

Tribal code change for multiple DUIIs

The Tribal Code now includes mandatory minimum jail time for people who receive more than one driving under the influence of intoxicants (DUII) conviction within five years.

Before the new law took effect in late April, there was no mandatory minimum jail time, no matter how many DUII's a person had received.

The new law requires at least 10 days of incarceration for a person who receives a second DUII conviction within five years. A third DUII conviction will result in a mandatory minimum incarceration time of 30 days.

These changes to the code were recommended to the Tribal Council by the Warm Springs Justice Team. Adopting the changes to the

Tribal Code was one of the final acts of the Twenty-Sixth Tribal Council.

Under the previous code provisions, the tribal judges had discretion regarding jail time, even if a person had received many DUII convictions within a short period of time.

The judges still have discretion regarding jail time for a person who

receives their first DUII conviction with a five-year period. The Council resolution 12,160 sets out the policy reasons for the change:

"The Tribal Council believes the crime of Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants is a serious public health and safety problem on the reservation, particularly where the violators of this tribal criminal law are repeat offenders..."

New tribal law allows defamation claims

The Warm Springs Tribal Court now recognizes the civil cause of action of defamation.

Defamation is defined as untruthful statements made orally or in writing about a person to third parties that damage the person's reputation.

The previous code was unclear about whether the Tribal Court could hear defamation cases.

Now, civil claims for money damages based on defamation are specifically authorized to be heard in Warm Springs Tribal Court.

The Twenty-Sixth Tribal Council in April adopted a resolution clarifying the situation, and the change became effective on April 28.

On Honor Seniors Day



The Confederated Tribes hosted the Twenty-Sixth Annual Honor Seniors Day in May. The Early Childhood Education Center hosted their powwow (below), and the Senior Program provided the traditional salmon dinner.



Jaime Scott photos

Childbirth ed class with MCH

Childbirth education classes are coming up over the next few months.

These are six-week courses, providing an understanding of the process of labor and delivery. The courses review breathing, relaxation, and support measures for mother and coach.

The participants will also discuss new-born behavior, care and feeding.

For mothers with babies due by August 26, there is a class from June 8 until July 13 (with an additional make-up class on June 29).

For mothers with babies due by October 12, there will be classes from July 27 to August 31.

For those who have already participated, there will be a refresher class on June 1 for mothers with babies due by August 17.

Regularly scheduled classes meet on Wednesdays at the Family Resource Center from noon to 1 p.m.

Warm Springs Maternal and Child Health (MCH) is now offering additional make-up classes that follow regularly scheduled breathing classes. These are at the Family Resource Center from 1 to 2 p.m.

You can register, or get more information, at 541-553-2460 ext. 2347. Talk with Janet Bissell, RN, MCH Nurse; or Arlena Walsy, MCH assistant, ext. 2348.

MHS football starts May 31

Madras High School will begin spring training football camp on Tuesday, May 31.

The training will be in the weight room at the high school.

Week one will be May 31-June 3 at 4 p.m. each day. Week two will be June 6-8.

The camp is open to all, but it will be focused on the high school team. Camp is free, for information talk to head coach Sean Cease.

County youth football sign-ups

Jefferson County Youth Football is taking signups now. There is a league for kids entering fourth and fifth grades, and another for those going into the sixth grade.

They will practice twice a week and play games on Sundays. All protective gear and jerseys will be provided. Volunteer coaches are needed.

Contact Greg Brady at 541-706-6124 to volunteer. The early registration fee at a reduced cost ends June 8. And the final registration deadline is June 24. You can register online at:

bendparksandrec.org

Maternal, Child Health hosting Crafting Pathways classes

The Maternal and Child Health program will host the Crafting Pathways class on Wednesday, June 8, and on June 22.

The June 8 class will feature speaker Isaac George of the tribal Finance Department. He will dis-

cuss financial topics such as the true cost of making quick grocery trips, owning a car, renting vs. owning a home, and overall household budgets.

The June 22 class will be on making baby boards. Class size is

limited. Contact Janet Bissell or Arlena Walsey to reserve a spot. Call 541-553-2460.

Classes are held at the Family Resource Center from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

A note of thanks from VOCS

The Warm Springs Victims of Crime office would like to thank the following for donating items to our Fifth Annual Hands Around the Courthouse event, held in April.

Thank you to the Community Counseling Center, Kah-Nee-Ta High Desert Resort and Spa, OSU Extension, Warm Springs Power and Water Enterprise, the Museum at Warm Springs.

Thank you DMJ Automotive, Rainbow Market, Vocational Rehabilitation, Composite Products, Indian Head Casino, Warm Springs Market, Ralph's TV, Abby's Legendary Pizza, Figaro's, Erickson's Thriftway.

Thank you to our volunteers:



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Roselynn Kalama, Justice Clement, Shiralda Charley and Nathan Young. Our event was very successful, and we look forward to your continued donations in our future events.

Thank you from the **Victims of Crime staff: Dorothy Kalama, advocate supervisor; and advocates Candace Lillie, Vera Thomas and Michele Gonzales.**

Enterprises: KNT planning upgrades

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The casino employment, he said, is at 50-percent tribal members, and 16 percent married into the tribe or other Indian.

The 66 percent tribal member/MIT/other Indian is the same employment figure as at Kah-Nee-Ta Resort and Spa.

The resort update was provided by Deepak Sehgal, project manager at Kah-Nee-Ta, and Laura Feigner, finance manager.

Kah-Nee-Ta is getting ready for

some long-needed improvements, Mr. Sehgal said. The rooms will have new flat-screen televisions, drapes and carpets, mattresses and bedding.

An addition to the resort will be the Warm Springs Ventures Center for Excellence training center for unmanned aerial vehicles.

The resort board and staff are considering other ideas, such as hot air balloon rides, and improvements to the biking trails at the resort, Sehgal said.

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