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## Council election March 30

The Tribal Council nominees are official. There are 18 nominees for the three **Agency District** council positions. They are (alphabetically):

Rain Circle. Michael Clements. Reina Estimo. E. Austin Green Jr. Anita Jackson. Danni Katchia.

Uren Leonard Jr. James Manion. Daniel Martinez. Cyrille Mitchell. William Sam.

Alvis Smith III. Glendon Smith. Jason Smith. Jonathan W. Smith. Ryan Smith Sr. Valerie Switzler. Dennis White III.

There are six nominees for the two **Seekseequa District** council positions. They are:

Rosa Graybael. Reuben Henry Sr. Vesta Johnson. Brigitte McConville. Wilson Wewa Jr. Martha Winishut.

There are six nominees for the three **Simnasho District** council positions.

Carlos Calica. Taw 'TJ' Foltz. Raymond Moody. Emerson Squiemphen. Lincoln Suppah. Levi Van Pelt.

Tribal Council elections are scheduled for Wednesday, March 30 at the Warm Springs Community Center Social Hall from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Absentee ballot boxes will be available at the Simnasho Longhouse and the Seekseequa Fire Hall as well.

Off reservation tribal members can mail in their absentee ballot.

Spilyay Tymoo and KWSO are working putting together candidate information for each of the tribes three 3 voting districts. Candidates are asked to contact KWSO to set up a date and time for a short interview; and the Spilyay Tymoo requests candidates submit a statement and a photo, no later than March 14. You can email: david.mcmechan@wstribes

## Community update

Covid-19 cases have been declining steadily in recent weeks among the tribal community. However, the tribal protocols—masking in public buildings, for instance—are still in place.

The state is planning to lift many of its mandates later this month. The Tribal Council will determine the mandates that apply on the reservation, including at the Warm Springs Academy.

The tribes have a vaccine requirement for tribal employees, with exceptions for people who qualify under a religious or medical exemption. An unvaccinated employee must take a covid test once a week. For a covid vaccine appointment, call the Health and Wellness Center during business hours to schedule a day and time. Call 541-553-2131.

## A new beginning at the Village

The Kah-Nee-Ta Resort enterprise is partnering with Mt. Hood Skibowl to bring back the popular Kah-Nee-Ta Village destination and to expand the natural hot springs and recreational experiences for healing the body and soul.

Tribal Council approved funding of \$4.58 million to bring back the popular Kah-Nee-Ta Village. The renovation work will include greatly expanding the authentic hot springs soaking experiences in the recreational pool areas and motel, teepee, and RV lodging areas.

Council also approved \$1.5 million infrastructure funding to repair the wastewater system that serves Kah-Nee-Ta and local community. The tribe is using funds available through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funds.

Like many others, Charles Jackson, elder, former tribal ex-



According to plan, the Kah-Nee-Ta Village will reopen next year.

ecutive and former Kah-Nee-Ta employee, will be pleased to see the Village reopen.

"In the early 1960s our visionary tribal leaders saw the opportunity to develop a unique tourist attraction in the Kah-Nee-Ta Village, and put the Warm Springs Reservation on the map as a major destination," Mr. Jackson said.

"My first real wage-earning jobs as a youth were as the maintenance kid and lifeguard at Kah-Nee-Ta. I remember visitors eagerly waiting to be served at the weekly traditional salmon bake and raving about the River Room Restaurant's famous huckleberry cheesecake," Jackson said.

"Credit goes to current Tribal Council and other members of the local community for their support and decision to restore this

Oregon landmark, create local jobs for our tribal youth and begin to rebuild the Reservation's economy devastated by the Covid pandemic."

The Kah-Nee-Ta Resort Enterprise is partnering with Mt. Hood Skibowl to develop and manage the Kah-Nee-Ta Village with the opening planned for 2023.

Projected employment opportunities are estimated at over 50 full-time and over 80 part-time positions during the six-month busy season, said Jim Souers, chief executive officer of the Warm Springs Economic Development Corp. The rest of the year the new Village is expected to support over 15 full-time and more than 20 part-time employees.

Mt. Hood Skibowl, working with Warm Springs Economic

Development, created a multi-phase plan for the Kah-Nee-Ta property.

"Tribal Council directed us to focus on the first phase of the plan—to open and breathe new life into the Kah-Nee-Ta Village," Mr. Souers said.

"This phase brings the family style Village back to life while returning it to what it has always been, a place that contributes to the wellness of those who experience it's natural mineral hot spring water. Added to that are the great recreational activities the property supports."

The natural mineral water hot springs along the Warm Springs River have drawn visitors to the Kah-Nee-Ta Village for decades, until it had to close in 2018.

The Confederated Tribes developed the Village in the early 1960s as a day-use area with an Olympic size swimming pool and limited hot spring soaking.

The Village will once again offer visitors the opportunity to interact with the reservation community's Native culture and people, experience the hot springs, soak up the sun filled days, and enjoy a variety of recreational activities.

See **KNT VILLAGE** on page 7

## Commissary to be new business incubator

A construction crew is working in the campus area, preparing the site for the Community Action Team Small Business Incubator project.

The construction contractor is Kirby Nagelhout, based in Bend. Coming up this spring, a sub-contractor will move the Commodities building to the new site.

The building is currently located by the Post Office and the Police Department. The new location will be at the corner of Highway 26 and Paiute Street.

The Commodities building is thought to be the oldest existing structure on the reservation, dating back to the nineteenth century.

