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(Coyote News)

News from the Warm Springs Indian Reservation

Hollywood Boulevard extended to Kalama Road



Progress is made

A new road connecting Kalama Lane and Hollywood was recently completed to alleviate traffic on Kotnum Road where the ECE, Longhouse, and Health and Wellness Center is located. This was follow through to a plan designed in 1982.

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Lake Billy Chinook Day celebration and cleanup set for September 23

An afternoon celebrating the rich natural, cultural and recreational resources of Lake Billy Chinook following a morning cleanup will be the order of the seventh annual Lake Billy Chinook Day, Saturday, September 23, at The Cove Palisades State Park, 14 miles west of Madras.

The fall cleanup of lake, shore and canyon rim will begin with a 9 a.m. orientation. The fun will start at noon and last until 4 p.m.

Portland General Electric, the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs and the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) are the primary sponsors of the event, which won the Stop Oregon Litter and Vandalism (SOLV) Cup in 1994 and 1998 for organizational structure and success in building partnerships.

Volunteer registration for the cleanup will begin at 7:30 a.m. The park's day-use fee will be waived for visitors registering for the cleanup (state park day-use permits - \$3 daily/\$25 annual - will be required on all other vehicles). Campers participating in the volunteer activity will receive one night of free camping. Park staff and event sponsors also will serve volunteers a hot dog lunch following the cleanup.

"People won't need boats to help out," said OPRD's Paul Patton, the event's coordinator. "We have plenty of projects on land and shore along all three arms of the reservoir. And, we have plenty on non-work activities to enjoy," he added.

For the fifth consecutive year, Lake Billy Chinook Day will have a link with the annual worldwide cleanup effort coordinated by "Clean up the World," Ltd. of Sydney, Australia. "Clean up the World," Ltd. provides organizational support and promotion for hundreds of cleanup events and activities around the globe, and is affiliated with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). "This affiliation is appropriate and symbolic," said Warren R. Clements, the director of tribal relations for the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. "Lake Billy Chinook Day is a time for all of us to come together, gain knowledge and make a positive impact on our water and lands."

Lake Billy Chinook Day is also a featured event of the 2000 Oregon Archaeology Celebration, a month-long observance beginning September 15. Displays and information on a variety of related topics will explain the significance of cultural resources and historic events in central Oregon with a special focus on the area around Lake Billy Chinook.

A free, guided sea-kayak tour (kayaks provided) led by central Oregon naturalist Gary Clowers and free boat tours of the lake are new activities on the event's afternoon agenda. Since space is limited, participants interested in the tours are encouraged to call (541) 546-2873 to reserve seats, said Patton.

As in past years, special presen-

tations will include live birds-of-prey demonstrations given by the High Desert Museum, a performance by the Spirit Walker Dancers of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs and a local talent showcase. Summit Sports of Sunriver, Oregon, also will provide free canoe and kayak rides.

"Lake Billy Chinook Day continues to grow as a way to promote an understanding and appreciation of our valuable natural resources," said Tony Dentel, park operations manager for Portland General Electric. "There are many ways individuals and groups can join in this worthwhile effort."

Patton credits additional volunteer support and sponsorships provided by area agencies and organizations for the event's growth. Event supporters include The Telephone Pioneers of America, the Crooked River National Grassland (USFS), Bureau of Land Management, Horizon Broadcasting (KWAK-FM, KRCC-AM/FM, KWPK-The Eagle FM), the Crooked River Ecosystem Education Council, Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce, Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, Seaswirl Boats, Inc., Jefferson County E.M.S., Bright Wood Corp., SOLV, Earth20, The Museum at Warm Springs, Warm Springs Power Enterprises, the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and The Oregon Eagle Foundation.

More information on the event may be obtained by calling (541) 546-2873.

Gunshot kills tribal member

The Warm Springs Police Department in conjunction with the Federal Bureau of Investigation is conducting an investigation into the shooting death of a 39-year-old Warm Springs man. In the early evening of September 17, 2000, police and emergency medical personnel responded to 2563 Mount Jefferson Street after receiving a report of a gun shot victim. Emergency personnel found Warren Wallulatam Sr. at the home

with a gunshot wound to the chest. Mr. Wallulatam was transported by ambulance to Mountain View Hospital and then flown to St. Charles Medical Center by Air Life where he went into emergency surgery. During surgery, Mr. Wallulatam succumbed to his wounds and was pronounced dead. The police department has classified the investigation as a homicide and the investigation is ongoing.

Wisdomkeepers 1990

"The spiritual heritage of Native American people is here-it has not been extinguished. I believe the spiritual fire still burns and is beckoning for America, indeed, the world to come closer, to listen, to learn, and to shear in its warmth and comfort....It is time that the buckskin curtain be drawn back. It is time. I know it....Teach the children. If we educate them, our children tomorrow will be wiser than we are today. They are the Grandfathers and Grandmothers of tomorrow."

References: Travels in a Stone Canoe, Harvey Arden/Steve Wall

Update on the Warm Springs Sustainability Project

The Warm Springs Sustainability Project is a partnership between Oregon State University, Mt. Hood National Forest and the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. This project is totally funded by the Ford Foundation. We are in phase II, which covers the period April 1, 2000 through March 31, 2002.

The purpose of this project is to facilitate conservation-based development on the Warm Springs Reservation. Project goals are: A. To manage ecosystems for long-term health, diversity and sustainability. B. To build cooperative management teams. C. To create access to resources on federal lands where tribes have rights to those resources. D. To enhance cultural survival.

The Warm Springs Sustainability Project complements the IRMP. We address also the Ford Foundation's "three E's": environ-

ment, equity, and economy in with our four key components in collaboration with Mt. Hood National Forest: 1. Ecological factors influencing productivity; 2. Cultural issues; 3. Socioeconomic opportunities and constraints and 4. Educational programs and process.

In summary, in the Cultural Issues component: We completed 41 interviews with the Warm Springs elders regarding huckleberry picking experiences from long time ago. With a potential list of approximately 43 yet to be completed, Lucinda Green and her daughter Charlie, will be scheduling and interviewing.

We recently went on a tour to see the berries at Mt. Hood. Thank you Culture & Heritage committee members, a Timber Committee member, Huckleberry ceremonial pickers, and longhouse leaders and National Resource student employees for attending this huckleberry tour on July

13 & 14, 2000. John Davis, Tribal Liaison with the Zigzag Ranger District was very pleased to hear from several tribal members. He was impressed with the openness and willingness to share, especially from the ceremonial pickers.

We need to take these questions to the community to help decide which priority areas and road access places we would like to see developed and improved for huckleberry enhancement in the Mt. Hood areas. It's also a goal to have an Indian Only picking area at Mt. Hood. The Mt. Hood Forest Service people have been meeting with the Culture & Heritage committee. They are presently able and willing to work with the tribe to develop huckleberry picking areas.

Watch for public notices for this community meeting.