



Simnasho hosted the annual Christmas powwow for veterans this past weekend. These women traditional dancers are in the grand entry Saturday evening. They are being led by Aurelia Stacona.

Students invited to college workshop

Native American students at Madras High School with at least a 3.0 grade-point average are eligible to attend a five-day pre-college workshop at Puget Sound University in Tacoma, Wash., in June through the College Horizons 2006 program. The program, June 24-28, is available for sophomores or juniors, and the students meet with college counselors and admissions officers from 35 universities and help the students each select a college. The counselors help the students complete applications, write essays for college applications, develop skills for taking tests in college. The

students also get assistance applying for financial aid and scholarships. The program is a proven success, as more than 85 percent of students who've participated in College Horizons have received their bachelor's degrees within five years of their high school graduation. College Horizons has been made available for Native American students at Madras High through the \$3,000 GEAR UP grant, and was recently presented with the National Association of College Admissions Counseling Award. The award is given to an organization instru-

mental in making postsecondary educational opportunities available to historically underserved students. Applications for College Horizons 2006 are available at Madras High School in the GEAR UP/ ASPIRE room (Room A121). The applications must be received by Feb. 1, but for the GEAR UP grant to pay the \$50 deposit and \$10 application fee, the application must be turned into the GEAR UP office by Monday, Jan. 23. For more information on the program, contact Dana St. John, at dsjohn@509j.net.

Records show wolves in Oregon

(AP) - Bounty record books from the early 20th century have entries showing that wolves roamed northeastern Oregon at least through 1921 before disappearing from the state. Gray wolves appear to have become extinct shortly after 1921, but entries written in pencil in a ledger dating from 1909-1921 show that two wolves were taken during the period, according to *The La Grande Observer*. The newspaper also inspected bounty records in a ledger dated 1899-1902, but found no mention of wolves in the earlier book. Retired Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife biologist Bill Brown said that when he came to northeast Oregon in the late 1940s, there were no

wolves in the area. Gray wolves are expected to migrate back to Oregon from Idaho soon, if they haven't already made their way into Oregon by now, state officials say. The Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission last week adopted a wolf management plan despite objections from ranchers. The plan sets a goal of seven breeding pairs in Eastern Oregon when the wolves return. There have been no confirmed recent sightings, but between 1999 and 2000, at least three wolves made their way from Idaho into Oregon. One was hit by a car, one was shot, and one was captured and returned to Idaho. The old Union County bounty records inspected by the

newspaper also showed the cougar population slipped dramatically in northeastern Oregon in the early 1900s. Bounties were paid for 58 cougars from 1899 through 1902 but only 12 between 1909 and 1921. Brown, who served as director of the ODFW Northeast Region for 25 years until retiring in 1977, noted the northeast Oregon cougar population has rebounded dramatically since the early 1960s. The jump has been particularly strong since 1994 when voters approved a measure that prohibits the use of dogs when hunting cougars. In addition, they indicate that between 1909 and 1921 bounties were paid for about 50 lynx, a rare animal in Oregon.

Notice of public hearing

Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Tribal Water Control Board and Tribal Environmental Office

The Water Control Board and the Tribal Environmental Office of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs will hold a public hearing on the 10th of January 2006 to receive comments on proposed revisions to the Tribal Water Quality Standards.

The Water Quality Standards for the tribal waters of the Warm Springs Reservation are adopted as a part of the Warm Springs Tribal Code Chapter 432 as "Ordinance 80, Water Quality Standards, Beneficial Uses and Treatment Criteria."

The proposed revision to draft Ordinance 80 provides some definitions for low flow periods and changes the concentration levels of various toxics for the protection of human health as listed in Table 3 for fish consumption.

Anyone interested in obtaining additional information concerning the proposed changes to the water quality standards or reviewing a copy of the proposed regulations should contact D. R. Sehgal at 541-553-2022 or Rawlin Richardson at 541-553 3460 of the Tribal Environmental Office, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, PO Box C, Warm Springs, Or. 97761.

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