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## Notice from Housing

Greetings, Warm Springs Housing Authority tenants and previous tenants,

As you know, many Covid-19 restrictions are being lifted and we're beginning to get back to regular business operations.

The Warm Springs Housing Authority has begun to review all accounts. If you have a delinquent account with the Warm Springs Housing Authority, please contact Krysta Rhoan, Collections officer, or your respective resident service specialist as soon as possible to make payment arrangements to satisfy your account.

Thank you.

**Danielle Wood**, Housing Authority director.



## Artspace by Tananáwit Opening

Artspace by Tananáwit is hosting its Grand Opening and Art Crawl with live art and vendors.

The celebration will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, May 6 at the Indian Head Casino Plaza, 3240 Walsey Lane, suite 5.

This is a celebration of a landmark feat in the Tananáwit's strategic plan and initiative, providing arts opportunities, programming and other endeavors for artist representation of the Columbia River Tribes, specifically the community of Warm Springs.

Opening Prayer and Blessing by Tananáwit executive director Jaime Scott will be at 10 a.m. The Prayer Song by Eagle Thunder will follow, and further remarks by Tananáwit chair Charlene Dimmick. The non-profit Tananáwit is part of the Warm Springs Community Action Team. Its future home will be the Community Action Team Business Incubator, to be housed in the remodeled Commissary.

For the Grand Opening on Friday, the Ribbon Cutting and Cake Slice will be at 10:30; followed at 11 with the Art Crawl, live art exhibits and vendors.



## Tribes welcome new Council

The Twenty-Ninth Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes took office on Monday of this week, with many tribal members showing their support. Following the swearing-in ceremony, conducted by BIA Agency Superintendent Brenda Bremner, the members in attendance personally welcomed and congratulated each of the Council members.

The new Council then held their first meeting of their three-year term. The Council chose Jonathan W. Smith, Agency District, as the new chairman; and Raymond 'Captain' Moody, Simnasho District, as the vice chairman.



Members of the Twenty-Ninth Tribal Council take their Oaths of Office outside of administration, Monday, May 2.

The Council then agreed to advertise the Secretary-Treasurer-CEO position for two weeks, and

make a hiring decision over the next month.

The Council then worked on the

May agenda.

Some of the early items on the agenda will be the workshop to go over the guiding documents of the Confederated Tribes, the Council meeting procedures, and other preliminary matters.

The Council has five new members—Rosa Graybael, Seekseequa; Jim Manion, Agency; Carlos Calica, Simnasho; Alvis Smith III, Agency; and chairman Smith—joining the returning members, Wilson Wewa, Seekseequa; Lincoln Jay Suppah, Simnasho, and vice chairman Captain Moody, Simnasho; plus the chiefs, Delvis Heath, Simnasho; JR Smith, Agency, and Joe Moses, Seekseequa.

— Dave McMechan

## North End Print & Design open at Plaza

North End Printing & Design fills customized orders, also offering their own design apparel.

Shop owner Charlene Dimmick uses heat-press technology to create her own, and the personally customized sweatshirts, long-sleeve shirts, t-shirts, blankets and hats.

Through another technology—heat transfer vinyl—she creates personalized coffee cups and mugs, and more.

Through a process called 'sublimation,' Charlene can take an image—a photograph, for instance—and transfer the image onto a shirt or coffee mug.

With the apparel and other customizable items, the North End Print & Design shop has other gift items as well, like beaded earrings, colorful planting pots and bowls. Since the grand opening, with a blessing by her aunt Margaret Suppah, North End Print & Design has been making steady business

progress, and is now busier than ever. She made the apparel items—sweatshirts and long-sleeve shirts—for the Madras High School varsity girls' basketball State Tournament run. She made the mugs for elders over the holidays. She made items for the opening of the Campus Basketball Mural project, as a few examples.

Coming up, she's making the shirts, up to 200 of them, for the MMIR Fun Run, set for May 7, being organized by Health and Human Services. Clearly, North End is a business with a great future here on the reservation, and beyond. In fact, some of her early projects were for businesses in Madras.

The best way to get to know the services available is to stop by the shop, located at the Indian Head Casino Plaza, 3240 Walsey Lane, suite 4. Or for a custom order you can send Charlene an email at:

northend.design87@gmail.com



Charlene with one of her customized t-shirts, on sale at North End Print and Design; and below, some of the coffee mugs designed and created by Charlene.



## Government Affairs in good hands

Thirty years ago Raymond Tsumpti joined the Tribal Council, representing the people of the Simnasho District. The year was 1992, during the tenure of the Nineteenth Tribal Council. Over the decades, Mr. Tsumpti never campaigned, nor did he seek nomination to Council.

As a matter of fact, back in '92, when atwai Grant Waheneka first asked him to serve, "I tried my best to talk him out it," Raymond recalls. Other elders of the district, however, would not take no for an answer, saying "Your teachers were our teachers."

Mr. Tsumpti was raised by

his grandparents, Fred and Mary Sumpter. Fishing and ranching were the livelihood. Raymond caught his first salmon in 1953, at the age of eight, fishing from the family scaffolding with his grandfather at Sherars Falls.

There were many life lessons Mr. Tsumpti first brought to the Council table in 1992; and they are the reasons why the people of Simnasho have chosen him time and again to represent the district and the tribes.

He was born in Vanport City shortly after the end of World War II. His parents worked at the Vanport Shipyards, part of the war effort. Vanport no longer exists, having been destroyed by the 1948



Raymond Tsumpti

Columbia River Flood.

As a young man Mr. Tsumpti joined the U.S. Navy, carrying on a family tradition of a number of

generations. He and atwai brother Jody Calica served in the Navy in the mid 1960s, during the Vietnam War, each making several tours of duty.

After military service Mr. Tsumpti returned home to Warm Springs and Simnasho, where for some years he worked as a range rider, running livestock. With enforcement experience he joined Warm Springs Public Safety, in time becoming Chief of Police.

These are very few of the colorful adventures he brought to the table: Knowledge of tradition, dedication to service and good work for the betterment of the tribes.

See **RAYMOND** on page 3



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# Ballots due May 17 for 2022 Primary

The ballots are out for the May 17 Primary Election, including the election of two Jefferson County Commissioners, and the county Sheriff.

The following are the local candidates on the ballot:

**Jefferson Count Commissioners Position No. 1:**

Laurie Danzuka  
Mae Huston  
Mark Wunsch

**Jefferson County Commissioners Position No. 2:**

Kelly Simmelink  
Sabria Rios

**Jefferson County Sheriff:**

Marc Heckathorn  
Jason Pollock  
Rick Dupont

**Jefferson County Assessor:**

Ray Soliz

On May 17 Election Day, 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 (*see page 10 of this publication for details*). Other drop boxes are at the County Clerk's Office, the Metolius and Culver city halls, and at Crooked River Ranch.

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.

## High School graduation coming up on June 4

The Madras High School graduation ceremony, and Bridges High School graduation, are coming up on Saturday, June 4. The ceremony will start at 9 a.m. at the school athletic field.

Graduates need to arrive at 8 a.m. at the Performing Arts Center to prepare. Gates for guests will also open at 8 a.m.

The graduation ceremony will be live-streamed and recorded for family and friends to enjoy. Here are some other items coming up on the Madras High School schedule:

Monday, May 9 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. will be a 509-J school district board work session. The regular school board meeting will start at 7.

On Wednesday, May 18, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. will be the Kindergarten Welcome event. This will be at all of the elementary schools of the district, including the Warm Springs Academy. Representatives will be on hand to answer questions. There is also an online option for the Kindergarten Welcome.

