

TePee Arcade opens at Plaza

Scott Moses and fiance Nicole Main have opened the TePee Arcade at the Plaza.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday. 10 a.m. to 12 midnight Friday and Saturday.

"This is really going to be nice," Joy Ramirez said of the opening. "It's a great idea, and it's nice to have a positive business in the community for youth."

For now, Nicole is playing with ideas on what types of food to serve, with several ideas in mind.

"For now, there are refreshments," Nicole said.

"They have those air-hockey tables," Angela Smith



Killian and Yancy Smith take aim at the new arcade.

said. "I might have to play a couple rounds."

Find the TePee Arcade page on Facebook: "TePee Arcade Warm Springs".

The arcade was open for Paiyumsha weekend. Crews worked late installing new games and ironing out glitches the day before the opening.

"The facility is also equipped with two pool tables. So there's two full rooms of games. This is something positive and fun for the younger ones."

The arcade is located in the Plaza space that was formerly the TeePee Deli.

— Duran Bobb

Trailer burns, no injuries

An accidental kitchen fire heavily damaged a manufactured home on the Warm Springs Reservation late Saturday night, June 16. The family was away and there were no injuries, officials said.

Neighbors of the home at 2365 Oitz Loop spotted the smoke and called Warm Springs Fire and Safety around 10:30 p.m., assistant fire chief Karla Bagley-Tias said.

The damage primarily was to the kitchen and part of the living room, but with smoke damage throughout the home. Bagley-Tias estimated it at "probably 70 percent loss." No damage figure had been compiled, she added.

Somebody apparently left something on the stove "when the family went to drop off a couple kids somewhere," Bagley-Tias said, adding that they had been gone about 45 minutes.

"The fire was knocked down fairly quickly," Bagley-Tias said. But crews were on scene for about two hours, as Pacific Power had to respond to turn off the power.

Warm Springs crews were able to handle the blaze, but a Jefferson County Fire unit was brought in to be on standby at the fire station, she added.

Disaster responders with the Bend chapter of the American Red Cross are helping the family of two adults and three children with food, clothing and lodging. Bagley-Tias said they spent Saturday night with family.

Fortunately, they will be able to salvage a lot of the children's items from the back of the home, Bagley-Tias said. "It could have been worse, but it's unfortunate," she said.

Roping clinic

Kids didn't have much time to sit around watching cartoons on their first day out of school.

Edison Yazzie and the 4-H Program made sure the kids were busy at the Roping Clinic. Yazzie, with assistance from Justin Tom and Lee Tom, worked with the kids on their roping technique.

When putting their skills to the test in a boys vs. girls contest, the girls were victorious each time.

"We received donations of ropes from local businesses," Yazzie says. "We are planning for this to be an annual event for the youth." Each participant was able to take home a rope to practice with.

— Yvonne Iverson



Yvonne Iverson/Spilyay

Truck crashes into administration building

Last Thursday a pickup truck allegedly driven by Thelma Mae Dickson crashed into the Comp & Benefits office space of the tribal administration building.

Sally Smith had parked William Sam's vehicle near the north entrance and was talking with friends when the pickup truck driven by Dickson began lurching forward, striking Sam's car



The truck hit the front of the admin building.

and eventually plowing into the building.

"I'm in shock!" Smith said. "She said she was trying to put the vehicle into park. All I could think was, my baby! He was still in the car. He's 17...but he's still my baby."

Police were on-scene interviewing witnesses within thirty minutes.

Dixon was taken into custody around 3:25 p.m.

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"It's a noisy site," Calica said, "and there have been serious motor vehicle accidents in that area."

Loud noise comes from the semi-trucks ramping up for the grade, or braking loudly coming down the grade toward the school.

There is general agreement that Warm Springs needs a new school. There is disagreement, though, as to funding.

Some feel the Treaty requires the federal government to participate directly in the school project, such as by providing the \$10 million tribal match.

This may be true but the BIA has no money for this

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project, and agency representatives say the BIA would not come up with the money. If the tribes want a new school within the foreseeable future, then the tribes will have to fund its construction.

That was the case with the Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center. And some years ago the tribes funded an excellent day-care facility, the Early Childhood Educational building.

"We need to continue the investment," Calica said.

Head of Bonneville Power retiring

PORTLAND (AP) — The head of the Bonneville Power Administration, who weathered the 2001 energy crisis and longstanding court battles over making the Northwest's hydroelectric dams safer for salmon, is retiring.

The agency announced last week that Steve Wright will step down at the end of January 2013.

Bonneville manages power from 31 federal dams in the Columbia Basin and operates more than 15,000 miles of transmission lines that carry electricity across the West. It supplies about 40 percent of the power for the Pacific Northwest, and oversees much of the region's salmon conservation projects.

Little League announces All-Stars

Warm Springs Nation Little League baseball announced its All-Stars teams. The All-Stars are:

9-10 year olds: Aram David, Cole White, Dapri Miller, James Katchia Jr., Johnny Ramsey Jr., Joshua Olney, Marion B. Graybael III, Michael Smith, Quadry Wolfe, Stuart Smith Jr., and Wayne EagleSpeaker. Team manager, Donnie Winishut Sr.; coaches, Serina "Cena" Wolfe and Richard Wolfe Jr.

10-11 year olds: Alex Ali Martinez, Allen Jackson, Amial Rhoan, Corbett Tom

Jr., Dartanian Picard, Dolan Waheneka III, Gary Katchia Jr., James Williams, Perry Isadore, Rahgib Wolfe, Trenton Calica, and Tyreyk Ramsey. Manager, Vivian Smith; coach, Alvis Smith III.

11-12 year olds: Byron Patt, Chad Thurby, Damean Frank, Darian Scott, Eli Lopez, Jevin Smith, Kahne Herkshan, Killian Smith, Marquise Scott, Michael Kaltsukis, Tyrone Medrano and William Shike. Manager, Rob Kaltsukis; coaches, William "Hobo" Patt and K.C. Jensen.

Exhibit opening



Duran Bobb/Spilyay

The Museum at Warm Springs opened the Beaded Tapestries exhibit with parade on the museum grounds.

Feds to open review of Mass. Indian casino bid

TAUNTON, Mass. (AP) — Another step in the process that a Massachusetts Indian tribe hopes will lead to development of a resort casino is set to begin.

The federal Bureau of Indian Affairs is scheduled to

hold its first public hearing this Wednesday on a bid by the Mashpee Wampanoag to put into federal trust 146 acres of land in the southeastern Massachusetts city of Taunton.

Approval of the land-into-

trust application is required before the casino project can move forward.

The tribe also faces a July 31 deadline for negotiating a casino compact with the state.

A hearing is also scheduled

Thursday by the federal agency on the Mashpee's related request to put 170 acres of land into trust on Cape Cod.

The tribe has said it has no plans to develop a casino on the Cape.

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.)