

Academy rocket launch



Students at the Warm Springs Academy ended with the 2015-16 school year with a visit from NASA. The NASA Washington Space Grant Consortium, and partners spent the afternoon with the Academy students, demonstrating aspects of rocketry. The program concluded with the launch of a small rocket (far right), which came back to earth after deploying a parachute. A goal of the NASA consortium is to encourage under-represented youth to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

The Warm Springs Academy was the first in the state to host the consortium rocket program, which earlier had proven to inspiring to students at schools in Washington.



Jayson Smith photos.



Spirit Fest in July at HeHe

The Twenty-Second Annual Spirit Fest is coming up in July at the HeHe Longhouse. This is a campout event supporting sobriety in Central Oregon.

There will be camping, potlucks, talking circle, crafts, music and family fun. The Friday night potluck is set for July 8. Saturday night dinner, July 9, provided. And on Sunday, July 10: Real Men Cook Breakfast, and clean-up.

For information contact Jamison at 541-460-0913. Janice, 541-325-3040. Carolyn, 541-325-9339. Or Davis at 541-475-7366.

There are RV hookups, running water and toilets available. Register early, so organizers can have a head count. You can mail to Box 86, Warm Springs, 97761. Registration \$10 per person, includes camping two nights, meetings, salmon dinner Saturday, and Sunday breakfast. T-shirts available, \$12 each.

Climate change talk at Council

The Culture and Heritage Committee met recently with Tribal Council, and the talk turned to climate change.

Specifically, they talked about the changes that are happening to the first foods: salmon, huckleberries, roots, and other foods.

The Huckleberry and Root feasts are happening earlier in the year, because the heat is making the berries and roots ripe sooner.

Some huckleberries were already ripe last week, said committee member Roberta Kirk. This was quite a bit sooner than usual, Roberta said. The same thing happened last year, she said.

Chinook fishery opens after slow spring start

Tribal sales of summer chinook begin last week, with the start of the first of three commercial openings by the Warm Springs, Yakama and Nez Perce tribes.

This was the first of an estimated 19,000 summer chinook and 5,000 sockeye that Indian fishers will bring to the general public this summer.

Although the peak harvest will occur over the next week or two, the sale of sockeye and summer chinook should continue throughout the summer season.

Biologists estimate that 93,300 summer chinook and 101,600 of sockeye will return to the Columbia River over the course of the season.

These forecasts establish initial openings. But the treaty and non-treaty fisheries are based on actual

returns, and will be adjusted throughout the season as the run size is updated.

"The tribes are excited to bring tribally-caught salmon to our customers throughout the region," said Jeremy Red-Star Wolf, chairman of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission.

"The tribal and non-tribal fisheries are the fruit of the region's labor when it comes to salmon recovery. It's the on-going efforts of everyone throughout the Columbia River Basin to restore salmon populations and improve salmon's survival that makes harvest possible."

The tribal fishery is protected under 1855 treaties with the federal government, where the Warm Springs, Yakama, Umatilla, and Nez Perce tribes reserved the right to fish at all usual and accustomed

fishing places in the Columbia River Basin.

The treaty right reserves ceremonial, subsistence and commercial uses. Tribal and non-tribal harvest rates have been agreed to as part of the U.S. v. Oregon Management Agreement.

Common direct-to-public sales locations include: Marine Park in Cascade Locks, Celilo Village, North Bonneville (one mile east of Bonneville Dam), and Columbia Point in the Tri-Cities area.

A few tips on purchasing from the tribal fishery:

- Pack a cooler with ice to keep your purchase fresh.
- Sales from Indian fishers generally run from 10 a.m. to dusk.
- Price is determined at the point of sale.
- Most sales are cash only.

- Buyers should request a receipt.
- Indian fishers can advise on topics including fish freshness and preparation.

The public should call the salmon marketing program at 888-289-1855 before heading up the river to find out where the day's catch is being sold.

More information is available on the salmon marketing website: critfc.org/harvest

Regular salmon sales updates are also found on Twitter: [ColumbiaSalmon](https://twitter.com/ColumbiaSalmon)

Water board

Another update came from the tribal Water board.

Roy Spino reported that he has been working with Power and Water Enterprises, and the state Department of Environmental Quality. This is in regard to a water quality issue below the Pelton-Round Butte dams.

The issue involves the temperature of the water below the dams, and the level of dissolved oxygen in the water. Cooler water retains oxygen, and is better for fish.

The hydro projects can be operated in such a way as to make sure the migrating fish have cooler water when they return, Spino said.

Hood to Coast raffle winners

Here are the results of the 2016 Hood to Coast raffle (item won: winner; and donated by):

- 32 inch Element LED tv: Wissie Smith; Adam Haas, Angel Daniels, Colleen Fagan.
- Portable DVD player: Roy Sanchez; Ben Bisland.
- JAMZ speaker: Glendon Smith; Leslie Davis.
- \$50 gift card: Raymond Shike; Shawn Harry.
- Wampum necklace: Michelle Alexander; Monica Sampson.
- Duffle bag: Mary

- Emhoolah; Gary Sampson III.
- Cleaning mitt: Mayra Benitez; Gary Sampson III.
- Knitted gloves: Joan Fagan; Monica Rees.
- Antigua soccer shirt: Rylan Rees; Jacob Haas.
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- Pitcher and tray set: Nettie Dickson; Jordan Leonard.
- Knitted gloves: Nolani Harry; Monica Rees.
- Doll board: Shivonne Nesbit; Jordan Leonard.
- Bracelet: Heather Rees; Hank Ray.

- Camo cap: Edison Yazzie; Gary Sampson III.
- Cleaning mitt: Linda Bagley; Jordan Leonard.
- Twist board: Nancy Seyler; Val Squiemphen.
- Bracelet: Marsha Spellman; Hank Ray.
- Wrist weights: Rhianna Rees; Va.
- Calorie counting jump rope: Patti Busch; Val.
- Earrings: Donna Wainanwit; Olivia Wallulatum.
- Earrings: Sandra Danzuka; Oliva.

Free estate planning for members

Martha Izenson is in Warm Springs this summer, helping tribal members with drafting wills, powers of attorney, and other estate planning services.

This service is free to members. Martha is a law school student at Lewis & Clark Law School.

Her Warm Springs office is at the Community Action Team building on campus, at 1136 Paiute Ave.

To schedule an appointment

call 541-553-3148. Or email: mizenson@lclark.edu

Especially for tribal members, having a will is recommended for anyone over 18.

This is especially recommended for people who have ownership interest in land.

Services available this summer include writing a new will, or changing an existing one. The new or changed will would be drafted so as to comply with tribal, state and federal law.

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