As the name suggests, the building many years ago was used for BIA Commodities.

More recently, Natural Resources used the structure for offices.

Asbestos and lead-paint removal happened a few weeks



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The Commissary construction site by the highway; and conceptual sketch (below) of the future incubator building with outdoor additions.

ago. The Community Action Team plan calls for the complete renovation of the two-story Commodities building over the next year.

There will be a café and office space, including for the Action Team small business coach.

The Tananawit artists co-operative will have a shop in the building. There will be more retail space, and outdoor food spaces.



Courtesy WSCAT

You can learn more about the initial planning that went into this project by checking out KWSO's

YouTube Channel in a video titled WSCAT Commissary Project.

## Two years after covid first showed up in region

The first cases of Covid-19 were found in the state of Oregon two years ago this month. In the early part of March 2020, there were five known cases, with none in Jefferson County. By the end of that month the Warm

Springs Academy, the Community Center and many stores and restaurants were closed to the public. And the Tribal Council, state of Oregon and other jurisdictions across the world declared states of emergency because of the virus.

By April of 2020 the tribal or-

ganization was closed except for essential employees.

The first months of the pandemic were the most complicated, because no tests were yet available. Then by the end of 2020, the tests were widely available, with the Warm Springs Clinic running one of the

better testing programs. And just as 2020 was ending, the vaccines became available. The tribes now have an employee vaccine mandate, with medical or religious exemptions.

Two years into covid, cases are now on the decline among the tribal community (see data on pages 6 and 8).

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## Dedication of homeless shelter

The Shelter to Independent Living shelters will be opening soon. A tentative date for the dedication ceremony is next Wednesday, March 16, said Caroline Cruz, general manager of Health and Human Services.

This month Warm Springs Construction was doing some final work on the site manager residence. A kitchen is also going in. And there will be restrooms and showers on site.

Funding for the Shelter to Independent project comes through Oregon Measure 110. Voters adopted the measure in 2020. The new law makes personal non-commercial possession of a controlled substance no more than a Class E violation, maximum fine of \$100.

The state decriminalization of controlled substances does not apply on the reservation land of the Confederated Tribes.

Measure 110 also designates use of the state marijuana tax for drug addiction treatment and recovery. The Shelter to



The units are located across the street from Behavioral Health.

Independent project falls within this provision, as homelessness is a factor leading to addiction.

Shelter to Independent will be alcohol and drug free. There will be on-site resident-managers living in the house by the shelters.

Shelter to Independent will be a good complement to the Supportive Housing project, being developed by the Warm Springs Housing Authority.

## As gatherings may resume, food handlers needed

Warm Springs Environmental Health does not currently have an instructor for food handlers classes.

With community festivities potentially beginning to resume for the first time since the covid shut-down, people's food handler's cards need to be renewed.

Anyone interested in food han-

dlers training with certificates can go to the Indian Health Service website.

The training and certificate are free:

[ihs.gov/foodhandler/](https://ihs.gov/foodhandler/)  
Or go to the Oregon state website link. There is a \$10 fee: [oregon.gov/oha/ph/healthyenvironments/foodsafety/pages/cert.aspx](https://oregon.gov/oha/ph/healthyenvironments/foodsafety/pages/cert.aspx)

## Bufs at quarter finals

The Madras High School Lady Bufs hosted Astoria over the weekend, in the first round of the 4A State Playoffs. The Lady Bufs came away with a 51-36 victory, and are moving on to the quarter finals of the State tournament.

Madras High School, and Tri-Valley Coach of the Year Jerin Say recapped the high points of the Astoria game:

"We had a lot of time to prepare for this one. We hadn't run the zone all season long and this was the perfect game to throw

it at them. Nobody has film of that except from maybe tonight.

"But coming in to this game we wanted to throw it at them and those girls worked hard on that zone, blocking out, rotating, communicating. It was such an awesome thing for me to see as a coach."

The Lady Bufs will face off against second-ranked Cascade this Thursday night, March 10.

Cascade also defeated La Grande last week at State, moving on from the first round.

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# Coming up on Tribal Council agenda

The following are some of the items coming up on the Tribal Council agenda (subject to change at Council discretion):

**Friday, March 11**  
10-11 a.m.: Weekly check-in with Blue Stone group.

**Monday, March 14**  
9 a.m.: Secretary-Treasurer update with Glendon Smith.  
9:30: April agenda, review minutes.  
10: Legislative update conference calls, federal and state.  
11: Covid update with the Response Team.  
1:30 p.m.: Enrollments with Lucille Suppach-Samson of Vital Stats.  
2:30 p.m. Cannabis Commission update with Ronald Roome.  
3: Development update with Bruce Irwin.  
3:30: Tribal Employment Rights

Office update with the TERO Commission.

**Tuesday, March 15**  
9 a.m.: Human Resources update with acting director Carol Funk.  
9:30: Finance update with Isaac George.  
10: Governmental Affairs update with with the S-T.  
10:30: Managed Care update with Michael Collins.  
11: Administrative Services update with the S-T.  
1:30 p.m.: Procurement update with Libby Chase.  
2: Tribal Court update with Gayleen and Eliah.  
2:30 pm Public Safety update with acting general manager Nancy Seyler.  
3:30: Natural Resources update branch general manager Robert Brunoe.

**Wednesday, March 16**  
9 a.m.: Health and Human Services update with general manager Caroline Cruz.  
9:30: Education update with Val Switzler, branch general manager.  
10: Public Utilities update with general manager Chico Holliday.  
1:30 p.m.: Tribal Employment Rights update with Wendell Jim.  
2: Gaming Commission/Surveillance update with Josephine Johnson.  
2:30: Administrative Service Center update with Doris Miller.

