

K-8 Invitation

The Warm Springs community is invited to the dedication ceremony for the Warm Springs K-8 Academy. The dedication will be in two weeks, starting at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, August 27.

The new school has 27 classrooms, new gymnasium and sports fields, cafeteria and commons area.

The school district estimates that 680 students will be attending the school in the 2014-15 school year.

There will be a tour of the building after the August 27 dedication.

The school took about 14 months to construct.

The \$20 million project is funded half by the school district and half by the tribes. The tribes took out a \$6.5 million loan last year from the USDA for some of the funding, after putting up an initial \$3.5 million in tribal dollars.



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The 22-acre K-8 school grounds are located on East Tenino at Chukar. Warm Springs Construction is currently working on East Tenino, adding lanes and a

pedestrian walkway. A new water system in the Greeley Heights area was also part of the project. The school building is 80,000 square feet. If you would like

more information, contact tribal engineer Travis Wells at: Travis.wells@wstribes.org Or call the school district at 541-475-0341.

Moving crews are delivering furniture at the new school this week.

Births

Chief Marvin Lumpmouth

Charles Reid and Candice Sahme of Madras are pleased to announce the birth of their son Chief Marvin Lumpmouth, born on July 29, 2014.

Chief Marvin joins brother Charlie Jr., and Fidel; and sisters Denise, Alice, Desirae and Madilynn.

Grandparent on the father's side is Denise Ried of Portland.

Grandparents on the mother's side are Jim Sahme of Pine Ridge, South Dakota; and Alice Jim of Warm Springs.

Keo Jim Wahnetah

Clarence Chad McKinley and Kari Marie Wahnetah of Warm Springs are pleased to announce the birth of their son Keo Jim Wahnetah, born on July 16, 2014.

Grandparents on the father's side are Martha and Solo Jr. Stewart of Warm Springs.

Grandparents on the mother's side are Monica Wahnetah and Chico Holliday, of Warm Springs.

Ready to Read on Wednesdays in August

Ready to Read is will be held every Wednesday evening from 5:30-6:30 during August at the Community Center social hall.

Parents and guardians of children ages 3-5 are invited to come and eat a light snack, get two free books, and learn reading strategies.

Ready to Read will give away two new books to kids every week, except for the last Wednesday of the month, when they give away three books.

"Our goal is to have parents and guardians use the dif-

ferent strategies with all of the books they will receive over the course of the month, and books they may already have at home," said teacher Ardis Smith, who is coordinating Ready to Read.

"Parents are encouraged to read to our most precious resource at least 10-15 minutes per day," Smith said. "This will help toward our ultimate goal of having our kiddos entering kindergarten ready to read."

Here is an overview of the Rady to Read program:

The focus is on pre-kin-

dergarten kids ages 3-5.

The program teaches parents/guardians different strategies when reading with their children.

The books will mirror those used in the Head Start Creative Curriculum. This allows for two things to happen:

1. For children attending the Head Start program, it allows for repetition at home of concepts learned in school, and

2. This allows children who do not attend Head Start to have access to age-level

curriculum, so they are not missing out on concepts.

Parents and guardians are given books plus a handout of reading strategies used with that book

Kindergarten students are now expected to know more than they have in the past. A lot of the first-grade standards have moved down to the kindergarten level.

"That means we need to step up our game as family members and educators to these students," Ardis said.

"What we want to do is give families books and re-

sources to start building the reading foundation at home, so the kids are ready to start reading upon entering kindergarten. We want to give parents reading strategies they can use with their pre-school age kids."

Latin music concerts at Indian Head Casino

The Indian Head Casino Summer Concert Series continues in August with two days of live entertainment.

The group Nuevo Aventureros and Ritmo Caliente will perform on Friday, August 15 at 8 p.m. This is a free concert at the ca-

sino. On hand will also will be celebrity DJs from 1240 AM La Bronca radio station, based in California.

Hosts will be Erazno and Garbanzo of the Erazno y la Chokalata Show. Co-host will be Juan Zendejas, general manager of La 1240 Bronca.

On Saturday, August 16,

the group Proyecto X and Struendo will perform. Tickets for this show are \$10.

Concert gates open one hour prior to the show. Tickets are on sale at the Players Club. Must be 21 or older to attend.

Cottonwood Restaurant

Also on Saturday, August 16, the Cottonwood Restau-

rant at Indian Head Casino will host Build Your Own Tacos, from 5-9 p.m.

There will be a nachos bar, rice and beans, salad bar and dessert.

The Summer Concert Series is sponsored in part by Indian Head Casino, Coca Cola and Columbia Distributing. Call for details at 541-460-7700.

Birth

Marsaddius A. Sohappy Perez

Mario Perez Jr. and Tasheyra Sohappy of Warm Springs are pleased to announce the birth of their son Marsaddius A. Sohappy Perez, born on July 30, 2014.

Marsaddius joins brothers ZaShawn and DeAnthony, and sister Danciecia.

Grandparents on the father's side are Elaine Goodlance and Mario Perez Sr., of Seattle.

Grandparents on the mother's side are CarlaDean Caldera and Davis Sohappy Sr., of Warm Springs.

Voc Rehab in Warm Springs has orientations every Monday at 3 p.m. at their office in the industrial park. Orientations are also on Tuesdays at 3 p.m. at Community Counseling.

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