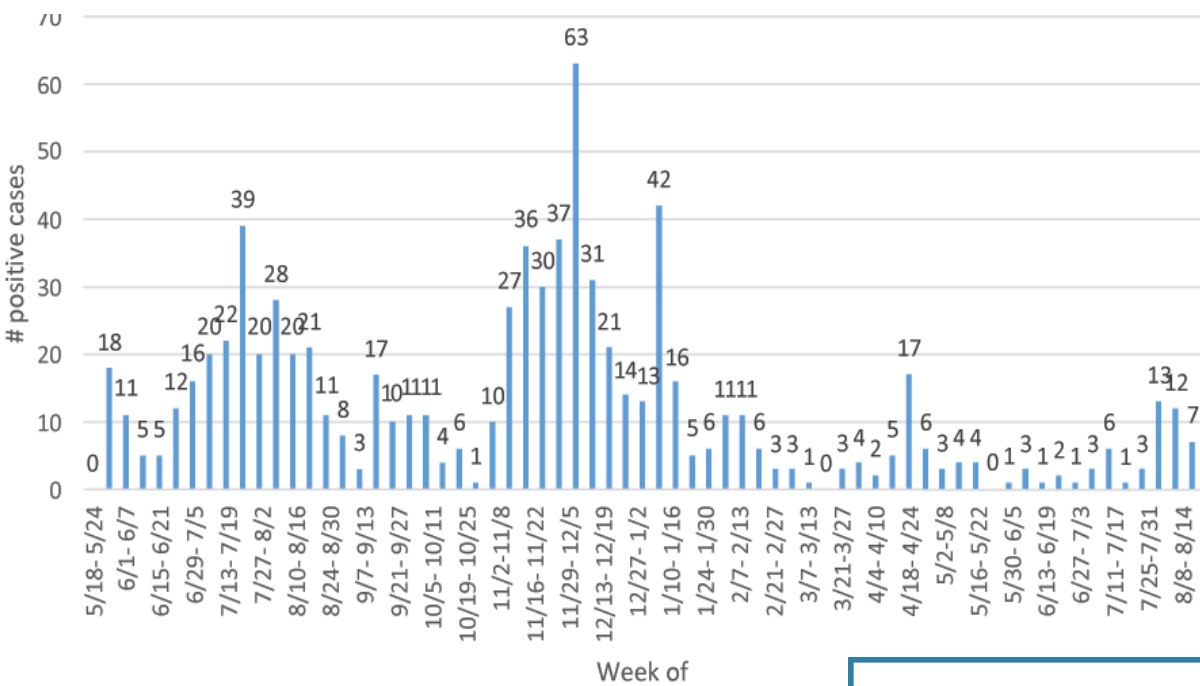
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Entries based on tier, up to 200 for the Weekend Drawings and Buckin' Bronco Giveaway.

See Players' Club for details. Management reserves all rights.



Community covid demographics update



The Confederated Tribes Covid-19 Response Team updated the reservation community Covid-19 data, as of September 1, 2021. On that date there were 16 active cases in the community, bringing the overall total since the pandemic began last year to 936.

There were two community members hospitalized with covid on September 1, according to the update. One person had died. Fourteen of the cases were among people with an underlying condition. Total breakthrough cases was 29. (**Note:** The incidence of breakthrough cases demonstrates the vaccine is working, in that vaccinated breakthrough cases are much less likely to result in serious illness, hospitalization, and death.) One case of the delta variant was reported in the September 1 data (*more demographics on page 5*).

IHS Indian Country covid data

The Indian Health Service updated its coronavirus data, showing results through late last week.

As of that date across Indian Country, IHS testing had returned a total of 232,855 positive tests for covid, since the pandemic and testing began.

Since testing began last

year, IHS had conducted a total of 2,856,618 coronavirus tests.

Based on the cumulative percent positive, the highest rates have been the IHS Navajo Area, the Phoenix Area, the Oklahoma City Area, the California Area, and the Albuquerque Area.

Community notes...

Oregon Little League District 5 is hosting the first of three **Cruise-In's** at Juniper Hills Park on Saturday, September 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Pre-registration is recommended. There are multiple categories, even a 'Rez Car' category. Contact Elizabeth at 541-598-5351 to register.

Papalaxsimisha is hosting a five-week youth **Boys Drumming and Singing** series, beginning this Wednesday, September 8. The sessions will be held Wednesdays from 6-7:30 p.m. on

the grassy area in front of the Prevention office. All boys 8 and older are welcome. Masks are required for all participants.

Senior Lunch this Wednesday, September 8, is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., for delivery or pickup at the Greeley Heights Community building. On the menu are pork ribs, mashed potatoes, roots with veggies and fruit jello.10

Then on Friday, September 10, on the menu are are steak and eggs, hash browns, toast and fresh fruit.

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THIS YEAR, A LITTLE NERVOUS IS NORMAL.



After so long away, bells, hallways, clubs and quizzes aren't second nature anymore. That's why Oregon schools are kicking off with a focus on restoring the care, connection and community that come with in-person learning. Visit Oregon.gov/readyschools to learn more.



Tribal Council: On the agenda in September

(from page 1)
2:30: Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) with Wendell Jim, director.
3:30: TERO Commis-sion with Jonathan Smith.

Monday, September 20: Budget prentations.
9 a.m.: Warm Springs Timber LLC with Cal Mukumoto.
10: Warm Springs Hous-ing with Danielle Wood.
11: Warm Springs Telecom with Tim York.
1:30 p.m.: Power and Water Enterprises with Jim Manion.
2:30: Composite Prod-ucts with Jacob Coochise,

general manager.
3:30: Indian Head Casino and Plateau Travel Plaza with Jeff Carstensen.
Tuesday, September 21: Budget presentations.
9 a.m.: Ventures with Jim Souers.
10: Credit Enterprise with Lori Fuentes.
11: Federal lobbyist with Matt Hill.
11:30: State lobbyist with Michael Mason.
1:30 p.m.: Indian Health Services design project with Hyllis Dauphinais and Dr. Locker.
2:30: OSU Extension with Rosanna Sanders.

3: Tribal attorney update with John Ogan.
4: Kah-Nee-Ta discussion with Jim Souers.
Wednesday, September 22
Budget call backs.
Thursday, September 23
Budget call backs.

Friday, September 24
9 a.m.: Secretary-Trea-surer update with Glendon.
10: October agenda and review minutes with S-T.
11: Draft resolutions.
1:30 p.m.: Legislative up-date calls.
2:30: Enrollments with Lucille Suppach-Samson, Vi-tal Statistics.