**Friday, March 18**  
10-11 a.m.: Weekly check-in with Blue Stone.

**Monday, March 21**  
9 a.m.: Credit Enterprise update with Lori Fuentes.  
10: REDW accounting firm discussion with Tom Friend.

11: Blue Stone/AKANA update.  
1:30 p.m.: Water Treatment Plant update.  
2:30: Covid-19 update with the Response Team.

**Tuesday-Wednesday, March 22 and 23:** Open agendas.

Friday, March 25  
10-11 a.m.: Weekly check-in with Blue Stone.

**Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 28-30:** Open agendas.

Note: All draft resolutions or ordinances, including any attachments or exhibits, are due by the first Friday of each month by 5 p.m. Email for review (Word form).  
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## Good jobs numbers continue for region

So far this year, employment levels in the region including the reservation have continued to improve, though not as quickly as happened during the first part of 2021.

For Jefferson County, including Warm Springs, the unemployment rate for the first part of this year fell to 5.1 percent, down from down from 5.3 percent at the end of last year. The unemployment rate is fast approaching levels of February 2020, pre-pandemic, when the county unemployment rate was 4.1 percent before the first impacts from Covid-19.

Total nonfarm employment in Jefferson County fell by 20 jobs in January, slightly fewer losses than typically expected this time of year. Recent benchmarking revisions revealed that the recovery was slower than initially estimated in 2021, according to the Oregon Employment Department.

Employment levels in Jefferson County remain down 170 jobs from levels just before the onset of the pandemic in January 2020.

Jefferson County added 170 jobs over the past year. Job gains were largely concentrated in tribal government, according to state Employment Department.

## 2022 Primary Election ballots mailing next month

Ballots are going out next month for the May 17 Primary Election. Regarding the vote, the Jefferson County Clerk's Office would like to share this important voting information:

According to the state Vote by Mail Manual, misspellings or abbreviations of write-in names are disregarded by the Election Board if the board cannot determine who the vote is intended for. For example: A first initial is not sufficient to determine who the vote is intended for, but a common abbreviated version of the first name is allowed (such as Bob for Robert).

In Jefferson County, there are 16,560 registered voters. The registration numbers by party are: Republican, 5,493. Democrat, 3,370. Independent, 825. Non-affiliated: 6,511. Other minor parties: 361.

There are presently, 1,443 registered voters in the Warm Springs area precinct.

Here is a timeline for the upcoming Primary Election:

April 1: Military and overseas ballots go out.

April 8: Out of state ballots mailed.

April 26: Last day to register to vote, change your political party or request and Independent ballot.

April 27: Ballots mailed out.

May 17: Ballots must be in an official drop box or received by the Elections Office by 8 p.m. on Election Day, or postmarked by the U.S. Post Office to be counted. No postage is required on the mail-in ballots.

If you have not received your ballot some days after April 27, you can call the clerk's office at 541-475-4451.

There will be a 24-hour drop site in Warm Springs, on Wasco Street by Fire and Safety. Other drop boxes are at the County Clerk's Office, the Metolius and Culver city halls, and at Crooked River Ranch.

Public certification of the county's ballot tally machine will be on Tuesday, May 10 at 11 a.m. at the Jefferson County Annex conference room. The public is welcome.

Remember to sign your return envelope. A ballot will not be counted unless the return envelope is signed and the signature matches the signature of the voter registration record. Some other information from the clerk's office:

Voters who are registered as Democrat or Republican will receive a ballot that includes candidates for that specific party, along with nonpartisan contests. Voters

registered in any of the minor parties or as nonaffiliated—not a member of any political party—will receive a ballot for the Primary Election that includes only the non-partisan contests.

Voters who change affiliation or register close to the mail-out date may receive two ballots: Only the ballot issued to that individual that reflects the most recent voter registration information will be counted.

## State of Oregon covid, mandates update

Two years into the Covid-19 pandemic, Oregon lawmakers want a review of how the Oregon Health Authority handled it.

As case counts are on the decline, and state mandates are set to be rolled back soon, some lawmakers think it's a good time for a thorough look back at how the agency did.

They approved a \$900,000 study of the pandemic response. Republican Representative Cedric Hayden says one of the most im-

portant parts of the bill is the requirement for a third-party to lead the review.

"We know in a lot of agencies, when they police themselves, we may not get an unbiased opinion," Rep. Hayden said. "That's why it's important that it comes out of their hands."

An initial report would be due by this November, with a final evaluation by September, 2023.

The bill passed both chambers and is on its way to the governor's desk.

The mask mandate will be lifted in Oregon beginning March 12. This does not apply to tribal and school buildings on the reservation.

The Tribal Council and Response Team work together to set the tribal mask, vaccine and testing requirements for the tribal community.

For a vaccine appointment, call the Health and Wellness Center during business hours to schedule a day and time. Call 541-553-2131.





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## Community notes...

The **Young Life Club** meets Thursday afternoons from 4:15-5:15 in the Roots trailer next to the old Warm Springs Elementary School. The club is for youth in sixth- through twelfth grades. You can contact Earl Simmons at 541-815-0992 to learn more.

