Community update

The tribes and the covid Re- sponse Team remind the commu- nity of the covid virus remains a serious health risk in the com- munity, as it is across the county. An increase in the number of cases happened over the past several weeks, and deaths overall are well—largely because of recent covid variants. As of last week, there were 13 persons positive covid cases in the community, an increase from the spring which at one point saw new local cases before the in- crease began.

There was one person from the community in the hospital as of last week because of the virus. As a reminder, the vaccines and boosters remain the best defense against serious illness. Also: Mask- ing and distancing requirements re- main in place while people are in public buildings.

Man facing charges following fair incident

This week, Rafael Gomez, age 29, is accused of shooting a firearm and pointing it at sev- eral people on Friday, July 22 by the Jefferson County Fair. County prosecutors say Gomez has a 2019 car theft con- viction from San Diego County. He now faces an attempted murder charge, plus five counts of un- lawful use of a weapon.

In addition, he is facing pos- sible charges of felony in posses- sion of a firearm, a civil case. Gomez was booked this past Sunday into the Jefferson County Jail at 10pm, pending a court ap- pearance on Monday of this week.

The District Attorney's Office says his case will be presented to the grand jury this week. More information may be available, and will released fol- lowing the completion of a use- of-force investigation. The incident shut the highway down near Fairgrounds Road last Friday afternoon and evening. The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office says law enforcement re- sponded to a report of a man at the fairgrounds with a long rifle at about 1 pm on Friday. The man reportedly ran to a nearby busi- ness, where the the suspect was shot by law enforcement when he allegedly fired a weapon into the air. Jefferson County deputies and Madras Police were involved in the case, although no details have been released about who found on the suspect. An incident like this involving use of possible deadly force by officers of a relatively small law enforcement agency, re- quires the officers involved be put on administrative leave, pending an independent review by an outside agency.

The St. Charles System of Inclusion and Experience

Inclusion and diversity are high priorities of the St. Charles Health System, both for staff and the community members they serve. “The work has been going on for years, on multiple levels of the St. Charles’s organi- zation,” says Dr. Shilo Shilo Tippett.

Especially now, in her role as the St. Charles Health System Manager of Caregiver Inclusion and Experience, “I see how much we truly care,” Dr. Tippett says. In part, you see this inclusive of St. Charles with the doctor herself—a PhD-level Native American woman now managing the St. Charles Caregiver Inclusion and Expe- rience program. In the role she works to promote justice and equity, the notion of belonging for the 4,600 employ- ees of the health system and the communities they serve.

The position is a fairly new one. St. Charles developed it in response to Covid, and Dr. Tippett was a natural for the role, based on her ex- cellent background in the field as described more below. One area of the job involves training and helping ensure the staff are doing a good job of representing caregivers. For instance, in recent years an issue has been avoiding job burnout among caregivers, well- documented in the health profes- sion today.

Because of Covid-19, many people adjoined by working more at home. “Occasionally that’s not pos- sible with health care workers,” Dr. Tippett says. In response, “We’re working to understand the experience of our caregivers so they want to work here long-term.”

Another aspect of her job is continuing the spirit of inclusion and diversity in the care system. “Our dedication is to serving all people of the community equally and equ-itably,” the doctor says. “And our goal is moving forward with that.” Recent success in this approach is evident in the nationwide survey The Town Institute Hospital In- dians of Social Responsibility; “mea- suring racial inclusivity, avoidance of overt racism, and parity.” Of all hospitals surveyed across the U.S., St. Charles Madras was second best, just behind the hospital in Belle Glade, Florida.

Career path

Dr. Tippett grew up in Warm Springs. Her parents are Nat and Marti Shaw. Her youth on the reservation, and then in Terrebone was like that of friends and relatives School, berry picking in the summer, digging eggs. As a teenager she worked at the Early Child- hood Education Center. After high school Dr. Tippen went to Mt. Hood Community College, then transferred to the University of Oregon, earning her Psychology degree. This led to an education opportunity at Oklahoma State University, the Native Americans in Psychol- ogy program, her inspiration to pursue a career in Psychology. At Oklahoma State she com- pleted the Masters-Doctorate program, graduating in 2006 from the university Clinical Psy- chology PhD program. After this she interned at the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St. Charles Madras Hospital, then started as the St.