3:30: Natural Resources, Public Safety and Range Committee with Bobby, Nancy, Terry, Flint and Dustin.
4:30: Budget discussion and October posting with Glendon and Isaac.

Monday-Thursday, September 27-30: Affili-ated Tribes of Northwest In-dians.
Items for further dis-cussion: National Congress of American Indians confer-ence in October. National Tribal Health conference, virtual in October. District and General Council meet-ings for October.

Community notes...

Warm Springs Nation Little League is holding its board elections on Tuesday, September 14 at 6 p.m. in the Emergency Management office. Board mem-bers must be able to pass background checks.

The positions are president, vice-president, secre-tary, treasurer, player agents, umpire-in-chief, infor-mation officer, equipment manager and fundraising coordinator.

Warm Springs Economic Development reminds community members that Mondays are **drinking wa-ter fill-up day** at their solar water panel facility at the industrial park. You can fill drinking water containers from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Warm Springs Department of **Human Ser-vices office** is located next to Commodities in the Warm Springs Industrial Park. Programs they can help with include SNAP, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Employment Related Day Care, Temporary Assistance for Domestic Violence Survivors and the Oregon Health Plan. Call 541-553-1626 to learn more.

Summaries of Tribal Council

August 17, 2021
The meeting was called to order at 9:02 by Chairman Raymond Tsumpti Sr. Roll call: Wilson Wewa Jr., Lin-coln Jay Suppah, Glendon Smith, Anita Jackson, Alfred Smith Jr., Raymond (Captain) Moody, Chief Delvis Heath, Chief Joseph Moses. Minnie Yahtin, Recorder.
• Purchasing update with Libby Chase.
• Human Resource up-date with Cheryl Tom.
• Governmental Affairs and Planning updates with Louie Pitt.
• Finance Update – Isaac George
• Administrative Services update were not submitted to the Secretary-Treasurer.
• Education update with Valerie Switzler.
• Health and Human Ser-vices update with Ron Hagar, Andy Leonard and

Edmund Francis.
• Natural Resources up-date with Bobby Brunoe.
• Public Safety update with Nancy Seyler and Ron Greggory.
• Executive session, 3:50-5 p.m.
August 18
The meeting was called to order at 9:18 by Vice Chair Brigitte McConville. Roll call: Raymond (Captain) Moody, Lincoln Jay Suppah, Chief Alfred Smith Jr., Vice Chair Brigitte McConville, Anita Jackson, Chief Delvis Heath, Chief Joseph Moses. Minnie Yahtin, Recorder.
• Public Utilities update with Chico Holliday, Tom Heinizman, Derek Hancey, Alex Dailey, Ben Chadwick, and Xuehua Bai.
• Tribal Court update with Lisa Lomas.
• Cannabis Commission

update with Ronald Roome and Kent Robinson:
• The executive director position will be advertised.
• Gaming Commission update with Sandra Main.
• Tribal Employment Rights Office update with Jonathan W. Smith.
• Veterans Office update with Frankie Williams.
Motion by Jay to adjourn at 2:15 p.m.

September 1
The meeting was called to order at 9:23 a.m. Roll call: Glendon Smith, Lincoln Jay Suppah, Wilson Wewa Jr., Chief Alfred Smith Jr., Anita Jackson, Lola Sohappy. Minnie Yahtin, Recorder.
Motion by Anita to allow Secretary-Treasurer Glendon Smith, who is a Tribal Council member and officer of the Tribal Coun-cil, to Chair today’s meeting in the absence of the Chair-man and Vice Chair. Sec-ond by Wilson. Question: Jay/yes, Anita/yes, Wilson/yes, Alfred/yes, Lola/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not vot-ing; Motion carried.
• Opioid litigation and settlement discussion with Ellen Grover:
Motion by Wilson ac-cepting the Mallinckrodt bankruptcy plan. Second by Anita. Jay/yes, Anita/yes, Wilson/yes, Alfred/yes, Lola/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not vot-ing/ Motion carried.
• Motion by Anita autho-rizing Skikos to file a law-suit against McKinsey & Co. on behalf of the Confed-erated Tribes. The draft com-plaint will be sent to Tribal Council for review and fi-nal approval before filing. Second by Wilson. Jay/yes, Anita/yes, Wilson/yes, Alfred/yes, Lola/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.
• September agenda:

Motion by Anita adopt-ing the September agenda, subject to change. Second by Wilson. Question: Jay/yes, Anita/yes, Wilson/yes, Alfred/yes, Lola/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not voting. Mo-tion carried.

• Akana resolution dis-cussion with Said Amali, Bruce Irwin, Louie Pitt and Ellen Grover:
Motion by Anita adopt-ing Resolution No. 12,844, the Tribal Council authorizes the Tribal Council Chair, Vice Chair or Secretary-Treasurer to develop and execute an agreement for a period of one year to en-gage Akana for the purposes set forth in the Planning and Grant Funding Assistance, AKANA proposal 21-169, attached as exhibit to the resolution, in a manner that is consistent with applicable funding source require-ments. That the Authorized Representatives are autho-rized to execute an extension or extensions of such agreement(s), in the judg-ment of the Authorized Representative, in the best interest of the Tribe. That the Secretary-Treasurer/CEO will make reports to the Tribal Council as directed by Tribal Council on the implementation of Akana Proposal 21-169 and on the progress related to infra-structure upgrades. Second by Wilson. Question: Jay/ no, Anita/yes, Wilson/yes, Alfred/yes, Lola/abstain, 3/1/1, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• Museum resolution dis-cussion with Elizabeth Woody:
• Motion by Wilson adopting Resolution No. 12,845 reappointing the fol-lowing persons to the Board of Directors of The Mu-seum At Warm Springs with terms expiring January 1, 2024: Bill Nicholson, Non-

Tribal Member, Olney Patt Jr., and Garland Brunoe. And appointing the Board of Re-gents with terms expiring Sep-tember 1, 2024: Beulah Tsumpti and Ruth Beymer. Second by Anita. Question: Jay/yes, Anita/yes, Wilson/yes, Alfred/yes, Lola/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• Apollo contract exten-sion discussion with Chico Holliday and Barry Buchanan:
Motion by Wilson autho-rizing:

