

New Policy Council at ECE



Monica Sampson, Arlissa Rhoan, Sallie Jefferson, Kelly Langnese, Allegra Gilbert and Mychel VanPelt take the Policy Council oath of office before their meeting last week.

The new policy council of Head Start-Early Head Start held their first meeting last week.

The council meets every third Thursday at the Early Childhood Education Center.

Agenda items for the first meeting of the new policy council were the swearing-in, followed by election of the officers. Monica Sampson was elected chairwoman, and Rose Ball vice-

chairwoman. Arlissa Rhoan is the secretary.

Head Start administrator Kirstin Hisatake then presented the policy council with several new hires at ECE. The council was introduced to the Head Start-Early Head Start staff, and they reviewed the bylaws and policy council manual.

Some of the policy council members are new to the board, and some are returning mem-

bers. Tribal Council liaisons for Head Start-Early Head Start are councilmen Scott Moses and Austin Eugene Greene.

Warm Springs Head Start and Early Head Start serve 112 children on site; and 48 children through home-based Early Head Start.

There are eight Head Start teachers and eight assistant teachers, plus four Early Head Start teachers. Staff also in-

cludes coordinators for family services, health, and education/disabilities; and two family service workers for Head Start and Early Head Start.

"We're looking forward to a positive year working for the best interests of the children and families of our community," Hisatake said.

— by Dave McMechan

Lights Parade Thursday

The Warm Springs Christmas Family Fun Night is set for this Thursday, Dec. 1.

The Christmas Lights Parade starts at 7 p.m. The parade line-up starts at 6 p.m. at Warm Springs Elementary.

The Christmas tree lighting is at 7:45 p.m., and activities start at 8. There will be Subway, and hot chocolate, a bonfire and coloring contest.

Kids can get their pictures taken with Santa, and there will be a Christmas play in the community center gym.

The events are sponsored

by the Warm Springs Prevention Coalition, and Warm Springs Recreation.

Christmas Bazaar

The Thirty-Sixth Annual Warm Springs Christmas Bazaar is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 10, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Community Wellness Center.

Shoppers can find great gifts for the holidays. There will be unique hand-crafted items, beaded jewelry, and more.

For more information, call the community center at 541-553-3243.

Gift Shop Sale



The Kah-Nee-Ta Lodge Gift Shop is selling Huckleberry Gift Baskets over the Holidays, ranging from \$15 to \$100. The gift shop can also customize the baskets upon request.

JCMS students post outstanding attendance

Jefferson County Middle School announced the students with recent outstanding attendance.

In October, these students from Warm Springs had perfect attendance.

Eighth grade

Janae Adams, Germaine Anderson, Christin Banda-Smith, Gavin Begay, Benjamin Billey, Quindon Calica, Shiralda Charley, Brittany Craig, Reed Doney, Bryson George, Gene Gillespie, Valerie Gonzales, Barbara Halliday, Robert Hatlestad, Dalton Herkshan, Brevin Holliday, Dale Kaltsukis, Desmond Katchia, Lyndreth Leclair, Taron Rabbie, Jasmyn Reese, Maricella Rodriguez, Jordan Scott, Lana Shike, Camisha

Smith, Tyra Thomas, Allen Warner Jr., and Edward Whipple Jr.

Seventh grade

Kalissa Alire, Rochelle Anderson, Cecelia Andy, Terrell Bailey, Bryttaney Brisbois, Jarius Brunoe, Thyrecia Chavez, Deon Culpus, Damean Frank, Lupe Galicia, Shoshanah Garcia, Riata Green, Kris Howtopat, Rodger Jack, Autumn Johnson, Garyson Johnson, Destiny Mitchell-Brookey, Brittany Parra, Marisol Perez, Kiani Picard, Arrita Sampson, Marisela Sanchez, Ostynn Schjoll, Charles Scott, Jade Smith, Preston Stevens, Adrianna Switzler, Carol Tias, Kenneth Tuckta Jr, Aaron Winishut, Shae Yeahquo Jr.

Sixth grade

Kiersten Anderson, Tyler Anderson, Ashtin Boston, Justyne Brisbois, Caramiah Charley, Justice Clement, Rich Danzuka, Jake Frank, James Greene Jr, Catalino Gregorio-Leclair, Thomas Gregorio-Leclair, James Hance, Lynden Harry, Blanche Howtopat, Kaliyah Iverson, Alony Johnson, Michael Kaltsukis, Genesis Lucei, Izraii Mendez, Alliyah Moran, Alyssa Philbert, Neteva Polk-Saludo, Colton Reese, Raymond Sam-Smith, Trevor Savok, Darian Scott, Jaron Smith, Jevin Smith, Joydee Smith, Olivia Smith, Andrew Stacona Jr, Israel Tapia Jr, Tianny Tuckta, Sophia Villagomez-Medina, George Yazzie.

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Legal Aid Services of Oregon provides free assistance to low-income Oregonians in many civil cases. Speak with an attorney during drop-in hours 1 to 4 p.m. on the first Monday of the month at the Warm Springs Community Action Team building, 1136 Paiute Ave, Warm Springs. Or call 385-6944 Monday through Thursday between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. (at lunch from noon-1 p.m.)

Local transit system seeking input

The tribal transit system is looking to expand its services locally and would like input from the community.

"We'd like to know if people are interested in using the transit system to get to and from work," Gayleen

Adams, Social Service Vocational Rehabilitation director, said.

The program is seeking suggestions or ideas.

"We'd like to serve the community," she said, "and provide employment opportunities

through the Vocational Rehabilitation, Social Services, Transit, and Commodities programs."

Adams said she would like the transit route to target those areas where transportation needs exist. Call Voc Rehab at 541-553-4952.

Did you know?

According to the 2009 results from the National Survey on Drugs Use and Health (NSDUH), American Indians as a whole, aged 12 and older, are the least likely of all groups to drink alcohol (37.1%).

For most Native tribes, drinking alcohol is not a part of their culture.

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