

## Howlak Tichum

Madeline Brunoe  
McInturff

June 26, 1915—  
July 11, 2006

Respected Wasco elder Madeline McInturff passed away at home Tuesday, July 11, 2006. She was a pillar in the Warm Springs community and was one of only three fluent Wasco speakers in the Northwest. She worked tirelessly with her friend and associate Gladys Thompson in the language program.

Madeline, born June 26, 1915 in Warm Springs, was the daughter of Judge Jerry Brunoe and wife Sophie. Her father was an integral part of the Warm Springs business council before the Tribes voted to adopt a constitution and become the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs in 1938.

Madeline grew up on the family ranch helping her mother with the orchard and garden, riding for cattle and carrying out the chores necessary to sustain life in the early 1900's. She was an avid horsewoman and according to one of her grandchildren "totally unafraid of anything."

She attended school in Warm Springs and Chemawa Indian School in Salem. Chemawa's roots held an attraction for her. Her father Jerry Brunoe attended school in Forest Grove when it was one of the first Indian schools in the United States. As a student at Forest Grove, he and other students helped clear and develop 36 acres that became the home of Chemawa Indian School. Students bought the land and donated it for Chemawa Indian School. Madeline had a deep feeling for the Chemawa land and cemetery because of the contribution made by her father as a young man.

Madeline's working career started at the Indian Health



Service hospital in Warm Springs in the 1940s. She remained at the hospital for 38 years, performing the duties of a registered nurse. One task was to indoctrinate the new doctors to the Warm Springs community, familiarizing them with Indian customs and traditions. Over her long career at the hospital she became friends with most of the people on the reservation.

She retired in 1984 and spent a boring year at home. She decided she needed to become active and never slowed down. She became a member of the Culture and Heritage Committee, traveling near and far to help preserve her tribe's culture. She traveled to Hawaii, Alaska, Key West Florida, San Diego, and many other points in her efforts.

When the Tribes began efforts to revive their languages, Madeline was one of the first Wasco elders enlisted to help. She taught the Wasco language, helping with all subjects pertaining to the language on KWSO radio and the Spilyay Tymoo newspaper. She helped the kids and also taught adult classes as well. As recently as three weeks ago she taught a Wasco class at her home. Only six years ago, she traveled to Kentucky to learn new methodology of teaching languages.

For 91 years, Madeline Brunoe McInturff made an impact.

She was a Grand Marshal of this year's Pi-Ume-Sha Treaty

Days parade, just two days before her 91<sup>st</sup> birthday. The Tribal Council passed a resolution honoring her contribution and life upon her passing. As her son Ted Brunoe said, "If ever God sent an angel out to do work, she was it. She finished her mission."

Madeline had five brothers and a sister, all deceased. Her brothers were Gilbert Brunoe, Ernest Brunoe, Urban Brunoe, Cecil Brunoe, Frank Brunoe and Ursula Brunoe.

Madeline was preceded in death by two husbands. Her first husband, Paul St. Germaine died in 1964 and Joe McInturff Jr., passed away in 1993. She is survived by five children; Bruce (Mickey) Brunoe Sr., Ted Brunoe, Carol Ann Cochran, Jerry St. Germaine and Roxanne McInturff.

She is survived by fourteen grandchildren and twenty-three great-grandchildren.

### Funeral arrangements were as follows:

Tuesday, July 11: Worship services at Agency Longhouse  
Wednesday, July 12, 12:30 p.m.: Private dressing (family only); Bel Air Funeral Home  
Thursday, July 13, 10 a.m.: Traditional dressing at Agency Longhouse with services to follow.  
Friday, July 14: Burial. Breakfast and services. 8 a.m. leave Agency Longhouse for the Agency Cemetery.

## Clements remembered during Pi-Ume-Sha weekend

Pi-Ume-Sha weekend this year included a tribute to atwai Warren R. "Rudy" Clements. Anna Clements and other surviving family members were invited to Kah-Nee-Ta the Friday evening that began the powwow weekend.