The Madras Aquatec Center is taking registrations for its **Spring Break Day Camp**. The camp is for youth ages 6 to 12, and will be Tuesday through Friday, March 22-25. Sign up for either the 7 a.m. to noon, or the 1-6 p.m. session. Register online at: macrecdistrict.com

Friday, March 11 is **Senior Breakfast** instead of Lunch for delivery or pick up at the Greeley Heights Community Building.











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## Letters to the editor

### Kids’ days at Dental in March

The Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center Dental Department will have Springs Break Kids’ Days for students of all ages. Dental will be doing exams and fluoride varnish.

The Spring Break Kids’ Days at Dental will be Monday through Wednesday, March 21-23 from 8:30 to 11 a.m., and 1 to 4 p.m. daily.

Parents must call to schedule an appointment. Upon arrival, please check in with the Green Tent. Patient registration at the tent and at the Dental window. Contact 541-553-2462. Parent or guardian must be present in order for the child to be seen.

### Steps Challenge

Warm Springs Community Health is hosting the Spring In Your Step Challenge—Let’s Get Moving Again!

The challenge is through the end of March. Track your weekly steps Monday through Friday. Report steps to:

jennifer@wstribes.org

Bonus challenges are worth 5,000 extra steps. Bonuses will be announced weekly.

Like Community Health on Facebook: CTWS Communith Health.

### \$600 for low income workers

A new bill to give low income workers \$600 is being considered as part of a

cost of living relief package passing through the Oregon legislator.

The money would go to the over 240,000 low income workers in Oregon who claim the earned income tax credit in 2020.

The bill would particularly benefit rural Oregon.

So, for example we see in Klamath County nearly one in five community members in Klamath county qualified and receive the earned income tax credit in 2020; whereas in Multnomah and Washington counties it was around one in 10.

The payments are to help cover the rising cost of essentials such as rent and groceries in Oregon. If the bill passes, the money will be paid out by either direct deposit or by check.

**Matt Newell-Ching**, the Oregon Food Bank.

### Warm Springs Academy notes

At the Warm Springs Academy students focus on a different character trait each month. This month they are focused on ‘Courage.’

Courage is choosing to face a challenge or uncertainty. You can show courage by speaking up when someone says something unkind about a friend.

You can show courage by training again when you fail. You can take responsibility for your actions and be an upstander when you see bullying. Adults can role model this actions as well.

Work has started at the Academy on the **yearbook** for sixth-, seventh-, and eighth grade students.

If you have cool pictures from sports or students in action you can share your photos by uploading them online and use school code wsk8eagles

Eighth-graders at the Academy are participating in activities that will help them prepare for their **transition to high school**.

This month students have the opportunity to visit Madras High School in small groups of ten. During the four-hour visit, the students will have an orientation meeting, attend two high school classes, and have lunch before returning to the Academy.

There is a **new technology policy** for students at the Academy.

Students learn and grow when they are fully present and actively engaged in class. And they can’t do this if they are always drawn to their phones.

Cell phones, personal devices, ear buds, and handheld videogames need to be off and put away during class time.

If a student violates this policy, he or she is asked to bring the device to the main office for the remainder of the day. The student can then pick up the item at the end of the school day.

Warm Springs Academy Track begins on Tuesday, March 15, and is open to sixth- through eighth grade students. Practice is from 4 to 5:30 pm on Mondays through Fridays.

In order to participate students will need to have all of their paperwork turned into the office.

This includes permission forms and a current physical. Physicals are good for two years. Please contact the school office if you have any questions about your student’s eligibility to participate.

### Adult classes

Central Oregon Community College Adult Basic Skills classes are now taking

## Attending Native Finance Summit

The Native American Finance Officers Association each year holds their Leadership Summit. This year Jаланey Suppah will be attending the spring event.

NAFOA chose Jаланey to attend the summit because of her interest in tribal economic development. She also wrote an outstanding essay, and demonstrated academic and work experience, as well as participation in NAFOA’s Career Basics Program.

Jаланey is a 2019 student athlete graduate of Madras High School. She completed one year of college at the University of Utah, then Covid-19 broke out during her spring semester. The campus was closed for a year. Jаланey chose not return to college the following year, deciding instead to work and do trainings.

Jаланey is an employee of Pit River Tribal Nation, working as an assistant at the Office of Emergency Services.

She is the great-granddaughter of Margret and atwaii Franklin Suppah, atwaii Oscar and Kathleen Moses, Velma Gething, and atwaii Nathan Lewis

Jаланey is the granddaughter of atwaii Lily Ann Moses, atwaii



Jаланey Suppah

Courtesy NAFOA

Vernon C. Suppah, atwaii Everett Elliott and Susan Lewis. She is the daughter of Jake and Julie Suppah.

The NAFOA Leadership Summit is an opportunity for accepted young leaders to attend a full day of leadership training.

The youth who attend the summit learn directly from tribal leaders and business professionals.

There are panel discussions regarding graduate school, career advancement, along with business and tribal economic development topics.

“What excites me the most is just this opportunity in general,” Jаланey says. “I am so thankful to even be able to go.

“I cannot wait to learn as much as I can and add tools to my professional toolbelt.

I am also super ecstatic to meet like-minded young professionals who I can also learn from and create friendships.”

The summit is coming up on April 3 at Seattle.

Through its work in growing tribal economies and strengthening tribal finance NAFOA supports the advancement of independent and culturally vibrant American Indian and Alaska Native communities.

NAFOA launched over three decades ago as the Native American Finance Officers Association to highlight the role of tribal finance in fostering economic opportunities. Since that time, NAFOA has grown along with tribal economies.

registrations until March 31 for classes that begin on March 28.

