

Martinez twins earn Gates Scholarships

Jade and Spayne Martinez received the great news just recently.

"Getting the packet in the mail was one of the best days of my life," said Jade. "The same was true for Spayne."

The twin sisters, who will graduate Sunday from Chiloquin High School, received their packets from the Gates Millennium Scholarship program.

It was a rare accomplishment: Of the more than 20,000 students who submitted applications, only 1,000 were chosen.

The scholarship will pay 80 percent of the financial needs to attend college, and possibly post-graduate school as well. Funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the program aims to help outstanding, finan-



Spayne Martinez



Jade Martinez

cially needy minority students.

To qualify, the student must have a grade point average of 3.25 or higher. Jade has a gpa of 3.8, and Spayne has a gpa of 3.5.

Jade and Spayne will be going to Southern Oregon University in the fall. Spayne said she is going to study photography, applied media or sociology. Jade hasn't decided on a particular

major, but is interested in environmental science, social science, criminology, nursing and business.

Besides maintaining their high gpa's, the girls were also outstanding athletes at Chiloquin High School. They played on the softball team, which finished first this year and last year in the Southern Cascade League. Jade is MVP of the league. This year they also played volleyball, softball and basketball.

The girls' grandparents are Urbana Ross, the land services administrator of the Confederated Tribes; and Dan Martinez, chief of Warm Springs Fire and Safety. Jade and Spayne live in Chiloquin with their other grandparents, Katheline and Jeff Mitchell.

Loogie Luau features fun events

Childrens Protective Services will host the Second Annual Loogie Luau Wednesday, June 17.

The Loogie Luau will be from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. behind the Warm Springs Community Center.

Featured events: dunk tank, Rez Idol contest, watermelon eating contest, Fear Factor Food Challenge, war whooping, car

bumping, water play activities and contests, other fun activities.

There will be a performance by Supaman at 12 noon, sponsored by the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Meth Coalition.

Lunch is provided. If you have any questions, please call Marci or Paula at 553-3209.

Pi-Ume-Sha softball June 27-28

The 2009 Pi-Ume-Sha Slow Pitch Co-ed Softball Tournament is set for Saturday and Sunday, June 27-28 at the Warm Springs Community Center ball fields.

The tourney is in a true double elimination format.

Entry fee is \$275, with \$75 deposit due by June 18. Cashiers check or money order payable to Sandra Greene Sampson.

First place, jackets. Second, pull overs. Third, sweatshirts. Fourth, t-shirts.

All Starts, 12 and 12. Most Valuable Player, one and one.

For information, call Sandra Greene-Sampson at (541) 553-3601 (w).

Tournament director is Jerry Sampson, PO Box 347, Warm Springs, OR 97761. Ph. 325-1866 (c), or 553-6619 (h).

Schjoll memorial tourney

The Second Annual Wayne Schjoll Tournament is scheduled for Friday through Sunday, June 12-14 at the Rialto Tavern in Madras.

First place: jackets, trophy and 50 percent of money. Second place: jackets, trophy, 30 percent of money. Third, t-shirts, trophy, 20 percent of money. Top Man, Top Woman

and Sportsmanship paid.

Eight-ball BCA rules: two man, two woman teams. Race to seven winners, race to five losers, \$25 sponsor fee and \$10 stick fee.

For more information, contact Karla Bagley at 325-3315, Clint Smith, 419-8675, or the Rialto Tavern at 475-6341.

Lessons of nature at HeHe

Second-graders from Warm Springs Elementary School traveled to HeHe for Natural Resource Day.

OSU Extension 4-H, tribal Natural Resources, and the U.S. Forest Service made presentations.

The day included many hands-on natural-resource activities.

Each of the second-grade classes were divided into two groups with one adult, a teacher or volunteer, per group. The 30-minute instruction sessions focused on these topics:

The web of life, taught by Clay Penhollow of Natural Resources. Forestry, by Tamara Shannon of the For-



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The students listen to a botany lesson from a U.S. Forest Service worker.

est Service.

Animals of the forest, pelts and habitat safari, by Fara Brummer of OSU Extension.

Windmill, by Heidi Badger. Tools and mapping by Ruth Indrick of the Forest Service. Self portrait by Idelia Cloud.

There was also a recycling game taught by Shawn Morford of OSU Extension.

Resource team approves creek, other projects

The Resource Management Inter-disciplinary Team recently released a project assessment for restoration work on Shitike Creek near the community area.

The team also approved a number of smaller projects.

Work being done on Shitike Creek will reduce impacts caused by erosion near the community waste water ponds, reduce the risk of future flooding, and improve fish habitat.

The channelized streambed downstream of the Wellness Center will be relocated to the north, where it will assume a more winding and natural

course.

The realigned creek will feature a number of meander bends and appropriate side channels.

The bends will be stabilized by placing engineered log jams in the creek. The project will affect 2,800 feet of Shitike Creek.

Phase 2 of the project will involve removal of the decommissioned wastewater settling ponds. The sludge and clay liner underlying the sludge will be removed and disposed of appropriately. The assessment is out for a 30-day public review and

comment period and copies are available through Scott Turo at the Natural Resources Branch office.

Among the Small Project Assessments (SPA) approved by RMIDT was a public safety radio communications tower on Miller Flat. The 120-foot tower will be directly north of the campus on a site near an existing tower.

RMIDT also approved SPAs to expand wind data collection in the Mutton Mountains, modernize sewage treatment facilities at Kah-Nee-Ta, underburn 477 acres in the Tenino area,

conduct a juniper thinning operation in the Warm Springs urban interface, place invertebrate structures in the Metolius Arm of Lake Billy Chinook, and create a new lake for Kah-Nee-Ta Golf Course.



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