

After graduation Sampson planning on college

Editors note: This is another in a series of articles on tribal members who are seniors at Madras High School.

Madras High School senior Rebecca Lee Sampson "Becky," is of Paiute, Yakama, Clallum and Puyallup affiliation, and the daughter of Carolyn "Girle" Johnson.

Her grandparents are the late Ellen Henry Johnson and the late Floyd Dewey Johnson. Her ten brothers and sisters are Alex Tufti, Gerald Tufti, Brian Renfro, Paulette Henry, Vernon Sampson, Kristina Sampson, Gerald Sampson,



Rebecca "Becky" Sampson

Jr., Jarod Sampson, Noreen Sampson, and Betty Jo Stephens.

Though she doesn't play high school sports, she does like to play softball.

Her after school activity is

going to work at the early childhood education center.

She will miss her friends and teachers after she graduates, but she will make new friends and have new teachers when she attends community college. She plans to continue to work and attend school and eventually attend a university.

Ten years from now she sees herself as a doctor or a nurse for the Warm Springs community, or a teacher or secretary.

She concludes with this advice for remaining underclassmen, "Stay in school, do your work, don't slack off all the time, and have a good school year!"

Favorite teacher:

"All the teachers are my favorites. Why? Because they are all nice people to know."

Favorite class:

"Calligraphy. I learned how to write in different styles."

Favorite actress: My nieces Jocene Tufti, Keverly Tufti and Ellen Sampson.

Favorite song: "This Little Light of Mine, sung by my mom."

Most embarrassing moment: "I got pantsed at the middle school."

Tribes selected for environmental award

By Bill Rhoades
Spilyay Tymoo

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs have been selected as a recipient of the Department of the Interior's Environmental Achievement Award for 2002. The award is presented for outstanding environmental achievements and stewardship.

The Confederated Tribes was selected for this year's award because of ongoing efforts to enhance salmon and steelhead populations in the Deschutes

basin. An Interior memo specifically points to tribal efforts in conserving wild populations of spring chinook salmon and steelhead in the Warm Springs River and Shitike Creek.

"With the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the State of Oregon, members of the Warm Springs tribes have worked on a variety of projects to monitor salmon life history, including spawning, escapement, egg and juvenile production, harvest and adult returns for more than 25 years," states an Interior memo.

Salmon have been a vital

component of the tribal culture for thousands of years. Unfortunately, a variety of impacts have eliminated or reduced naturally spawning stocks throughout the Columbia basin.

A downward trend for spring chinook was reversed in 2000 and 2001, as record returns entered the Columbia en route to spawning grounds on tributaries such as the Warm Springs River and Shitike Creek. Efforts put forth by the tribes' Natural Resources staff and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service are recognized as a contributor to this

recent success story.

"The dedicated efforts of the Warm Springs tribes were instrumental in producing this result," states the Interior memo. "Due to this success, the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs have come to be recognized throughout the Columbia River basin as leaders in the conservation and management of salmon and steelhead..."

The Environmental Achievement Award will be presented to the Confederated Tribes on Oct. 17 at the Main Interior Building in Washington, D.C.

Planting program completed in Warm Springs

The largest tree planting program in the Pacific Northwest this year was recently completed on the Warm Springs Reservation. The hard working crews planted 2,200 logged-over acres in addition to 2,500 acres of the Simnasho Fire area and 1,275 acres of the Jefferson Fire area.

The planting effort, which was completed in late March, included up to eight crews with inspectors coming from all departments in the Forestry Branch. Conifer seedlings from seven different nurseries in Oregon supplied the planters with

a representative group of five major tree species. Between two and five species were planted at each location.

Multiple species were selected for each site to provide diversity and to mimic stands that would have been present historically. The new stands should be well adapted to the local climate, and will eventually create habitat for a wide variety of wildlife, as well as a future source of wood products.

One interesting aspect of this year's plantings is an ongoing study being conducted in coop-

eration with Oregon State University. Controlled release fertilizers were placed near the seedlings to determine what levels of nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium will improve the growth of ponderosa pine, Douglas fir, noble fir and western white pine for the climate and soils found on the reservation.

The fertilizers release nutrients over a five-year period and results have been encouraging for off-reservation sites in the Coast Range and on the west side of the Cascade Mountains.

The goal is to produce healthier and faster growing trees at a cost of approximately one penny per tree. Test sites being monitored through this special project are located in the Jefferson Fire area and the Long Willow Timber Sale area.