This is for English Language classes, as well as GED preparation courses. You can learn more by calling 541-504-2950 or visit COCC.

food for 200 families on the Warm Springs Reservation each month. At this time they are working on increasing their capacity to serve more people and their pets. But for now they can only distribute to families who are already signed up.

camp is for youth ages 6 to 12 and will be held March 22-25. Sign up for either the 7 a.m. to noon or 1-6 p.m. session. Register online at: [macrecdistrict.com](http://macrecdistrict.com)

*Voting for the 2022 Native American Music Awards is open now through March 31. There are a number nominees from the Confederated Tribes. Vote at: [nativeamericanmusicawards.com/official-2022-voting-ballot](http://nativeamericanmusicawards.com/official-2022-voting-ballot)*

### Pet Food Bank

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### For spring break

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## Rocking women’s power in Central Oregon

Oregon Tradeswomen is offering their Trades and Career Class in Central Oregon. The sessions will be Tuesday, March 22 from 2 to 4 p.m. This is an optional session. From 4 to 6 p.m. on that day, there will be in-person mandatory orientation from 4 to 6 p.m.

Training dates will be March 28 through April 28, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. All sessions will be in Redmond at 2161 SW First St. Register online at: [oregontradeswomen.org/pathways-to-success](http://oregontradeswomen.org/pathways-to-success)

Or call Carol Murray at 503-335-8200 ext. 134.

Oregon Tradeswomen’s five-week Laborers’ Pre-Apprenticeship training provides career exploration in the skilled laborer’s trade. Classroom learning and hands-on training.

The Oregon Tradeswomen Trades and Apprenticeship Career class is sponsored by Oregon Laborers. After the training, the participants wages can start at \$21.09 an hour, and can ex-

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ceed \$33.48 an hour.

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sire for a career as a laborer. GED or high school diploma; legal to work in the

U.S. Able to pass the drug test; and be able to meet basic fitness requirements.







## In the Tribal Court of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs

*All proceedings are held at the CTWS Tribal Court.*

**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Nikki Blackowl, Defendant; Case No. CR194-21, CR178-21, CR93-21. TO: Nikki Blackowl, and Prosecution:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a SHOW CAUSE HEARING AND 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 **APRIL 26, 2022, AT 8:00 A.M.**

**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Tyrone Medrano, Defendant. CASE NO. CR98-21. Notice of reschedule hearing. TO: Tyrone Medrano, Parole & Probation, and Prosecution:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED: That the action, as filed in the Warm Springs Tribal Court will be held for a SHOW CAUSE HEARING on **APRIL 26, 2022, AT 8:00 A.M.** If you fail to appear as ordered, the Tribal Court may enter a complaint for contempt of court.

**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Robert C. Heath, Jr., Defendant; Case No. CR337-21. TO: Robert C. Heath, Jr., and Prosecution:**  
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 **APRIL 26, 2022, AT 8:00 A.M.**

**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Natyrah Howtopat, Defendant; Case No. CR259-21. TO: Natyrah Howtopat, and Prosecution:**  
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**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Triston Boise, Defendant; Case No. CR276-19. TO: Triston Boise, P&P, and Prosecution:**  
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 **APRIL 5, 2022, AT 8:00 A.M.**

**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Lianna Jim, Defendant; Case No. CR3-22. TO: Lianna Jim:**  
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 **MARCH 29, 2022 @ 8:00AM**

**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Caleb Jim, Defendant; Case No. CR238-21. TO: Caleb Jim:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a PROBATION REVIEW has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for **March 28, 2022 @ 8:30am**

**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Brittany Craig, Defendant; Case No. CR755-18, CR516-18, CR520-18, CR418-18. TO: Brittany Craig, and P&P:**  
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 **APRIL 12, 2022, AT 8:00 A.M.**

**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Elbrosia Eguizabal-Gurno, Defendant; Case No. CR81-21. TO: Elbrosia Eguizabal-Gurno, Legal Aid, and Prosecution:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a PRE-TRIAL 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 **MAY 11, 2022, AT 3:00 P.M.**

**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs James Greeley, Defendant; Case No. CR339-18. TO: James Greeley, Prosecution, and Legal Aid:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that VOIR DIRE and a JURY TRIAL have been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for **APRIL 20, 2022 AT 9:00 A.M. (VOIR DIRE) AND APRIL 21, 2022, AT 8:30 A.M. (JURY TRIAL)**

