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Wesley Redhouse shows some of the prizes of the memorial race.

Memorial race at rodeo

For the third year in a row Wasco County Fair's Tygh Valley Rodeo will feature the Eliza Green Redhouse Memorial Horse Race.

The race is three-quarter miles and is set for August 27. This race will be the last event of the rodeo, and the last running of this memorial race.

Eliza Green "Hotdog" Redhouse was a rodeo cham-

pion. Her family has sponsored this race in her loving memory.

The winner of the race takes all, prizes include \$2,500, trophy, champion jacket, beaded buckle, trophy cooling blanket, saddle blanket, halter and lead rope, and thorough bred racing bat

Same rules apply as last year, and women are welcome to race as well

Casino would be seventh 'off reservation'

(The following article is by tribal attorney Dennis Karnopp.)

There are nine federally recognized Indians tribes in Oregon. All nine tribes operate casinos, although only three tribal casinos are located on land that was established as Indian reservation land in 1988 when congress enacted the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act. The three casinos on land that was Indian reservation land in 1988 are: The Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation's Wildhorse Casino, the Burns Paiute Tribe's Old Vamp Casino, and the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs' Kah-Nee-Ta High Desert Resort and Casino. The other six tribal casinos were sited on land that was not part of an established Indian reservation in 1988. Here is how those six casinos were established.

Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Indian Community's Spirit Mountain Casino. The land for this casino was not part of the Grand Ronde Tribe's restored reservation established in 1988. After unsuccessful efforts to have the federal Bureau of Indian Affairs administratively add the land to the reservation, Grand Ronde was able to have Congress pass a statute in 1994 (Pub-

lic Law 103-263) taking the Spirit Mountain Casino site into trust and making it part of the restored Grand Ronde Reservation. Spirit Mountain Casino was opened in 1995.

Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indian Community's Chinook Winds Casino. The Siletz Tribe was restored to federal recognition in 1977, and its original restored reservation lands were taken in trust in 1980. Like Grand Ronde, the land for the Siletz casino was added to the Siletz Tribe's restored reservation by an Act of Congress enacted in 1994 (Public Law 103-435). Chinook Winds Casino opened in 1995.

Confederated Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Tribe's Three Rivers Casino in Florence. The Coos Tribes was restored to federal recognition in 1984. The land for the Three Rivers Casino was administratively added in 1998 to the tribe's restored reservation in Coos Bay, 30 miles to the south of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Three Rivers Casino opened in 2004.

Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians' Seven Feathers Casino in Canyonville. The Cow Creek Band was restored to federal recognition in 1982.

The Band was able to acquire the land for Seven Feathers pursuant to an Act of Congress enacted in 1987 (public Law 100-139). It appears that the land for the casino was not brought into trust until the early 1990's. A bingo hall on part of the land now occupied by Seven Feathers Casino opened in 1992.

Coquille Tribe's Mill Casino in North Bend. The Coquille Tribes was restored to federal recognition in 1989. The land for the casino was added to the Tribe's restored reservation in recognition in 1995. The Mill Casino opened in 1995.

Klamath Tribe's Kla-Mo-Ya Casino near Chiloquin. To date, a Klamath Reservation has not been re-established and thus the tribe's casino is not on reservation land. Kla-Mo-Ya Casino is on land brought into trust sometime between November 1996 and June 1997, when the casino was opened.

Warm Springs is now seeking federal approval for a casino at Cascade Locks. This casino will be on land acquired after October 17, 1988, under Section 10(b)(1)(A) of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act. This section allows land to be taken into trust for a casino if the Secretary of Interior makes

a two-part determination, and the governor concurs that taking the land into trust for a casino is in the best interests of the tribe and is not detrimental to the surrounding community. The Department of Interior is currently processing the tribe's application for the two-part determination.

