

Student traveling to D-Day Memorial

Savannah Chaney-Holliday will be traveling with the Madras High School Junior ROTC program to the World War II Day memorial Parade in France. The group leaves in early June for the eight-day trip.

The tour starts on June 2 with a stop-over in Washington, D.C., where the group will visit the Capitol Building, and Arlington National Cemetery, among other sites.

They arrive at Charles DeGaulle Airport on Thurs-



Savannah Chaney-Holliday

day, June 4, and then travel to Normandy. The next day they visit the American Cemetery at Brittany, and the medieval town of Mont St. Michel.

The following day, Saturday, June 6, is the D-Day Anniversary. The JROTC group will visit Utah Beach, and then St. Mere Eglise to prepare for the Memorial Parade.

The afternoon of June 6 includes Parade Opening Ceremony and Musical Salute to

the Liberation. The D-Day Memorial Parade is at 5 p.m.

On Sunday will be a visit to Omaha Beach, and tour of the cemetery with Wreath Laying and Commemoration Ceremony.

They go back to Paris for a visit to the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame, Champs Elysees, Arch de Triomphe, the Louvre Museum, and other sites.

They fly back to Washington, D.C., and then Oregon.

Council meets again with school board

Tribal Council met again last week with 509-J school district officials. The parties are working toward a new Education Agreement, as the current expires in less than a year and a half.

Part of the discussion was in regard to activity bus transportation from Madras High School to the reservation. This transportation would be for students who play sports at the high school and live on the reservation.

These students need the chance to take part in the after-school athletics and other activities, said

Tribal Councilman Carlos Smith.

School district superintendent Rick Molitor said the school district cannot fund this transportation, unless it were to provide the same service to all the communities in the district.

Councilman Smith said the Warm Springs situation is different, as the two sides are in a government-to-government negotiation toward the new agreement.

Molitor said they may be able to work something out. Legal counsel should take a look at the issue, he said.

Serving members at Commodity program

The Warm Springs Commodity program is funded by a USDA grant that provides the food and nutrition service.

The program is also called the USDA Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations, FDPIR.

Warm Springs Commodities has been available since 1992, and provides food assistance to the Warm Springs Indian Reservation and surrounding service areas within a 15 mile radius of the reservation boundary, and all of Crook County.

Commodities is operated under Warm Springs Social Services, creating a one-stop shop, as Social Services also manages the Low Income Energy Assistance program and the tribal Welfare program.

The Commodity Food program is designed to help individuals and families create healthier meals by offering a

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large variety of nutritious foods, including fresh fruits and vegetables, frozen hamburger and chicken, and often other varieties of meat.

They also provide pork chops and ham; canned meats including beef, chicken and salmon; whole grain and enriched flour, cereals and pasta; rice and other grains; cheese; vegetable oil, butter, margarine, and much more.

Warm Springs Commodities will continue conducting nutrition education and counseling to all its participants.

In the near future we will

have cooking presentations using Commodity foods with the assistance of the tribal nutritionists and OSU Extension.

If you are denied SNAP (food stamp) benefits you may qualify for the Commodity program.

Feel free to contact the Social Services office for information or an application.

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Eligibility for Commodities Program is based on an overall household income standard set by the federal government.

In determining eligibility there may be potential deductions from your net income and un-earned income levels that make a difference in becoming eligible.

You or your family may also be categorically eligible

if all household members receive public assistance, general assistance or SSI. However, no household may receive SNAP and Commodity Foods at the same time.

The tribal Social Services office is now receiving all applications for processing and determining eligibility for the Commodity Food Program.

Applications will also be available at the Family Resource Center, tribal admin and the Community Health Office.

Once you are approved for the program you will receive a notice of action and be notified that you may go to the Commodity Food warehouse to pick up your food products.

If you have questions or concerns please call the tribal Social Services office at 541-553-3415.

Heart Smart coming up

The Twenty-Second Annual Heart Smart Dinner and Health Fair is scheduled for Wednesday, February 25.

The Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center Model Diabetes Program invites you to attend. The Heart Smith Dinner and Health Fair will be at the Agency Longhouse. The traditional salmon dinner will be at 5:30 p.m.

February is National Heart Health Month. The dinner and health fair are held every year to educate the community on ways to stay healthy, and to thank the com-

munity for their work throughout the year to keep themselves and their families healthy.

