

W.S. Elementary hosts 509-J board

Warm Springs Elementary School reading levels are steadily showing improvement, according to the latest DIBELS testing. School principal Dawn Smith presented the test information at a recent school district 509-J meeting.

DIBELS stands for "Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills," and measures key aspects in early childhood literacy: Phonemic awareness, alphabetic principle, accuracy and fluency, vocabulary and comprehension.

Teachers can determine how the individual students are doing with various aspects of language, and whether or how

much support a student might need in a language area.

Principal Smith also said student reading and other test scores are improving as measured by the Oregon Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (OAKS) data. As an example of this data:

After the second round of OAKS testing in 2011, fifty-five percent of third graders at the school met the OAKS reading standard. After the second round of testing in 2012, sixty-one percent of the students met the standard.

Each of the grades showed similar improvement over the year.

The school board meeting at Warm Springs Elementary School was also a time for the board to hear from the individual teachers.

Some who addressed the board were Kevin Rodin, Artis Smith, Sara Kollen, Angie David, and Ramona Kaloi, among others.

Cathy Russell, who is the school improvement coordinator, also was on hand to comment. "I see many good things at this school," she said. "The staff is very caring, and have high expectations for themselves and the students. It's nice to hear teachers who really know their students."

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Gladys Miller Thompson ~ "Wasuskani"

Tribal elder Gladys Miller Thompson "Wasuskani" passed away on March 7, 2012. She was 97.

Ms. Thompson was born on January 1, 1915 to parents Carrie Jane John and Thomas Miller.

Her siblings were Hazel Suppah, Joyce Quinn, Rosanna Charley, and Wesley Riggs Charley.

Gladys Thompson was raised by her grandparents Margaret Handley and Tomar Handley, who were fluent in Kiksht language. Gladys learned and spoke her first language Kiksht until her last days on this earth.

She served five terms on the Culture and Heritage Committee, from 1986 to 1995, and from 1999 to 2007.

Ms. Thompson worked with the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Language Program from June 1993 until her passing on March 7 this year.

Gladys Thompson is survived by her children Roscoe Thompson, Lola Sohappi, Marcia Minthorn, Christine Scott, and Dennis Thompson. She joins her husband, Joseph Thompson; children Irene Towe, Marlene Thompson, and two infant babies.

From the family of Gladys Thompson:



The family would like to extend our deepest thanks to all who came to her bedside with their songs and prayers for her and for our family.

She was the matriarch of our family and your presence helped to lighten our burden of her passing. Thank you for your thoughtfulness, generosity, and support during our difficult time. It is greatly appreciated.

There are too many people to express our personal thanks to, as the

list could go on and on. It is truly wonderful how everyone came to our side and helped in any way that they could.

We would like to say we love you all and may God bless you continuously as you have blessed our loved one and ourselves with your unending love.

Gladys was laid to rest at the Agency Cemetery.

Birth announcements

Juliann Carol Marie Graybael Senator

Julius Senator and Sissaley Graybael are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Juliann Carol Marie Graybael Senator, born on March 28, 2012.

Grandmother on the father's side is Debbie Leslie.

Grandparents on the mother's side are Rosa Graybael, and Brent Graybael Sr., of Warm Springs.

Calvin Jr. joins brothers Tracy, 8, and Isaac, 7; and sisters Lataya, 3, Doralya, 6, and Arcalia, 2.

Grandparent on the father's side is Rachel Charley of Warm Springs.

Grandparents on the mother's side are Randolph Boise Sr. and Berna Greene-Boise of Warm Springs; and Regina McConville of Washington.

Quintis Keane Martinez

Demus Martinez and Adeline Gleason of Warm Springs are pleased to announce the birth of their son Quintis Keane Martinez, born on April 12, 2012.

Quintis joins brothers Donavan, Devon, Tanner and Jimmy; and sister Shaylene.

Grandparents on the father's side are Trudie Smith, and Henry Martinez of Warm Springs.