## Raymond: now director of tribes' Government Affairs

(from page 1)

As mentioned earlier, Mr. Tsumpti never campaigned or asked for a Council nomination. His approach has always been one of honesty and direct statements no matter the consequence or response.

"People have referred to me as a leader," Raymond says. "No, I have only been a representative of the people of my district and the tribes."

People who know him see the absolute loyalty to the good of the tribal people, past, present and future, to the Treaty of 1855, the Constitution, the Declaration of Sovereignty, the guiding documents of the Confederated Tribes.

Over the years Mr. Tsumpti never declined the Council nomination, until this year. He and wife Beulah agreed, "This is a good time for the next generation to carry on."

Another good thing is that the wealth of knowledge Raymond brings to the table will survive: He will still be working with the tribes as Governmental Affairs director. "I can't retire," Mr. Tsumpti says.

His is a life that cannot be summarized within these few paragraphs. Speak to the man himself, if you wish to know more.

— Dave McMechan



Mr. Tsumpti, back in 2020, addressing a gathering at the Agency Longhouse.

## OHSU hiring CORE liaison

The Community, Outreach, Research and Engagement Program—OHSU CORE—is hiring in Central Oregon. The region includes the Warm Springs Reservation, Jefferson, Deschutes and Crook counties.

CORE is a part of Oregon Health & Science University, and works to connect the university and Central Oregon to support community-identified health needs.

The person in this position will work with a state-wide team of community liaisons to support community-academic partnerships, capacity building, and improve health outcomes.

For more information and to apply email Laura Campbell at [camplaur@ohsu.edu](mailto:camplaur@ohsu.edu) with the subject line 'Central Oregon Liaison.'

## Employment with the Confederated Tribes

The following are positions recently advertised with the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. For information, contact the Human Resources office, located in the tribal administration building, 1233 Veterans Street, Warm Springs. Staff are available to answer questions related to the application process and can be reached at 541-553-3262 or [hr@wstribes.org](mailto:hr@wstribes.org)

Tribal Member preference is exercised in hiring processes as defined in Tribal Personnel Policy PER 202.

Restoration crew boss. Restoration field crew member (limited duration). Travel accountant. Forest Engineering Technician.

Fisheries biologist II. Range rider. Fisheries biologist III (Hood River). Administrative officer.

Lookouts (three positions). Fisheries Biologist I. Fish Biologist II. Warm Springs Housing Authority Maintenance Worker.

Assistant Property Warehouse. Budgets/Contracts & Grants Analyst. Patrol Officer. Communications Officer.

C.P.S. Specialist. Prevention Coordinator. Executive Assistant. Wildlife Biologist I. General Staff Technician (three positions).

Protective care provider. Habitat restoration crew member. Secretary/Community Wellness Center.

Surveillance Observer, part-time.

Chief Judge. Tribal Planning administrator. Restoration technician. Maintenance worker/Public Utilities. Wildland firefighter (Hotshot Crew) (8 Positions).

Public administrator. Executive director to Canabis Commission. Director information systems. Public Safety general manager. Community Health Nurse

Associate Judge/Tribal Court. Fisheries technician I (Creel Tech - limited duration). Assorted work experience jobs - limited duration.

Assorted work experience jobs (Youth - limited duration). Fire/Medic. Registered Nurse.

## Employment with Indian Head, Plateau

The following is a recent list of job openings with Indian Head Casion. For details see the website: [indianheadcasino.com](http://indianheadcasino.com)

Cage cashier. Cage main bank cashier. Cage supervisor.

Coffee stations attendant. Cook. Groundskeeper. Guest service operator. Lounge bartender. Payroll administrator.

Player development supervisor. Player's Club ambassador. Player's Club lead ambassador.

Revenue auditor. Security manager. Security officer. Server. Slot keyperson.

Tule Grill attendant. Tule Grill cook.

**Plaza:**

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## Art-Educator position

Confluence is looking for an energetic and collaborative Indigenous Emerging Artist-Educator to work with our small and dedicated staff to help deliver educational programming and produce culturally relevant art. We're looking for someone with a cultural connection to the Indigenous Tribes of the Columbia River system in Oregon, Washington or Idaho.

This is an hourly paid internship position for 30 hours per week at \$25 per hour. Confluence is an equal opportunity employer and we strongly encourage applicants of all backgrounds to apply.

For more information about Confluence, please visit our website: [confluenceprojectorg](http://confluenceprojectorg)

To apply, please email us a cover letter, resume and list of references with the words 'Indigenous Emerging Artist/Educator' in the subject line. The position will remain open until Friday, June 3.

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# Team monitoring latest covid incidence

The tribes’ Covid-19 Response Team continues to monitor the covid virus by testing at the clinic, utilizing home testing kits and monitoring the waste water at all the lagoons.

Warm Springs had a total of five positive covid cases in the month of April. Three cases were confirmed in the clinic, and two cases were reported to the clinic that showed positive with home test kits.

Waste water continues to be monitored at all the lagoons, monitoring for any potential increase concentra-

tion of the covid virus.

Over the last month the numbers within the waste water has bounced up and down for the virus.

The last reading was on April 26 and the numbers were low for the virus. Flu cases are on the rise locally, and sometimes it is unclear if you have the virus or the flu.

The recommendation is to get your flu shot and to test for the Covid-19 virus with a home test kit.

If you do not have a home test kit, they are available at no charge and can be picked

up at Emergency Management Monday to Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Or you can pick up at the Fire Department at any time.

This is not the time for us to relax but to pay attention to what is happening nationally and across the state, and to stay safe and not spread the virus.

Wear a mask if you do not feel safe, sanitize regularly, wash your hands throughout the day, maintain distance when you can, have home kits available, and get fully vaccinated for the virus.

**Treatments**

If you do test positive for covid, there are now treatments available to help resolve the situation. The drug treatments are called Paxlovid, and Molnupiravir. They are available to eligible patients.

The treatments are available to people who test positive, and who are at high risk of severe covid illness.

If this applies, consider the option with your care provider, and do so quickly, if you are interested: The treatments must be administered within five days of the onset of symptoms.

# Regional jobs almost at pre-covid level

Central Oregon posted strong job gains through March and April. This strong hiring led to continued improvement to local unemployment rates, which are approaching record low levels from before the pandemic.

The Jefferson County unemployment rate, including the Warm Springs area of the reservation, dropped to 4.6 percent, down from 4.8 percent earlier in the year.

The unemployment rate is fast approaching levels in March 2020, when it was 4.1 percent before the first impacts from Covid-19.

Total nonfarm employment rose by more than 20 jobs earlier this spring, a normal pace of hiring for this time of year.

Employment levels in Jefferson County remain down 140 jobs from levels just before the onset of the pandemic in February 2020.

Jefferson County added 10 jobs over the past year, slower growth than other parts of Central Oregon.

The county posted job gains in local government, including the tribal government, adding 70 jobs. There were also modest gains in retail trade and leisure and hospitality, each adding 20 jobs.

However, these gains were largely negated by declines in manufacturing, down 40 jobs; and private education and health services, down 30 jobs.

**Deschutes County:** The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell to 3.6 percent, down from 3.8 percent earlier in the year. The unemployment rate is now near the record low level of 3.3 percent before the onset of the pandemic.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates that Deschutes County added 660 jobs this spring, much stronger gains than the 200 job increase typically expected this time of year.

**Crook County:** The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped significantly to 4.9 percent, down from 5.2 percent earlier in the year.

