

Academy Math and Science Fair

The Warm Springs k-8 Eagle Academy held its first Math and Science Fair. This was open to students in the seventh- and eighth grades.

Over 50 students participated. There were 12 winners in eight separate categories.

Judging the projects was done by students at the school. Having students act as judges, instead of teachers, has proven to be the better approach, said Academy teacher Andrew Jackson.

Student Del Johnson was a participant in the recent Math and Science Fair.



Jayson Smith photos



Principal changes at school district

The Jefferson County School District 509-J will see new principals in the next school year.

Glenna DeSouza is retiring from her position as principal at the Warm Springs k-8 Academy.

The school district will be looking for a new principal with experience as a transformational school principal, said Rick Molitor, district superintendent.

The transformational des-

ignation is associated with school performance. The district receives added state funding for transformational schools, on the condition that the principal is experienced in the field, Molitor said. Elsewhere in the district:

Sarah Braman-Smith will be transitioning from her position as Madras High School principal to another leadership position in the district, Molitor said.

“Sarah has provided

strong leadership in transforming education for Madras High School over the past 10 years,” he said. It has not yet been determined what Sarah’s new position in the district will be, Molitor said earlier this week.

Another change will be the departure of Madras High School Assistant Principal Paul Navarra.

He is leaving for a position as assistant principal of Corvallis High School.

Housing: affordable units for tribal members

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She is developing a points system to create the list of potential occupants.

An applicant receives points for things like a good credit rating, employment, and family size.

A person in tribal housing with a good history of payment, and upkeep of the property will earn points. And there is a drug testing requirement.

There are income requirements as well, as the new units are intended as affordable housing, Desirae says. The units are targeted toward households with annual incomes of 30 percent, 50 per-

cent, and 60 percent of the area median income. Some other aspects of the development:

The appliances and water heaters in the homes will be energy efficient.

There will be sidewalks and street lights in the new neighborhood. The homes are close to the Eagle Academy.

The Warm Springs Telecom is installing fiber optic cable to the new homes, so they will have the fastest internet access.

One of the 35 units is designated for a manager-police officer. Housing is working with the Warm Springs Police Department on this feature.

The Warm Springs Housing Authority is working with the Travois firm on this project. Travois has 20 years of experience working with Native communities on housing projects.

Advanced Native Construction, and Warm Springs Construction are contractors for work. The Housing Authority will be making community presentations on the project, and application process, in the near future. For more information you can reach Housing at 541-553-3250. You can also reach Desirae at:

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Resolutions of Tribal Council

Truck stop

Whereas the Warm Springs Casino and Resort Enterprise (“WSCRE”) Board of Directors request the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon (“CTWSRO”) Tribal Council lease and transfer management and control of the Tribal Real Property known as the Madras Property to the WSCRE for development of a Truck Stop and Class II gaming facility for economic development and general welfare of the tribes; now, therefore,

Be it resolved that the Twenty-Sixth Tribal Council hereby authorizes and directs the real property described above, pursuant to Article V, Section 1 (c), (l) and (u) of the Tribal Constitution and By-Laws, be leased and transferred to the WSCRE for its management and control to promote the economic development and general welfare of the Tribes.

Be it further resolved that Tribal Council will expedite any further actions necessary to complete this transaction, and,

Be it further resolved that the WSCRE will work with the Secretary-Treasurer/CEO on the Terms for the Lease of the Madras Property. (Resolution 11,962)

Geothermal

Whereas the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon (“Tribe”) is a 1/3 owner of the 465 MW Pelton-Round Butte Hydroelectric Project, the owner of the 19.5 MW Reregulating Dam Hydroelectric Project, and the owner of a 9 MW wood waste biomass electrical generation project; and,

Whereas the Tribe believes that it can become a contributor of renewable en-

ergy in the Pacific Northwest to improve the tribal economy and contribute to the energy security of the United States; and,

Whereas the Tribe has developed information indicating that there may be significant geothermal energy resources on the Reservation which the Tribal Council believes may provide economic, environmental and social opportunities for the Tribe as a whole; and,

Whereas the Tribe has considered the recent report of GeothermEx, Inc. recommending further exploratory work to determine the feasibility of geothermal energy development on the Reservation including the drilling of deep temperature gradient well; and,

Whereas the current fiscal situation of the Tribe will not permit the Tribe to undertake such exploratory activities in the foreseeable future; and,

Whereas the Tribe has chartered Warm Springs Power and Water Enterprises (“WSPWE”) as a tribally owned enterprise pursuant to section 12 of the Tribe’s federal corporate charter with responsibility for developing and managing the Tribe’s energy resources; and,

Whereas WSPWE has prepared an Energy and Mineral Development Program (“EMDP”) grant proposal, to assist in continuation of the Tribe’s geothermal energy development effort; and,

Whereas the Tribe desires to study the geothermal resources fully; is willing to consider development of any potential mineral resource discovered through the program; desires that the program be conducted utilizing a combination of tribal staff and private contractors/consultants; and will consider the public release of information obtained from the energy and mineral development study; now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Twenty-Sixth Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, pursuant to Article 5, Section 1(a), (d), (f), and (l) of the Tribal Constitution and Section 4 of the Tribal Corporate Charter, that Tribal Council authorizes submission of the EMDP grant proposal; approves the EMDP project, and otherwise desires to study the commodities; is willing to consider development of any potential mineral resource discovered through the program; desires that the program be conducted utilizing a combination of tribal staff and private contractors/consultants; and will consider the public release of information obtained from the energy and mineral development study.