1. Extension of contract P-19442-20 with Apollo, Inc., effective immediately to com-plete the Stage 1 scope of work.
2. Extension of the con-tract P-19384 with Buchanan and Associates, as deemed necessary by the general man-ager of Public Utilities or the Secretary-Treasurer, to work with Apollo and EPA to fi-nalize the Stage 1 report and Stage 2 work plan.
3. As deemed necessary by the general manager of Pub-lic Utilities or the Secretary-Treasurer, extension of con-tracts to complete projects in process previously funded by the Oregon Business Dev-elopment Department funds and for which funds have been reauthorized.
4. Delivering a final engi-neering report under the Emergency Order to EPA by October 17 and any other compliance reports as re-quired by EPA under the Consent Order.
5. Any other such actions as deemed reasonable neces-sary by the Secretary-Trea-surer to deliver the final engi-neering report under the Emergency Order to EPA by October 17; and to complete the projects underway to ad-dress significant deficiencies in the System required by the Consent Order and to pro-vide a compliance report to EPA regarding the Consent Order projects, with added language. Second by Anita. Discussion: Jay/yes, Anita/yes, Wilson/yes, Alfred/yes, Lola/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• Cares Act fund request discussion with Chico Holliday, Public Utilities:
Motion by Wilson tabling this request pending a bud-get to be presented to Tribal Council for consideration. Second by Anita. Question: Jay/yes, Anita/yes, Wilson/yes, Alfred/yes, Lola/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• Bureau of Trust Funds Administration (BFTA) reso-lution discussion with Ellen

Grover:
Motion by Anita adopting Resolution No. 12,846, that Tribal Council hereby autho-rizes the Forest Manager, Timber Sales Accountant, Forestry TAAMS coordina-tor, and Enrollment Officer to request information re-garding tribal accounts as needed from time to time for the conduct of routine busi-ness; that Tribal Council hereby directs authorized Fi-nance staff annually to pro-vide BTFA with an updated list of authorized individuals to account for personnel changes with the Confed-erated Tribes; that Tribal Coun-cil hereby instructs BTFA, when requested by the Tribe to distribute from the Tribes following accounts; PL7472704, PL7546708, FM7643FR5 and FM004FR12 to the Tribes General Fund Account cur-rently held at Columbia Bank in Madras. Second by Wil-son. Discussion: Jay/yes, Anita/yes, Wilson/yes, Alfred/yes, Lola/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• National Congress of American Indians Resolution- Glendon Smith:
Motion by Wilson adopt-ing Resolution No. 12,847, appointing Brigitte McConville as the Voting Delegate at all meetings of the National Congress of American Indians; Anita Jack-son, as the Alternate Del-egate; By the Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reser-vation of Oregon to renew its affiliation with NCAI through remittance of the 2021-2022 annual dues of \$12,000 as appropriate. That this resolution rescinds Reso-lution No. 12,739 adopted October 28, 2020. Second by Jay; Question; Jay/yes, Anita/yes, Wilson/yes, Alfred/yes, Lola/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.
• American Rescue Plan Act dispersement resolution discussion with Glendon Smith:
Motion by Wilson tabling this resolution pending the Tribal Council discussion on September 8. Second by Anita. Question; Jay/yes, Anita/yes, Wilson/yes, Alfred/yes, Lola/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not voting; Motion carried.

• Contract Extension Re-quest for the Accounting Firm-Michele Stacona:
Michele will contact the firm for a dollar amount to carry on to end of 2021, and prep for the 2022 audit to be presented next week.
Motion by Anita to ad-journ at 1:20 p.m.

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Letters to the editor

For pets

A new service for pets—the Warm Springs Community Pet Food Bank—happens from 10 a.m. to 12 noon the second Saturday of every month. The first one will be Saturday, September 11.

The location is 2334 High Lookee Street, across from the Warm Springs Senior Center. Mask or other face coverings are required at all times.

The Warm Springs Community Pet Food Bank is presented by Fences for Fido. To reserve your pet, food call or text 503-319-9838. Or email: petfoodbank@fencesforfido.org

‘We play, kids play’

Do you need help paying youth sports registration fees? The Every Kid Sports Pass can help.

Check out the Every Kid Sports Pass to see if you qualify for up to \$150 towards youth sports registration fees. Those who would qualify:

Kids between the ages of 4 and 18. Kids in families who receive SNAP, WIC or Medicaid benefits. Kids who want to participate in recreational and after-school sports.

Apply using your smartphone or computer: www.everykidsports.org

With the Every Kid

Sports Pass, families don’t have to decide which of the kids get to play sports, because with Very Kid Sports, “We pay—Kids play!”

Vaccines during pregnancy

If you’re pregnant, you may be wondering about the vaccinations. Getting vaccinated during pregnancy doesn’t just protect yourself, but it can protect your baby as well.

Getting influenza, tetanus, reduced diphtheria toxoid and acellular pertussis (Tdap) vaccines while you’re pregnant causes your body to create protective antibodies—proteins produced by the body to fight off diseases.

If you get these vaccines while you’re pregnant, you pass on some of those antibodies to your baby. Newborns are not yet able to get these vaccines, so this immunity can act to protect your child during those first few months of life.

What about the Covid-19 vaccines? The Centers for Disease Control recommends covid vaccination during pregnancy as well.

The Covid-19 vaccination is recommended for all people ages 12 and older, including people who are pregnant, breastfeeding, trying to get pregnant now or might become pregnant in the future.

Pregnant and recently pregnant people are more likely to get severely ill with covid compared with non-pregnant people. Severe illness from covid during pregnancy can be avoided by get-

ting fully vaccinated. Talk with your doctor about maternal vaccination.

Be heard

Based on the 2020 Census data, the legislative redistricting process is happening right now in Oregon.

Citizens are being asked to give testimony virtually and in writing to go on record about how you want to be represented, and what is important for your representation to know about your community.

Let your voice be heard: You can find details about giving testimony at oregonlegislature.gov/redistricting.

For our congressional district, oral testimony will be open this Wednesday through Friday, September 8-10.

Papalaxsimisha is hosting watch parties for both of those hearings: September 8 from noon to 4 p.m., and September 10 from 7:30 to 11 a.m.

Check the Papalaximisha Facebook page for details.

Online diabetes prevention

You’re invited to join others in Central Oregon to get active, lose weight and feel great together: It’s a free, online diabetes prevention program sponsored by Jefferson, Crook and Deschutes county health de-

In Cooperation and Appreciation



The official red line copy presentation of federal Public Law 116-175, the legislation nullifying the ‘Hutington treaty of 1865.’ Sen. Jeff Merkley, among the sponsors of the law, presented the document to Tribal Council Chairman Raymond Tsumpti in August during the tribes’ celebration of passage of the law.

partments.

