

Restoration Workers

The Natural Resources restoration crews are back on the job. They will be working through the summer and into the fall, repairing fences, protecting riparian areas, and doing other restoration work on the reservation.



Dave McMechan/Spilyay

Museum honoring artist's life, work

Opening this Thursday

The Museum at Warm Springs this year is celebrating its Twentieth Anniversary. The museum first opened in March of 1993.

The main summer exhibit at the museum will feature the life and work of Apolonia

Susana Santos.

The summer show will be "Indigenous Elements: The Life and Art of Apolonia Susana Santos."

The exhibit opens this Thursday, June 27, with the opening reception from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Apolonia passed in 2006. She was an artist, activist, art and cultural liaison and indig-

enous warrior.

Susana's paintings and serigraphs often contain the dramatic and diverse landscape and sky of the high desert.

Snowstorms and the elements of wind, water, sun and moon appear with vigor. Her artistic interpretation of salmon, coyote and big horn sheep express how strongly

she was connected to her homelands.

Interpretation of Native women and men in tradition dress always has a contemporary flair. Though small in stature, she stood large in life, as she painted, sculpted and created strategies toward social change for Native youth.

Fish commission names Moffett as new chairman

Leaders from the Warm Springs, Umatilla, Yakama and Nez Perce tribes unanimously selected Nez Perce Tribal Councilman Joel Moffett to lead the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission as its new chairman.

Moffett is the vice chairman of the Nez Perce tribe executive committee, the governing body of the Nez Perce Tribe.

This will be the second time that Moffett has served as CRITFC's chairman. Moffett is recognized for his commitment to achieving consensus and for his creative solutions and ideas.

He is also known for his ability to distill complex issues and information into easily understood explanations.

He has served on his tribe's executive committee since 2006. Prior to his service as the vice chairman, Moffett served as the treasurer.

He also represents Northwest tribes on the Tribal-Interior Budget Council, and on the Executive Board of the Affiliated Tribes of North-



Joel Moffett

west Indians.

Moffett lives on the Nez Perce Reservation in Lapwai, Idaho with his family. He has three children, the youngest born just two months ago.

They enjoy fishing throughout the Nez Perce homeland, from the Columbia River to its upper tributaries in the wilds of Idaho and Oregon.

"I am honored to have been selected to chair the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission," said Moffett.

"Protecting salmon—the very heart of the cultures of the Nez Perce, Umatilla, Warm Springs, and Yakama

tribes—is a great responsibility. Add in protecting lamprey, tribal treaty rights, and the very water itself and we have plenty of work to do.

"Together, I believe the member tribes of CRITFC have the unique skills, drive, and expertise to accomplish this."

Moffett will assume the chairmanship at the next commission meeting on July 25.

He will chair the first commission meeting at the new CRITFC offices, which are moving on July 1 after 22 years at its present location.

He succeeds N. Kathryn "Kat" Brigham (Umatilla), who served as CRITFC chairwoman for the past year.

Strong leadership and advocacy of tribal treaty fishing rights and tribal fishery programs marked Chairwoman Brigham's tenure.

She testified before members of Congress on the success of the tribal efforts to rebuild salmon populations, advocated for the need to use hatcheries as a tool to rebuild naturally spawning salmon populations, fought for the

tribal treaty fishing right through the *US v. Oregon* process, and elevated the region's awareness of toxics in the Columbia River Basin's waterways.

"It has been a privilege to carry our messages and educate everyone from members of Congress to our own tribal children about our efforts to restore fish populations," said Brigham.

"The region still has work to do if we are going to realize healthy and sustainable fish returns and I look forward to being part of that process. I also look forward to working with Joel, who is well informed on the many issues facing Columbia Basin fish populations. This knowledge will serve him well in his role as our new chairman."

The other CRITFC officers elected were Bruce Jim of Warm Springs, vice chairman; Gerald Lewis (Yakama), secretary, and N. Kathryn Brigham (Umatilla), treasurer.

The election of CRITFC officers takes place every June with the seats rotated among the four member tribes.

Pi-Ume-Sha Treaty Days USA Boxing

Pi-Ume-Sha Treaty Days USA Boxing will be held on Saturday, June of Pi-Ume-Sha in the Warm Springs Community Center Sports Gym. Bouts will start at 3:30 - Hosted by Warm Springs Nation Boxing LBC.

Youth baseball tourney

A Warm Springs youth baseball team is raising money for their trip to the Native American Baseball

Invitational tourney in Phoenix this July. For more information call 541-553-4971.

Hood to Coast July raffle

The Hood to Coast Team is hosting a raffle to help with expenses of the 2013 Hood to Coast Relay.

The raffle drawing will be on Thursday, July 4 (need not be present to win). Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. See the following to get your tickets:

Leslie Davis, Monica Sampson, Jordan Leonard, Lisa Dubisar, Carolyn Beaver,

Ina Schuster, Gary Sampson III, Jeff Anspach, Don Courtney, Adam Haas, Jason Smartowitz, Joe McCanna and Val Squiemphen.

Raffle items include: an iPad, fuzzy blanket, Pendleton mug, Pendleton coin purse, gift baskets, many gift cards, photo sitting, one night stay at Inn at Cross Keys, earrings, Pendleton vest, and other donated items.



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