# Roadway projects okayed for tribal Construction

The Twenty-Eighth Tribal Council in April approved a series of road improvement agreements with the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

A first order of business was approval of an update to the 2014 Warm Springs Reservation Long Transportation Plan, and the Transportation Improvement Project List to include projects identified in the annual tribal review and Tribal Council approval. A partial list of projects in the updated plan include:

Trails for School Access. B-100 Grade, Drain and Gravel; Ongoing Route 3 Maintenance and Resurfacing. Simtustus Street Grind, Resurface and Pedestrian Access. Sunnyside Drive Grind, Resurface and Pedestrian Access. Chip Seal Countyline, Wolfe Point, Holillywood Boulevard. Years for work include 2022 through 2026.

Each of the projects is then addressed in separate resolutions. The School Access Trails project, for in-

stance, is approved at \$319,000 through a 638 contract, with a tribal match of \$37,000. Warm Springs Construction is identified as the entity to perform the work. (Resolution no. 12,912.)

The B-100 Aggregate Design project is identified as integral to the safety of the Warm Springs roads system and school bus routes. The resolution identifies the cost at \$60,000, and Warm Springs Construction as the entity to perform the 638

contract work. (Resolution no. 12,913.)

The Quail Trail Extension Project has an estimated cost of \$100,000, with Construction doing the 638 contract work. (Resolution no. 12,915).

The Simtustus Street Resurface and Pedestrian Access Design project also has a cost estimate of \$100,000 with Construction doing the work. These are some of projects approved by the outgoing Twenty-Eighth Tribal Council in April.

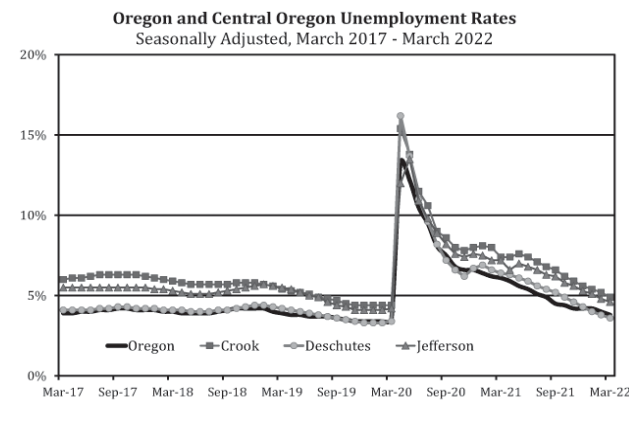
# Youth can apply now for a summer work position

Warm Springs youth interested in summer work can apply now. The first day of work will be Tuesday, July 5.

It’s open to students ages 14 to 24. They will need to provide proof of tribal memberships, transcripts, a resume with cover letter and a Covid-19 vaccination card.

Apply online at the Confederated Tribes’ job opportunities website. The youth work program is listed under ‘Assorted work experience jobs (youth).

Or stop by the Education Building, top floor, office 307. Intakes can be done by calling 541-553-3324. For more details on requirements call 541-553-3324.



# Community notes...

The Warm Springs **Community Pet Food Bank** provides free pet food on the second Saturday of each month. The next distribution is Saturday, May 13 from 10 a.m. until noon.

You can reserve your pet food by calling or texting 503-319-9838 or email: [petfoodbank@fencesfordido.org](mailto:petfoodbank@fencesfordido.org)

A **skateboard event** is coming up this Friday starting at 6 p.m. at the Warm Springs Skate Park across from the Community Center.

All ages and skill levels are welcome, including those who have never skated before. Everyone is invited to participate or just to watch the contests and demonstrations.

Warm Springs Recreation is hosting the **Annual Spring Yard Sale** this Friday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on the front lawn of the Community Center. To sign up for a table call Carol at 541-553-3243.

In Madras **High School sports:** This Thursday, May 5, the baseball team is hosts North Marion, game time 4:30. Softball is at North Marion.

# IHS latest covid numbers across Indian Country

Close to half a million Native American people in the U.S. have tested positive for Covid-19 since the pandemic began in March 2020. The latest data from the Indian Health Service says that 460,771 people have tested positive across Indian Country.

The total positive tests are from more than 4 million tests administered by the IHS.

Based on the cumulative percent positive, the highest rates have been seen in five of 12 IHS areas. Two of them include the state of Arizona. The highest positivity rate has been with the Navajo Area at 16.4 percent positivity; followed by the Oklahoma City Area at 15.4 percent. The Phoenix Area saw 14.9 percent positivity;

and the California Area, 11.8 percent

The Portland IHS Area, including the Warm Springs Reservation, saw a comparatively modest positivity rate of 6.5 percent. The very lowest positivity rate have been the Oklahoma City Area, 1.8 percent; and the Tucson Area, 1.5 percent.

Overall, 11.4 percent of IHS tests have been positive since the onset of the pandemic. Meanwhile, the seven-day positivity rate has been steadily rising during the last couple of weeks, according to the IHS national office.

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs have seen decreased covid numbers, allowing the tribes to re-open the public buildings, and schedule community events.



## STUDENTS Summer Work Available

- High School Students – Age 14 up to age 24
- Proof of being Native American, Alaskan Native or Native Hawaiian
- Provide Current School Transcript or Proof of Enrollment
- Provide a Resume and Cover Letter
- Provide COVID-19 Vaccination Card

Apply online at CTWS Job Opportunities website for the position of “**Assorted Work Experience Jobs (Youth)**”, or visit WEDD/WIOA office at 1110 Wasco Street, Education Building, Top Floor, Office 307.

High School students include those attending Alternative Education, GED classes, Home School

Intakes may be done over the phone if you call (541) 553-3324

Required documents can be hand delivered, faxed or emailed to:  
[wayne.miller@wstribes.org](mailto:wayne.miller@wstribes.org) or  
[melinda.poitra@wstribes.org](mailto:melinda.poitra@wstribes.org)

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**High School Students** eligible to work once you complete this checklist:

- ☐ Application
- ☐ Resume
- ☐ Intake
- ☐ Tribal Id or CIB
- ☐ Social Security Card
- ☐ COVID-19 Vaccination Card
- ☐ Males 18 and Older Must be Registered with Selective Service
- ☐ Applicants 18 and Older Must Complete a Background Check
- ☐ First Time Workers Must Complete Pre-Employment Training
- ☐ Pass UA Drug Test

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- ☐ Same as High School Student Checklist
- ☐ Letter of intentions after college



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# Letters to the editor

## Vote Danzuka for Commission

Warm Springs and people of color need more representation and to be included as citizens of the county. Laurie Danzuka is a great choice to represent Jefferson County and indigenous people. In the past, commissioners have not reached out to us consistently, to get our opinions and views.

Commissioners are the direct line between citizens and our county government: About money, operational standards, ordinances and laws; setting standards for property, appointing non-elected officials, committees and boards, and overseeing county department heads.

With Laurie’s background and experience of being a parent, citizen, tribal member, serving on the Jefferson County 509-J school board and engaging in community activities, she has demonstrated leadership, objectivity, tenacity, and looking for solutions and following through.

She is honest and listens, and is genuinely interested. Laurie deals with budgets, staff, policy and procedures, and adherence. She has dealt with staff, parents, youngsters, committees and legislative bodies.

She testifies at local, state and national levels. She involved with Jefferson County and our Warm Springs Reservation. Tribal members need more representation and inclusion as we are part of Jefferson County. Do your part and vote. Once she’s in office, do what you can to support her and our needs.

Let’s get representation and inclusion of color for our community and projects. Vote Laurie Danzuka as County Commissioner.

**Pinky Beymer**, PO Box 535, Warm Springs.

## On to next adventure

Friends and colleagues, I wanted to let you know that my last day working with the Warm Spring Tribes will be Friday, May 6. It has been a productive and rewarding 17 years and six months of service where I have learned and experienced many new and interesting things.

My next adventure will be with the U.S. Forest Service Region 6 team based in Madras. I believe my new email will be [scott.turo@usda.gov](mailto:scott.turo@usda.gov)

I can also be reached at 541-604-4613.