Learn how to manage stress, improve your heart health, eat well and stay motivated.

The weekly workshop starts on September 14 from

9-11 a.m., and participants meet weekly until July 12 of next year.

Sign up today, spaces are limited. It’s a chance to meet

and connect with neighbors in your community to fight pre-diabetes together. Call 541-876-1848 or visit: yourhealthcentraloregon.org

Opioid overdose Prevention

The Warm Springs Prevention Team is sharing a training video for the emergency use of the Narcan (Nalaxone) Nasal Spray. The spray is used to treat an opioid overdose. It is the only FDA approved treatment of known or suspected opioid overdose.

Narcan Nasal Spray may counteract the life-threatening effects of an opioid overdose. Since most accidental overdoses occur in a home setting, it was developed for first responders, as well as family, friends, and caregivers—with no

medical training required. See the Prevention Facebook page: At Facebook search ‘Warm Springs Prevention Team and Nalaxone Spray.’ Or the QR code below leads to the video.



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Warm Springs Food Bank is open



The Warm Springs Food Bank is open five days a week, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Food Bank has a variety of items, and plenty, available to individuals who may not qualify for Commodities or Food Stamps. The Warm Springs Food Bank opened in 2020, established in partnership with NeighborImpact. The service is located in the Commodities building at the industrial park, 4217 A Holiday Street, Warm Springs. For information call me at 541-553-3579. Or email: theodore.perez@wstribes.org

Many Vets due for record raise next year

by Frankie Williams
Warm Springs Tribal
Veterans Representative

Military retirees and disabled veterans could see their monthly checks jump by hundreds of dollars each month in 2022, the largest increase since 1983.

The annual inflation-based Cost of Living Adjustment, or COLA, soon will be determined by the government, and all the figures point to an increase of at least 6 percent, and maybe more, beginning in 2022.

That means that next year, military retirees will see their monthly retirement check increase, with the average monthly check going up by around \$160.

Veterans receiving disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs also will see their monthly disability



Frankie Williams, W.S. Veterans Representative

payments increase, with the average monthly amount increasing by nearly \$100.

According to the Department of Defense, there are around 1.87 million military retirees, with an annual average retirement payment of \$30,265.

The VA says nearly 5.1 million veterans receive disability compensation, with an annual benefit of \$18,549.

The annual COLA increase is based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI), which is measured by the Department of Labor. That agency measures the costs of a select group of goods and services and compares those costs to the previous year.

If there is an increase, retirees and many others receiving government benefits see an increase in their monthly payments for the upcoming year. If those costs go down, the government payments will remain the same in the upcoming year.

In 2021, costs for most goods and services have gone up much faster than they have in the past. The most recent data from the Department of Labor is showing a 5.4 percent increase from last year, and there are two more months left in the current fiscal year,

which ends on Sept. 30.

So, unless there is a major turnaround of the economy, with prices dropping dramatically in the next month or so, next year’s government payments should see a hefty increase.

The CPI also is used to determine federal employee retirement and social security COLA adjustments as well as other federal benefit programs, so the CPI increase will affect over 50 million Americans.

Next year’s COLA is scheduled to be announced in early October. When it is, military.com will have the latest information, including disability pay rates available to you.

For more information on Agent Orange or filing a claim, contact the Warm Springs Tribal Veterans Service Officer, Frankie Williams, 541-460-0605 or 541-777-2957

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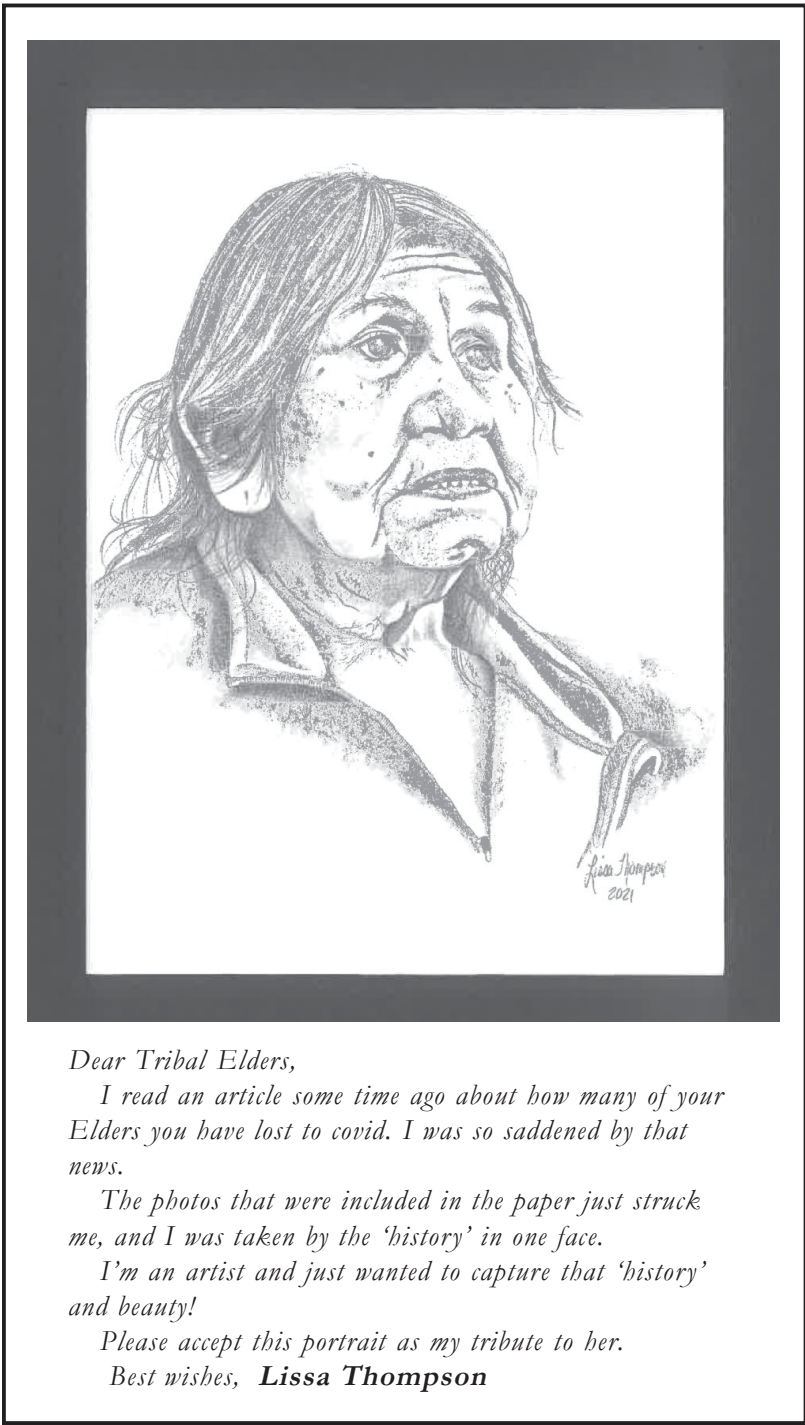
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Covid safety mesaures at 509-J

Like students of the other districts of the state, students of the Jefferson County 509-J district return to school with mask requirements. The same applies to teachers and staff inside any school buildings.

