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Awakening premiere event at local cinema

The short film *Awakening* by Central Oregon Native LaRonn Katchia will be showing one night at the Madras Cinema 5. The cinema will feature the film on Saturday, March 1.

This will be an exclusive event for 135 people. The event will include a showing of *Awakening*, plus five recent music videos directed by Katchia.

This will be complemented by live performances by the music artists themselves: Reservation Sensations, Bigg B & N8, Portland Hype Yung Rob, and a special flute segment by Foster Kalama.

Katchia will be on hand to sign movie posters and photos. There will be t-shirt giveaway to attendees only (one per person), and a photoshoot.

The lobby will open for attendees at 9 p.m. for meeting and greeting the cast and staff. This will be followed by seating at around 10:30 p.m., ending the show at 12 a.m. sharp.

LaRonn Katchia, member of the Confederated Tribes of Warm



Courtesy photo.

Awakenings director LaRonn Katchia

Springs, premiered *Awakening* last summer at the Hollywood Theater. More than 500 people, many from Warm Springs, attended, supporting Katchia and other Art Institute seniors.

Awakening stars Foster Kalama, Solomon Trimble, and Louise Katchia.

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

"This film is important to me because I feel my culture, along with many cultures, are drifting away due to technology," Katchia has said. "Elders of tribes are pass-

ing away, and with them goes the knowledge of our sacred ways."

The story

On a cold winter day in the backwoods of the Warm Springs Indian reservation, a young adolescent Native American teen is sent to a Shaman by his grandmother in hopes of restoring his faith in his culture.

The Shaman sends the young boy on a spiritual quest in order to face and defeat his modern self by becoming one with the environment around him. The boy is set to the ultimate test of survival while overcoming his fears and defeating the violent force that opposes him, ultimately restoring his culture and faith.

Sponsorships, tickets sales and other contributions are still being sought to help with the Madras showing. All potential sponsors please contact 541 460-3004. Or email: makevisionsreal@gmail.com

Unmanned Aerial Vehicles

Progress on UAV, other projects

Warm Springs Ventures is working toward establishing the unmanned aerial vehicles test range on the reservation.

Ventures has already been in contact with a number of companies in the UAV development business.

"We've had a lot of interest from the industry," said Ventures chief executive officer Jeff Anspach.

He has also met this year with Federal Aviation Administration officials, and representatives from the test ranges planned for Tillamook and Pendleton. The University of Alaska is the base for the UAV test ranges in the Western states.

The UAV test-range program has the potential to help a number of enterprises on the reservation, from Composite Products to Kah-Nee-Ta. GeoVisions and Construction may also find new business opportunities.

One limitation is the absence of an available building at the industrial park. Composite Products evaluated some acreage at the east corner of the industrial park, initially considering a 100,000-square-foot building.

Composite determined to wait on the new building, and remains housed by the mill. A new building at the industrial park would probably require the use of a drain field, so there are some limitations as to size.

Carbon sequestration

The Natural Resources Branch and GeoVisions are working on the carbon sequestration proposal. The first phase of this project is to determine the potential for marketing carbon offsets.

The forest land on the reservation makes this project possible, as is true for other tribes with large forested land bases. The Yurok Tribe has entered the carbon sequestration market, for instance (see page 4).

Carbon sequestration is the process of capturing and storing atmospheric carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas.

Certain forestry practices can be a method of capturing and storing carbon dioxide.

Offsets could be marketed to companies in California, where new regulations are restricting the amount of greenhouse gases that companies may emit.

The emissions trading, or "cap and trade" regulations, took effect in California just last year.

Ventures has also been looking at the possibility of a company developing a data center on the reservation. These facilities require water for cooling, and the tribes have significant water rights in the Deschutes River. The water is used for cooling the data systems, and can then be returned to the stream flow.

School construction work on schedule



Dave McMechan/Spilyay.

Crews were working on the roof of the main hallway area last week.

At the Warm Springs K-8 Academy the construction crews worked through the stormy February weather.

"It's moving right along, and they're still making very good progress," said Glenna DeSouza, school principal.

Painters are already at work in some of the classroom wings, she said. And the teachers are invited to an open house at the new school in mid-March.

Construction at the 22-acre site is scheduled for completion in August. The teachers and other staff will move in, then

the 2014-15 school year will begin in September.

DeSouza meanwhile has been meeting with the teachers and community members, determining the curriculum and other aspects of the school.

More than 700 students will be attending the Warm Springs Academy. This number includes all of the Warm Springs Elementary School students, and all or most of the Warm Springs middle school students.

Students have a choice of which school to attend, and some may choose to continue at the Jefferson

County Middle School. Currently, about 250 students from the reservation attend JCMS.

Mascot and colors

The school district held a competition among students to come up with a mascot for the Warm Springs Academy.

Taylor Arthur drew the image—featuring an eagle—that the board and committee chose among the many designs. Taylor, an eighth-grader, is working with Mark Quan to finalize the image for use as the mascot logo. Students also chose red and white as the school colors.

Meanwhile, construction work at the high school continues on pace. The high school will have a new performing arts center, athletic facilities, football field and grandstand.

"It's amazing," said Darryl Smith, 509-J director of human resources and operations. "The walls are up on the main part of the performing arts center and the athletics facilities. We're still on track to open in mid-November."

The new football stadium is on schedule for completion before the 2014-15 season.



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