Grandparent on the mother's side is Valeena Sargaent of Warm Springs.

Diaz Noah Arthur

Mary Ann Brito of Warm Springs is pleased to announce the birth of her son Diaz Noah Arthur, born on April 10, 2012.

Diaz joins brother Diego, 5. Grandparents on the mother's side are the late MaryAnn Meanus of Warm Springs.

Calvin John Charley Jr.

Calvin Charley and Irene Boise of Warm Springs are pleased to announce the birth of their son Calvin John Charley Jr., born on March 26, 2012.

Warm Springs Community Calendar

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Wednesday, April 18

On today's **Community Wellness calendar**: Water Aerobics is at 10:15 at the Kahneeta Village Pool; Senior Fitness Class is at 10:45 at the Senior Building; and there is a Walk for Diabetes at 12:10 at the Community Center. They will have health screenings, educational material, and a nutritional snack for all participants.

At the **Boys and Girls Club** after school today they have Power Hour homework assistance and the Together Raising Awareness of Indian Life (TRAIL) program. The Warm Springs Boys and Girls Club is located in the Vern Jackson Home next to the CPS center.

Are you interested in starting a business, but want assistance with a **business plan**? Business classes are starting soon. Contact Nettie at 541-553-3148 for more information.

The Week of the Young Child **Penny Carnival** is today at the Community Center.

Today's **Cultural Class** will be the Wasco language and a presentation on Traditional Curfew. It's from 3:30 to 5pm in the basement of the education building.

There's a **Summer Youth Workshop** today from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Education Building. The topic is "Communication."

Attention all **Combat Veterans**: The Group Session formerly held on Thursdays has moved to Wednesdays at 4:30 every week at the Family Resource Center in the meeting room across from the Library.

An **Alcoholics Anonymous** meeting will be held this evening at 7 in the Family Resource Center conference room.

Thursday, April 19

On today's **Community Wellness calendar**: Total Body Fitness Class starts at

12:10 at the community center.

The annual Trading at the River conference is April 19-20 at the Embassy Suites by the airport in Portland. To find out more go to onaben.org

There is a **JCMS Site Council** meeting at 4 p.m.

High school students and their parents are invited to a workshop to learn about the **Native American Health Science Institute** at Washington State University today at 5:30 p.m. at the top floor of the education building.

There's **Snack Attack** at 3:45 today at the Community Center; **Beading with Marge** is at 4; and The Reawakening Program is from 5-7 p.m.

At the **Boys and Girls Club** after school today they will offer: Outdoor games and indoor activities plus the TRAIL program which stands for Together Raising Awareness of Indian Life.

There's a **Summer Youth Workshop** today from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Education Building. The topic is Finance.

Strength Training Class is today at 5:30 at the community center.

Friday, April 20

On today's **Community Wellness calendar**: Senior Fitness Class is at 10:45 this morning at the Senior Building. The lunchtime fitness class at the Community Center is High Intensity Interval.

Today in **Carol's Room** after school they are having popcorn and a movie.

The Jefferson County Library Community **Film Center** will show *Blind Mountain* at 7:30 pm. It's free, refreshments will be available and the film center is located in the Rodriguez Annex, next to the library in Madras.

Saturday, April 21

Another **Vest Making Class** taught by The Pendleton

Woolen Mill Store will be held in Warm Springs today at the Family Resource Center. The cost is \$70 and that includes "The World's Easiest Vest" pattern, Pendleton material and wool binding. They have only a few extra sewing machines so you will need to bring your sewing machine, scissors and pins. Beginner sewers are welcome. The class is limited to 15 participants per session. The first session begins at 9am. Reservations and payments can be made by contacting Noree Guerin at 541-325-2115.

An **Alcoholics Anonymous** meeting is being held this morning at 10 in the Family Resource Center conference room.

A **potluck dinner and prayer** gathering for the Warm Springs Christian community will be at 6 p.m. at the High Lookee Lodge Tribal Room. You are invited to unite in prayer for the community, churches and families. This community gathering takes place the third Saturday of each month.

