

Gift from Turkey helps with W.S. Academy

The Republic of Turkey this month gave generously toward the development of the Warm Springs k-8 Academy.

Turkey's Agency for Cooperation and Collaboration contributed \$200,000 for construction of a new water tower that will serve the new school when it opens next fall.

Turkey's ambassador, Namik Tan, and Serdar Cam, agency president of the presented the gift during a reception last week in Washington, D.C.

On hand to accept the grant were Chief Joe Moses, Tribal Councilman Orvie Danzuka, and business woman and education advocate JoAnne Smith.

Part of the reason for the gift is to "highlight the dire development needs of



Turkish International Cooperation and Coordination Agency

The Warm Springs contingent presented a drum and a Pendleton blanket to Turkish officials at Tuesday's reception. From left to right are Orvie Danzuka, Joe Moses and JoAnne Smith, all of Warm Springs, Turkish Ambassador Namik Tan, and Serdar Cam, president of the Turkish International Cooperation and Coordination Agency.

America's tribal lands," according to the reception invitation.

Turks say they share the

same ancestry as Native Americans, and there is evidence to support the idea. The Turkish language, for

instance, has similarities with some Native American languages.

Councilman Danzuka found the experience very interesting, and began researching the theory of the link between Turks and Native Americans.

The Turkish delegation, he said, suggested that Warm Springs representatives visit Turkey.

The Warm Springs team presented the ambassador Tan and agency president Cam with a Pendleton blanket, and a hand drum featuring a painting of three teepees.

The \$200,000 contribution will pay for about half of the cost of the water tower, which will serve the school and neighboring community for up to 10 years.

Student pursues medical career

The family of Devynn Rodriguez-Medina, a junior at Madras High School, is fundraising for her to attend the National Youth Leadership Forum for Careers in Medicine in Florida.

They are having a raffle for a chance to win a 1975 Chevrolet Hatchback Nova.

The car can be seen at 4450 Upper Dry Creek Road; and tickets may be purchased from Kim, Thomas, Margaret or Bob Medina or Phoebe Gray.

Or call 541-615-0666; or 541-325-1772.

Tickets are \$10 each. The Chevy Nova is in good running condition,



Devynn Rodriguez-Medina

with 350 engine, automatic transmission, bucket seats, good tires and new stereo.

(If not enough tickets are sold, the money will be reimbursed to the ticket purchasers with proof of purchase.)

Thanksgiving Powwow this Thursday, Friday

The Tribal Council and community will host the Thanksgiving Powwow this Thursday and Friday, Nov. 27-28 at the community center.

On Thursday, starting at 7 p.m., will be the Traditional Powwow. On Friday, also at 7 p.m., will be contest dancing. Contest dancing divisions are: 7-11 year-olds; 12-17

year-olds; and adults combined in one category.

There will be a 17-and-under team dance; 17-and-under three-man hand-drum contest; and 17-and-under

Clown Dance contest. Vendors are welcome and there is no vendor fee. For more information call Carlos Calica at 541-460-0722; or Captain Moody at 541-553-7014.

Seniors bazaar at longhouse

Warm Springs senior citizens will have a bazaar this Wednesday, Nov. 27 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at

the Agency Longhouse. They will also have a Christmas toy drive at the event.

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Youth Christmas performance

Warm Springs youth will perform "Peace Came in a Cradle" on Tuesday, Dec. 10 at the Warm Springs Community Center.

The place was written by Carol Allison, and is directed by Lucinda Green.

The event is free to the public and everyone is welcome.

There will be a buffet at 5:30 p.m., performance to follow. Featured guest will be Santa.

Indian Market on Thanksgiving

The Second Annual Indian Market at Kah-Nee-Ta Resort and Spa is on Thanksgiving Day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Lodge lobby. Kah-Nee-Ta is providing

Warm Springs tribal members an opportunity to sell arts and crafts to guests with no vendor fees. Space is limited; contact Arlissa at 553-4898 to reserve.

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