The district here clarifies the rules that apply, as this week the 2021-22 school begins. Masks are required at all times during regular school hours and on school buses, except for the following:

Eating or drinking. When an individual is alone in a private room or workspace. When practicing or playing sports.

Performing while playing music, or when delivering a speech or engaged in theater.

Mask exceptions: Accommodations, such as a face shield are available, but limited to legitimate medical reasons or because of a known and documented disability.

Important note: 504 or Individual Education plans are meant for students with documented disabilities. They may not be used by parents to avoid the mask mandate.

Enforcement: If a student does not consistently and correctly wear a face covering, school staff will reteach the expectation with grace and patience.

“We will continually provide instruction and positive reinforcement to help all students adapt to this change in our school facilities,” the district safety plans states.

“The district will not be punitive; however, if a student continuously refuses to wear a face covering in school, they will be provided with the distriict online learning option.”

Vaccine mandate for k-12 staff: In August, Gov. Brown announced that all teachers, educators, support staff, and volunteers in k-12 schools will be required to be fully vaccinated by October 18.

It is the understanding of 509-J district officials that there will be no option for weekly covid testing in lieu of vaccination. As with other state employees and healthcare workers, religious and medical- and disability-related exceptions will apply.

The district anticipates further details and rules from the Oregon Health Authority.

From the Superintendent
Dear 509-J Families,
I am honored and excited to begin my first year as Superintendent of Jefferson County School District. Even as we face increasing and ongoing challenges of Covid-19, I’m hopeful about the upcoming school year.

We are eager to return to school

this fall, and are excited about opportunities for students to flourish academically, socially, and in ways that highlight each student’s strengths and assets. To do that well, we have an incredible team of teachers, staff members and leaders who are eager to welcome each student to their learning in the coming days.

We are excited about the ability to implement best practices we learned during the last year in classrooms. Some of those are connected to the ability to provide each student with a computer as a learning tool. We also are pleased to note that our online learning option, CASA (509J Online), has been improved to offer a more personalized learning experience for students who found that online learning was a good match for them. However, we are perhaps even more excited to be able to open the doors this fall for full school days in our schools. Starting a school year...nothing beats that! From Warm Springs to Metolius to Big Muddy to Madras...509J is ready for a new year!

Guiding the decisions we will make this year and beyond are the following principles or themes:

Students flourish here. We care for each other. Better every day.

Dr. Jay Mathisen, Superintendent.

Around Indian Country

Vaccine mandate at Umatilla Tribes

Tribal employees of four Umatilla tribal entities have until September 30 to get fully vaccinated.

This is an approach that is becoming increasingly common, as the Food and Drug Administration recently gave full approval of the Pfizer vaccination. Previously the vaccine was approved conditionally, as an emergency measure.

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Tribal Council for now has not chosen to mandate vaccination for tribal employees, leaving the decisions to the employees themselves, with encouragement from Council and IHS, the branch supervisors, department heads and enterprises managers.

At Umatilla the approach is different. Though that tribe has held mass vaccination clinics and given a \$50,000 grand prize for a fully vaccinated employee, an estimated 35 employees working at those entities are not vaccinated.

The recent Umatilla directive came from their interim executive director, Teara Farrow Ferman.