The Jefferson County Kid's Club "Casino Night" Fundraiser is today at the Madras Elk's Lodge. It starts at 6 p.m. - for information call (541) 475-7028.

Sunday, April 22

The Kah-Nee-Ta Mini Marathon is today. There will be a 14.5 mile, 10k, 5k and the 1 mile fun run/walk. Registration will begin at 8am at the village front gate. The bus for the 14.5 mile run will leave at 8:30 sharp. All other races begin at 10 a.m. from the front gate. Door prizes and pool passes will be given to each participant. A discounted fee is available if you register in advance at the community center.

Monday, April 23

Today is a 2-hour late start for all 509-J schools.

On today's **Community Wellness calendar**: This is Week 16 of the Movin' Mountains Slim Down Challenge. Senior Fitness Class is at 10:45 this morning at the Senior Building. Last Chance Workouts are going on at 12:10 at the Community Center aerobics room.

In **Carol's Room** today they are playing board games from 3:30 to 5:30 and then the room is open until 6:45.

Today's **Cultural Class** will be the Paiute language and a presentation on Regalia. It's from 3:30 to 5pm in the basement of the education building.

Tuesday, April 24

There is **Healthy Breakfast** at the Health & Wellness Center in the kitchen conference room. Jeri Kollen will make a presentation on Diabetes Complications.

On today's **Community Wellness calendar**: There are Last Chance workouts for Movin' Mountains participants today at 12:10 - anyone can take part though!

Today in **Carol's Room** at Recreation - Snack Attack is after school and **Beading with Marge** is at 4.

Today's **Cultural Class** will be the Warm Springs language and a presentation on the History of Beadwork. It's from 3:30 to 5pm in the basement of the

education building.

Wednesday, April 25

On today's **Community Wellness calendar**: Water Aerobics starts at 10:15 at the Kahneeta Village Pool. Senior Fitness is at 10:45 at the Senior Building.

The **Madras High School Parent Center** is putting on a presentation today, a Health and Nutrition Workshop. It'll be held from 10-11 a.m. and again from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Stop by the MHS office for directions to the Parent Center.

The **JCMS Track and Field** team has a meet this afternoon at Culver.

Today in **Carol's Room** - Craft time is from 3:30 to 5:15; Beading with Marge is from 4-5 and the Sewing Circle starts at 5:30.

Today's **Cultural Class** will be the Wasco language and a presentation on the History of Law Enforcement. It's from 3:30 to 5pm in the basement of the education building.

There's a **Summer Youth Workshop** today from 4:30 to 6:30pm at the Education Building. The topic the "Personnel Policy Manual."

Victims of Crime Services has a monthly **Men's Support Group** Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. This is a support group for men who are a victim of a crime, not a batterers program.

COCC's Madras Community Learning program has a Beginning Excel class on April 30 from 6-9 p.m. at the Madras campus. Space is very limited. You can sign up at noncredit.COCC.edu. The fee is \$59.

Thursday, April 26

On today's **Community Wellness calendar**: An ECE Fun Run will start at 9:30 this morning. And, there are Last Chance Workouts at 12:10 at the Community Center.

There's **Snack Attack** at 3:45 today at the Community Center; Beading with Marge is at 4; and The Reawakening Program is from 5-7 p.m.

There's a **Summer Youth Workshop** today from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Education Building. The topic is "Safety."

The **Veteran's and Family Healing Circle Gathering** will be held April 26-29 at the Hehe Longhouse. **Thursday** - the longhouse will open at noon for travelers, music and story-telling. **Friday** there will be a lighting of the healing fire, veteran's honoring, flute playing, healing touch and sweat lodge. **Saturday** will feature speakers, ceremonies, a talking circle, sweat lodge, silent auction and raffle. **Sunday** there will be a closing ceremony at 10am. FMI: Larson Kalama Sr. 541-553-3093.

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