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The tribes’ Health and Human Services has opened a cooling shelter at the Family Resource Center. The shelter will be open as long as temperatures exceed 90 degrees, such as this week when highs are over 100 degrees Fahrenheit.

The cooling shelter is open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday through Friday; and weekends from noon to 8 p.m. Some conditions: No pets are allowed. No alcohol, tobacco or drugs allowed. No violence, verbal or physical. Wearing a mask is required.

Heat wave arrives

In the coming days and possibly weeks, there will be potential record-breaking temperatures throughout Oregon, Northern California and Washington State. This week is especially hot in Central Oregon, with a forecast on some days of near 110 degrees.

There is the possibility that temperatures in Oregon could reach their highest levels since last year’s deadly heat wave that killed hundreds of people across the Northwest.

The work shows pride in the tribes, the community and the rodeo.

With JE, Alfredine and Kecia, helping with the project are Daniel Gilbert, Dustin Suppah, Butch and Elise David, Aja Maldanado, Hobo Patt, and other volunteers.

Anyone who would like to help, the Ranch Rodeo Club is welcoming donations to help cover livestock costs, and for the prize money. For information on the scheduled events, see page 7 of this publication.

— Dave McMechan

Employment now at pre-covid level

Employment in the region, including the reservation, has returned to the pre-pandemic level, which was near the record level of local jobs. In Jefferson County, including most of the reservation, the unemployment rate was 4.6 percent. According to the state Department of Employment in its recent report: “Jefferson County has fully recovered from the pandemic shock with the seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment of 6,710 jobs, in line with the pre-pandemic peak.”
Groundwater in region receding each year

From the Bend area all the way to John Day, groundwater levels have been dropping. Some say it’s a problem that involves the use and type of re-inforcing fibers that are currently used in most sidewalks. Mark explains that when the concrete warms up on hot days, it can’t just fall back into place once it cools down. Expansion joints are typically installed every 20 feet, but it appears these days that is not enough. We need expansion joints at closer intervals on the work.

Sidewalks in Warm Springs pushed up by the heat. Mark explains that when long expanses of concrete sidewalks push upward in the hot summer days, the concrete expands and has to find relief somewhere. "Once it heaves like this, it can’t just fall back into place once it cools down. Expansion joints are typically installed at every 20 feet, but it appears these days that is not enough. We need expansion joints at closer intervals on the work. Warm Springs Construction is doing zero Mark says."

The slightly upended sidewalks seem most affected when adjacent to the dip of a driveway approach.

St. Charles: Priorities of inclusion, diversity

Since the beginning of Dr. Tippett’s career in psychology, she has prioritized Native American health and wellness. Before her doctorate training, she was a research coordinator, examining the factors that influenced child outcomes in a Native American Head Start program. While at Oklahoma State, she conducted research assessing outcome for Native American survivors of child abuse, as well as the academic achievement of Native American college students.

She has successfully attained five different grants for Native American child development programs, and served on many different committees throughout the past 20 years as an advisory member to promote the needs of Native Americans and ensure Native culture is a part of the health care field. The award ceremony was a time for her parents and three children to travel together to celebrate this special day.

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PSU tuition for Native students
Portland State University will offer in-state tuition to any student who is a part of a federally recognized Native American tribe. This is a rare offer, and places on campus.

Native American students from a federally recognized tribe can access PSU at state tuition rates starting this fall. Students who can provide tribal residency documentation don’t need to submit any other information to be eligible.

The university says the move is an effort to provide a welcoming environment to Native students on campus.

The university already offers other support for Native students in the forms of existing scholarships, programs, and student groups. PSU’s program is separate from the Oregon Tribal Student Grant. This covers tuition and expenses at colleges in the state for students from Oregon’s nine recognized tribes.