Contacts for Warm Springs will be: Lyman Jim, Fisheries program manager: [lyman.jim@ctwsbnr.org](mailto:lyman.jim@ctwsbnr.org)

Joe Smietana, Fish Habitat project manager: [joe.smietana@ctwsbnr.org](mailto:joe.smietana@ctwsbnr.org)

Brad Houslet, of the Policy and Planning Department:

[brad.houslet@ctwsbnr.org](mailto:brad.houslet@ctwsbnr.org)

Thank you for being a supporter, collaborator, and partner of the Warm Springs tribe.

Take care,  
**Scott Turo.**

## Kindergarten Welcome Day

The Warm Springs Academy is hosting the Kindergarten Welcome Day on Wednesday, May 18.

Families will need to bring birth certificates and immunization records.

For information contact **Heilan Gonzalez** at [hgonzalez@509j.net](mailto:hgonzalez@509j.net)

Or call 541 553-1128 ext. 6001.

## Lifeguard opportunities

The Madras Aquatic Center is holding a lifeguard certification class for potential new hires. We have full-time and part-time positions available.

Job applicants have a chance to interview, pass the swimming pre-requisites for the lifeguard certification, and receive an employment offer conditional upon passing a background check, drug-screening, and successful completion of the lifeguard certification course.

If all conditions are met, the successful applicant will receive back pay for the 30 hours lifeguard certification course!

You must be at least 15 years old. We do our best to be flexible with scheduling of student athletes, academics, and other extra curriculars that compete for their time. We also need adults who can work during the day.

If you have any questions, please let us know. We appreciate your help! For more details see page 8 of this publication.

Thank you,  
**Courtney Snead**, executive director, The Madras Aquatic Center Recreation District, 1195 SE Kemper Way, Madras.

## Warm Springs community assessment

During the 2022 Tribal Council elections, voter outreach tables were set up outside the Community Center: Over 250 voters participated in a community poll, selecting the top four out of ten priority issues, for both Warm Springs and Jefferson County.

The results are combined with two previous events held in Warm Springs. So far, 416 tribal community members have participated.

The top four areas to date are:

One: Affordable housing. Two: Schools. Three: The environment, including water. And four: Health care, including, medical, mental health, alcohol and drug abuse prevention.

Other categories, included jobs and job training; justice; diverse representation, including diverse representation in Warm Spring and Jefferson County, such as the school board and



Photos by WeX Voter Outreach

Warm Springs Earth Day Clean-Up on April 22 (above); and after casting Tribal Council election ballots on March 30, young tribal member citizens (right) participate in the Warm Springs-



Jefferson County Assessment, identifying priority issues they believe are most important at this time.

county commission; healthy foods, transportation and ‘other’ issues. Some of the ‘other’ issues identified included:

Addressing pay increases, Kah-Nee-Ta, personnel issues; hiring qualified people, infrastructure, healthy foods, including traditional foods and unity.

Another non-partisan community service offered was voter registration. Twenty-five people registered to vote. Those individuals will be eligible to vote in the May 17 Primary election.

Any U.S. citizen age 18 and over can register by picking up a voter registration card at the Jefferson County

Clerk’s office in Madras, or go online to the Oregon Secretary of State website: [sos.oregon.gov](http://sos.oregon.gov)

Use an Oregon State issued drivers license or identification card.

WeX Voter Outreach is a community group doing community building and outreach to “underrepresented communities, including Native and LatinX. Papalaxsimisha is a Warm Springs organization serving youth and families.

We are seeking volunteers to help reach new and inactive voters for the May 17 election.

It is important to note that we have a candidate,

Laurie Danzuka, from Warm Springs on the ballot for one of the Jefferson County Commissioner positions.

If you would like to help get the word out, or if you are interested in participating in the Community Assessment, please contact :

[wexvotes@gmail.com](mailto:wexvotes@gmail.com)  
Or contact: [suppahjillisa@gmail.com](mailto:suppahjillisa@gmail.com)

Jillisa is with Papalaxsimisha. We will publish the Community Assessment final results in the Spilyay by the end of June 2022.

**JP Wascupum**, [wexvotes@gmail.com](mailto:wexvotes@gmail.com)

## Free day at Gorge

The Columbia Gorge Discovery Center and Museum will celebrate its Twenty-Fifth Anniversary with an all-day event on Saturday, May 21. All are welcome to join the free festivities from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

One of the ceremony speakers will be Jefferson Green of the Confederated Tribes.

A ticketed salmon bake lunch will be offered from

Warm Springs-owned Salmon King Fisheries and The Dalles’ Cobblestone Catering. Museum admission will be free for the day.

Family-friendly activities planned throughout the day include native plant and wildflower walks, pine needle basket weaving demonstrations, raptor presentations, and a large cooperative art project.

Go to [gorgediscovery.org](http://gorgediscovery.org) or call 541-296-8600 ext. 201 for more information or to purchase salmon bake tickets.

## Principal leaving

Brain Crook has served the Jefferson County 509-J School District in a variety of capacities since 2016. He is leaving his positions as principal of the high school at the end of the school year.

Mr. Crook began with the district as principal of Bridges High School. Two years later, he became the assistant principal of Madras High School; and became principal in 2019.

Crook is leaving his position to be with his daughter, who lives in Arizona. She is currently pregnant, and Crook and his wife are moving to care for the baby, who is expected to need extra care.

Crook and his wife plan to continue visiting Central Oregon, as their grandchildren live in Redmond.

They will move to Arizona in July, where Crook has accepted a position as assistant principal at Deer Valley High School in Glendale.



Courtesy Confluence

The Confluence project was honored to support the Twenty-Fourth Annual Redheart Memorial. The memorial happens every April in Vancouver, Washington by the Nez Perce Tribe and the City of Vancouver. The ceremony honors the Redheart Band of Nimiipuu, who were unjustly imprisoned by

the U.S Military at Fort Vancouver in 1877-78. During their incarceration a little boy died. Confluence is building an archive of oral history interviews about the Redheart Band and the annual memorial thanks to support from the Nez Perce National Historic Trail.

## Celilo—Never Silenced

Confluence is partnering with the Reser Center for the Arts for an artist talk in support of the exhibit *Celilo – Never Silenced*.

Artists Lillian Pitt, Greg Archuleta, Greg Robinson and Sara Siestroom create art inspired by the stories of their people, the land they originally lived on, and the cultures that sustain them.

From original artforms to contemporary renditions, personal expressions honor and respect ancestral pasts.

In an intimate talk amongst friends, guests glean insights to the inspirations of these unique artists as they carry forward



the richness of the Indigenous people of Oregon. The exhibit will be at noon on May 22 at the Patricia Reser Center for the Arts in Beaverton.

To register see the website: [confluenceproject.org](http://confluenceproject.org)

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Jeri Polk, General Services Technician with Health and Human Services, checks out a mural painted earlier this year by Warm Springs artist Travis Bobb. The wildlife scene, including the image of Big Foot, is on a wall at the Warm Springs Prevention building, formerly a building that used to house the elementary school.

Stop by the Museum at Warm Springs to see the Changing Exhibits feature, *Savages and Princesses: The Persistence of Native American Stereotypes*. The exhibit will be at the museum, open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, through May.



Courtesy photo

## Mural brightens building



D. McMechan/Spilyay

New mural on the old Shell gas station

Warm Springs Academy students recently added some color and artistic character to the old gas station next to the Rainbow Market.

Working with community artist Charlene Dimmick, the students created paintings of three trees by a mountain, using the students' hand prints to fill in the tree leaves.

