

MAC Recreation needs Warm Springs vote

By Michele Gemelas

The Madras Aquatic Center Recreation District proposed 5-year tax levy failed by only 171 votes in the November election, and the MAC Board is asking for Warm Springs voters to help get this important levy passed.

The levy will be on the May ballot that will arrive in the mailboxes of registered voters on May 4. The MAC Recreation District has made it clear: This operating levy needs Warm Springs votes in order to pass.

Here are some of the questions asked by Warm Springs residents:

Question: Who can vote on this MAC Operations Levy?

Any registered voter in Oregon, 18 or older, who is living in Jefferson County in the 509-J school district is also within the MAC District boundary and can vote on this levy. This includes most Warm Springs residents. This levy will be on the State ballot that will arrive in the mail May 4.

Question: When can I vote?

As soon as your ballot arrives in the mail! The earlier, the better, but all ballots must be turned in by election day May 21.

Question: How do I vote?

Either mail in your ballot or take it to an authorized ballot box location before May 21.

Question: How much will this levy cost tribal members living on the reservation or renting in Madras?

Reservation residents and renters who do not pay property tax will not be affected by the levy.

Question: Why should I vote for this? What is in it for me?

The most important reasons are that the MAC Recreation District provides lots of opportunities to Warm Springs residents for fitness, healthy activities in and out of the water and learning to swim in a safe environment.

It is also a great place to hold birthday parties, there

are many running/race opportunities, AND it helps to sustain the business community in Jefferson County. We need our gas stations, restaurants, motels, etc. to keep their doors open and thrive. Also, the Warm Springs Boys and Girls Club and various other groups have rented the facility for events.

Question: What will this tax levy fund?

The MAC Levy will eliminate the five-week MAC closure that occurs each April/May and will eliminate the need for loans that are currently borrowed each year to keep the doors open. It will also provide a maintenance fund, and will expand the out of water recreation programs.

This year, Central Oregon Seed, Inc. made a generous donation to keep the doors open in April, but this is a temporary measure for this year only.

Question: Why should Warm Springs vote YES on this levy?

Warm Springs residents are participating in many of

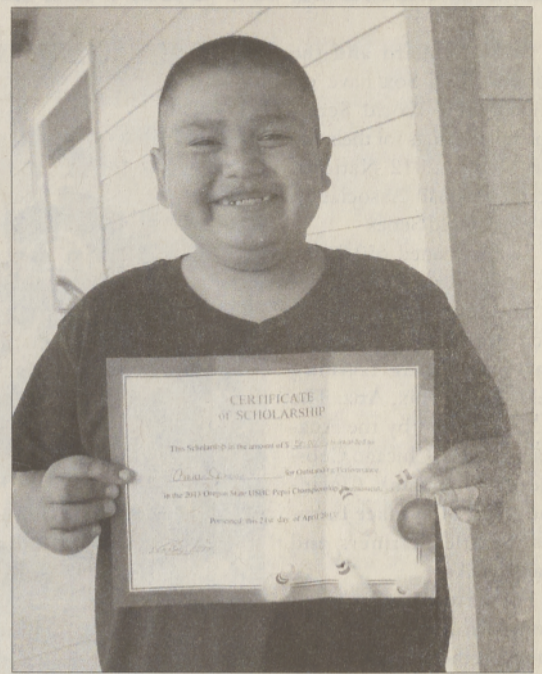
the recreational activities at the MAC including adult softball, youth soccer, youth and adult basketball, open gyms, water polo, swim teams, and more. A few brave folks have even participated in the MAC Dash Sprint Triathlon for the last few years!

Having folks participate in these activities is a great way to improve health and help us to live longer.

Carolyn Harvey, Operations Manager at the MAC and former Wellness Coordinator for the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, would like to continue all of these healthy programs and to increase the number of Warm Springs participants in these activities, but needs to have the money to do so. Currently these programs are grant funded, but that funding will expire. This five-year Operations Levy will provide continued funding for these programs.

Every Warm Springs vote is needed for this to pass, so please vote YES for the MAC Recreation District Operations Levy!