Birth
Mikaela Stokey-Anguiana; Lex Anguiana and Sky of Warm Springs are pleased to announce the birth of daughter Mikaela Stokey-Anguiana, born on July 13, 2022. Mikaela joins her brother Alexander. Grandparents on the mother’s side are Beatrice Supphuck and the late Thomas, and Ronald Supphuck Sr.

St. Charles CEO
After nearly eight years as president and chief executive officer of St. Charles Health System, Joe Sluka has announced his intention to step down from the role. Mr. Sluka wishes to thank the communities, including St. Charles Springs Reservior, served by the St. Charles Health System.

Council seeks to fill a number of board positions
Tribe Council seeks to fill the following board vacancy positions:

- The Telecom Board of Directors: Three positions open. Class I positions: One tribal member. The business and affairs of the Telecom are managed by the board. Letters of interest and resume of applicants who meet the conditions should be submitted no later than 5 p.m. on June 24. Drop off at the tribal administration building addressed to the Secretary-Treasurer/CEO. By mail send to: Secretary-Treasurer/CEO, P.O. Box 455, Warm Springs, OR 97761.

- Brown House: Two positions—One member and one non-member applicant. Process for applying is same as above.

- Warm Springs Water Power and Light Enterprise: One position open. Tribal member and one non-member applicant. Process for applying is same as above.

- Warm Springs Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) Commission: Five positions open—Two 1-year terms, and three 2-year terms. Any Indian 18 years of age who works or resides on the reservation is qualified to be appointed to the commission. Application procedure as above.

- Water Board: Two positions.

- Snowboarding.

- Hunting, fishing, and horseback riding.

- Thorpe reinstated as winner of 1912 gold medals
After well over a century, Jim Thorpe—the Native American track and field and football star—has been reinstated as the legitimate winner of the 1912 Olympic pentathlon and decathlon events in which he won three gold medals. The International Olympic Committee made the announcement earlier this month, on the day of the 1912 Games’ permanent opening.

Jim Thorpe
Howlak Tichum
Darlene M. Wilder ~ 1946-2022


Darlene was born on Wednesday, June 19, 1946 in Nez Perce, Washington to Harvey and Ellen Moses. In 1964, Darlene was chosen as Miss Colville Confederated Tribes and went on to be voted second runner-up for Miss Indian America. She graduated from Colville High School in 1964 and went on to Eastern Washington University, where she was a member of the choir and graduated with a BA in Art.

On Saturday, April 4, 1970, Darlene Moses married Ian Wilder in Nez Perce, Washington, spending the first five years of their married life as school teacher in Benton, Alaska.

An active member of the Nez Perce Longhouse, the Sacred Heart Catholic Church and Camillas of Nez Perce, Washington, life member of American Legion Auxiliary Unit #114, and member of Shoshone Village Board of Trumans, Darlene was a life of service to others. As an educator with Colville Tribal School District she increased understanding through Indian Culture Classes and worked with the Adult Education program. Darlene then went on to a position as program coordinator with Colville Tribal Corporation, in which she worked with residents of the tribal correctional facility to obtain their GED and assist them in other ways to improve their lives. She was an advocate giving a voice to those who have none.

Among her many endeavors to help others, Darlene was active with the Colville Peacemakers Circle, the Washington State Coalition Against Domestic Violence, and the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women organizations. On July 21 of last year, during a visit to Nez Perce, Washington, State Governor Jay Inslee named Darlene Wilder the Washingtonian of the Day.

Darlene was very proud of her heritage. Once, Darlene and her children, both dressed in full traditional regalia, walked all throughout the city of St. Louis, Missouri. She loved visiting her Warm Springs and Nez Perce relatives and homelands, gathering guides and asked questions and soaked at traditional weaving, painting, and pony rides. Darlene also loved to cook with her family and friends most fondly remembering her homebaked and ice cream. In life, as with her frequent road trips, Darlene enjoyed the journey. She will also be fondly remembered by those she knew and loved for her sense of humor that was full of witticisms and quick quips.

