

Umatilla opens their Tamastlikt Institute

The Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation today opened their Tamastlikt Culture Institute to the public. The 45,000 square foot visitor and education center on the Umatilla Indian Reservation has been in the works since 1988 and is the fifth visitor center in Oregon that highlights the Oregon Trail immigration. Tamastlikt, which translates to "interpret" in the Walla Walla native language, is the only one that tells the story from a Native American perspective.

The permanent exhibits not only talk about the Oregon Trail, but also share the culture, history, current events, and future ambitions of the Cayuse, Umatilla and Walla Walla Tribes (the three tribes that make up the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation).

A grand opening ceremony was held on August 1 at 9 a.m. and featured a horse parade with tribal members in full regalia. A recognition

reception was held on July 31 at 6 p.m. thanking contributors who have helped make Tamastlikt a reality.

The public was admitted free to the exhibits July 31 and August 1. Beginning August 2 the following fees will be charged to view the exhibits: \$6 for adults; \$4 for Senior Citizens & Students, children under 5 are free and anyone who is accompanied by a CTUIR tribal member gets \$1 off their admission price. The center is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The permanent exhibit gallery, designed by world renowned Jean

Jacque Andre, tells the story of the tribes in three parts: "We Were," "We Are" and "We Will Be." An art gallery will host changing exhibits and showcase local and regional art by tribal artists. The facility also features a visitor services wing complete with a museum store emphasizing local tribal arts and crafts, multi-use theater and cafe. A museum services wing features archives and photo collection, the Institute's permanent artifact collection, a community storage facility and other facilities for caring for artifacts, photos and documents.

What's with Credit Enterprise?

To the Editor,

I just want to express my disappointment in our newly named Tribal Credit Enterprises. I submitted an application for a loan and was turned down and said application was returned with no consideration whatsoever. There was no mention of a loan officer to contact or even a signed letter. Who gets paid to send these letters of rejection?

One of their reasons was because of a vacated home belonging to the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. There's a reason I am in limbo with their housing department. Over the way they took over \$1,800 equity for an alleged refrigerator replacement. The refrigerator was working at the time of eviction and over five years of use it would have needed to be replaced anyway.

The other was because of court costs but with no available job in the area, I choose to live in Northern Rural Nevada. There's no way I can

fulfill my financial obligations to the court. I understand the enterprises policy, but in no way did I sign "their" notice of discontinuing financing if debts owed to other departments within the tribe. "Prudent manner" is a poor choice of words in their notice. Maybe they'll give me a loan to pay off housing and the court, but with no employment and a wife and two kids, how does that help us today? It will be at least another year before Tribal Credit Enterprises considers a loan for me. What's next: Collection agencies?

Forgive me for being upset, but my children need school clothes and financially I'm in a bind, but in a way this is a harsh lesson for me and mine. I wish the Tribes no ill will, but only prosperity for the good of all our children.

May the Creator continue to bless and guide us all.

In Jesus' name, Brother in Christ,
Davis Stwyer, Sr.

Call CCC for help

In the first six months of 1998, Consumer Credit Counseling has helped Central Oregonians pay off over \$800,000 in debt. Consumer Credit Counseling is a non-profit, United Way agency dedicated to helping people find a better way to pay their bills. Consultations are confidential and FREE. For information, call 389-6181.

Not power hungry but a concerned parent

To the editor,

I have received many comments about my letter to the editor and now I am writing this letter to let people know that I didn't write the other letter to air the problems in our lives. You missed the point. I wanted people to know that she went into our daughter's classroom and upset her on what she thought of as a very important day to her—"Play Day". Our daughter will always remember that.

I felt the judicial system had let our daughter down, they failed to protect her rights. She's only a child.

What if something like this happens to other children?

Some of the comments I received were that I was a jealous wife and using my job and power as a tribal member that I was making libelous statements. I know what libel is. It's writing something about somebody that isn't true. I would not jeopardize my job by making libelous statements about somebody using the newspaper for which I work. Being a tribal member hasn't protected the rights of my husband or our daughter. Our daughter did not deserve to have this happen to her and so I spoke up about

it. I wanted other parents to be aware that this could happen to your children and maybe nothing will be done about it.

There was a letter received by Spilyay Tymoo but it wasn't signed. I expressed my opinion publicly and signed my name to it because Spilyay will not print anonymous letters. There has to be a name, that's what it says at the bottom of page four. My last letter went through both of my supervisors before it was printed. It is not their opinion but mine.

Selena Boise
Concerned parent

Warm Springs hosting ITC at Kah-Nee-Ta

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs will be hosting the 1999 Inter-Tribal Council (ITC) at Kah-Nee-Ta April 12-16, 1999. What is ITC all about? Approximately 72 different tribes are paid members of ITC and represent many areas throughout the United States, ranging from Alaska, New York, Florida and California.

Tribal leaders, Natural Resource Managers and Natural Resources staff members focus on what is good for water, land and air, plus everything in between.

Discussion will revolve around what is the easy way and the hard way to get the job(s) done to the satisfaction of the land owner.

