

Improved library reopening soon

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Spilyay Tymoo

The Warm Springs Library will be opening soon in the Family Resource Center.

The library will be part of a larger health and prevention media center, said Caroline Cruz, director of Health and Human Services.

The Warm Springs Library previously was funded through the tribes, but the program closed because of budgeting.

Now, funding is through the health care program, which will provide a stable budget for the library-media center, said Cruz. The Jefferson County Library District also obtained a grant on behalf of the Warm Springs Library for additional funding.

Some the features at the library will be the health and prevention section, Native American section, computer and internet service, a children's section, library cards, and library website. The books will have bar codes that are scanned at check-out.

The media center will be in a room adjacent to the library in the Family Resource Center. One of the features will be a large-size printer, which can produce poster-size documents for departments and individuals.

There will also be computer stations for people to take on-line courses or apply for jobs. "We're hoping to connect with Portland State University and offer on-line degree programs,"



Tribal member volunteer William Rhoan (seated), Roberta Clift (m) and Craig Graham (l) organize and label books in the library. Clift, an Alaska Native, works for the Jefferson County Library District.

said Cruz.

Another idea is to develop a community calendar so all departments can coordinate events and scheduling.

The hope is for an opening in the spring, said Craig Graham, who is overseeing the development of the library. There will be at least one full-time li-

brary job opening, and maybe a part-time position, said Graham.

The library might start begin by operating Monday through Friday, closing at 6 p.m. Later, the library may stay open later, such as till 8 p.m., and also may be open part of the day on Saturday.

Graham and his team have

been bar-coding all of the 2,500 books at the library, and covering the books with plastic protective covers. Through the Jefferson County library grant, the Warm Springs Library will have new furniture and new book shelves.

W.S. to host 19th Annual Youth Championships

The Warm Springs Cougars Youth Basketball Association announces the Nineteenth Annual All Indian High School Girls and Boys Basketball Championships on March 31, April 1, 2, and 3.

The games will be played at the Warm Springs Elementary gym. The tournament is open to the first eight all-Indian girls

and 12 all-Indian boys teams to pay the entry fee of \$225 and \$250, respectfully, by the deadline of Friday, March 18.

After deadline the fees will be an additional \$25 per team. Payments taken only by certified cashiers check or money order only.

Awards include for the girls division: 10 Championship embroidered wool jackets; second

through fourth place awards; Most Valuable Player, Miss Hustle, and Miss rebound (most) and Miss "Beyond the Arc" (most 3's). 10 All Tourney awards, and Team Coach awards.

The Boys Division will include 10 Championship leather sleeve wool jackets; second through fourth place awards;

Most Valuable Player. Mr. Hustle, most rebounds, Mr. Beyond the Arc (most 3's); 10 All Tourney Awards and Team Coach awards.

For More Information you can contact Austin Greene, tournament director at 541-553-1953 (home) or message phone 541-553-3244. Or via email at: eagreene@wstribes.org.

Birth Announcements

Jaylon Holliday and Hillary Camas of Warm Springs are pleased to announce the birth of their son *Jaylon James Holliday Jr.*, born on February 18, 2011.

The grandparents on the father's side are Joel Holliday and Corey Clements of Warm Springs.

The grandparents on the mother's side are Michael Sr., and Eugenia Alire, of Madras.

Aletha D. Northrup of Warm Springs is pleased to announce the birth of her daughter *Renece Yasidra Ange Northrup*, born on February 15, 2011.

The grandparents on the mother's side are Angelina Govonor of Portland, and Carnegie Northrup of Warm Springs.

Ikie Marie Heath of Warm Springs is pleased to announce the birth of her daughter *Pearl Ivy Heath*, born on February 21, 2011.

Pearl joins sister Cassandra B. Heath, 5.

The grandparents on the mother's side are Alice Wyena of Warm Springs, and the late Packy Heath of Warm Springs.

Aldo A.R. Garcia and Della Rae Suppah are pleased to announce the birth of their son *Allen Johnson Rhoan Garcia*, born on February 22, 2011.

Allen joins brothers Aldo Jr., Josiah, Damon and Avan; and sisters Shareya and Falon.

The grandparents on the father's side are Delbert and Sharlayne Garcia of Warm Springs. Great grandparents are Wallace and Lillian Garcia of Elko, Nev.

