



Quartz Creek Cultural Edutainment Society dancer. Dave McMechan photos/Spilyay

Hatchery marks 25 years



In photo at top right, dancers gather for the opening ceremony; and above, cooks prepare fruit for the salmon bake. Four hundred people enjoyed the lunch.

About 400 people showed up for the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary celebration of the Warm Springs National Fish Hatchery.

The guests enjoyed dancing and drumming and a salmon bake, provided by the Quartz Creek Cultural Edutainment Society. People also toured the hatchery facility.

Speakers during the afternoon included Congressman Greg Walden, artist Lillian Pitt, and Olney Patt Jr., executive director of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission.

Former Gov. Vic Atiyeh also made comments, as did Dave Wesley, representing the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Pacific Region.

The speakers commented on the success of the hatchery, from the perspective of fisheries preservation, and also from the perspective of partnership between the tribes and the federal government.

The hatchery is operated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife on lands leased from the Confederated Tribes. The tribes have sole management responsibility for fishery resources on the reservation, so the hatchery is managed in full cooperation with the tribes.

During the anniversary celebration, Rudy Clements was the Master of Ceremonies. The VFW Elliott Palmer Post No. 4217 conducted the Posting of Colors ceremony.

Three golf tournaments scheduled at Kah-Nee-Ta

The Kah-Nee-Ta High Desert Resort and Casino Golf Course will be a busy place this month and next month.

Three tournaments are scheduled at Kah-Nee-Ta. The following is information on these tournaments:

The Kah-Nee-Ta Golf Association four-person scramble will be Sunday, Sept. 14, at the Kah-Nee-Ta High Desert Resort and Casino Golf Course.

Cost is \$25 per person/non-annual member rate, includes tee prize and entry fee. Or \$15 per person/annual member rate, includes tee prize and entry fee.

Mulligans, \$1 each or \$5 max per person and \$5 strings are extra.

Tee times start at 10 a.m. Please call early for tee times.

Contact Janell Smith at 553-7829 or Jake Coochise at 553-3127 for information and tee times. For cart reservations contact the resort golf shop at 553-1112.

There will be various prizes from the southwest given to winners and other items as well.

The Museum at Warm Springs Annual Benefit Golf Tournament is Saturday, Sept. 27, at Kah-Nee-Ta Resort Golf Course. There will be four people per team, and individuals can

sign up and be paired off. It is a scramble tournament with a shotgun start at 9 a.m.

There will be team prizes for net and gross scores, chip and putt contests, individual prizes for KPs, LPs, longest drive and many other golf prizes.

The cost is \$300 per team of four, or \$75 per individual player. Registration includes green fees, two carts per team, and lunch. Junior teams pay half price.

All cart operators must have a drivers license.

The museum's annual Chili Contest is held in conjunction with the golf tourney. First place for the chili con-

test is \$100. Other great prizes will be given away for second through fifth place. This contest is open to the public.

The Museum at Warm Springs is seeking donations for prizes and \$100 hole sponsors. The proceeds from this fundraiser will help to support the educational mission of the museum.

Please call Dora Goudy-Smith at 553-3331 for more information.

Next, Kah-Nee-Ta will be hosting the **Northwest Indian Invitational Golf Tournament** on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 11-12. Practice round is on Friday, Oct. 10.

Entry fee for this tournament, hosted by the Kah-Nee-Ta Golf Asso-

ciation, is \$125, which includes tourney fee, green fees for both days and Saturday dinner.

Side-bets are gross skins, net skins, KPs, long putt, long drive, blind draw and best ball.

Divisions: championship flight, first flight, seniors flight (50 and over), Callaway and ladies flight.

For cart reservations and Friday tee times, call (541) 553-1112, ext. 3371.

Mail entries to Kah-Nee-Ta Golf Association, P.O. Box 975, Warm Springs, OR 97761.

For information call Jake Coochise at (541) 553-3127 after 5 p.m. Or call Janell Smith at 553-7829 after 5 p.m.

Fire watch: chance to do a lot of reading

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"I think people just don't like the isolation, don't like being alone," Jim says. "They cannot entertain themselves."

For Jim and Gloria, entertaining themselves is more than a button or a switch: they read a lot of books.

"There's always a book around," says Gloria, "I read whatever I can get my hands on."

Mysteries are big around the Sidwalter Butte Fire Tower during the summer. But just about anything is fair game.

In the unlikely situation where they run out of books, not to worry. "I have at least a thousand books in our library at home, we're never short of books," Jim continues. "If you really think you're running out of books, just go in the library and pick yourself a few of them."

Fire tower work has become a way of life for the Keene family.

"This is the only summer kind of life that I know," says Gloria. "As far back as I can remember, I have always been connected to lookouts."

One of Gloria's first memories is hiking up the HeHe lookout trail to meet her father. Her mother was known as "Eagle Eye" when she manned the Shitike tower.

And it has been a good place to bring up children, something of a family affair.

"It's really a good place to raise kids, they have to connect," says Gloria, "they have to get along (in confined quarters) and, believe me, they find a way."

While their daughters aren't showing any desire to carry on the family



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Gloria Keene enjoys summers at the fire watch tower, pictured at right. Binoculars are an essential and ever-present part of the fire watch duty.

fire watch tradition, they enjoy returning to "their tower" to spend some time with Jim and Gloria, especially on birthdays.

Even with all the peace, quiet, solitude and good reading, Gloria is ready to go home at the end of summer.

"I'm ready to leave the lookout when it gets really cold and you get up in the morning and go down the trail (to the outhouse)," she says. "I miss the indoor plumbing, dishwasher, things like that."

At the end of the fire season, Jim and Gloria put their gear in the truck and head home to Otter Rock on the Oregon coast. They'll travel to Europe in the fall and return home to spend a quiet winter with a good book and watch the winter ocean storms. It'll give



them plenty of time to think about what they're going to do on the fire tower next summer.

And, maybe - just maybe - next year Jim's tower will be hit by lightning. He'll get to watch the whole show and be a very happy man.



Tower facts

The following are some facts about the Sidwalter Butte Fire Tower.

The tower is 100 feet tall. Number of steps up the tower: 133.

Height of each step: nine inches. Elevation of Sidwalter Butte: 3,600 feet.

Newest pest on the butte: deer ticks (they arrived after the area had been logged.) The tower is located about four miles to the southwest of Highway 26 at the Sidwalter Flat area.

Fire

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Both fires started August 19 on remote forestlands west of Sisters. There had not been any lightning strikes in the area for several days, so the probability that both fires started as a result of natural causes appears unlikely.

Most of the timber consumed by fire on the reservation is at relatively high elevation. Fire-killed trees include lodgepole pine, hemlock and grand fir.

Many of the trees are small in size and their value to the mill has yet to be determined. A decision on whether or not to salvage any of the trees on commercial forest ground will be made in the weeks ahead.

Forecasters were predicting temperatures ranging into the 90s early in the week, increasing the probability of active fire behavior. There is a chance of rain moving into central Oregon after Wednesday and firefighters are hoping that front will not include any dry lightning.

Full control of the the B and B Fire Complex is not expected to occur until significant moisture falls in the Cascades. Control may have to wait until the first measureable snowfall.

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