

Culture fund helps local projects

Individuals and groups in Warm Springs have received funding from the Cultural Trust, a statewide cultural plan that raises funds to invest in arts, humanities and heritage.

The Warm Springs Cultural Trust Plan was finalized and approved in November 2008, securing funds to be disbursed to Warm Springs Reservation small grant applicants.

The "Washanaksha" applications were made available in February 2009 and \$8,329 was awarded in March 2009 to 21 applicants.

The Warm Springs OSU Extension Service was awarded \$2000 to cover expenses associated with the cultural instructors,

sweatshop leaders and elders for the "Strengthening Families and Culture Camp" at Peter's Pasture in July 2009.

Radine Johnson and the Youth Dance Group "Ayayati Numu Pesa" was granted \$1,230. The group performs, upon request, sharing the language, dance and songs of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

Brigitte Whipple, will receive \$1,340 for a project that will document Canby's biscuit root (Lomatium canbyi) in two locations off reservation but within the ceded boundaries of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon.

Merle Kalama's request was granted for the amount of \$600 to create master binders of lit-

eracy materials for the three languages of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs for Head Start classrooms participate Emergent Indian Language Program

The remaining 17 applicants were awarded \$187.58 each for their assorted projects as an incentive to continue their efforts to preserve cultural activities and artistic endeavors.

Funds of the Cultural Trust are distributed to local communities to support their cultural priorities, through competitive grants for projects of regional and statewide significance, and through grants to Oregon's statewide cultural agencies to support their ongoing efforts.

Root Feast Rodeo bucks April 25-26

The Root Feast Kids Rodeo and 'Open' Jackpot Rodeo is set to buck at the Warm Springs Rodeo on Saturday and Sunday, April 25-26.

The kids rodeo starts at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 25. All youth welcome ages 0 to 17 years.

The Open Jackpot Rodeo starts at noon on Sunday, April 26.

Call-ins for both days, April 15 and 16, after 6:30 p.m. at (541) 325-9175. Liana Holyan, secretary.

Same day entries, Saturday 9-10 a.m.; Sunday, 9-11 a.m.

Saturday events:

Mutton busting (6 years and

under), calf riding (7-12 years), cow riding (13-17), barrel racing (6 and under, 7-12, and 13-17).

Flag race (divisions same as for barrels), dummy roping (6 years and under), horseless roping (12 and under), breakaway roping (17 and under), calf scramble (12 and under), stick horse race (5 and under).

Wild colt race, two divisions: 12 and under, 13-17 years, entry fee is \$30 per team.

Entry fee of \$10 per event.

Sunday events

Buckin horse riding, bareback, saddle bronc or wild ride.

Cow riding, calf roping, ladies and boys (15 and under)

breakaway roping; team roping, enter twice, entry fee is \$60 per team.

Ribbon roping, one male, one female. Open barrel racing, junior barrel racing (13 years and under, \$10 entry fee). Wild horse race—open. Wild colt race (12 and under, 13-17, \$30 per team).

Entry fees of \$30 per event unless otherwise specified. One time office fee of \$10 plus entry fee.

Entries open to everyone. Come join the fun.

Sponsored by the Warm Springs Rodeo Association.

(Entry fees must be paid in cash—payouts will be cash.)

Swim team rides wave of success

In just a year's time the Madras Swim Team has been a huge success to our community.

More than 150 kids and families have been a part of this growing program.

The Madras Swim Team represented our community at the Oregon State Championships with three talented swimmers, and the team is becoming a force to be reckoned with at other swim meets around the northwest.

The team is based out of the new Madras Aquatic Center.

The team consists of four skill level practice squads that practice up to six times per week.

The cost to be involved in the program starts at \$25 per



Courtesy photo.

Cirelle Frank has been swim team member since March 2008.

month, which enables the swimmer to practice three times a week for an hour each practice.

The Madras Swim Team has a wide range of age and ability levels: 7 years old up to 18 years old, some kids who are just learning breaststroke and other swimmers that are state finalists in breaststroke.

Cirelle Frank has progressed tremendously in her months of swimming.

She practices extremely hard, and her hard work has paid off with huge improvement in her times.

She has become a fast sprint freestyler and her butterfly is very strong. Cirelle is athletic and she has big expectations for herself and if she continues on the path she is on her dreams in this sport will come true.

Juliane Smith.

All Indian rodeo at Tygh Ridge

The Thirteenth Annual Tygh Ridge All Indian Rodeo is Saturday and Sunday, May 9-10, starting at 1 p.m. daily.

Admission is \$5 (6 and under free).

The rodeo grounds are located 12 miles south of The Dalles, eight miles north of

the old Tygh Valley rodeo grounds on Highway 197. Main events: saddle bronc, bareback, bull riding, team roping, ladies barrel racing, calf roping, ladies breakaway, century team roping, bull doggin.

Special events: wild horse race, amateur saddle bronc,

mutton bustin, wild colt race, junior barrels.

The rodeo is sanctioned by Western States. For more information please contact Mike or Kitty Filbin at (541) 467-2415 evenings after 6 p.m. or weekends.

Lunch fundraiser for wild horse racers

There will be a lunch fundraiser this Friday, April 10 for a group of wild horse racers who are planning to compete in a race at Ft. Smith, Arkansas May 24-31.

The lunch will be at the Agency Longhouse starting at 11 a.m. and lasting until the food is gone.

The horse racers are David LeClaire, Chico Holliday, and

E.J. LeClaire.

The lunch menu includes an enchilada plate with rice and beans, and soda. Pies and baked goods will be on hand — great for Easter weekend!

Workshop on budget, financial aid

Higher Education will host a workshop on budget and financial aid starting at 10 a.m. this Friday, April 10.

The workshop will be in the first floor training room

at the Education building.

Breana Sylwester, financial aid advisor from Central Oregon Community College, will be on hand to answer questions.

The workshop is intended to

help prepare students for college.

For more information, please call Higher Education at 553-3311.

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