The mural project was a collaborative effort of the Warm Springs Academy teaching staff, the Papalaxsimisha program, the Warm Springs Police Depart-

ment, the Warm Springs Community Action Team and community clean-up helpers.

"The significance of the trees in the design is that two tribes came to this land when the reservation was created and later adding one more," Charlene said.

"Over time, we have grown as a tribe and have included those who have come to this land and into this community. Each new year, we will continue to grow like trees."



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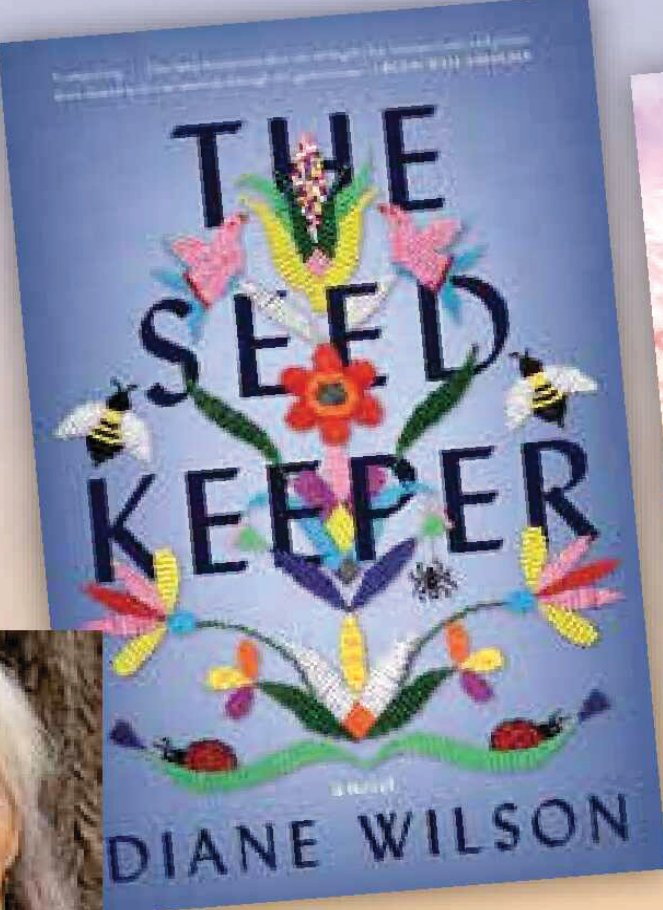


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# Supreme Court considering law enforcement in Indian Country

The U.S. Supreme Court heard oral arguments in *Oklahoma v. Castro-Huerta*. At issue is whether the state of Oklahoma can prosecute non-Indians who commit crimes against Indians in Indian Country.

The Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals ruled that jurisdiction lies with the federal government. The hearing lasted about two hours and 12 minutes, far longer than the 70 minutes allotted by the Supreme Court.

The hearing concluded with a

tribute to Justice Stephen G. Breyer, who is stepping down at the end of the court's current session. **In other national Native news:**

In late April, the U.S. House Subcommittee on Indian Affairs hosted a hearing on several pending Native American-related laws:

Senate Bill 789 would repeal the Existing Substandard Provisions Encouraging Conciliation with Tribes Act. The bipartisan bill would repeal outdated racist and discriminatory laws that were im-

posed on tribes and their citizens. The Senate Committee on Indian Affairs approved the bill at a business meeting on March 24.

Senate Bill 314 is a proposed law to repeal the Klamath Tribe Judgment Fund Act.

The Klamath Tribes, headquartered in Southern Oregon, are seeking to repeal a termination-era law that affects their trust funds and trust assets. The Senate Committee on Indian Affairs approved the bill at a business meeting on March 10.

Senate Bill 559 is a proposed law to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act to address lands held in trust in Oregon for the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

The Senate Committee on Indian Affairs approved the bill at a business meeting on March 10.

Bill 6181 is the Samish Indian Nation Land Reaffirmation Act.

The bill confirms the acquisition of 6.7 acres in Washington State in trust for the Samish Nation. A draft discussion of an an

amendment in the nature of a substitute has been offered.

Senate Bill 437 would amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to exclude payments to Alaska Native elders for determining eligibility for need-based federal programs and services.

House Bill 6063 is a proposed law to authorize the U.S. Court of Federal Claims to hear a land claim from the Miami Nation, headquartered in Oklahoma. The tribe has a treaty-based claim to 2.6 million acres in the state of Illinois.

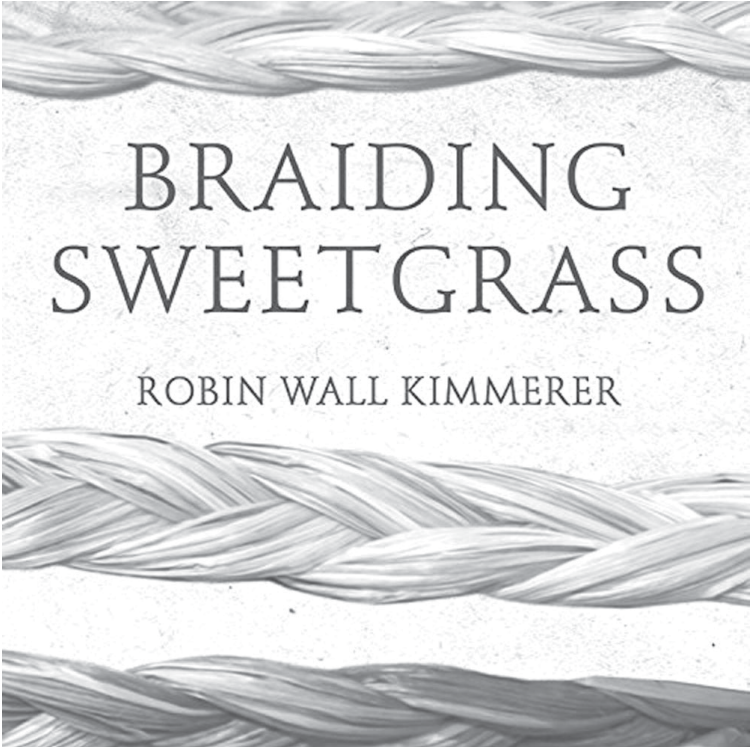
## WSU selects ‘Braiding Sweetgrass’ as next common read for students

Washington State University has selected as its 2022-23 common read for first-year and other students the book *Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants*, by Robin Wall Kimmerer.

Published in 2013 by Milkweed Press, it features essays that convey scientific knowledge as well as indigenous lore and reflections on subjects such as the relationship between humans and the land, sacred traditions, agriculture and land use, environmental threat and regeneration, climate change, and more. The book is divided into five sections: planting, tending, picking, braiding, and burning sweetgrass.

“I am very excited about the possibilities this selection offers in terms of topics, its utility across multiple disciplines, access, and connection with university initiatives and with our local region,” said Karen Weathermon, director of First-Year Programs, which includes the 16-year-old Common Reading Program.

Each year, first-year and other students use topics from a shared



book in classes across several disciplines, sparking discussions with professors and among students and building a community of learners.

In this current year, 2021-22, the book *Tales from Two Americas* has allowed the program to

host and partner with 19 other units across the university to host 92 events or exhibits that have carried common-reading credit. Students can typically select from three-to-five events per week to enhance their knowledge relating to book topics.

## Native American hires reflect changing Interior leadership

Interior Secretary Deb Haaland is recruiting a notable number of Native American political appointees, a trend advocates hope will lead to greater consideration of Indigenous perspectives within a department that touches tribal lives in myriad ways.

In the most recent moves, Interior announced a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, Joel West Williams, as deputy solicitor for Indian Affairs; and a member of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin, Tracy Canard Goodluck, as a senior adviser to the assistant secretary for Indian affairs.