Fishery

Whereas the Treaty with the Tribes and Bands of Middle Oregon on June 25, 1855 reserved to the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon off reservation fishing rights at all usual and accustomed stations, including the Columbia River west (downstream) of the present-day Bonneville Dam, a sovereign area; and,

Whereas the Tribal Council regulates treaty fishing in consultation with the Fish and Wildlife Committee for the conservation and other purposes pursuant to the inherent sovereign authority reserved in the Treaty of June 25, 1855, and pursuant to the Tribal Constitution and By-Laws and the Warm Springs Tribal Code; and,

Whereas the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs (CTWSRO) have established treaty fishing rights in the Columbia River and regulates tribal member fishing in the

area; and,

Whereas the Tribal Council has been advised of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the CTWSRO, the state of Oregon, and the state of Washington specifically addressing tribal fishing downstream of Bonneville Dam; and,

Whereas the Tribal Council recognizes the hardship placed on tribal members with harvest restrictions, as adopted by resolutions in the past, but with concern for the future of the fishery resource understands the need; and so therefore,

Be it resolved by the Twenty-Sixth Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon pursuant to Article V, Section 1 (l), (r), and (u) of the Tribal Constitution and Warm Springs Tribal Code Section 340.310 (2), that the following restrictive regulations are adopted for tribal subsistence fishing in the Columbia River Downstream of Bonneville Dam:

1. Warm Springs tribal members may harvest salmon, steelhead, shad, walleye, carp, catfish, yellow perch and bass in the area described below for subsistence purposes only starting April 6, 2015, and two weeks after the tribes start date the committee will review the catch for determination of whether harvest can continue. When a target of 500 spring Chinook is harvested the fishery will be reviewed by the Fish and Wildlife Committee again. Fishery may be closed if runs are deemed too low.

2. Sale of fish is prohibited. This is a subsistence fishery only.

3. Retention of any sturgeon that may be caught incidentally while fishing for allowed species within the prescribed area shall be prohibited.

4. The fishery shall be open Sunday through

Wednesday with Wednesday being reserved for elders (60 years and older) day only. Fishing times may be limited by the location fished such as Hamilton Park (access gates open 5 a.m. to 10 p.m.) Fish and Wildlife Committee may add additional days if run information supports the harvest.

5. Only one fishing pole per person allowed. A person is defined as 12 years and older.

6. Fishers must yield the spot to elders if requested. An elder is any member 60 years and older. Also, Wednesday is reserved for elders.

7. Any Warm Springs tribal members fishing below Bonneville Dam pursuant to this resolution shall carry an official tribal enrollment card and produce it upon request by state or tribal enforcement officers. Any person who produces a Warm Springs tribal enrollment card will not be required to produce a state fishing license.

8. Gear restrictions: Tribal fishing gear shall be restricted to bank subsistence gear, which is defined by the ten-year agreement reached among the parties of U.S. vs. Oregon in 2008 as: Dipnet or bagnet, spear, gaff, club, foul-hook, hook and line or other methods as determined by the management entities.

9. The geographic scope of this fishery covers the banks of the Columbia River in the area bounded by a deadline marker on the Oregon bank (approximately four miles downstream from Bonneville Dam Powerhouse No. 1) in the straight line through the western tip of Pierce Island, to a deadline marker on the Washington bank at Beacon Rock up the river to a point 600 below the Bonneville Dam, but excluding the following four areas: (A) Between markers located 150 feet upstream and 450 feet downstream from the mouth of Tanner Creek out

to the center of the Columbia river, during the period August to Oct. 15; (B) Inside the south navigation lock at the Bonneville Dam from a marker on the western-most point of Robins Island to a marker on the Oregon mainland shore; (C) From Bradford Island below Bonneville Dam from the south shore between the dam and a line perpendicular to the shoreline marker at west end of riprap and from north shore between fishway entrance and a line perpendicular to the shoreline marker 850 feet downstream; and (D) From Robins Island below Bonneville Dam downstream to a line perpendicular to the shoreline marker on mooring cell. (E) Fishing from boats or other floating devices is not permitted.

10. The CTWSRO Branch of Natural Resources will be responsible for the biological monitoring of the CTWSRO fishery. Reports will be provided to the Fish and Wildlife Committee for determination whether harvest can continue. Fishery may be closed if runs are deemed too low.

11. Conduct of tribal fishermen shall be consistent with Warm Springs Tribal Code 340.310 which defines off-reservation fishing by tribal members.

12. Pursuant to Warm Springs Tribal Code 340.310(13), the use of alcohol or drugs is prohibited when exercising treaty rights and will be strictly enforced. If not followed the Fish and Wildlife Committee has the authority to suspend fishing rights.

13. Pursuant to Warm Springs Tribal Code 340.700, penalties shall be strictly enforced to ensure the rules and regulations will be complied with.

14. Will seek approved harassment techniques of seals and sea lions. (Resolution 11,989)