

Potential for jobs found in fisheries

Back in April of last year, Warm Springs Community Employment Liaison Marcia Soliz began efforts to put more tribal members to work at the Warm Springs National Fish Hatchery. The effort proved to be a success, and may lead to more fish marking contracts for the tribes. Soliz' work on the fish-marking project involved many contacts, and a lot of follow-up along the way, to get to the point of making a bid on the fish clipping and marking project, and securing a bid.

For the past 13 years a group from Idaho has been doing the fish clipping and marking at the Warm Springs National Fish Hatchery. After visiting the hatchery, Soliz talked with hatchery employees Randy Boise, Mavis Shaw and Mike Piayah.

She wrote to the local fishery committee chairman, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife regional office, the Chief Operations Officer and the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission. Through this effort, and after more phone calls and follow-up, Soliz learned that her department could bid



Member of the work team, Pam Cardenas marks a fish.

on the fish clipping and marking project.

The bid was competitive, and successful: her effort earned a spot for 12 Warm Springs tribal members to work as a crew. There was still a challenge, as the Idaho crew was still given a bid, said Soliz. This impacted the original contract with Community Employment to clip and mark 750,000 fish.

In order to process the federal contract, there was a requirement of getting a special federal number, and the tribes

hadn't done this before, said Soliz. It was a huge challenge getting this done, she said. Now that this is complete, though, it won't be a huge challenge for any other part of the tribes to go through the same process again. Of the fish-marking project, Soliz said, "We got our foot in the door to demonstrate that our people can work highly effectively and be on the job." The following tribal members were hired through this project:

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Art camp invites local youth

A summer arts program designed for under-served children is extending an invitation to the children at Warm Springs to apply to Camp Caldera.

Camp Caldera is located on 80 acres with the Sisters Wilderness area. Caldera has a pristine lake and offers canoeing, horseback riding as well as an intensive eight to 10 days of camping, art classes with children and youth in a multi-cultural environment.

The camp instructors are professional artists, naturalists and facilitators.

"These sessions are designed to be retreats, or 'residency experiences' for youth, that capitalize on the creative process as

a means of building self-confidence, developing problem-solving skills, nurturing artistic talents and cultivating an appreciation for the environment," said Apolonia Santos, of Camp Caldera.

The camp is followed up by two weekend intensives during the school year to keep kids connected and engaged. The Camp Caldera schedules are as follows:

Discovery Program, Aug. 1-8, and 11-18. An eight-day outdoor arts camp is where kids will explore a variety of artistic disciplines including sculpture, photography, creative writing, dance and drumming. If accepted into this program, the kids will be

assigned to one of the two sessions. Age range, 11-13.

Immersion Program, Aug. 22-31. This program is a continuation of the Discovery Program, and is a 10-day outdoor experience. This year's artistic discipline includes: African drumming, black and white photography, social justice theater and video production. Age range 14-16.

Applications for Camp Caldera are due by June 1. Application fee is \$25. Pick up applications at the Museum at Warm Springs. Contact people are Apolonia Santos, 553-0465; and Dora Goudy at the museum, 553-3331.

Museum seeking summer intern

The Museum at Warm Springs is seeking Native American college students for the museum's summer intern program.

The 2004 museum summer intern program will provide an opportunity for undergraduate Native American students to explore careers in anthropology, art, culture and heritage, education, museum and public program development.

The program places the in-

tern with the Museum at Warm Springs Education Program. The internship is offered for ten weeks during the summer. The 2004 summer intern is paid every two weeks, \$520.

Requirements to apply for the program are as follows:

A letter of application expressing your interest in the internship, and explain how you can contribute to the Museum at Warm Springs.

Proof of enrollment in a

higher education institution. Proof of Native American heritage via enrollment document. Two letters of recommendation.

The intern is responsible for his or her own housing during the internship. The letter of application with the documents are due by May 30 at the following address:

The Museum at Warm Springs, attn: Education Program, P.O. Box 909, Warm Springs, OR 97761.

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Once again it is time for the Tribal Information Day at the state capitol. The event this year is on Thursday, May 20, at Salem.

This is when all the Oregon tribes get together and exchange information with the legislators and the other Oregon tribes.

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs will have its usual information booth. The tribal Governmental Affairs Department is asking for donations such as pens, pencils, cups, book markers, brochures, and anything else that can be given out to the public.

Contribution items would be greatly appreciated, said Colleen Roba, of tribal Governmental Affairs.

Roba can be reached at 553-3214 for more information.

Wednesday meetings for families, friends of victims

From the National Organization of Parents of Murdered Children, Inc. (POMC), Central Oregon Chapter:

POMC support group meetings for families and friends of those who have died by violence meets the first Wednesday of every month.

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