Haaland, a member of New Mexico's Laguna Pueblo, is the first Native American to head the Cabinet-level department.

“We’ve never seen so much Native leadership,” said Kevin Washburn, a former Interior

assistant secretary for Indian Affairs. “We have seen less pigeonholing of Natives into the obvious positions, such as in Indian Affairs.”

Shannon Holsey, president of the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians and treasurer of the National Congress of American Indians, commented:

“Appointing American Indians and Alaska Natives to the Department of the Interior and across all federal agencies is incredibly significant and important for Indian Country. They bring a unique perspective and understanding of Indian Country to their positions and have a direct impact on crafting policies and internal decision points that can make a substantial difference for Tribal Nations and tribal citizens across the United States.”

## COCC has free summer credits for high school grads

Just in time for pending high school graduates who are considering summer plans, Central Oregon Community College offers a new ‘four free credits’ special.

This will allow in-district, Class of 2022 grads to try a college class completely free.

With a value of up to \$529, the free credits are intended to help put college careers in motion. To learn more visit the website:

[cocc.edu/departments/admissions/future-students/class-of-2022.aspx](http://cocc.edu/departments/admissions/future-students/class-of-2022.aspx)

**Deadline in June**

“Students can choose from an extensive summer catalog that includes graphic design, automotive, entrepreneurship, public speaking, software applications, math in society and many, many others,” said Tyler Hayes, director of admis-

sions and records.

“For some, this could mean gaining the necessary skills to enter the workforce or perhaps to further their education at COCC or another college or university.”

Some summer classes at COCC are offered remotely, with loaner laptops and Wi-Fi hotspots available, while others are held in-person.

The offer includes both tuition

and standard course fees.

Registration for new COCC students is now open and will go through June 12.

Classes start Tuesday, June 21. Students who wish to take advantage of the free credits at COCC, who are not already enrolled at the college will need to submit an application and pay a one-time (lifetime) \$25 application fee for summer term and complete the necessary

enrollment steps.

Eligible students include public, private, home-schooled and GED-earning in-district high school students from the graduating class of 2022.

Students must provide a copy of their high school diploma, transcript or GED, submitted electronically no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, June 24, to receive the free summer term credits.

## Personnel change at Columbia Fish Commission

Dear partners and stakeholders of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission:

I am writing to announce that I have resigned my position as manager of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission Human Resources Department.

The following are a list of con-

tacts. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions. Contact information: General Human Resources questions can be sent to [HR@critfc.org](mailto:HR@critfc.org)

Payroll and benefits questions can go to Sue Wallace at: [SWallace@critfc.org](mailto:SWallace@critfc.org).

Accounts payable questions

should be sent to [AP@critfc.org](mailto:AP@critfc.org)

The Partners Group questions should be sent to Rey Perez, Employee Benefits Consultant, [rperez@tpgrp.com](mailto:rperez@tpgrp.com); Janet Rodriguez, Benefits Account Manager, by email: [jrodriguez@tpgrp.com](mailto:jrodriguez@tpgrp.com)

Sincerely, **Lorilee Morsette.**

## Chickasaw citizen new Native advisor at the White House

The White House has a new Native advisor in the second year of Joe Biden's presidency.

Daron Carreiro, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation, began serving as the Senior Policy Advisor for Native Affairs on the White House Domestic Policy Council in April. He recently updated one of his social media profiles to reflect his new role in the Biden administration.

Carreiro comes to the White

House after nearly a decade at the Department of Justice. He served as a trial attorney in DOJ's Indian Resources Section, where he worked on a number of high-profile cases, including several that resulted in significant victories for tribes across the nation.

One of the most recent cases led to victory for the Yakama Nation in a long-running dispute in Washington state. With the United States acting as trustee for the tribe,

the federal courts confirmed that the Yakama Reservation includes sacred areas that were promised to the Yakama people by the Treaty of 1855.

“The Yakama Nation will never compromise when our Treaty is at stake,” Chairman Delano Saluskin said last week, after the U.S. Supreme Court finally put an end to litigation that Carreiro supported as a federal government attorney.



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### Planning a visit to Memorial Wall



Courtesy Sandra Greene

Randy Boise Sr. and Gerald Sampson Sr. plan to visit the Vietnam Memorial Wall.

Vietnam War veterans Gerald Sampson Sr. nad Randy Boise Sr. are planning a trip to the Vietnam War Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C. To help them with travelling expenses, please see one of the following

to purchase a raffle ticket, to have a chance at one of three prizes: 1) \$1,000; 2) \$500; 3) \$250. Tickets are \$5 each or five tickets for \$20. Drawing will be on Facebook Live on May 23. *Thank you for your support.*

### Around Indian Country

## American Indian Hall highest sustainable rating



Courtesy photo

American Indian Hall at Montana State University.

The new American Indian Hall at Montana State University has become the first building to earn LEED—Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design—Platinum certification.

“This rating substantiates our belief that the new American Indian Hall is the finest building of its type,” said Montana State president Waded Cruzado.

“Not only is it one of the most beautiful buildings of its kind in the world, but also has the highest sustainability rating possible, which will allow it to serve MSU students for decades to come.”

Walter Fleming, director of MSU’s Department of Native American Studies, housed in the building, said the designation is important for a building that sits on ancestral lands of many tribes.

“It is always our mantra that if any building on campus needed to be LEED Platinum, it was important for the American Indian Hall to earn that,” Fleming said.

“It is also so consistent with the Native traditional practices of leaving nothing to waste. What is also important is the statement that an efficient building does not have to sacrifice beauty or cultural significance.”

# First adult offspring of translocated lamprey returns to Columbia

*From the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission*

In 2007 the Nez Perce Tribe’s Pacific lamprey restoration team, led by the late Elmer Crow, released a group of lamprey into Newsome Creek, a small tributary of the South Fork Clearwater River in Idaho.

They had been collected from the lower Columbia River and transported 400 miles upriver to spare them from the risky journey passing the remaining dams and increase their likelihood of reproducing.

The Nez Perce Tribe, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, and Yakama Nation have been conducting Pacific lamprey translocation efforts like this since 2000, in areas including the Yakima, Methow, Wenatchee, Tucannon, and Umatilla rivers.

Through this work, the tribes

have hoped to prevent extinction and increase abundance of lamprey larvae and juveniles in waterways that historically supported populations of this culturally important fish but were either struggling or locally extinct. The ultimate objective is that these translocations will lead to Columbia Basin Pacific lamprey populations that are healthy enough to support a sustainable tribal harvest as they had since time immemorial.

“When these programs began, there was no guarantee translocation would even work, since the technique had never been used on lamprey before,” said Aja DeCoteau, executive director of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

“Despite this, the tribes pressed on, not only from confidence stemming from their successes rebuilding salmon populations, but also from our cultural obligation to help these fish that were disappearing throughout the Columbia

Basin.”

Now, with over a decade of data, researchers at CRITFC’s Hagerman Genetics Laboratory have published their research showing the first direct evidence that the tribes’ translocation programs in the Snake River basin are working.

The research found that translocation increased the production of juvenile lamprey in the interior Columbia Basin and demonstrated that these offspring successfully migrated to the Pacific Ocean and could one day return as adults. Their findings were published this week as a featured article titled “Pacific lamprey translocations to the Snake River boost abundance of all life stages” in the peer-reviewed journal *Transactions of the American Fisheries Society*.

The research found that the translocated adults produced more offspring than the adults arriving in those streams on their own, demonstrating that translocating adults



Courtesy CRITFC

Elmer Crow, Nez Perce Fisheries and Wildlife, releasing translocated lamprey into the Wallowa River in northeastern Oregon.

