

Memorial, Special at Lincoln's Powwow

A memorial and stone-setting for Anna Clements is set for Saturday, Feb. 7, starting at 9 a.m. at the Agency Cemetery.

Washut services at 10 a.m. at the Simnasho Longhouse. Meal to follow. Family and friends are invited.

The Anna Clements Women's Team Round Dance, 30 and Over Memorial Special, will be Friday through Sunday, Feb. 13-15 at the Simnasho

Longhouse.

Anna was a founding member of the Lincoln's Birthday Powwow, this year celebrating its thirty-eighth anniversary.

First place team: \$3,000 plus Pendleton jacket.

Two consolation prizes: blankets and prize money.

Buckskin dresses, shell dresses, and a short fringe preferred. Contact Shayla Stwyer for more information, 541-777-7658.

Round Bustle Special

The Jarvis M. Stwyer Round Bustle Special, with \$1,000 first-place prize plus jacket, is coming up at the 2015 Lincoln's Birthday Powwow at Simnasho. There will also be two consolation prizes.

Dancers must be wearing arm bustles. Contact Jarvis Stwyer for information, 541-777-7616.

Around Indian Country

BIA going forward with Coquille tribe's off-reservation casino

The Coquille Tribe is getting closer to an off-reservation casino in Oregon.

The tribe submitted a land-into-trust application to use a 2.4-acre site in Medford for a Class II facility.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs has finally announced its intent to prepare an environmental impact statement for the project.

"The tribe has submitted an application to the BIA requesting that approximately 2.4 acres of land be transferred from fee to trust status, upon which the tribe would renovate an existing bowling alley to convert it into a gaming facility," a notice published in the Federal Register last week stated.

As part of the process, the BIA will hold a scoping meeting in Medford on February 3. The agency will then issue a draft EIS—and, eventually, a final EIS—but there is no timeline for a decision.

Generally, land placed in trust after 1988 can't be used for gaming. The Coquilles, however, are seeking an exception in Section 20 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act that applies to tribes that were restored to federal recognition.

The tribe gained recognition through the Coquille Restoration Act in 1989. The law requires the BIA to place up to 1,000 acres in trust.

The tribe already operates the Mill Casino, a Class II facility. Medford is about 186 miles away.

A reminder from the Diabetes Prevention Program: Don't forget to challenge yourself to eating 5 fruits or veggies every day!

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

Scientists publish research into 'Kennewick Man'

Scientists have finally published their research into the 9,500-year-old remains of the Kennewick Man.

The Washington Post obtained a copy of *Kennewick Man: The Scientific Investigation of an Ancient American Skeleton*, which is due out on September 10.

The paper said the 688-page book makes the case that Kennewick Man was not a "longtime resident" of the area in Washington where he died nearly 10,000 years ago.

Scientists instead suggest that he may have come to the area from further up the Northwest coast or from Alaska.

"Kennewick Man could not have been a longtime resident of the area where he was found, but instead lived most of his adult life somewhere along the Northwest and North Pacific coast where marine mammals were readily available," the concluding chapter of the book states, the Post reported.

Five Northwest tribes claim Kennewick Man as an ancestor. He was discovered in 1996 on federal land that was once a part of the Umatilla Reservation.

Instead of returning the remains to the tribes, however, the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals in 2004 said the remains were too old to be covered by the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act. The book is the result of 16 days of studies that were conducted after scientists won the case.

The U.S. Army Corps of

Engineers retains custody of the remains and hasn't determined what to do with them. Scientists, however, want to continue further studies.

Some material from the remains was removed for genetic testing. Those tests are underway in Denmark, the Post said.

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