Darlene was preceded by both of her parents, daughter Marie-Wa-Tu-Le Wilder and sister Sharon Moses. Her legacy lives on through her loving husband of 52 years, Ian Wilder; and children McKinely Wilder, Kenneth Wilder, Warhun-yudh Wilder, Wap-Tsii-Mumu-Tu-Mun Wilder (Darlene Seymour), Tinch-Au-Speam Wilder, Hannah Tomlinson, and 18 grandchildren.

Darlene’s services were held July 12 and 13. She was laid to rest at Little Nespelem Cemetery, Nespelem, Wash.ington. Strate Funeral Home is assisting Darlene’s family. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at stratefuneral.com.
In the Tribal Court of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs

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Pear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 11th day of AUGUST, 2022 @ 1:30 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. CAROL LAWRENCE, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV154-14. TO: VERA SMITH, NO. JV-83-10A. TO: TRACY WALLUMATUM: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an AS-SISTED 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 25th day of AUGUST, 2022 @ 2:00 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. BLAIR MARTINEZ, RESPONDENT; Case No. DV151-06. TO: GLENDA FISHER, NO. JV-70-13. TO: CHARLYNNE SUPHALL, NO. JV-70-09. TO: AARON DEJESUS MEDEL, CPS, YVONNE M!XON, NO. JV154-08; JV116; 117-18. TO: GLORIA HERBERT, NO. JV-83-16; JV70-13. TO: MARY CLOUD, JOHN MARCUM, CANDACE MONTGOMERY: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an AS-SISTED 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 29th day of AUGUST, 2022 @ 2:00 PM

Public Notification of Finding of No Significant Impact to the Indian Health Service

This notice advises the public that an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center Campus Construction project is available for public review for a period of 30 days. This EA is located on our web site at www.tribalcourt.warm-springs.org/tribal court in the area of Tribal Court Under Tribal Court Projects, or you may contact the Tribal Court, 2200 Warm Springs Rd. Portland, OR 97202 Phone: 503-971-7400 for a paper copy. The EA addresses the potential environmental impacts of the project to the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Joint Health Commission’s preferences as reflected in a Council approved 10-year master plan for the proposed facility renovation and expansion.

IV PROSECUTION: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a PERMANENT CUSTODY 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 18th day of AUGUST, 2022 @ 2:00 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. VERA SMITH, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV-61-06; JV54-17. TO: VERA SMITH, PEGGY WILLIAMSON: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an AS-SISTED 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 20th day of AUGUST, 2022 @ 10:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. MARY CLOUD, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV-56-06; JV54-16; JV63-17. TO: MARY CLOUD, JOHN MARCUM, CANDACE MONTGOMERY: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an AS-SISTED 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 29th day of AUGUST, 2022 @ 2:00 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. MARTHA LAWRENCE, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV-40-06; JV-167-14; JV-534-14. TO: CHARLYNNE SUPHALL, CPS, JV PROSECUTION: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an AS-SISTED GUARDIANSHIP CAUSE has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 17th day of JULY, 2022 @ 11:00 AM

Scope of project (See attached figure):

Phased series of capital improvement projects to renovate and expand the existing Health and Wellness Center. Consolidate all healthcare departments into one building on one site with sufficient capacity to meet the tribe’s needs.

This proposal includes a 16,000 square foot renovation of the Warm Springs Joint Health Commission’s preferences as reflected in a Council approved 10-year master plan for the proposed facility renovation and expansion.

o Phase 1: Primary Care and pharmacy building expansion. Renovation of Lab, Imaging, Home Health and Specialty Care.

o Phase 2: Dental building expansion. Includes renovations of Eye Care, Audiology, IT, and Property and Supply.

o Phase 3: Refurbishment and administration building expansion. Includes added space for Business Office, HIM, PRC, CRIS, HIPS.

o Phase 4: Behavioral Health renovation and Administration building expansion. Includes including expansion for Public Facilities, Education and Group Consultation, and Community Wellness.