“No matter how many adults are released in an area, around half of them contribute offspring,” said Tod Sween, the Nez Perce lamprey biologist.

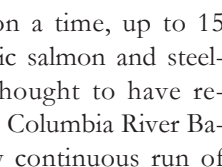
The research also confirmed the potential for the translocation program to restore Pacific lamprey to rivers and streams where they had been wiped out, which has both ecological and cultural benefits.

Aaron Jackson, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation lamprey research biologist added, “In 2018, a tribal fishery on Pacific lamprey was opened in the Umatilla River basin—the first one in 60 years,” said Jackson. “The tribes’ efforts and proactive initiatives have a large role in these recent increases in abundance and we have the data to prove it.”

The data is filling in gaps in the biology of Pacific lamprey that have been difficult to study in the past and provide information that is specifically tailored to each region and subbasin.

### Around Indian Country

## A brighter future for upriver Coho salmon



Once upon a time, up to 15 million Pacific salmon and steelhead were thought to have returned to the Columbia River Basin. A nearly continuous run of these magnificent fish migrated to spawning and rearing areas in the upper Columbia and Snake Rivers and tributary streams. Although Chinook salmon were the most abundant species, coho or “silver” salmon comprised an important part of a virtual year-round opportunity for harvest.

Regional tribes, in partnership with state fisheries manager partners, have been at the forefront of coho salmon restoration for over two decades.

Much of the funding comes from Bonneville Power Administration’s Fish and Wildlife Program.

Given the importance of coho to tribal culture, the Nez Perce

tribe began reintroduction efforts in 1994 with a primary goal to provide sustainable runs for tribal and non-tribal harvest in the Clearwater Basin. The Nez Perce tribal program now grows and releases up to 1.5 million smolts annually, mostly from local broodstock.

The Yakama Nation has also initiated efforts to restore naturally spawning populations of coho salmon to harvestable numbers.

Their focus is in the upper Columbia region—the Yakima, Wenatchee, Entiat, Methow, and Spokane Rivers—where as many as 165,000 coho returned annually during the pre-treaty era.

A recently approved master plan for the Yakima River includes a hatchery facility for coho salmon, named in honor of Melvin Sampson, a tribal elder and long-time advocate for regional fisheries.

## Yakama fights to clean up highly contaminated Bradford Island

The Bonneville Dam Complex sits in the Columbia River between Portland and Hood River. Within the complex is Bradford Island, historically used by the Army Corps of Engineers for chemical and equipment storage, as well as a hazardous waste landfill. In late March of this year, after nearly two decades of protest from the Yakama Nation, other tribes and environmental groups, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) listed Bradford Island as a Superfund site—a priority list for the most contaminated sites in the country.

The levels of contamination in the water around Bradford Island more than qualify for Superfund site listing. According to Rose Longoria, the Regional Superfund Projects Manager for the Yakama Nation, testing for the levels of Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) in the tissue of fish is a major indicator of contamination levels.

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Coming to Indian Country:

## National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

*The Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board suicide prevention project—called Tribal Health-Reach-ing out InVolves Everyone, or THRIVE—has partnered with the Indian Health Ser-vices, tribes and tribal orga-nizations across Indian Coun-try. Together, they are devel-oping the 988 direct 3-digit mental health emergency re-source.*

**Why do we need 988?**

Suicide is the second leading cause of death for Native youth ages 10-24. Native communities experience the highest rates of suicide amongst all racial and ethnic groups in the U.S., and sui-cide rates among American Indian and Alaska Native communities rose by 118 percent between 1999 and 2017.

Suicide is preventable. 988 is one step in the direc-tion of saving lives. This early intervention can reduce the burden on 911 and hos-pital services. 988 will move mental health and substance use services out of the shad-ows and into the main-stream; it will send a message that healing and getting help are normal and important parts of life.

**What is 988?**

988 is a direct three-digit line to trained National Sui-cide Prevention Llifeline cri-sis counselors that will go live July 16, 2022. With an easy to remember 3-digit num-ber, the Lifeline hopes to reach many more people in emotional crisis. This service is provided free of charge to the caller.

Any person of any age can call or text 988. Services will be available 24/7, year round. They will include a text option, translation ser-vices for non-English speak-ers, accessible options for people who are deaf or hard of hearing, and services for minors.

**How will this affect our community?**

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will be able to receive confi-dential services during men-tal health emergencies with minimal involvement of po-lice or hospitals.

If you live in an area where connecting to 911 is difficult, you may experience the same with 988. Please know that chatting via the suicidepreventionlifeline.org website, texting NATIVE to the Crisis Text Line at 741741, or texting 988 when available in July may be the best ways to connect in this communities.

**What happens when you call, or text, 988?**

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

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

**DANA HARDIN, Petitioner, vs MONICA WAHNETA HARDIN, Respondent; Case No. DO26-22. TO: MONICA WAHNETA HARDIN, DANA HARDIN:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE 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 **23<sup>RD</sup> day of JUNE, 2022 @ 4:00 PM**

**CTWS, Petitioner, vs ASHLYNN SOHAPPY, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV176-08. TO: ASHLYNN SOHAPPY, GLORIA OROZCO:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP REVIEW has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **14<sup>TH</sup> day of JUNE, 2022 @ 4:00 PM**

**CTWS, Petitioner, vs CHARLENE CHEE, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV31-21. TO: CHARLENE CHEE, CPS, JV PROSECUTION:**  
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 **6<sup>TH</sup> day of JUNE, 2022 @ 10:00 AM**

**ARLENE DAVID, Petitioner, vs STARLA GREENE, RESPONDENT; Case No. DO130-12. TO: ARLENE DAVID, STARLA GREENE, JAKE SCOTT, ROMA CARTNEY:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a 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 **6<sup>TH</sup> day of JUNE, 2022 @ 9:00 AM**

**P A T R I C I A WHITELANCE, Petitioner, vs JERED WHITELANCE, RESPONDENT; Case No. DO151-21. TO: P A T R I C I A WHITELANCE, JERED WHITELANCE:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **2<sup>ND</sup> day of JUNE, 2022 @ 9:00 AM**

**Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Plaintiff, vs Christopher Arthur Sr., Defendant; Case No. CR117-12; CR332-12. TO: Christopher Arthur Sr.:**  
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 **MAY 24, 2022 @ 8:00AM**

**CTWS, Petitioner, vs Eric Mitchell, Respondent; Case No. TR351-21. TO: Eric Mitchell:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a TRAFFIC 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 the **18<sup>TH</sup> day of MAY, 2022 @ 10:00AM**

**JODENE BOISE, Petitioner, vs JIMMY CULPS, Respondent; Case No. RO6-22. TO: JODENE BOISE, JIMMY CULPS:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a RESTRAINING ORDER has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **23<sup>RD</sup> day of MAY, 2022 @ 11:30 AM**

**CTWS, Petitioner, vs MARY CLOUD, Respondent; Case No. JV57-17. TO: MARY CLOUD, JOHN MARCUM, CANDASE MONTGOMERY:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP REVIEW has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **1<sup>ST</sup> day of JUNE, 2022 @ 3:00 PM**

**CTWS, Petitioner, vs ELLEN JACKSON, Respondent; Case No. JV3-19. TO: ELLEN JACKSON, ROBERT LUCEI, CPS, JV PROS, P&P:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP / SHOW CAUSE 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 **1<sup>ST</sup> day of JUNE, 2022 @ 2:00 PM**

**CTWS, Petitioner vs AMBROSIA SUPPAH, Respondent; Case No. JV46,47-20. TO: AMBROSISA SUPPAH, JEREMY KILLSFIRST:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **15<sup>TH</sup> day of JUNE, 2022 @ 2:00 PM**

