

Wild Rye Bead Gallery opens at Plaza

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The new bead shop, the Wild Rye Bead Gallery, has opened at the Warm Springs Plaza.

Brigette Whipple, anthropologist with tribal Cultural Resources, is the proprietor. She has hired Brenda Scott as an employee at the shop, and is looking to hire one more person.

The shop has beads, traditional art and craft supplies such as buckskins, and basketry supplies. There are also shell items and jewelry. Customers can also place orders for items such as beaded bags.

In the future the Wild Rye shop is going to have beadwork classes, and may host classes jointly with Quilts & More, operated by Eraina Palmer, located two doors down from the bead shop.

The hours of operation of the Wild Rye Bead Gallery are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Whipple said the name "Wild Rye" is a translation of the word "Seekseequa."

The bead gallery is a welcome addition to the Plaza, said Sandra Danzuka, office manager of Warm Springs Ventures, which manages the Plaza property.

The Plaza, she said, is an ideal place for retail business. The situation could improve even more when the computer center and coffee shop open in the vacant area that used to house



Brigette Whipple at her new shop.

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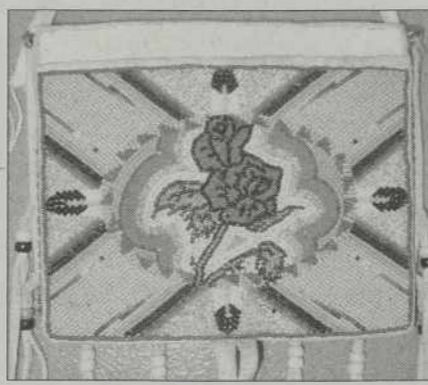
the Indian Trail Restaurant.

The new businesses should complement one another, said Lloyd Phillips, manager of Eagle Tech Systems, which is pursuing the computer center-coffee shop plan.

When the computer center opens, all of the spaces at the Plaza will be occupied. There will be the bead and quilt shops, the ventures office, the computer center-coffee shop, and the office of the First Indigenous Depository Company.



Examples of beaded items at the Wild Rye shop.



Brigette Whipple's daughter Rosebud works on a beaded bracelet; at left, the shop offers a variety of beads.

Events calendar

There will be a meeting of the Agency District on Tuesday, February 21. Dinner is at 6 p.m. and the meeting at 7. The meeting agenda is open.

Meth 101, an introduction to the prevention of methamphetamine abuse, is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 28 at the Simnasho Longhouse. The event, which includes dinner, is from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Meth 101 is presented by the Community Health Education Team. For more information call 553-3462.

The award-winning film **The Business of Fancy Dancing** will be shown at 7:30 p.m. this Friday, Feb. 17, at the Rodriguez Annex by the Jefferson County Library in Madras. The movie is based upon the Sherman Alexie book of poetry of the same name.

The Thirty-Fourth Annual **E-Peh-Tes Championship War Dances** will be held March 10-12 at the Pi-Nee-Waus Community Center in Lapwai, Idaho. For information call Jossette Henry at (208) 843-2612 or (208) 790-4729. Concession and vendor information call Pete Wilson at (208) 843-2812.

Internationally known artists and scholars will discuss the intersections of law and literature, art and politics, and sovereignty and cinema at a free conference at the University of Oregon on Friday, Feb. 17. The conference, **Intersections of Native American Culture, Politics, and Law**, will begin at 9 a.m. in the Knight Law Center, 1515 Agate St.



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Beatles tribute band at Kah-Nee-Ta

John Lennon, Paul McCartney, George Harrison and Ringo Starr might not be there in person, but they'll be there in spirit when the Liverpool Legends: The Ultimate Beatles Tribute Show performs at Kah-Nee-Ta High Desert Resort and Casino at 8:30 p.m. on Friday, March 3.

Managed by Louise Harrison, sister of original Beatles member George Harrison, the Liverpool Legends

will perform many of The Beatles' popular hits during a single performance in the Gold Ballroom at Kah-Nee-Ta.

The Liverpool Legends have been performing together for one year, and will celebrate their first anniversary together on Feb. 18. Prior to founding the Liverpool Legends, two of the group's founding members - Kevin Mantegna (as John Lennon) and Marty Scott (as George Harrison) - headlined

"International Beatles Week" before 100,000 fans in Liverpool in 2002.

Tickets to the Liverpool Legends concert are \$10 in advance or \$12 day of show, and are available by calling 1-800-554-4786 or in person at the Lodge front desk. Overnight guests can book the "Legends" package for \$99, which includes overnight accommodations for two and two tickets to the Liverpool Legends performance.

Elders describe history of area

As a fund-raiser for the newly propose Jefferson County museum, known as The Central Oregon Heritage Center, the Jefferson County Historical Society has made available the first phase of its "Voices of Experience" CD series.

Between 1977 and 1990, beginning journalism students from Madras Junior High School interviewed nearly 80 elder citizens from Jefferson County and published the information in their school newspaper, The Junior Buff.

Among the interview subjects

are deceased Warm Springs tribal members Andrew David, Ellen Squiemphen, Lucinda Smith, and Caroline Tohet.

The subjects of the interviews provided eyewitness accounts of Jefferson County history ranging from the 1890s to the 1970s.

In cooperation with local artists, George Klos Recording Studio and Russ Schultz' Treehouse Photographic Studio, reproductions of the interviews on compact disc, along with transcripts of each interview and black-and-white photos

from the original student interviews are now available as the "Voices of Experience" series.

The full, "Voices of Experiences" Heritage Package, including a CD featuring one interview subject, its transcript and photos is available for \$25. Packages including only the CD are available for \$10.

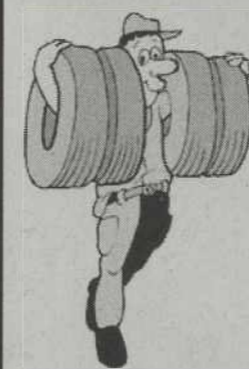
Further information is available from Harold Moore at 475-6537, or at hpmoore@crestviewcable.com, or any member of the Jefferson County Historical Society.

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