**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Aaron Hart, Jr., Defendant; Case No. CR331-21. TO: Aaron Hart, Jr., and Prosecution:**  
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**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Leroy Hicks, III, Defendant; Case No. CR336-21. TO: Leroy Hicks, III, and Prosecution:**  
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**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Jenna Johnson, Defendant; Case No. CR335-21. TO: Jenna Johnson, and Prosecution:**  
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**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Brittney Kalama, Defendant; Case No. CR144-21, CR128-21, CR80-21. TO: Brittney Kalama, and Prosecution:**  
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**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Paleena Spino, Defendant; Case No. CR143-21; CR65-21. TO: Paleena Spino, and Prosecution:**  
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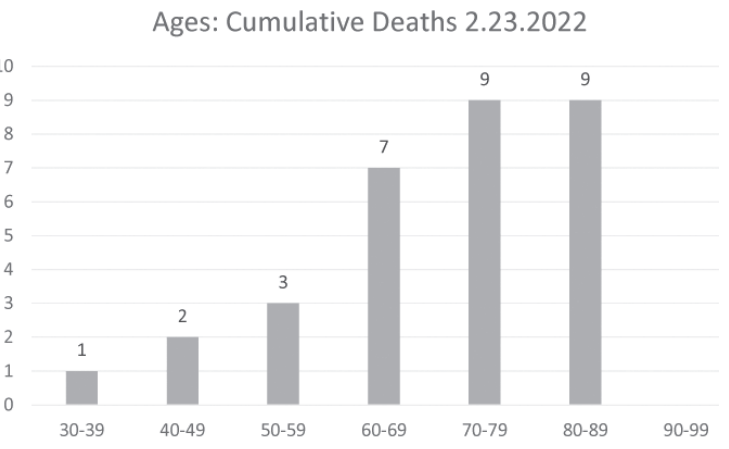
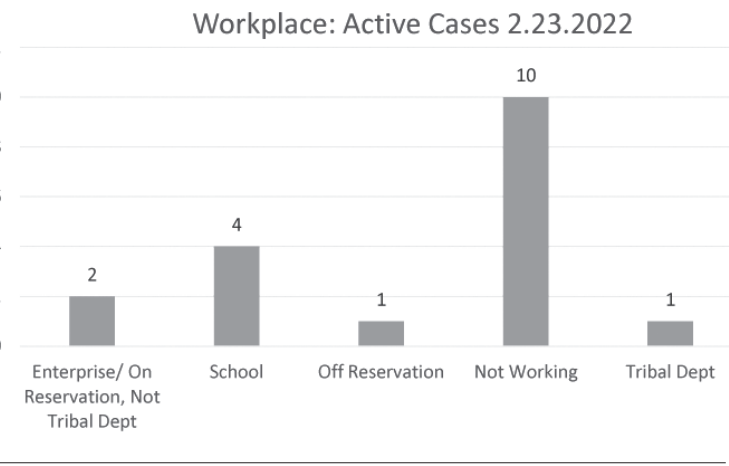
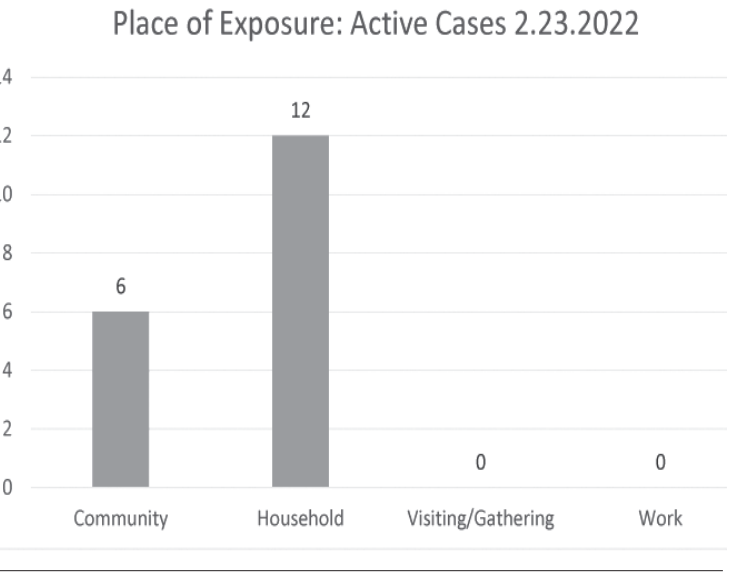
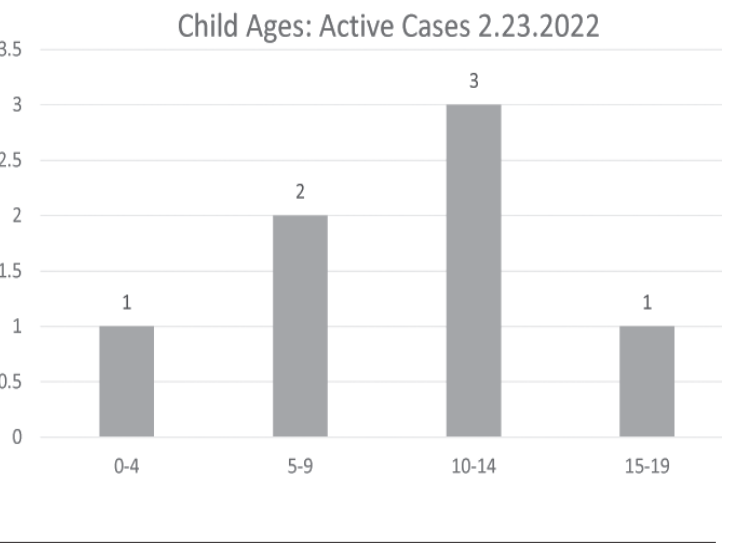
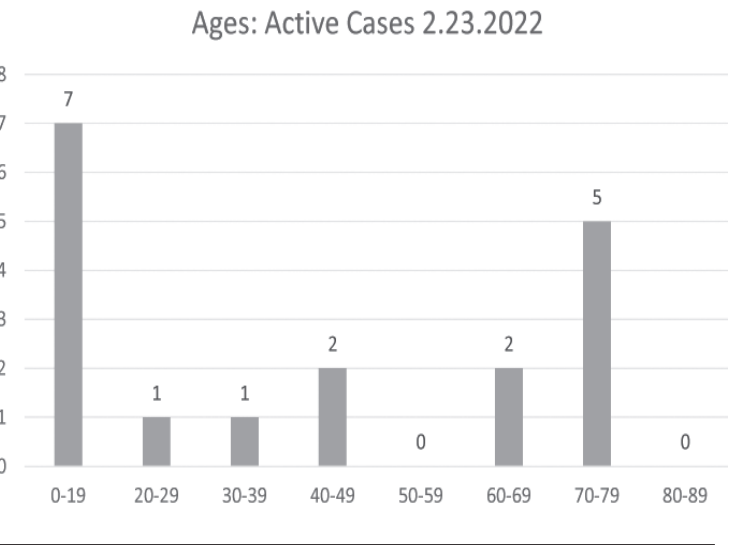
**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Romelle Danzuka, Defendant; Case No. CR264-20. TO: Romelle Danzuka, and Prosecution:**  
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**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Thomas Sam, Defendant; Case No. CR421-19; CR57-21. TO: Thomas Sam, Legal Aid, and Prosecution:**  
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**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Devere Charley, Defendant; Case No. CR338-21; CR551-17; CR149-17. TO: Devere Charley, Legal Aid, and Prosecution:**  
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### Covid case demographics - late February