The health fair will be held from 4-6 p.m., and includes educational booths from a large number of IHS, tribal, and community groups.

Blood sugar and other health screenings will be provided free of charge. The IHS Pharmacy program will provide an educational booth focusing on the risks and benefits of herbal supplements.

Wilson Wewa will serve as master of ceremonies.

Enterprises: regular updates

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The Indian Head Casino report was also positive, with increased revenue through direct mailing, food and beverage sales, and cost-saving measures, said Harold Baugus, casino general manager.

The casino is working with tribal land-use officials toward more signage along Highway 26, which would be a big help, Baugus said.

Tribal Council is scheduled

next week to hear from Warm Springs Ventures, the Telecom, and Power and Water Enterprises.

These reports are part of the Tribal Council Proclamation 26 Priorities and Goals. Keeping the enterprises accountable is priority number 3 in the proclamation.

This is to be carried out by regular updates, quarterly reports, and annual enterprise business plans.

The Warm Springs Library Spot

Stop by for answers to Presidents quiz

Greetings from the Community Health Resource Center and Warm Springs Library.

As you well know, this month we celebrated Valentine's Day, the day you express your love to that special someone.

As you also know, this month we celebrated Presidents Day?

Just how much do you know about our Presidents? To find out, try a short quiz.

1. How many past presidents are there?
2. How many presidents died while in office?
3. Who was the first president to be impeached?
4. Who was the first president to appear on TV?
5. Who was the first president to live in the White House?
6. Who was the oldest president?
7. Who was the president to appoint an African American to the Supreme Court?

8. Which U.S. President signed the treaty to purchase Alaska from Russia?
9. How many surviving presidents are there?
10. Who called for an Indian Removal Act in his State of the Union message, and eventually signed the act into law?
11. Who was the first President born outside the continental U.S.?
12. How many presidents were there before George

Washington?
So how did you do?
The answers can be found in your local Library. In the children's area there are pictures of the presidents along with the answers.
Or you can wait for the answers in the next *Spilyay* issue. You can visit the library Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
We are open during the lunch hour.



The 2015 Lincoln's Powwow at the Simnasho Longhouse.



Jayson Smith photos.

Food drive at Health and Wellness

The Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center Employee Appreciation Committee are having a community food

drive through February. Non-perishable food items can be donated at the Health and Wellness Center.

After-school classes at Eagle Academy

The Culture and Heritage Department is now offering after school classes at the Warm Springs K-8 Academy from 3:45 and 4:45.

Monday is a Math class called "Itittamasha." Tuesday is Wasco Language, Thursdays is Sahaptin and Paiute Language Classes.

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Arlando J. Tahkeal, 1960-2015

Arlando "Teency-Might Mouse" J. Tahkeal passed away on January 23, 2015 in Toppenish, Washington.

Arlando was born July 5, 1960 to Allen G. Tahkeal and a'twai Emily J. Burke (Littlefish) in Toppenish.

In his younger years he lived on the Umatilla Reservation. Arlando was a champion War Dancer, and traveled all over the Pacific Northwest and Canada.

Arlando also loved to play basketball.

In his later years he married his wife Leah, and attended ministry school in Nebraska.

Arlando loved to draw, and he attended Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute in Albuquerque, New Mexico, for art.

After living in Portland for many years Arlando became ill and decided to move back home to the Yakama Reservation.

Once home, he volunteered his serves at the Noah's Ark Shelter.

Arlando also loved to play slots and Keno at the casinos, and attend the

hemp festival.

Arlando's favorite time was spent with his numerous family, relatives, and friends. He touched their lives in his own way with his time and company, his laughter, stories, jokes, his kind words of wisdom and encouragement. He will certainly be missed by all.

Arlando is survived by his son, Sylus Tahkeal; his dad Allen Tahkeal; his brothers Billy Tahkeal, Tommy Thompson Sr. and Wasilie Littlefish; his sisters Alveda (Earl) Charley Sr., Rosa Bill, Elvira (Vernon) Guardipee, Alvalerie Sampson, Lillian Tahkeal, Josie Stahi, Margo and Lisa Thompson, Julia (Curt) Gage, and Carrie Littlefish; and numerous other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his wife Leah (Sam) Tahkeal; his son Syrus Tahkeal; his mom, Emily Littlefish; his brother, Bryon Sampson; and numerous other relatives.

He was buried at the Toppenish Creek Cemetery in White Swan in January.