Next season the crews will plant another 4,000 acres in the Simnasho Fire area with two-year-old conifer seedlings and bitterbrush seedlings currently being grown by the U.S. Forest Service from seed collected by local high school students.

Family holds fundraiser raffle

The Squiemphen family will be selling raffle tickets to raise money for Priscilla's kidney transplant until the drawing is held at the end of the month. The tickets are \$1 each and you need not be present to win.

Items on the raffle list are: Quarter horse colt, 1/2 cord of wood, 1 gallon huckleberries, microwave, western pillow set, 1 gallon dried corn, 2 boxes shells (cowry), black Stetson hat, lead rope/halter, western cookie jar, beaded cap, head stall, 1 year subscription Spilyay Tymoo, Huckleberry jam, white Pendleton shawl (long fringe),

horse bucket (filled with various items), Hawaiian painting, Hawaiian coffee, gift basket from the Museum At Warm Springs, framed pictures, \$100 cash, \$50 cash, \$25 cash, ribbon shirt, Pendleton blanket, DVD player, and many other items.

Tickets can be purchased by any of these family members: Rita Squiemphen, Earlyne Squiemphen, Gladys Squiemphen, C.R. Begay, Ginger Smith, Heather Crow-Martinez, Barbara Jim, Jodel Johnson, Monica Leonard, and Val Squiemphen. Tickets will be sold until the drawing, Oct. 31.

Calendar

Ghosts and goblins of the ghoulish kind will gather in the Education Room of The Museum at Warm Springs on Friday, Oct. 11, which is a no-school day. The gathering is from 10 a.m. till 3 p.m. Parents and children are invited to come and have fun by creating your own Halloween bag. Decorate it with your favorite character. Material will be provided. Class fee is \$1.

Principle centered parenting class. Topic: Helping kids help themselves. At the Family Resource Center, Wednesday evenings 6-8 p.m., through Nov. 6.

Diabetes education classes are being offered at the Diabetes breakfast gatherings every second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The education classes will follow a series of diabetes topics. The Oct. 8 topic is, "Basics of eating and food and BG." The Oct. 22 meeting will be, "Planning meals and stocking the cupboard." Breakfast and education classes start at 8:30 a.m.

Are you seeking that special collector's item, gift or tasteful food? Come to The Museum at Warm Springs' First Annual **Holiday Bazaar**. The museum's lobby, hallways and education room will be filled with the fanfare of holiday community and Native American arts and craft items, food and beverages. The event is set for November 30, from 9 a.m. till 5 p.m. Warm Springs community members will have artistic handmade items on display.

Healthy Cooking Class: "The class is very good and my kids enjoy it." *Class participant.* If you want to learn how to make good food that is good for you then come to Healthy Cooking Class on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center's demonstration kitchen. October's classes will be on October 9, 16 and 23. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more information call Sara or Laura at 553-2460.

Traditional dancer



Dave McMechan/Spilyay

Keno Tuckta performs a traditional dance at the Lake Billy Chinook Day event, which included a clean-up of the lake shore on and off the reservation. The Confederated Tribes are one of the three main sponsors, along with Portland General Electric and Oregon Parks and Recreation, of Lake Billy Chinook Day. *More pictures are on page 5.*

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Student of the Month

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Shaniah Climer is a second grade student at Warm Springs Elementary School. She played on the Thrifty Drug T-ball team, she likes to color, read, or be read to, and she loves school.

Her teacher this year is Mrs. David and her favorite subjects are reading, music and P.E.

Shaniah was chosen because of her "Excellence in Education" when she was a first grade student. She displays a positive attitude and she will succeed as a second grade student and in her future school years. "Great job Shaniah!"

Shaniah hopes to be an artist and she says she wants to go to school forever.

Each month an outstanding student is selected by 509-J tribal liaisons to appear in this ad. Students are selected on the basis of outstanding performance at school.

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Columbia River Indian fishery closed

The good faith of Indian treaty fishermen is being tested by the recent decision of the Columbia River Fishery Compact agencies to close down the Indian fishery above Bonneville Dam.

Due to a fall chinook salmon run that fell far below the estimates, Indian commercial fishermen were asked September 20 to remove their nets for the remainder of the season. At the same time the non-Indian fishery between the I-5 bridge and Bonneville was closed but the lower river gillnetters were given the go-ahead to fish below the I-5 bridge until November 4.

Many fishermen are inclined to feel that the fish allocation agreement is not working in their interest.