The above paragraph is just a very brief portion on what ITC talks about.

The planning committee is requesting from the tribal members, the following:

- 1) Theme for symposium—the theme should be 10-15 words or less.
- 2) A logo will be for the registration packet and the final proceeding book—the logo will need to be in black and white not more than 9 inches by 7 inches. Showing different natural resources images as you visualize them.

If you have any questions or comments please feel free to call Theron Johnson at 553-2416 or Minnie Yahtin at 553-3257.

Nerf bars for sale

Smittybuilt Chrome nerf bars to fit Ford Ex Cab pickups between 1987-1996. Asking \$280. Call 553-3274 ask for Selena.



Happy Birthday
July 28th to our daughter
Sheena Courtney
Happy 15th!
Love,
Mom, Dad & bro's

Happy 14th Birthday
Ellen Renee Courtney
August 1
Love,
Auntie Sheryl, Uncle
Steve & cousins

Win a Car!

Proceeds to benefit Mid Oregon Special Olympics
Tickets \$2.00 each

Ticket includes \$2.00 off a Giant Pizza at Abby's Legendary Pizza (an additional \$1.00 donated by Abby's when coupon redeemed.)

Tickets may be purchased at
Abby's Legendary Pizza
413 SW Glacier Avenue, Redmond

Look for this car at local Central Oregon events throughout the summer. For more information contact: Mid Oregon Special Olympics, 541-388-3965; Brett Mills, 541-548-6935; Dale Williams, 541-923-6004; Marie & Eldon Tom, 541-553-5436.

Drawing held August 25, 1998 at Abby's in Redmond

Thank you all for helping, contributions, etc.

To the editor,

On behalf of the Administrative Services Center (Tribal Council) staff, thank you Tribal Council for the contribution toward the Memorial Endurance Horse Race June 27, 1998. This year the race was in memory of Ellen Johnson, Tribal Council member, Caroline Tohet, Prosanna Williams and Arthur Mitchell, committee members and Rowena Begay, committee secretary. They will be honored and appear on the poster for three years. We would like to thank the family members for their presence.

We had 13 participants in the Senior Division, with First through Fifth place. Brian McPherson of McMinnville, OR set a new record of 41:23; Smokey Wewa Sr. (44:27); Chief Smith (49:15); Evans Spino, Sr. (50:37); Rooster Felt (50:42); Joyce Suppah, Leland Thompson, Delvis Heath, Derek Hinkey, Mary Ann Stahi, Shane Olney, Lucinda Heath and Israel Scott. (The prizes were listed in a previous Spilyay Tymoo issue, we will not list all again.)

Thirteen is the most participants we have had in the Senior Division

and we hope you will all be back next year and then some. This is the first year we put a saddle as a prize, it was suggested by some of the participants, spectators and helpers, so we gave it a try! We hope to do that again next year.

Three entered the Junior Division: Billie Suppah, Lydell Suppah and Gordon Scott, Jr. First place received percentage of the entry fee, plus an added pot of \$100, a silver trophy buckle with ruby stones, among other prizes; second place also received a percentage, silver buckle with ruby stones, among other prizes; Gordon Scott, Jr. although he did not finish the race and as a consolation he did receive money and other prizes. We look forward to having you all back next year too.

I would like to thank the following for volunteering and assisting with registration or out in the field so bright and early: Danny Scott, Joe Moses, Terry Snowden, Norma Miller, Myrr Saludo, Muriel Thompson, Roberta Tufti, Willie Bagley, the judges and timekeepers, our faithful trustee Karman Blake, Bernie Topash, Jacob Frank, Reggie Winishut and last but certainly not

least Urbana Manion, our "all-around" girl, who assisted with the Junior Division registration, timekeeper and wherever she was needed.

Also, we would like to thank the following for their on-going support and assistance from the beginning with the planning, running around, marking trails, or assisting in one way or another and moral support: Natural Resources, Jody Calica, Bobby Brunoe and Evans Spino; Fire & Safety, Utilities as always, Herbie and his staff, Lee Tom, Oliver Moses, Brian Lund and Cecil Brunoe, Forestry, Bodie Shaw and his staff and contribution of the ribbon and rest of the ASC staff who were not able to be there due to an emergency or other commitments, Lyn Davis, Estella Lawson (first year she missed), Minnie Yahtin, Kristi Warner, Rhonda Smith and Dinah Merrifield.

Thank you all for helping make this a success.

Doris J. Miller

Dance group forming

Do you have any girls interested in powwow dancing ages between 4-14? We would like to try this to bring the little girls back into dancing and out of gangs/violence. Also just to have fun working with the younger generation and bring them together. As teenagers these days we have to be good role models. This would help. If you would like to help us, you are more than welcome. We are looking for a fairly large place to practice and rehearse without charge. We also would like to start as soon as August 5 or sooner if possible. Well, thanks for your time and all of that good stuff. If you have a vacancy, please call us at the Small Business Center (541)553-3592 and ask for Cece Herrera and/or Janell Tailfeathers.

