

## Almost time for Little League registration

By Austin Greene  
Recreation Department

The Warm Springs Recreation Program, an associate of Jefferson County Little League, will have registration for all youth ages 5 through 14 years of age based on the new deadline of May 1 of any respective year (League Age).

The previous deadline was August 1 in determining your child's age division. But nationally, the deadline had since been modified.

The local league will have t-ball co-ed divisions ages 5 to 8 years.

Minor League boys and girls is for youth ages 8 to 10. Major League boys and girls division consists of youth ages 11 and 12. And the Junior Level for boys and girls is for youth ages 13 and 14.

Early registration for your child's participation in this year's program is important to determine the interest in the program. It helps determine how many participants that we place at each level, and not to overload any single division or team due to last minute sign-ups.

The Recreation Department will have sign-up days on:

Monday, Jan. 23 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Community Center Social Hall.

Tuesday, Jan. 24 from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the Warm Springs Market.

Tuesday, Jan. 31 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the tribal administration building lobby.

Wednesday, Feb. 1 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Warm Springs Market.

Parents are asked to have at registration sites a current birth certificate, physical street address, and medical release (shots) update on their child.

The Recreation Department has placed many current players birth certificates in a locked file at the office, but encourages many new or those that have not submitted one, to do so please. It makes the paperwork flow procedure consistent with

the needs of the Jefferson County Chapter, especially for post season activities, or discrepancies during league play.

All volunteer coaches from the past season all have priority on returning to their post for this season, based on their intent. Vacant coaching spots are only open when one transfers, or shows no interest in returning.

A volunteer coaches application (legal background check) will be handed out at the local coaches meeting scheduled for Monday, Jan. 30 at 6 p.m. in the Education Room at the Community Center. All returning coaches, and interested coaches are asked to attend this meeting.

Uniforms are a huge concern for this year's program, as the Recreation Department intends to keep registration costs at a minimum. Parents can assist by returning all uniform pants and jerseys that they may have from the past season. It has an impact on registration to keep it at a minimum per participant or household, and not have the Recreation Department purchase new uniforms.

If you have not returned your child's uniform, please do so for inventory purposes and keeping our cost per player minimal.

Registration costs are currently: t-ball, \$5 per player; \$10 per player at other levels. \$5 each additional player within the same household, and a family maximum not to exceed \$20.

This is up until deadline of March 17, after which cost will increase at \$5 per participant, with the family registration rate not to exceed \$30 per household after the deadline.

So please register early. This helps determine the size of teams, uniform and equipment needs throughout this program. Scholarships are made available to register in this program, as no child will be turned away from participating.

For more information contact Austin Greene at the Recreation Office, 553-2343.

## Hoops tourney Jan. 27-29

The North End Express Basketball Organization will host the annual All-Indian Men's 6 Foot and Under Plus One basketball tournament Jan. 27-29 at the Warm Springs Community Center gymnasium.

This will be a 10-team true double elimination tournament. Entry fee is set at \$250 per team, and the deadline for interested teams will be this

Friday, Jan. 20.

Champions will receive 10 championship embroidered wool jackets. Awards also for second through fourth place, the All-Tourney team, MVP and Mr. Hustle.

Concessions including breakfast will be available. For more information contact Austin Greene at (541) 553-1953; or leave a message at (541) 553-3243.

## Notice of IRMP-III Meeting

People on the Integrated Resources Management Plan III (IRMP III) team will provide an update on the plan during a meeting this month. Planners will discuss the Warm Springs

community on Jan. 25 at the Agency Longhouse. The meeting begins with dinner at 6 p.m. Tribal member comments are accepted during the meeting.

*Warm Springs Market*  
*Indian Arts and Crafts*  
2132 Warm Springs St.  
Warm Springs, OR 97761  
(541) 553-1597

*Blazin Blazers*  
Second Annual Youth Co-Ed Hoop Tournament  
Feb. 17-19 in Warm Springs

8 team limit per division: first-third grades; fourth-fifth grades; and sixth-seventh grades. Prizes: jackets, hooded sweaters, crew neck sweaters, t-shirts. Call Tony Holliday for information (541) 980-9902 (cell); 980-9236 (home); or 553-1147 (work); or call Talya Holliday, 980-4381 (cell), or 553-2416 (work).

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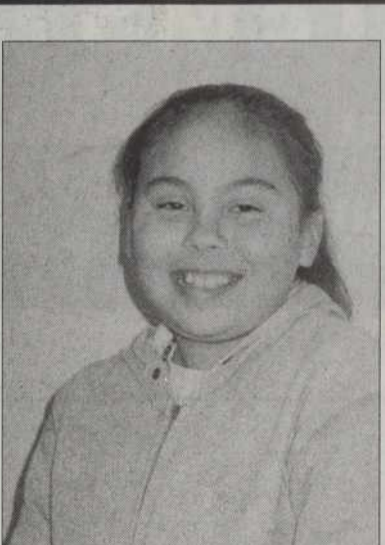
## Young Achiever Ahliyah Hisatake Sponsored by Les Schwab

*Ahliyah Hisatake finished the first round of state testing last week at Warm Springs Elementary School and posted good scores in both math and reading.*

*Ahliyah's favorite subject is writing, and she especially likes writing about horses.*

*Her horse is named Chocolate, and Chocolate has helped her win a belt buckle in barrel racing.*

*Ahliyah, who turned 9 on the first day of the year, also*



*likes to play basketball.*

*She lives at Wolfe Point. Ahliyah is the oldest of two brothers and two sisters.*

*Her parents are Harry and Kirsten Hisatake.*



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