Anna and her family were presented with a proclamation from the Gov. Kulongoski's office, declaring June 25 as a Day of Remembrance for Rudy Clements. Tribal Council also paid tribute.

Anna Clements said she wished to thank everyone who took part in the remembrance. She thanked Louie Pitt, tribal government affairs director, for arranging the activities.

Tribute paid to Rudy Clements during Pi-Ume-Sha was the second memorial for him in recent weeks. In Madras earlier this summer, Margie Tuckta and others paid tribute to Clements during the Collage of Culture. Clements was a part of the Collage from its beginning.

The proclamation from the Governor's Office, declaring Rudy Clements Remembrance Day, states some of the reasons for the honor:

*Rudy Clements was one of the first members of his tribe to graduate from college, earning his bachelor's degree in elementary education in 1962 from Eastern Oregon University; and Rudy Clements served his people in numerous roles over the years, including chairman of the Kab-Nee-Ta Board of Directors and Director of Tribal Relations; and*

*Rudy Clements cared deeply about preserving the cultural and natural resources of Oregon's Indian tribes and was largely responsible for development of the Museum at Warm Springs; and*

*Rudy Clements was a founding member of Oregon's Legislative Commission on Indian Services and served on the commission from 1876 to 1985 and again from 1994 to 1995; and*

*Rudy Clements was a true statesman and gentleman who represented the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon with compassion, dignity and humor; and*

*Rudy Clements died on December 28, 2005 and is survived by Anna Queahpama Clements, his wife of 47 years, and numerous other relatives; and*

*June 25, 2006 is the 151st anniversary of the signing of the Treaty with the Tribes of Middle Oregon, which created the Warm Springs Reservation, protected the ability of these original peoples of Oregon to live according to supsequat tchumpkti, the wisdom and teachings of the earth, and provided for the right to fish, hunt, gather and graze stock on certain lands.*

Therefore Gov. Ted Kulongoski proclaimed June 25 to be Rudy Clements Remembrance Day. Anna Clements said she and her family were honored by the governor's proclamation, and by and the events during Pi-Ume-Sha at Kah-Nee-Ta. Anna said she wished to thank Carlos Calica for the Honor Song, and the Eagle Dancers, William Clements and Jake Frank. Anna said she was planning a special trip to Salem to thank the governor for the proclamation.

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## Indian casinos bank record year

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tribal casinos pulled in \$22.6 billion in gambling revenue last year, double the take of Nevada gambling, as Indian casinos recorded another record year, the industry trade group reported Tuesday.

The revenue was a 15 percent increase from the \$19.6 billion Indian gambling reaped in 2004, according to the National Indian Gaming Association.

Tribal gambling has recorded double-digit growth almost every year since Congress created the legal framework for it in 1988. There are now more than 400 Indian casinos nationwide, including two in Mississippi.

"Indian gaming is continuing to create much needed jobs and opportunity," said Ernest L. Stevens Jr., chairman of the National Indian Gaming Association.

Nevada casinos brought in \$11.6 billion from gambling in 2005, according to the Nevada Gaming Control Board. Unlike Indian casinos, though, Nevada casinos rely on other entertainment like hotels, restaurants and shows for about half their revenue, pushing their total take for 2005 past \$20 billion.

Indian casinos took in about \$2.7 billion last year from non-gambling entertainment.

### Please return stolen computer

A computer belonging to a charitable organization in Warm Springs was stolen last week. The computer, a MacBook Pro, contained data irreplaceable to the charitable organization.

The organization has been in Warm Springs helping people have good births.

The organization is hoping for the return of the computer. Please return it to High Lookee Lodge, the Spilyay, or to Shirley Smith at 2117 Wasco, or tell someone where it is. A member of the organization said the group of young people who took the computer was driving a red SUV.

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