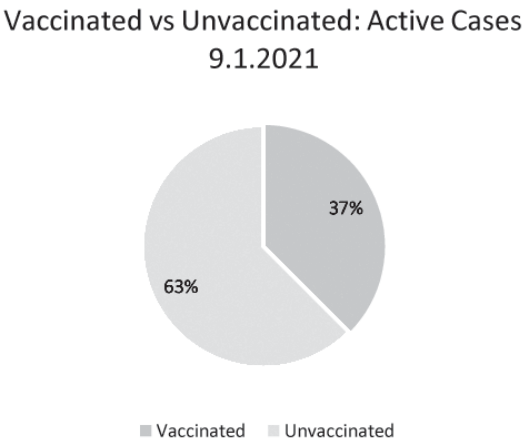
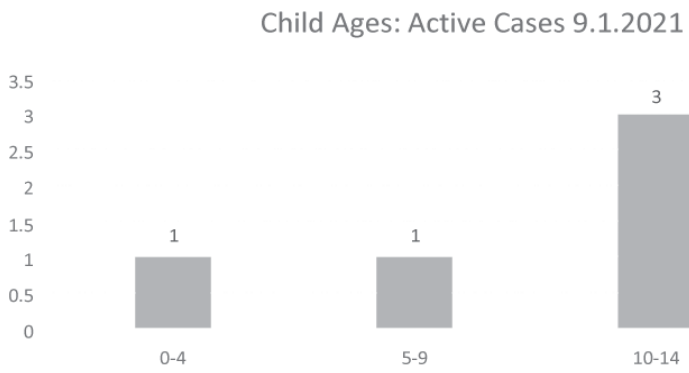
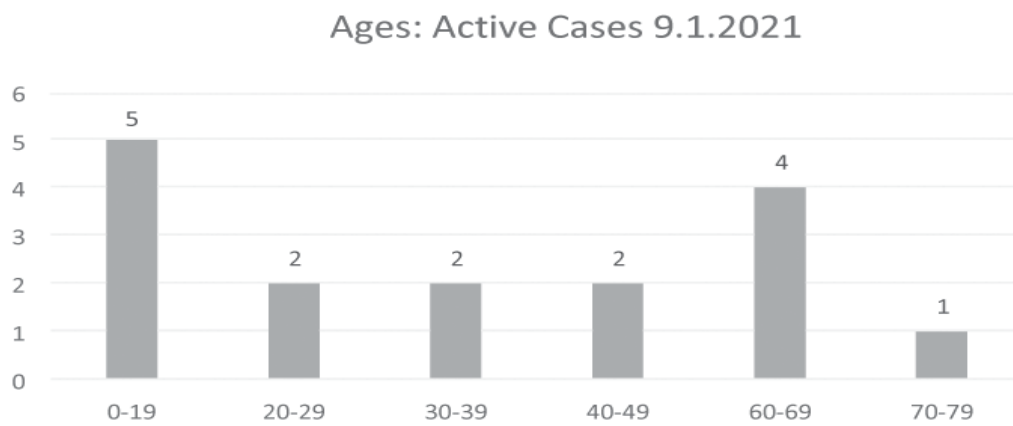
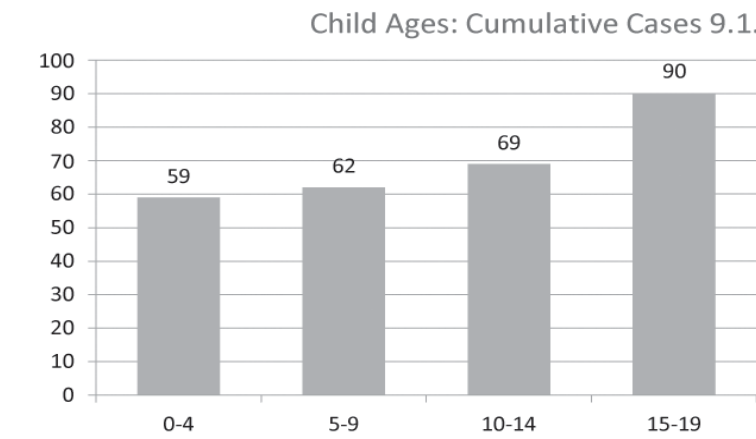
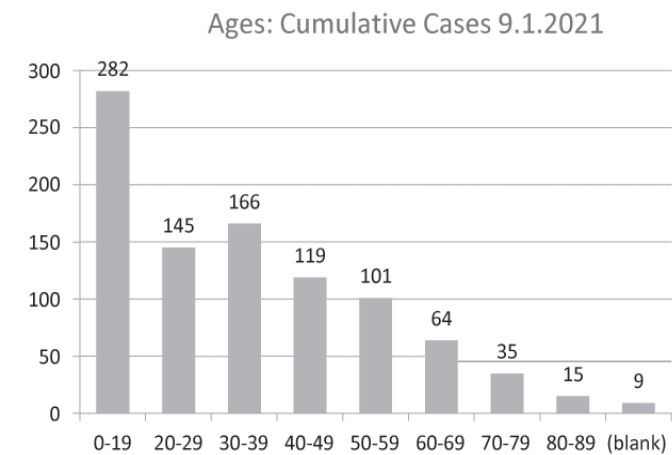
The mandate applies to four tribal entities: the Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center, the Umatilla Education Department, the Umatilla Tribal Fire Department, and the Umatilla’s Covid-19 screeners.

The Board of Trustees sent out a public statement early this month regarding the matter:

“To lead by example, all Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation Board of Trustee members and officers are fully vaccinated against Covid-19. This order comes after careful consideration of our ability to carry out tribal government and health care services to the community, and the continued hardship on the CTUIR.

“Currently hospitals in the state of Oregon and the surrounding counties are reaching capacity,” the Board of Trustees continued in the

These graphs show the Covid-19 case demographics on the reservation as of September 1, as provided by the tribes' Covid Response Team. On the first of this month there were 16 active cases in the community, with two hospitalizations and one death. Total breakthrough cases were 29: The breakthrough cases demonstrate the vaccination is effective, because these cases are much less likely to result in serious illness, hospitlization and death.



statement.

“Newly infected people suffering from symptoms of Covid-19 that require respiratory therapy are being transported to other states for Covid-19 emergency care. We are facing shortages in medical care capacities, equipment and protections.”

Yellowhawk is approaching 1,700 vaccinated individuals as the tribe braces for a surge in cases. It “will likely become worse after upcoming large local events,” the memo stated, probably alluding to the Pendleton Round-Up this month.

Warm Springs Victims of Crime Services is available by phone for any questions or needs you have about domestic violence, sexual assault, child and elder abuse. Call 541-553-2293. If you have an emergency situation, please call the Warm Springs Police Department dispatch at 541-553-1171 or 911.

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In the Tribal Court of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs

All proceedings are held at the CTWS Tribal Court.

TIFFANY HUNT, Petitioner, vs EDWARD WEASELHEAD, RESPONDENT; Case No. RO36-21. TO: TIFFANY HUNT, EDWARD WEASELHEAD:
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 **12TH day of OCTOBER, 2021 @ 9:00 AM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs LEAH RAPPE, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV125-16. TO: LEAH RAPPE, HARRIMAN PALMER, JUSSTA MAYNER:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a 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 **10TH day of NOVEMBER, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

KATIE MAE FRAZIER, Petitioner, vs HOWARD CRAWFORD JR., RESPONDENT; Case No. DO143-20. TO: KATIE MAE FRAZIER, HOWARD CRAWFORD JR.:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a FILIATION 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 **5TH day of OCTOBER, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

In the matter of: GARCIA KIDS - CASE NO. JV5,6-13. CTWS, PETITIONER, vs CARMEL ANDREWS, RESPONDENT. TO: CARMEL ANDREWS, CARLOS GARCIA, SHELLEY & MODESTA MINTHORN:
This is notice that MODIFICATION has been scheduled with the Tribal Court. By this notice, you are summoned to appear in this matter at the hearing scheduled for **14th day of OCTOBER, 2021 @ 3:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs REX ROBINSON-ANGELES, Respondent; Case No. JV129-07, DO110-09. TO: REX ROBINSON-ANGELES:
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 **25TH day of OCTOBER, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs BROOK WARNER, Respondent; Case No. JV59-10. TO: BROOK WARNER:
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 **20TH day of OCTOBER, 2021 @ 9:00 AM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs CYNTHIA IKE, Respondent; Case No. JV178-08, JV72-11. TO: CYNTHIA IKE, JASON BARKER:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSISTANT 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 **20TH day of OCTOBER, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs ANDREW SMITH SR, Respondent; Case No. JV110-16, JV105-15. TO: ANDREW SMITH SR.:
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 **1ST day of NOVEMBER, 2021 @ 9:00 AM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs PATRICE SPINO, Respondent; Case No. JV4-21. TO: PATRICE SPINO:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an 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 **15TH day of NOVEMBER 2021 @ 3:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs LYNITTA MILLER, Respondent. TO: LYNITTA MILLER, BRADLEY

