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## Counseling hosting dedication

The community is invited to the dedication and official opening of the new Warm Springs Community Counseling Center, today, Wednesday, March 6.

The Health and Human Services Branch is hosting the dedication and open house throughout the day.

Stop by for a tour of the newly-remodeled building, which houses the Prevention Program, Alcohol and Drug, and Mental Health. Meals are being served, there is a video project on display, among other activities.

The building is the old girls dorm, and recently received a \$600,000 improvement.

Community Counseling staff (some pictured right) are happy to be in the newly remodeled building. See staff profiles on pages 7, 8 and 9.



Katrina Rodgers/Community Counseling

## Nominees for Tribal Council

The districts met on Monday evening to nominate candidates to the Twenty-Sixth Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. There are 27 nominees for the Agency District; thirteen for Simnasho; and six for Seekseequa.

The district voters in April will choose the next Tribal Council. Agency and Simnasho will elect three Council members, and Seekseequa voters will choose two.

**The Agency District nominees** are: Carlos Calica, Luther Clements, Mona Smith Cochran, Lynn Tanewasha Davis, Reina Estimo, Eugene Greene Jr., Anita Jackson, Kahseuss Jackson, Louise Katchia, Kim LeClaire, Dan Martinez, Jeff Sanders Sr., Mary Sando-Emhoolah, Alex Smith, Alvis Smith III, Carlos Smith, Claude Smith III, Jonathan Smith, Randy Smith, Robert Smith, Ryan Smith Sr., Wissy Smith, Lola Sohapp, Marcia Soliz, Roy Spino, Dabid Rodriguez, Gabriel Walker.

**The Simnasho District nominees** are: Duran Bobb, Orvie Danzuka, Raymond Moody, Evaline Patt, J.P. Patt, Rafael Queahpama, Cassie Rhoan, Sal Sahme, Emerson Squiemphen, Aurolyn Stwyer, Delson Suppah Sr., Ron Suppah, Raymond Tsumpti Sr.

**The Seekseequa District nominees** are: Reuben Henry, Wendell Jim, Scott Moses, Myra Johnson Orange, Lee Tom, Wilson Wewa.

The following are the order in which the candidates were nominated, and the person who made the nomination:

### Agency District

Deborah Jackson nominated Anita Jackson.

Foster Kalama nominated Gabriel Walker.

Foster also nominated Lola Sohapp.

Amanda Thompson nominated Carlos Smith.

Veronica Smith nominated Randy Smith.

Mark Stevens Sr. nominated Wissy Smith.

Kevin Smith nominated Robert Smith.

Clarisse Crane nominated Alex Smith.

Council Chairman Buck Smith nominated Kahseuss Jackson.

Rosemary Lewis nominated Dan Martinez.

Earleen Tufti nominated Marcia Soliz.

Rosanna Sanders nominated Jeff Sanders Sr.

William Wilson nominated Luther Clements.

Shawn Hisatake nominated Reina Estimo.

Leminnie Smith nominated Dabid Rodriguez.

Mary Tohet nominated Jonathan Smith (Janell Smith's brother).

Jeff Sanders Jr. nominated Roy Spino.

Clint Smith nominated Leontyne "Lynn" Tanewasha-Davis.

Jolene Switzler nominated Eugene Greene Jr.

Demus Martinez nominated Carlos Calica.

Agnes Lumpmouth nominated Kim LeClaire.

Mona Smith Cochran nominated Alvis W. Smith III.

Regen "Toby" Morales nominated Ryan Smith Sr. (Smitty).

Versa Fuentes Smith nominated Claude Smith III.

Adeline Miller nominated Louise Katchia.

Bruce Brunoe Jr. nominated Mary Sando Emhoolah.

Veronica Smith nominated Mona Smith Cochran.

(These are the candidates who accepted the nominations.)

### Simnasho District

Eliza Brown-Jim nominated Raymond Moody.

Francelia Miller nominated Rafael Queahpama.

Sharlayne Garcia nominated Raymond Tsumpti Sr.

Walt Quinn nominated Sylvester Sahme.

Roberta Kirk nominated Duran Bobb.

Sharlayne Garcia nominated Cassie Rhoan.

William Rhoan nominated Delson Suppah Sr.

Priscilla Frank nominated J.P. Patt.

Neda Wesley nominated Aurolyn Stwyer.

Arlita Rhoan nominated Orvie Danzuka.

Stanley Simtustus nominated Ron Suppah.

Roberta Kirk nominated Evaline Patt.

### Seekseequa District

Oliver Moses nominated Scott Moses.

Geraldine Jim nominated Wendell Jim.

Lauraina Hintsala nominated Reuben Henry.

Vivian Wewa nominated Wilson Wewa.

Liana Tom nominated Lee Tom.

Rhonda Ike nominated Myra Johnson Orange.

Through this week is the verification process for the nominees, after which is the preparation of the ballots. Upcoming election dates:

March: Approval resolution setting election date. Mail absentee ballots.

**April:** Election.

Monday, May 6: The Twenty-Sixth Tribal Council takes office.

## Filmmaker works on 'Awakening'

By Yvonne Iverson  
Spilyay Tymoo

Tribal member LaRonn Katchia is attending the Art Institute of Portland, where he is currently working on a movie entitled *Awakening* for his senior thesis.

The movie is about a Native American teen who is sent to a Shaman by his grandmother in hopes of restoring his faith in his culture.

Starring in the movie is Louise Katchia, Foster Kalama and Solomon Trimble, who also had a part in the popular movie *Twilight*.

"Working with Mr. Solomon Trimble was great," said Foster Kalama. "Using his acting experiences made it a lot easier for me."

It was also helpful having Katchia walk him through his parts, Kalama said.

Katchia has a film crew that travels with him to Warm Springs to shoot the scenes. He describes his experience working with the crew:

"I had seen all the work that goes into a movie, the long hours, and a lot of thinking... This team was awesome!"

Katchia has been raising money to cover the expenses of the crew and equipment needed to complete the student project.



A website has been created to share updates and accept donations: [laronnkatchia.wix.com/awakening](http://laronnkatchia.wix.com/awakening)

"Mr. Katchia could use all the help he can get financially," explains Kalama. "He is working on getting

his degree in Film Directing, and needs this film to get his degree."

Katchia adds, "This short film is important to me because I feel my culture, along with many cultures, are drifting away due to technology. Elders of tribes are passing away," he says, "and with them the knowledge of our sacred ways and practices."

Katchia needs the film to complete his degree; but he has already completed several other projects, including a music video for local rappers Bigg B and N8, which can be seen on his youtube channel along with some of his other work.

LaRonn Katchia (top); and directing (right).

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