Environmental impacts:

o This project may impact operations of the existing helipad located on the campus. Continued use of the helped will be determined by the local Authority Having Jurisdiction, which is the Warm Springs Emergency Management department.

o This project may be impacted by this project. Health risks after implementation of this project are expected to decline, and patient experiences at their local health clinic are expected to improve.

Determination:

Based on the environmental assessment, the IHS has determined that the environmental impacts of the proposed construction project are not significant.
Summer at Painted Pony Espresso

The tribes’ summer youth work program is a great chance for young people to learn new skills while earning money and having fun. A good example of the youth work helping Emily Courmant this summer at the Painted Pony Espresso shop at the Plaza, not far from the casino.

This summer the youth at the shop are Kalyssa Fuentes, Jaden Fuentes, and Katelyn Tanawasha. “I like meeting the customers, getting to know new people, and learning how to make the drinks,” Kalyssa, who will be high school freshman in the fall, was saying, the other summer.“She’s working the summer away, learning life skills and Human Services.

Her sister, Fuentes, adds, “I also like that we’re enjoymixing, that we’re learning new things, we’re doing the drinks.” In fact, the drink spouts fits the size of the drink seven coats features all drinks that are original creations by the store’s two workers. This week those include coffees like Cinnamon Roll, Cherry, and Redmond collaborated on all drinks. “I also like that we’re encouragings eating out new things, and learning how to mix the drinks.”

Also this summer at Painted Pony Espresso they choose a different theme for every day they are open. For instance, includes “Thirsty Thursday, Crazy Hair, Dress Like Someone You Admire Day, followed by Dress Like Your Boss Day. You can step by the shop by Indian Head Cent the address being 3240 Walsey Lane, Suite 1. Or you can call in a drink at 541-795-4984.

You can pick up or pick de- ferred. Painted Pony is open on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. They’re closed on Wednesdays for training day.

Dave Michelschen

Student Acceleration starts Monday

The Kindergarten Summer Acceleration Camp of the Jefferson County 509-J school district is coming up August 1-19, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Warm Springs Academy.

This is for students entering kindergarten in Septem- ber.

The summer program will continue your child’s math, reading, and language development through STEM—Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math and language development through STEM.

The program features students entering first- through eighth-grade instruction, language through STEM.

The program will be August 1-19, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Bridges High School or at Madison High School. Call 541-475-0388 for information. Register at the website.

Oregon Tribal Students grant deadline soon

The Oregon Tribal Stu- dent Grant is a great program, able to pay for much-needed education-related expenses—including tuition, housing, books, and other costs not covered by other grants—for eligible Oregon tribal students.

It can be applied toward undergraduate or graduate study at Oregon public colleges and universities, as well as eligible private colleges and vocational institutions, where award amounts can go up to the public colleges and universities.

The priority deadline for students enrolling in the fall 2022 term is August 1. To meet this deadline students must have a valid 2022-23 FAFSA or ORSAA on file.

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Camp Naimuma returning in August

Culture and Heritage will host Camp Naimuma at the Helde Longhouse in August. Applications can be picked up and turned in at Culture and Heritage in the Education building.

The camp is for boys and girls ages 8 to 14, and the cost is free. Camp Naimuma—Sunday through Wednesday, August 28-31—will include overnight camping, crafts, language, singing and social dances.

For more information you can call Culture and Heritage at 541-553-3290. Or email Shayla Stwyer at shayla.stwyer@wstribes.org Or Radine ‘Deanie’ Johnson at radine.johnson@wstribes.org

Fire season starting on the reservation

A fire began on the reservation in mid July, marking a start to a potential serious fire season for the region.

The brush fire on the afternoon of July 17 burned across 25 acres partly on the reservation and mostly off, in Jefferson County jurisdiction.

The response required a brief closure of Highway 26 near milepost 110 between Warm Springs and Madras.

Cause of the fire was not immediately known, with the BIA investigating. A county fire investigator said a barn on a homestead in the area began to catch fire, but crews were able to extinguish the flames.

High winds were a factor, as the blaze moved through the draw between Pelton Dam Road and Highway 26.