

# A Look at the News of 2007

## January

The bubbly 19-year-old Sallie Polk-Adams is no stranger in the Warm Springs Community.

She's worked and volunteered locally over the years, and now Polk-Adams will be representing the community in a new way as Miss Warm Springs 2007.



Sallie Polk-Adams

Close to 200,000 salmon fry arrived last week at the Warm Springs National Fish Hatchery. The juvenile fish replace some of those lost during a recent accident at the hatchery that killed about 500,000 of the fry. In other January news:

Associate Deputy Secretary of the Interior James Cason toured the Cascade Locks tribal casino site with officials of the Confederated Tribes. The group was also planning to tour the tribal property at Hood River. Elsewhere:

Construction was set to begin this month on the new building that will house the Warm Springs Tribal Credit Enterprise. The 9,200-square-foot building will be located on the vacant field west of the Administration Building.

The Round Butte Dam is on its way to some major improvements—but not without a little heavy construction and a long-term plan for restoring fish populations. The tribes and Portland General Electric are partnering to complete a project that will include a new fish passage facility as part of the Round Butte Dam Selective Water Withdrawal project.

It's a project that has been in the works for approximately 20 years, according to Michael Gauvin, the tribes' fisheries management supervisor. Meanwhile:

The Museum at Warm Springs Fifth Annual Honor Dinner has named W. Richard West Jr., executive director of the National Museum of the American Indian, as winner of this year's Twanat Award. The museum named Wasco Chief Nelson Wallulatum, and the late Warren R. Clements as recipients of the Museum At Warm Springs Lifetime Achievement awards.

## February

Celilo Village announced plans to host a two-day commemoration of Celilo Falls. The events will begin on Saturday, March 10, the 50-year anniversary of the inundation of the falls by The Dalles dam. Events continue through Sunday, March 11. In other February

Next Spilyay Deadline: Friday, Dec. 28.

news:

Eagle Tech Systems hosted the grand opening of its technology center. The center includes computers available to the public, and a cafe. And this news:

Not many would expect to find a direct connection between a small Warm Springs factory and various countries in Asia, Europe and the Middle East. But that is exactly what has been developed through Warm Springs Composite Products.

The successful company produces fireproofing material made of tectonite along with other product lines that are growing steadily—creating a unique opportunity for exporting. In the last year alone, the export market revenue increased from 10 percent to 26 percent. Elsewhere:

At its recent meeting on governance, Tribal Council considered a proposal to form three committees out of its own members. The proposal aims to improve governing practices by encouraging Council to adopt rules and ensure that its members and top tribal officials comply with them.

## March

Celilo Village this month hosted events commemorating the 50 year anniversary of the flooding of Celilo Falls. About 1,000 people attended the two-day commemoration. In other news:

Hard work paid off for the



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In March, tribal canoes arrive at Celilo Village, during the events commemorating the 50 year anniversary of the flooding of Celilo Falls. About 1,000 people showed up for the events, which lasted two days, Saturday and Sunday, March 10-11. Events were at the park, and at Celilo Village, where the new longhouse was the scene of commemorative ceremonies. Celilo Falls was located eight miles upriver from The Dalles dam, and was flooded on March 10, 1957, ending the tribal fisheries site that had existed since time immemorial.

staff at Fire Management. Warm Springs Fire Management recently received the annual "Outstanding Unit Award" from the Northwest Interagency Coordination Center. In other March news:

Tribal Council set April 2 as the date of the Tribal Council election. Elsewhere:

The Grand Ronde tribe is seeking to amend the 1988 Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Act to insert the Grand Ronde tribe in land management decisions in the Scenic Area.

Sources in Oregon and Washington, D.C. have confirmed that Grand Ronde has proposed an amendment to the law that would include the Grand Ronde tribe in the definition of "Indian Tribes" that have rights and interests in the Gorge.

Such an amendment would give Grand Ronde consultation rights regarding how the Columbia Gorge Commission and the U.S. Agriculture Secretary carry out their management responsibilities under the Gorge Act.

Currently, the Gorge Act recognizes the Warm Springs, Yakama, Umatilla and Nez Perce tribes as having rights and interests in the Gorge. This entitles these tribes to a voice in management of the National Scenic Area.

These rights are off-reservation 1855 Treaty fishing, hunting and gathering rights, and certain interests in land within the National Scenic Area boundaries. Warm Springs and Yakama, for example, own thousands of acres of trust land in the Gorge.

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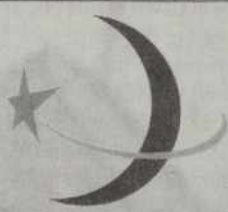
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