**CTWS, Petitioner, vs N O R A L I S E T T E MCKINLEY, Respondent; Case No. JV105-10, JV25-12. TO: N O R A L I S E T T E MCKINLEY, AARON EAGLESPEAKER, MICHAEL & MARCI MILLS:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP REVIEW has been

scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **1<sup>ST</sup> day of JUNE, 2022 @ 4:00 PM**

**CTWS, Petitioner, vs LATONIA SMITH, Respondent; Case No. JV59,60-17. TO: LATONIA SMITH, RANDY ZARATE, CPS, JV PROS:**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a CUSTODY REVIEW / SUPERVISED 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 **24<sup>TH</sup> day of MAY, 2022 @ 9:30 A M**

**CTWS, Petitioner, vs MANDY SWITZLER, Respondent; Case No. JV154-16. TO: MANDY SWITZLER:**  
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 **13<sup>TH</sup> day of JUNE, 2022 @ 3:00 PM**

**CTWS, Petitioner, vs CASSIE MITCHELL-ALVARADO, Respondent; Case No. DO57-20. TO: QUENTIN JACKSON, MERCEDES M I T C H E L L -ALVARADO, CASSIE M I T C H E L L -ALVARADO:**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an CONSERVATOR 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 **15<sup>TH</sup> day of JUNE 2022 @ 4:00 PM**

**CTWS, Petitioner, vs LUCILLE POLK, Respondent; Case No. JV15.16.17.18.19.20-21. TO: LUCILLE POLK:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a 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 **7<sup>TH</sup> day of JUNE, 2022 @ 3:00 PM**

**CTWS, Petitioner, vs JANNA O'NEIL, Respondent; Case No. JV42,43,44-20. TO: JANNA O'NEIL:**  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **23<sup>RD</sup> day of JUNE, 2022 @ 2:00 PM**

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

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a CONSERVATOR 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 **21<sup>ST</sup> day of JUNE, 2022 @ 1:30 PM**

**NOTICE OF HEARING FOR CHANGE OF NAME. IN THE MATTER OF: ADDILYN LILLY IKE, DOB: N/A. MYRTLE SUPPAH, Petitioner; Case No. DO28-22.**

The above individual has filed a Petition with this Court to change said name from Addily Lilly Ike to Addilyn Lilly Suppah. A hearing on this matter has been set for **4:00 pm on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022**, at the Warm Springs Tribal Court. Any person who may show cause why this Petition should not be granted must file such objection in writing on or before **15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022**.

**NOTICE OF HEARING FOR CHANGE OF NAME. IN THE MATTER OF: AIDRIC RONEE IKE, DOB: N/A. MYRTLE SUPPAH, Petitioner; Case No. DO27-22.**

The above individual has filed a Petition with this Court to change said name from Aidric Ronee Ike to Aidric Ronee Suppah. A hearing on this matter has been set for **4:00 pm on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022**, at the Warm Springs Tribal Court. Any person who may show cause why this Petition should not be granted must file such objection in writing on or before **15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022**.

## Native women issue call to action for missing and murdered relatives

The federal government is promising historic investments to address the crisis of missing and murdered people in Indian Country as advocates continue to call for more support at all levels of government.

At a hearing on Capitol Hill last week, Secretary Deb Haaland said the Department of the Interior is working to “pursue justice” for people who go missing and murdered in tribal communities. The agency’s upcoming budget seeks a record level of funding to investigate cases involving American Indians and Alaska Natives and to identify gaps in information sharing and data collection across the entire U.S. government.

“The 2023 budget includes \$16.5 million to address the crisis of Missing and Murdered Indigenous People,” Haaland’s written statement to the House Committee on Appropriations reads.

After taking office over a year ago as the first Native person to lead the federal agency with the most trust and treaty responsibilities in Indian Country, Haaland established the Missing and Murdered Unit at the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The \$16.5 million in funding being requested by the administration goes to this new initiative at the BIA.

**CTWS, Petitioner, vs FELICITY VANPELT, Respondent; Case No. JV35-21. TO: FELICITY VANPELT:**  
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 **27<sup>TH</sup> day of JUNE, 2022 @ 2:00 PM**

**PROBATE**  
**In the matter of the estate of Patricia A. Tulee, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2020-PR72. To Roy Tulee:** You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **2 p.m. on June 2, 2022.**

**In the matter of the estate of Stanley R. Smith Jr., W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2017-PR29. To Rollina Smith, Lori Smith, Stanley Smith III, Jason Smith, Joella Smith and Jacoba Smith:** You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is re-scheduled for **3 p.m. on May 19, 2022.**

**In the matter of the estate of Carmen Smith, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2021-PR33. To Vernon Jackson Smith:** You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **2:30 p.m. on June 2, 2022.**

**In the matter of the estate of Neda B. Wesley, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2020-PR88. To Aurolyn Stwyer, Davis Stwyer, Wendell Greene and Jamey Wesley:** You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **2:30 p.m. on June 20, 2022.**

**In the matter of the estate Mary Ellen Spino,**

**W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 768-PR17-93. To Mattie Spino, Sunny Spino, Mary Suppah, Francis Suppah II and Julie Suppah:** You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **2 p.m. on June 28, 2022.**

**In the matter of the estate of Celia C. Greene, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2020-PR81. To Michael Greene, Ramona Baez, Sarah Gonsales, Delsie Greene, Wendell Greene, Roscue Greene, Myrna Greene, Damien Frank, Anthony Aronica, Alexandria Smith, Jamesina Smith, Joseph Smith, Rhonda Smith, Gary Smith, Gabriel Greene, Jefferson Greene, Ramon Greene, Quinton Greene, Lupe Galicia, Adriana Perez-Greene, Tianna Greene and Justin Greene:** You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **2 p.m. on June 20, 2022.**

**In the matter of the estate of Philanene Gene David, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 004-PR04-08. To Micah David, Seth David, Sage David-Miller, Orrah David, Sydonia David and Aram David:** You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **3 p.m. on June 28, 2022.**

**In the matter of the estate of Sammy Culps Sr., non-member, deceased. Estate no. 058-PR58-09. To Shanda Culps, Mary Culps, Sammy Culps Jr., Melina Culps, Sabrina Culps, Samantha Culps and Douglas Culps:** You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for **2:30 p.m. on June 28, 2022.**

said last Friday as advocates came together to launch the 2022 National Week of Action for MMIW, or missing and murdered indigenous women.

“Not one more stolen sister,” added Holsey, who also serves as treasurer of the National Congress of American Indians, the largest intertribal advocacy organization in the U.S.

During the MMIW national briefing that was hosted by the National Indigenous Women’s Resources (NIWRC), tribal leaders and advocates pointed to the recent passage of the Violence Against Women Act as one step in addressing the crisis. The newest version of the law, which was signed by President Joe Biden in March, recognizes the inherent authority of tribes to prosecute non-Indian perpetrators for crimes like sexual assault and human trafficking, which contribute to high rates of missing and murdered relatives.

“While much remains to be done, we know that when indigenous women, tribal sovereignty and self-determination are respected and the federal trust responsibility is upheld, those barriers to safety can be mitigated,” said Kerri Colfer, the Senior Native Affairs Advisor at the NIWRC.



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Donnie Bagley and Jamie Bagley, of tribal Utilities, return the official Jefferson County Ballot Box back in place by the Agency Fire Station. This is an important move, as voting in the 2022 May Primary is now underway. Some weeks ago, when the moving company transferred the

Commissary building to its new location, the box had to be temporarily removed, as the Commissary is very wide. Kate Zemke, Jefferson County Clerk, stopped by later in the week to inspect the box, making sure it is conveniently located in compliance with all voting laws and regulations.

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