Grandparents on the mother's side are Roman Suppah and the late Joanna Nelson. Great grandparents are Raymond Johnson Jr. and Patricia Allen of Warm Springs.

Donations needed

The Nancy Mendez family is in need of items due to a kitchen fire and smoke damage.

The family needs clothes for girls:

Age 9—size 8 pants, size 7 shirts.

Age 7—size 8 pants, size 7 shirts.

Two-month baby girl—

size 3-9 month clothes. Size 2 diapers—Huggies.

Also: towels, dishes, food, misc.

If you have a donation to drop off, or would like a donated item picked up, contact Kah-Nee-Ta High Desert Resort and Casino office, 541-553-1112 ext. 3401 or 3412.

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Our literacy awareness campaign, Read to Succeed, is in full swing and the progress looks promising! Here are some highlights.

Kindergarten

At the beginning of the year we had 22% of our Madras Primary kindergarten students reading at benchmark (grade level). In January we increased that to 67%!

"All of our teachers and education assistants are working hard and we are really seeing improvements," said Kathy Bishop, principal, Madras Primary School. "When you walk into the classrooms the students are engaged and excited to be reading. They can't wait to pick a book!" added Bishop.

Middle School

Our greatest middle school test score improvements to date are showing up among our 6th grade Hispanic students and 6th and 8th grade Special Education students.

"What we're seeing most of all is a huge jump in student engagement at the elementary and middle school levels," said Melinda Boyle, director of curriculum and instruction. "Students are talking, sharing, and participating more in their own learning than ever before. Their test scores will improve because of this," added Boyle.

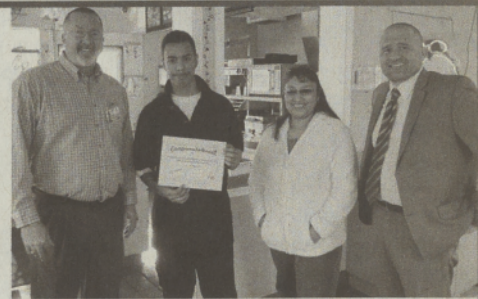
High School

Madras High School students are also showing impressive test score improvements in both reading and math. The biggest jumps are in the freshman class, but students at all grade levels are benefiting from the special workshops now in place to bump up scores and help them graduate.

"Some of these kids have been in the workshops for less than two months and they are already moving out because they are testing so well," said Nick Kezele, instructional coach. "The teachers are doing an incredible job in helping each student on an individual basis," added Kezele.



Spencer Barkwell-Jarvis (center) holds his high school diploma with his dad (left) and Madras High School Principal Gary Carlton.



Madras High School Principal Gary Carlton (left) visits Bridges graduate Jayro Depaz at work to present him with a high school diploma. School board member Laurie Danzuka and Rick Molitor (far right) join in the congratulations.

More Bridges Graduates!

Six more students have successfully completed the Bridges online learning program to earn their high-school credits. The Bridges program allows students to work and study outside of the traditional classroom setting and is offered at the Madras Annex building and in Warm Springs at the Education Building.

"We're proud to offer alternative learning approaches to all of our students," said Gary Carlton, principal for Madras High School. "These students have worked hard to overcome barriers and graduate," he added.

For more information about Bridges or other alternative learning programs, call Madras High School at (541) 475-7265.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF THE GRADUATES!

Spencer Barkwell-Jarvis, Jayro Depaz, Pritesh Patel, Marissa Martin, Edgar Ramirez, Efredn Ortiz

Madras High School Leadership Transitions

Madras High School welcomes new principal Sarah Braman-Smith. Sarah has a passion for students, commitment to achievement, and an understanding of our community. These skills will help continue the efforts of Madras High School. Mrs. Braman-Smith will take the reigns of Madras High School starting July 1, 2011.



Gary Carlton will continue as an administrator for the district in a different role.

Parents Center Classes

Spanish Conversation for Parents Mondays 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Westside School

English Conversation for Parents Tuesdays (Beginning March 1) 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Westside School

Introduction to Computers Wednesdays 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Westside School Small Building

Please call Caree King for specific class dates and to register at (541) 475-6192

Calendar

March
3/14 2-hour Late Start
3/21-25 Spring Break
3/14 School Board Mtg. JCMS @ 7 p.m.
3/28 School Board Mtg. Support Services Bldg. 7 p.m.