



Photo courtesy of Michelle J. Singer, One Sky Center/OHSU.

Warm Springs Chief Delvis Heath met in Portland recently with former President Bill Clinton. The event was a fundraiser for Hillary Clinton's campaign. Chief Heath and former Pres. Clinton had met before, and caught up on recent issues.

Donahue first at Fire Management to complete certification program

By Leslie Mitts
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Brad Donahue recently completed a certification program through the University of Nevada in Las Vegas. Donahue is the first at Fire Management to complete the program.

He opted to do so, Donahue said, because the possibility exists that in 2009 the Bureau of Indian Affairs is going to require that managers have the appropriate qualifications—that meant becoming certified.

With his new certification, Donahue is qualified to meet the requirements of the GS-401 Fire Management Specialist requirements.

Those requirements require that a manager have a four-year college degree or qualifications to match that.

For Donahue, who began work as the assistant fire management officer for fuels four years ago, that meant seeking certification. "It was a good experience for me to go through it," Donahue said.

Donahue isn't short of experience—he's been fighting fires for 12 years.



Brad Donahue

Now Donahue said he is looking forward to being able to help those at fire management, as well as the tribes, by providing the knowledge and experience he gained.

Currently Trey Leonard is working to complete the same program. According to Donahue, he finds it beneficial to be able to give Leonard advice.

In fact, when Leonard made the first trip to Las Vegas, Donahue was going through the end of the program. That

meant he was able to show him around and help him become acclimated.

"When I went down there, I was totally blind," Donahue said.

Though Donahue had taken classes through Lane Community College, he never completed his degree.

According to Donahue, "The toughest thing for me was not being in the college system for so long."

After entering the program, Donahue said, he faced a tough load of courses and assignments. "It was really intense," Donahue said. "It takes a semester of classes and puts it in a two-week session."

From May through September, Donahue said, they don't hold any sessions to allow those participating time to do something they're used to: fight fires.

"You get all summer to fight fire," Donahue said.

After eight two-week sessions, the certification process is complete. The subject matter is a mixture of ecological, biological and environmental sciences, Donahue said.

Vendors invited to workshop

Eagle-Tech Systems and the Warm Springs Outdoor Market will host a market vendor workshop from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 8 at the Warm Springs Plaza.

The workshop will demonstrate important selling strategies that will translate into more sales, repeat customers, and visitors who will likely return to the Warm Springs Outdoor Market.

Participants will learn:
Tips to generate greater sales from each customer.

How to create good first impressions.

Merchandising techniques—effective signs, attractive merchandising scenes, and how to

make visiting your booth fun.

Customer service—how to greet, ask for the sale, and save customer time.

Booth design—clean uncluttered and organized traffic flow.

How to price.

A presenter at the workshop will be Don King, who directed the Mt. Hood Community College Business Center for 18 years. King has extensive experience in the business sector.

Another presenter at the workshop will be Joan Pasco, a market manager and vendor. She was the executive director for four chambers of commerce in Oregon, Idaho and South Dakota.

Pasco is currently the project manager for the East County One Stop, an organization that assists people with employment options with a strong emphasis on self-employment.

Additional sponsors of the workshop are the East County One Stop, and the Oregon Community and Economic Development Department, which provided a grant.

To register please call Daniel Berumen at 553-1034, ext. 15 or e-mail to the following: dberumen@eagletech.org. Please register by Monday, May 7. Cost is \$10.

Solis recognized for academic excellence



Amber Solis

Amber Solis has been recognized for academic achievement as a National Honor Student Award Winner. The recognition comes from the U.S. Achievement Academy.

Amber attends Jefferson County Middle School. She will appear in the U.S. Achievement Academy's Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

Amber is the daughter of Carla Gilbert. Her grandfather is atwai Tony J. Gilbert Sr. Her

grandmother is Adeline Winishut.

Her great grandparents on her father's side are Lasco Gilbert and Juanita Woods. Her grandparents on her mother's side are Geneva Yanez and Rafael Solis of Mexico.

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