New Bowler



Dave McMechan/Spilyay

Amare with scholarship certificate he won at the Pepsi Championship.

Family, friends and community members,

This proud Ulla would like to announce the newest bowling member of our family, Amare LeClaire-Jones.

Amare recently competed in the 2013 Oregon State USBC Pepsi Championships at McMinnville, Ore., and placed fourth in his age group.

Scholarships are awarded towards college. I am anxious to see how much interest Amare's scholarship will be when he is ready for college (he is 7 years old now).

Amare is a fourth generation bowler. Great grandfather, Raymond Shike Sr., was very active in bowling leagues and Indian Bowling tournaments.

Great-grampa involved the whole Shike family in bowling and a lot of our family still bowls.

Amare and I would like to say "Thank you" to "Great"-Uncle Raymond Shike Jr. for Amare's new bowling bowl.

Thank you,
Helena Shike (Amare's Ulla)

Bands to perform at Community Center

There will be a music festival on Saturday, May 11, at the Warm Springs Community Center Social Hall.

Bands that will be playing are Hemlock, Damage Overdose, Existential Depression,

and Neuroethic.

Admission is \$5, all ages. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 7:30. No drugs or alcohol.

The band Hemlock is from Las Vegas. They will

be playing a show in Missoula, Mont., the night before they appear in Warm Springs, and then are traveling on to Seattle.

Damage Overdose is a Warm Springs band. They

have been playing shows for 15 years.

Existential Depression is from Bend; and Neuroethic is a Madras-Warm Springs band.



Yvonne Iverson/Spilyay

Oregon author Bill Sullivan met recently with readers at the Warm Springs Library. He discussed his 2008 book, *Oregon's Greatest Natural Disasters*.

Oregon's Greatest Natural Disasters tells the dramatic story of the floods, earthquakes, forest fires, eruptions and tsunamis that have shaped Oregon and impacted people over the past 13,000 years. There was a good turnout for the event at the library.

Raffle items to be picked up

The following individuals have raffle items that still need to be picked up:

Kianna Allen, Roosevelt Heath, Liana Holyan, Phillip David, Linda David, Lucinda Tufti, also:

Louie Pitt, McKinley Lopez, Carol Garcia, Ginger Smith, Brenda Symons, R. Lohman and G. Cannon.

Please call Val Squiemphen at 541-325-6412 to make arrangements for pick-up.

Happy Mothers Day wishes...

Happy Mothers Day to:

Evelyn G., Jai Rowe, Jayleen M., Violet H., Jolene G., Yvonne W., Luana R., Kimiko M., Suan M., Blanche M., Mona Smith, Julie S., Colleen S., Jenny Smith, Sally Smith, Vera Smith, Katie Smith, Deb Scott, Marella S., Elsie S., Wilona P., Amanda T., Phyllis S., Lillian H., Lynn Knight, Melissa K., Angel Kalama, Lanelle Warner, Jamie Stwyer, April Yeager,

Big Jess, Lil Jess, Teresa Suppab, Marva Lawrence, Ester Lawrence, Kelli Miller, Su-Yen Smith Walker, Laura Kennedy, Lilly Charley, and to all the mothers out in Springs, doing their thing, holding it down for their kids! Love you all lost and will keep you in my thoughts and prayers! I will be leaving soon, so my aunt Evelyn will have my contact info for you.

James R. Johnson

Event for veterans in June

The Peaceful Spirit Outing—Honoring our Wounded Warriors through Fly Fishing and Cultural Sharing is June 11-13 at Lower Dry Creek in Warm Springs.

Fishing guides, volunteers and donations are being sought. If you can help out, contact Casey Green at 541-325-2147.

If you are interested in advertising in the Spilyay Tymoo, call Yvonne at 541-553-2210. Or email her at yvonne.iverson@wstribes.org

Diabetes support for youth

The Warm Springs model Diabetes Program is hosting a support group for type 1 and type 2 youth and their families.

The first meeting is next

Thursday, May 9, from 5 to 6 p.m. in the Kitchen Conference Room at the Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center. To learn more call Jeri Kollen at 541 553-2478.

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