Late February and into early March the tribal community saw another decrease in the incidence of Covid-19. For example: Case demographics from Indian Health Service, Community Health and the Response Team showed 18 covid cases among the tribal community on February 23 (this was the most recent date for which data was available, as the internet situation temporarily interrupted access to the demographics).  
The 18 cases brought the overall number of cases, since the pandemic began two years ago, to 2,127 among the tribal community.  
On February 23, 2022, one person was hospitalized with complications from the virus, bringing the total number of hospitalizations, since the pandemic began, to 120 among the tribal community. There have been 31 covid deaths in the community since 2020.



## GeoVisions hiring field technicians

Warm Springs Geo-Visions is currently looking for Part-Time Field Technicians to conduct archaeological fieldwork and surveys.

### Part-Time Field Technicians

- Job responsibilities:**
- Conduct archaeological surveys, monitoring, and excavation in support of cultural resources management fieldwork.
  - Use electronic and traditional navigational equipment (GPS, iPad, compass, transit, etc.) to orient yourself and perform fieldwork.
  - Record and photograph cultural resources identified in the field including artifacts, ecofacts, features, excavation units, land use, landscapes, historic structures, unique environmental features, archaeological sites.
  - Record accurate, orga-

nized, and clear field notes, maps, drawings, logs, forms, tables, and other project documentation.

- Complete project tasks and errands as directed by the Crew Leader or Principal Investigator.
- Maintain, organize, and return company-provided field equipment, supplies, and vehicles.
- Follow all safety and health guidelines at project work sites.
- Travel for extended periods of time if necessary.

### Compensation:

- For applicants without driver's licenses, pay starts at \$15 per hour.
- For applicants with driver's licenses, pay starts at \$16-20 per hour, depending on experience.
- We offer paid training, as well as hotel and per diem for out-of-town travel.
- Possibility for position to become full-time.



### Requirements:

- Must be a Warm Springs Tribal Member.
  - Must be willing to work outdoors and able to walk 5-10 miles regularly.
  - Hunting, fishing, and gathering are all valid forms of experience
- To Apply:**
- Send contact information to [hello@wsgeovisions.com](mailto:hello@wsgeovisions.com), or
  - Come to Warm Springs Ventures office (4204 Holliday St) and leave contact info there.
- For more information, please contact us at: [hello@wsgeovisions.com](mailto:hello@wsgeovisions.com)



## Great hoops film at Academy

The remote Southeast Alaska island of Metlakatla, the last remaining Native reserve and home of the Tsimshian natives, has been defined for over a century by two sacred traditions: fishing and basketball.

Witness the improbable journey of cousins Danny Marsden and DJ King, fishermen and stars of the high school basketball team, as they lead their team and town towards their first state championship in over 30 years—the only thing that will

bring life back to an island that has undergone unimaginable tragedy...

The Warm Springs Academy next week will host a screening of the acclaimed Native youth basketball movie *Alaskan Nets*.

The show will start at 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 17. Doors open at 5:30.

The following evening, Friday, March 18, will feature a screening of the film at the Madras High School Performing Arts Center,

show at 7 p.m.

At both events, admission is free though donations are gladly accepted. All proceeds go to the Madras High School Athletic Department. The screenings are presented by the Performing Arts Center.

Here is a link to the Alaskan Nets trailer, very powerful in its presentation.

Type in this link:  
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**MARCH 17 @ 6PM (Doors open at 5:30)**  
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### Community notes...

Warm Springs Women, Infants and Children—**WIC**— is now scheduling all monthly appointments in advance and sending out letters to clients with their appointment date and time. Appointments can be rescheduled by calling the WIC office. Same-day ap-

pointments can be requested as well, 541-553-2450.

The **Boys & Girls Club** of Warm Springs will be open for spring break. Please let them know if your club member will be attending, they need a headcount for the lunch that'll be provided. The regular phone is still not working but you can call 541-953-9452.



Teepee scene at the Village.

Courtesy photo

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“We are excited to be part of the relaunch of the Kah-Nee-Ta Village, to promote the cultural heritage and bring visitors back to experience the natural healing powers of the hot springs, which date back 10,000 years,” said Kirk Hannah, owner and president of Mt. Hood Skibowl.

“In addition, the Village will provide employment opportunities to the community, contributing to the Warm Springs economy.”

Mt. Hood Skibowl’s origin dates back to 1928, making it one of the oldest remaining ski resorts in the country.

