

Nike N7 collection features Ellsbury

"If you catch a dragonfly without killing it, and rub it on the bottom of your feet, it will make you faster."

It's a Native American legend passed down to Jacoby Ellsbury from his mother Margie, who heard it from her father.

And it must have worked for Ellsbury, known for his speed on the baseball field. Ellsbury, 31, is the star centerfielder of the New York Yankees.

Nike is featuring him in its spring 2015 N7 apparel collection. His line is called the Dragonfly Collection, honoring the legend, and Ellsbury's Native heritage.

The N7 Fund provides grants to Native American communities in support of sports and physical activity programs for youth.

Ellsbury grew up in Warm Springs, playing t-ball here. His parents, Jim and Margie, worked on the reservation. His mom works at the Warm Springs Early Childhood Education Center.

Jacoby was a four-year letterman in football and baseball at Madras High School.



Ellsbury in Nike N7 Dragonfly apparel.

Courtesy photo.

He is the first Major League Baseball player of Navajo descent. On his mom's side is of the Colorado River Indian Tribe.

He supports the Navajo Relief Fund, providing support for isolated and impoverished Navajo Nation communities.

Pre-Schoolers getting ready to graduate

There will be a bake bottle and can drive fundraiser on Saturday, April 11, in the parking lot of the Warm Springs Community Center.

The bottle-can drive will be from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., and is a fundraiser of the 2015 Pre-School Parent Graduation Committee. "Start saving your bottles and cans to help support the future of our community!"

Funds will help with the graduation events for the pre-schoolers. Pre-school

graduation this year will be on June 19 at 10 a.m. Also in April:

The Pre-School Parent Graduation Committee will host a bake sale fundraiser for the graduation ceremonies.

The sale will be on Wednesday, April 15, during the Penny Carnival at the Warm Springs Community Center. The bake sale will be from 5-7 p.m. Volunteers, parents and grandparents are needed for baking goodies and to watch the stand.

Native night with Trail Blazers

The Portland Trail Blazers will host the Second Annual Native American Heritage Night this Saturday evening, April 4 at the Moda Center.

As the Trail Blazers take on the New Orleans Pelicans, there will be a Native American halftime performance.

Great Futures Start Here for B&G Club

Great Futures Start Here is marking its Sixth Anniversary this year. The annual fundraiser for the Boys & Girls Club of Warm Springs is set for Friday and Saturday, April 17-18 at Kah-Nee-Ta.

There is the 18-hole golf scramble on Friday,

April 17, with a start time of 10 a.m. The golf entry is \$72 per person or \$280 for a foursome. All proceeds from Great Futures Start Here benefit the operation of the Warm Springs Boys & Girls Club.

There will be a dinner, silent and live auction on Sat-

urday, April 18, from 5-8 p.m. Dinner tickets are \$50 in advance and \$60 at the door.

The Texas Hold 'Em Poker Fundraiser is Friday, April 17, at 6 p.m. \$25 buy-in and \$25 re-buy in.

For more information call June Smith at 541-553-2323.

Cougars tourney Thursday

The Warm Springs Cougars All Indian High School Basketball Tournament is this Thursday through Sunday, April 2-5.

The tourney will be at the Warm Springs Community Center. For more details contact Austin Greene at 553-1953 or 553-3243.

The 2015 Kah-Nee-Ta Mini Marathon is Saturday, April 18. There is a 14.5 mile half marathon, a 10K, 5K and 1 mile fun run walk. You can pre-register at the Warm Springs Community Center, or day of race registration opens at 8 a.m.

Little Leaguers



The 2015 Warm Springs Nation Little League season started with try-outs in March. Here are Jayson Smith pics from the girls tryouts.



Wild horse race: Best teams from W.S.

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The cinch has a quick release built in so that it may be quickly removed if a problem occurs.

The rider then climbs on the horse while the shankman and mugger haze the animal past the finish line. The first team across wins.

On the young Warm Springs team, Koedy and Preston have a few years of professional competition experience at Wild Horse Racing. Carlos joined this year. The teammates know each other from high school.

Success came quick for the team, with their top finish at the PWHRA-sanctioned competition, held at the Jefferson County Fair-

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grounds rodeo arena. "We go through a lot of practice to be on the same page and act as a team," Preston says.

They stay in shape by doing cowboy and ranch work. They mention, for instance, post-hole digging as a way to stay in shape.

The team learned wild

horse racing from the older racers, like Jason Smith and teammates, and Koedy's dad Joel.

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Koedy's parents are Alfredine Smith and Joel Florendo. Preston's parents are Lisa Webb and Orlando Stevens. Carlos' mom is Gracie Estrada.

John Day

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The document will help with obtaining millions more in funding for future projects, Cochran said.

The tribes approach the John Day as four separate sub-basins: The Lower John Day, the North Fork, the Middle Fork, and the Upper John Day.

The restoration strategy addresses each sub-basin in its own chapter, describing the geography and geology, land-use, the creeks, and the use by the fish of each sub-basin.

The strategy examines the biggest obstacles to healthy

fish populations in each of the sub-basins; and how particular restoration actions could address these obstacles. As summarized in the document:

"The John Day Watershed Restoration Strategy is written for John Day basin landowners, tribal partners, and potential funders to proactively identify and fund projects that protect, manage and restore fish habitat. This habitat supports culturally significant fish populations, ensuring harvest opportunities for the tribal membership forever."

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