In view of the circumstances of how six of Oregon's casinos came to be established on land that was not part of an established Indian Reservation in 1988, the Warm Springs Casino at Cascade Locks will not be Oregon's "first off reservation casino." Rather, it will be Oregon's seventh off reservation casino.

The Warm Springs Tribe's proposal to locate a casino at Cascade Locks is based on unique circumstances involving the tribe's willingness to forgo developing a casino on nearby tribal trust land at Hood River that is eligible for gaming under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, the same as other reservation land. We believe that no other Oregon tribe can duplicate these facts, and therefore we do not believe it is possible for another tribe to pursue a similar approach to siting an off-reservation casino.

Feds may settle trust case

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) - The chairman of the Senate Indian Affairs Committee says Congress may well settle the nearly decade-old lawsuit in which American Indians accuse the Interior Department of cheating them out of billions of dollars in royalties.

But Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said last week the \$27.5 billion the Indians are seeking in a proposed settlement is too much. "That number is just way out of sight," he said at a Capi-

itol Hill breakfast. "We would never get the Congress to support that kind of money."

For more than a century, McCain said, it appears the government "never really even made any serious attempt at keeping track of the revenues" it owed the Indians.

The Indians claim the Interior Department mismanaged oil, gas, grazing, timber and other royalties from their lands dating back to 1887. Blackfeet Indian Elouise Cobell and others

filed the suit in 1996 to force the government to account for billions of dollars belonging to about 500,000 Indians.

Last month, in response to a request from McCain and others in Congress, the Indians who sued said they were willing to settle for \$27.5 billion and that they had agreed on 50 principles to guide the process. That figure is probably far less than the government actually owes the Indians, said their lawyer, Elliott Levitas.

Ellsbury: 5 games, four stolen bases

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Jim Manion, manager of Warm Springs Power Enterprises, was one of his t-ball coaches. Urbana "Toto" Ross, who works at Kah-Nee-Ta, was another. Ross remembers Ellsbury as being very serious about baseball even at the t-ball level. "He was competitive right from the get-go," she said.

Ellsbury's parents are Margie and Jim Ellsbury, who both work for the tribes. Margie works at the Early Childhood Education Center, and Jim works in forestry. "I am truly proud of him," Margie, who is a Navajo Indian, said of Jacoby.

"It's what he's always been shooting for," said Jim. "He's always kept this goal out in front of him."

Jim Ellsbury moved from the Seattle area to Warm Springs in 1980, as he had been offered a job in the forestry department.

Margie moved here from Utah at about the same time. Her sister Sylvia was already living here. Margie is originally from the Colorado River Indian Reservation.

Jim and Margie met in Warm Springs in 1982. They lived for a while at the campus area, in the building that now houses the Spilyay and then a few houses down on Wasco Street. "We had a small backyard," said Jim. "Jacoby's goal was to hit a plastic ball over the fence, and he figured out how to get the most power out of his swing."

The Ellsburys have four sons, Jacoby, 21, being the oldest. His brothers are Matt, 19, Tyler, 16, and Spencer, 12. Spencer this weekend will be at the state tournament with the Jefferson County Major Little League All-Star team.

At Madras High School Jacoby excelled at baseball and other sports. He was good at basketball because he can jump very high. He was even good at

the high jump in track. "His form was not good but he still made it over," said Margie. "He has excellent jumping ability."

"He could probably play any sport and excel at it," said Jim. "Baseball was the first one I introduced him to."

In high school Jacoby was named co-player of the year in the Tri-Valley Baseball League, and made the Class 3A all-state first team. Out of high school he was selected in amateur draft by the Tampa Bay Devil Rays. He turned it down to go to college, which has proven to be a smart decision.

Ellsbury signed with the Red Sox just a few weeks ago. He's playing center field for the Lowell Spinners, of the New York-Penn League. He bats and throws left-handed, and is an exceptionally fast runner. As of earlier this week, after five games, he had four stolen bases, five hits, six runs and four runs batted in.

Treaty Day Boxing results

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