Kirk Hanna purchased the area out of bankruptcy in 1987 and has become the longest and most successful operator of the resort in its history, developing Skibowl into a year-round, winter and summer resort; and developing a 28-acre parcel into Collins Lake Resort lodging property, featuring 200, two-and three-bedroom luxury vacation property rentals.

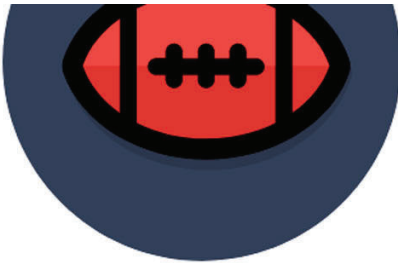
Additional companies in Government Camp, under their opera-

tional umbrella, include Mt. Hood Outfitters, the leading recreational outfitter guide service in the Mt. Hood National Forest, Ratskeller Bar & Pizzeria, and the High Mountain Café.

Nearby the reservation, the corporation also operates the Pelton Dam Marina and Lake Simtustus RV Park and Marina.

The Warm Springs Economic Development Corporation is a

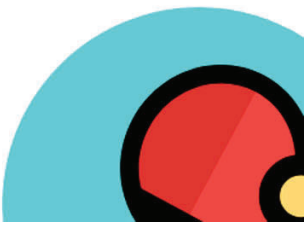
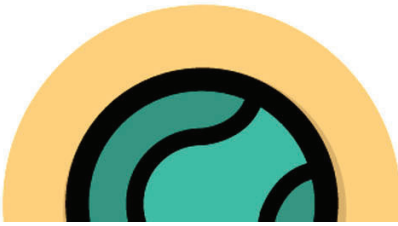
wholly owned enterprise of the tribes, with the purpose of creating sources of long-term revenue and employment opportunities for tribal members through enterprise business developments.



## Spring Registration Open Now!

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## Yakama against nuke waste plan

The federal government’s move to expedite cleanup of the country’s biggest nuclear waste site has run into staunch opposition from Yakama tribal officials. The Energy Department and its supporters, which include some communities near the sites, say changes in cleanup strategy are needed to make progress amid decades of political gridlock and mounting costs surrounding waste sites.

Opponents fear the agency is looking for a legal avenue to eventually seal some radioactive waste tanks at the Hanford Site near Richland, Wash.—the ancestral land of the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation.

The department’s recent interpretation of a 40-year-old waste disposal law is a “slap in the face,” said Tom Zeilman, counsel for the Yakama. “We expected this administration to take a different tack.”

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Covid demographics show improvement

Warm Springs COVID-19 Epi Curve



Week of	# Positive Cases
3/16	0
4/6	0
4/27	7
5/18	18
6/8	11
6/29	26
7/20	39
8/10	28
8/31	18
9/21	10
10/12	10
11/2	27
11/22	36
12/13	63
12/23	31
1/3	42
1/19	21
1/24	16
2/14	11
3/7	17
3/28	10
4/18	17
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7/11	12
8/7	12
8/22	53
9/12	31
10/3	24
10/24	38
11/14	15
11/25	23
12/5	16
12/16	36
1/6	144
1/16	118
1/26	103
2/6	85
2/16	52
2/26	13

This weekly case demographic shows the recent drop in cases, at right.

Drought expected to worsen in region

There was some welcome rain in the region lately, though climate experts predict tough times ahead as drought conditions continue, especially in the Central Oregon region.

Most of the state is still in the ongoing drought with Central Oregon facing the most severe conditions.

Climate experts from Oregon, Washington and Idaho shared an update showing about 74 percent of the Pacific Northwest is seeing drought conditions, with 18 percent of the region experiencing exceptional drought.

They predict the drought conditions this summer will be even worse than they were the last two years, in which the Northwest saw withering crops, dying fish and empty water wells.

“Many of those areas impacted most by drought would need 150 to 200 percent or more of normal precipitation over the next two months to ameliorate drought conditions,” said Britt Parker, of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Agency.

The likelihood of that happening is very low.

Across the West, a 22-year mega-drought has brought the region to the driest conditions it’s seen in at least 1,200 years, and a study published last month concluded 42 percent of the extensive drought conditions can be attributed to human-caused climate change.

Plan to remove dams on Klamath River

The Federal Energy Regulation Commission last week released the final draft of its Environmental Impact Statement on plans to remove four hydroelectric dams from the lower Klamath River, and proponents say the document confirms the long-touted environmental benefits.

“Once again, a thorough analysis by experts reveals dam removal as key for restoring Klamath fisheries and improving water quality” said Yurok Vice Chair Frankie Myers.

“Our culture and our fisheries are hanging in the balance. We are ready to start work on dam removal this year.”

According to the joint statement from a group of dam removal stakeholders, FERC determined dam removal will have significant economic, environmental and cultural benefits to Northern California and Oregon, opening 400 miles of historic spawning habitat to salmon, while improving water quality along the imperiled river.

“This is the biggest salmon restoration project in history,” said Russell ‘Buster’ Attebery, chair of the Karuk Tribe.

“And it’s desperately needed. Fewer and fewer salmon return each year. If we don’t act now, we may lose them all.”

“Dam removal gives me hope that my grandchildren will be able to fish for the family dinner the way I did when I was a kid,” Mr. Attebery said.

The DEIS is open for public comments until April 18 and FERC will need to issue a final EIS document before the project can move forward.

Dam removal proponents hope the agency will give the project its final approval this summer.



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Hydro dam on the Klamath River.

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