Powwow seeking candidates

The Annual powwow held at Celilo, Oregon is seeking royalty candidates and has the following categories: Sr. Queen (13 & older), Jr. Queen (12 & younger), Lil Brave (no age limit).

The Mid-Columbia River Powwow is held October 23, 24, 25, 1998.

Winner is determined by most big raffle tickets sold. Winners in each category will receive a traveling crown (except lil brave), a jacket, a banner, a 20% payback on total raffle ticket sales, plus other prizes. Runners-up will receive a 20% payback, & other prizes.

Interested candidates and raffle tickets sellers can contact Gloria Jim (509) 848-3461 or (541) 296-8816.

Small Business Development Center and ONABEN

present:

"You and Your Business Idea"

A series of classes designed to "discover" tribal and local entrepreneurs and encourage the development of your business idea beyond "just an idea."

Classes will be held Tuesday, September 15 and 22, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

"Starting a Successful Business"

A ten-week series of classes designed to guide participants through the business plan writing process. The course materials and individual counseling sessions allow participants to work through the business planning process. The end result is a comprehensive business plan that can be taken to financial institutions for loan consideration.

The classes will be held on Tuesdays from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., beginning September 29 then every Tuesday thereafter for 10 weeks: September 29; October 6, 13, 20, 27; November 3, 10, 17, 24; and December 1. Graduation will be held December 4.

Both classes will be held at the Tribe's Small Business Development Center located at 2107 Wasco Street in Warm Springs, OR.

To sign up call (541) 553-3592.

Back to School Special

August & September

Students only, 10% off regular price

Hair cut and perms only!

Gift certificates also available

at Marcia's Hair Salon on the Rez

John Mitchell-hairstylist

Marcia Simtustus-owner/operator

Give us a call, set an appointment

walk-ins welcome too 553-2521.

Happy Birthday Dad
with lots of love
from Meleah & Paula

Happy Birthday Grandfather
from: Antone, Berta, MiMi
& Mo from Pendleton, from
Sluggo in lockdown, Dee,
Carlos, Jade, Jered, Beba & NT



Happy Birthday to
the Macho Man
& many more to come.
Have a good one.
Your loyal fans

Happy Birthday Dad/Grandpa
We love you
Selena, Tony, George, Tonya,
Leanna and Jackson

Happy Anniversary
Mom & Dad
on August 14
36 years of happiness and more
to come.
Selena

Congratulations Binky. You did
it! Twin boys Milton & Phillip
Holliday. Born July 7, 1998
Phillip 3 lbs. 8 oz.;
Milton 4 lbs.
We love you!

Love,
Chico Isaiah & Girls

Happy Birthday to these very special
people in August:

- 1-Lucy Gadberry
- 2-Sterling Kalama
- 3-Nadine Williams
- 4-Valerie Aguilar
- 5-Alex Smith
- 6-Regan Calica
- 7-Roland Kalama, Jr.
- 8-Ronnie Palmer
- 9-Clarice (Smith) Crane
- 10-Larson Kalama, Sr.
- 11-Vickie Hellon
- 12-Leanna Blueback

Happy Anniversary to:
7-Debbie & Merle Williams, Jr.
11-Eraina & Henry Palmer
25-Paula & Dan Brisbois, Jr.
With lots of love & prayers,
Tina, Easton & kids

To my husband Easton,
It's been 18 (19) wonderful years
together,
We made it thru all kinds of
weather.

We had our ups and we had our
downs,
But together, our Lord God has
us bound.

You have made me happy as each
year goes by,
Sometimes I wonder and ask God
why.

How can it be possible to love
you more than before?
But God just says, "His love on
us He will pour".

I no longer question these mat-
ters to Him,
Knowing He's in charge, keep-
ing us from sin.

I thank Him everyday for you,
my love,
Keeping us together with His
love from above.

Happy Anniversary & I love you.
Your wife,
Tina



Jimmy Wesley Sr. August 17,
1938 You're a wonderful father to
me. Dad, on your birthday I'm think-
ing about how you've encouraged
and inspired me throughout my life.

You're words of support when I
needed them most. Your genuine
enthusiasm for my accomplishments.
The many opportunities you provided
for me to grow. Dad, you've brought
out the very best in me by giving
your very best to me and I will be
forever grateful.

Lovingly,
Eliza Greene-Crutchner
McDermitt, NV



Happy Birthday Ross Jr. Time
sure flies, Sweet 16. It seems like
only yesterday when you took your
first step and learned your first word
and now you're nearing adulthood.
We all wish you the very best and
hope the choices you decide to make
will guide you well in life.

Love,
Mom, Juanita, Jessie,
James, Auntie, Maggie,
Uncle Reg, Mark,
Wesley, Mallory, Snithers
and Dad Ross Sr.



Happy Birthday to our little An-
gel, Lorien, August 10th, even if you
are a "decade". We love you "lots"!
Grandma Linda &
Grandpa Phillip

Binky & Chico, Congratulations
on the birth of our twin boy
grandbabies!

Love you,
Grandma & Grandpa David