BRONCHEAU, FANCUDNO BALDERAMA; Case No. JV64,65-19:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSISTANT 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 NOVEMBER, 2021 @ 3:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs LYNITTA MILLER, Respondent; Case No. JV63-19. TO: LYNITTA MILLER, BRADLEY BRONCHEAU, FANCUDNO BALDERAMA:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSISTANT 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 NOVEMBER, 2021 @ 4:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs LYNITTA MILLER, Respondent. TO: LYNITTA MILLER, BRADLEY BRONCHEAU, FANCUDNO BALDERAMA; Case No. JV66-19:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSISTANT 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 NOVEMBER, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs OLEA YAHTIN, Respondent; Case No. JV24-19. TO: OLEA YAHTIN, TEVOR TEWEE:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an PERMANENCY 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 NOVEMBER 2021 @ 10:00 AM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs OLEA YAHTIN, Respondent; Case No. JV56-18. TO: OLEA YAHTIN, THERMAN SUPPAH SR:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an 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 NOVEMBER 2021 @ 9:00 AM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs JESSICA JIM, Respondent; Case No. JV1-21. TO: JESSICA JIM:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an PERMANENCY 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 NOVEMBER 2021 @ 10:00 AM**

KYLE FRANK, Petitioner, vs CTWS, Respondent; Case No. DO96-09. TO: KYLE FRANK, JAMEY WESLEY:
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 **6TH day of OCTOBER 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs KELLI LANGNESE, Respondent; Case

No. JV8-18. TO: KELLI LANGNESE:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an CUSTODY REVIEW / 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 **30TH day of SEPTEMBER 2021 @ 10:00 AM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs MAURICA CORTEZ, Respondent; Case No. JV17,18-19. TO: MAURICA CORTEZ:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSISTANT 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 **14TH day of OCTOBER, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs JANNA ONEIL, Respondent; Case No. JV42,43,44-20. TO: JANNA ONIEL:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an PERMANENCY 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 **23rd day of NOVEMBER 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

SHAYLA SMITH, Petitioner, vs TERENCE HATATHLI, RESPONDENT; Case No. DO40;41-21. TO: SHAYLA SMITH, TERENCE HATATHLI:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a FILIATION 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 **21ST day of SEPTEMBER, 2021 @ 2:30 PM**

KALI WALKER, Petitioner, vs LOUIS STEWART, RESPONDENT; Case No. DO107-21. TO: KALI WALKER, LOUIS STEWART:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a FILIATION 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 OCTOBER, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs TERA WALLULATUM, RESPONDENT; Case No. DO90-10, JV61-07. TO: TERA WALLULATUM, WAYLON WEASELHEAD, ANDREA GRUNDSTROM:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP 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 **19TH day of OCTOBER, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

LEANNA BOISE, Petitioner, vs MATTHEW MCGILL, RESPONDENT; Case No. DO89;90;91-21. TO: LEANNA BOISE, MATTHEW MCGILL:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION 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 **2ND day of NOVEMBER, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

TRISHA SMITH, Petitioner, vs RON SUPPAH SR., RESPON-

DENT; Case No. DO109-21. TO: TRISHA SMITH, RON SUPPAH SR.:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a FILIATION 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 **11TH day of OCTOBER, 2021 @ 10:30 AM**

JESUS VAZQUEZ, Petitioner, vs LATISHA WAHENEKA, RESPONDENT; Case No. DO115; 116-20. TO: JESUS VAZQUEZ, LATISHA WAHENEKA:
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 **21ST day of OCTOBER, 2021 @ 10:00 AM**

EDNA CAMPUZANO, Petitioner, vs IDA FRANK, RESPONDENT; Case No. DO119;120-21. TO: EDNA CAMPUZANO, CELESTE WHITE, IDA FRANK:
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 **29TH day of SEPTEMBER, 2021 @ 3:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs SONYA STORMBRINGER, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV08-03. TO: SONYA STORMBRINGER, ALROY ZACARIAS, DIANE KIRK:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP 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 **11TH day of OCTOBER, 2021 @ 2:00 PM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs WILLIE DANZUKA, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV33-21. TO: WILLIE DANZUKA, ROMELLE SPEAKTHUNDER, CPS, JV PROSECUTION:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a PRELIMINARY 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 OCTOBER, 2021 @ 11:00 AM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs JENNY BIRD, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV27-12. TO: JENNY BIRD, ELIJAH CUNNINGHAM:
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 **10th day of NOVEMBER, 2021 @ 9:00 AM**

CTWS, Petitioner, vs KATIE SMITH, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV98-09. TO: KATIE SMITH, MELISSA & HARLEN WAHENEKA:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP 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 **13TH day of OCTOBER, 2021 @ 10:00 AM**

Idelia Cloud, Petitioner, vs Challis Heath Yahtin, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV100-17. TO:

IDELIA CLOUD, CHALLIS HEATH YAHTIN, JARROD YAHTIN-CLOUD:
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 **13TH day of OCTOBER, 2021 @ 4:00 PM**

PROBATE
In the matter of the estate of Winona R. Tohet, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2021-PR21. Notice is hereby given that Winona R. Tohet, who at the time of her death last known residence was 2663 Bear Drive, Warm Springs, OR 97761, died on the 15th day of April 2021, and the court appointed Valerie Squiemphen as public administrator.
In the matter of the esttae of Cinda Lu Bobb, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2021-PR17. Notice is hereby given that Cinda Lu bobbs, who at the time of her death last known residence was 2470 Kuckup St., Warm Springs, OR 97761, died on the 25th day of March, 2021, and the court has appointed Valerie Squiemphen as public administrator.

In the matter of the estate of Eric D. Frank, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2021-PR27. Notice is hereby given that Eric D. Frank, who at the time of his death last known residence was 4116 Miller Heights, Warm Springs, OR 97761, died on the 4th day of May, 2021, and the court appointed Valerie Squiemphen as public administrator.

In the matter of the estate of Edward D. Manion, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2021-PR15. Notice is hereby given that Edward D. Manion, who at the time of his death last known residence was 2520 Looksh Street, Warm Springs, OR 97761, died on the 25th day of February, 2021, and the court appointed Valerie Squiemphen as public administrator.

