

Ford Institute leadership program graduates local recycling enthusiasts



Courtesy photo.

Recent graduates of the Ford Institute Leadership Program.

Several Jefferson County community members graduated from the Ford Institute Leadership Program last month.

Utilizing a grant from the Ford Family Foundation, Rural Development Initiatives facilitated four intensive weekends of team building, project management, and communication activities spread out from September through December.

Among the educational and interactive activities provided throughout the program, the members were also provided with an opportunity to design and choose a community project that would benefit the Jefferson County and Central Oregon area.

The amount of passion among the group for different initiatives made the process lengthy, but in the end the group came to a consensus and de-

cidated upon a new recycling initiative.

The initiative is called the Central Oregon Recycling Project (CORP).

The project will consist of initiatives to increase awareness of the importance of recycling. CORP will also educate residents in the area on materials that can be recycled, and will encourage community members to take action in recycling.

The leadership program ended with a networking luncheon on the day of graduation. Stakeholders from the area who have experience and knowledge in the field of recycling were invited to attend.

The luncheon consisted of a presentation by Reina Estimo and Jefferson Greene, both of Warm Springs, who educated the participants on recycling and its effects on the world, and how

the community can do better.

"This is going to be a project that we'd like to not only make important for the community, but convenient for community," said Jefferson Greene.

"Recycling education and awareness are going to be key factors in this project. Then as our group grows throughout the year of 2009, we will implement ways to change behavior and get more households and businesses recycling."

Currently, the group has a strong initiative to work with the 509-J school district, local businesses, Madras and Warm Springs Sanitation Services, and other groups in the community to help make a difference in how we impact our environment.

(Article courtesy of Jefferson Greene.)

Tragic incident claims 2 lives

The lives of two young tribal members were lost in a tragic shooting incident in Madras on Jan. 1. Investigators say that Julian Wallulatum, 21, killed Hannah Crowe, 26, at the Willow Creek Apartments building where they were living.

Their bodies were found in the bedroom of the apartment on Saturday, Jan. 3, which was Hannah Crowe's

birthday.

Services for Ms. Crowe were held last week at the Simnasho Longhouse.

Services for Mr. Wallulatum were held earlier that week at Agency.

According to the Madras Police Department, "It is believed that during an apparent domestic dispute, Mr. Wallulatum fatally shot Ms. Crowe, then fatally shot himself with a rifle."

Their bodies were discovered after the oldest child living at the apartment, a boy age 8, looked under the door to the bedroom and saw blood. He then told a neighbor, who called the police.

The four children living with the couple were taken into protective custody, examined at the hospital, and determined to be in good health.

Kah-Nee-Ta route 8 reopening

Route 8 near Kah-Nee-Ta High Desert Resort and Casino will be reopened next week after being closed for several years.

The portion of Route 8 travels along the Warm Springs River and was closed due to a slide.

Glen Carpenter from the

Construction Department said they have installed a guardrail along the road and will be completing the final piece of work on the road sometime this week.

The road has been closed for at least two years, Carpenter said.

"Since the slide traffic has had to be detoured through the casino and hotel parking lot," Carpenter added.

Due to weather constraints, Carpenter said, about 200 feet of the road is currently gravel but they plan to pave it in the spring.

Free class on personal finances

A free class, Financial Skills for Families, is being offered in Warm Springs.

To register call the Credit enterprise, 553-3201.

The first of six weekly class sessions will be from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 3 in the Credit enterprise classroom.

Topics will include: How to get in and out of debt without hurting too much; Your Credit report, what it

means and how to fix it;

Family budgeting and spending plans, don't leave home without one;

Banking accounts, checking and savings;

Banking at Warm Springs;

Your personal economy and the larger picture;

Raising kids to be financially savvy;

Doing to be doing well. All books and materials are

supplied at no cost to participants.

The classes are co-sponsored by the Warm Springs Credit Enterprise, Warm Springs Housing, and Warm Springs Community Action Team.

This class will satisfy one of the requirements for the Community Action Team new Individual Development Account Program.

Saturday gardening workshops

Community members who wish to eat healthy and learn to grow their own food can do so with the help of free Saturday gardening workshops.

Participants can learn the basics, techniques and rewards of gardening as well as learning a fun way to improve their budgets, health and the environment.

The January 17 workshop will focus on fertilizing and irrigation; the January 24 workshop will focus on beneficial insects and pruning; and the January 31 workshop will focus on cold frames and propagation.

The workshops are held at the Family Resource Center from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

The Oregon State University Extension Service is working in conjunction with the Warm Springs Community Action Team and the SDPI Diabetes Prevention Program to host the workshops. Partners include the OSU Central Oregon Master Gardeners and Wy'East Resource Conservation and Development.

For more information, contact OSU Extension at 553-3238.

Powwow seeks court candidates

The Lincoln's Birthday Powwow Committee is seeking girls from age 7 to 15 years old to run for the pow-

wow court.

If you are interested, please contact Jodi at 553-9230 or Anna at 553-1245.

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