In the matter of the estate of Kishon M. Graybael, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2021-PR20. To Marion B. Graybael Jr., Rosa Graybael, Ron Hager, Children’s Protective Services: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **October 4, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.**

In the matter of the estate of Janice Clements, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2021-PR18. To Georgette Keo, Denise Clements, Kayleen Clements, Jennifer Clements, Justine Clements, Merle Kirk, Matthew Clements Jr., George D. Clements: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **October 11, 2021 at 10 a.m.**

In the matter of the estate of Delford Johnson, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2021-PR19. To Marita Johnson, Vesta Johnson, Shana Johnson, Jodel Johnson, Una Johnson and Cody Johnson: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **October 4, 2021 at 10:30 p.m.**

In the matter of the estate of Percy P. Jack Jr., W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2019-PR32. Notice is hereby given that Percy P. Jack Jr., who at the time of his death last known residence was 1864 Poosh Street, Warm Springs OR 97761, died on the 25th day of June, 2019 and the court appointed Valerie Squiemphen as public administrator.

In the matter of the estate of Liandro Briseno, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2021-PR14. To Joannie Greeley: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for October 4, 2021 at 10 a.m.

Oregon Veterans Affairs improves home loans program

*by Frankie Williams
Warm Springs Tribal
Veterans Representative*

The Oregon Department of Veterans’ Affairs announced the creation of a new position aimed at improving service and business partnerships for the Oregon Veteran Home Loan Program.

The new position of business development representative will work to build and support relationships with mortgage loan operators throughout Oregon and southwest Washington to offer the Oregon Veteran Home Loan to qualified veteran borrowers purchasing real property in the state of Oregon.

Charity Knight, an ODVA loan coordinator for the past three years, will serve as the agency’s new business development representative.

The Home Loan Program is ODVA’s longest-running and signature service. Established by the Legislature at the founding of ODVA in 1945 the program was created to provide home and farm loans to returning World War II veterans.

“ODVA is excited to strengthen our signature Home Loan Program through the creation of this new position of business development representative,” said ODVA director Kelly Fitzpatrick. “Purchasing a house is one of the most important decisions someone can make.

“At ODVA, we are grateful to have had the opportunity to help hundreds of thousands of Oregon veterans navigate this process, and our friendly and knowledgeable staff looks forward to continuing this good work for another 75 years—and more.”

Knight said she has a strong de-

sire to partner with lenders and brokers to grow their business — and a passion for helping veterans navigate the homeownership process.

“I’m really looking forward to representing ODVA in the communities where everyone works and lives,” Ms. Knight said. “My experience and passion for mortgage lending make me exceptional at building relationships and I’m excited to expand our footprint to serve more veterans.”

Mortgage loan originators interested in broadening their product offerings for veterans may contact Knight directly at 503-373-2005 or: charity.knight@odva.oregon.gov

Oregon is one of only five states that offers a veteran home loan program—which is separate and distinct from the federal VA Home Loan Guaranty.

ODVA has lent approximately \$8 billion in low-interest home loans more than 334,000 veterans since 1945.

Currently, ODVA’s Home Loan Program offers eligible veterans fixed-rate financing for the purchase of an owner-occupied, single-family residence up to the Fannie Mae limit, which has been set at \$548,250 for 2021. The program does not offer refinancing options. The Oregon Veteran Home Loan Program is a lifetime benefit and may be used up to four times.

For more information about the Oregon Veteran Home Loan Program, visit: www.orvethomeloans.com or

Or contact Frankie Williams, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Tribal Veterans Service Officer, 541-460-0605

A photograph of a man with dark hair, smiling and looking down at a young child with blonde hair. The child is wearing a dark blue shirt with a yellow Batman logo. The man is wearing a light-colored, button-down shirt. They are outdoors under a bright blue sky with some clouds. A decorative border of black triangles is at the top of the image.

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<div>2010 Chevrolet Suburban - 127,790 miles - \$18,995 #09165A</div> 	<div>2007 Chevrolet Suburban - 160,774 miles - \$17,995 #17690X</div> 

Zone 6 September tribal fishery

The Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission and member tribes have set a September fishery.

The zone 6 fishery is from the present to 6 p.m. on Friday, September 10.

Gear is set and drift gillnets with 8-inch minimum mesh size restriction. Allowable sales:

Salmon (any species), steelhead, shad, yellow perch, bass, walleye, catfish and carp may be sold or retained for subsistence.

Fish landed during the open period are allowed to be sold after the period concludes.

Sturgeon may not be sold, but sturgeon from 38 to 54 inches fork length in the Bonneville pool, and sturgeon 43-54 inches fork length in the The Dalles and John Day pools may be kept for subsistence purposes.

Closed areas: Standard sanctuaries applicable to gillnet gear. The standard Spring Creek hatchery sanctuary is in place.

The zone 6 platform and hook and line fishery regulations remain unchanged.

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First responders fight vaccine mandate

First responders—including some in Jefferson County—are challenging the state of Oregon’s vaccine mandate.

The first responders have taken the matter to court, posting plans to defy the order. They also wrote to Gov. Brown, informing her they won’t be enforcing mandates in their jurisdictions.

In Jefferson County, dozens of firefighters, the Fraternal Order of Police and State Troopers filed suit in the county court.

The lawsuit alleges the governor’s decision to mandate state employees get the covid vaccine by October 18, or lose their jobs, violates the state and federal constitutions.

The suit came two days after a trooper in Bend was placed on leave.

“I’ll likely get fired for this,” Trooper Zachary Kowing said.

In a social media video, Kowing sits in uniform, in his patrol car and blasts the governor, her mandate and anyone who gets the vaccine ‘out of fear.’

By mid-last week Oregon State Police had placed Kowing on paid leave pending an investigation.

Portland attorney Dan Thenell is representing Kowing, as well as the plaintiffs in last week’s Jefferson County lawsuit. He said the cases are separate, but the point is clear.

“There are many troopers who are not going to get this vaccine and are prepared to lose their job over this,” Thenell said.

He’s hoping it won’t come to that.

The lawsuit argues the governor’s vaccine mandate, among other things, violates rights to free expression, under the Oregon and U.S. constitutions.

Thenell calls the governor’s executive order “unlawful” and says even amid a global pandemic, labor unions should have been allowed to negotiate.

The governor’s executive power, even amid an emergency like a global pandemic, doesn’t trump bargaining rights when it comes to conditions of employment, the attorney said.

Pushback against vaccine mandates is also mounting nationwide. In Oregon, nurses in Tualatin have rallied against the requirement. The Portland Police Association has warned that officers, under a mandate by the city, will resign over it. And last month, Columbia County Sheriff Brian Pixley told Gov. Brown he won’t enforce vaccine or mask mandates, writing in an open letter, “We have had enough of your overreaching mandates and bullying threats.”

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