

## Team effort with Lil Miss Warm Springs Pageant

The last Lil Miss Warm Springs was held in 2007. The past queens were (3-4 years) Queen Katrina Blackwolf, Princess Kathryse Danzuka, (5-6 years) Queen Krystyn Calica and Princess Wynema Wolfe, (7-9 years) Queen Keyanna Yellowman Princess Soraya Mendez, (10-12 years) Queen Elyse Bagley with Princess Katie Mae Smith, (13-17 years) Queen Tashina Clements with Princess Rosey Suppah.

Carol Allison—with the help of Arlene Boileau, Geraldine Jim, atwai beloved Lucinda Green and Bernice Mitchell, Matilda Mitchell, Sylvia Wallulatum, Hilda Culpus, Marianne Culpus and Caroline Tohet—began the program in 1982 with the Recreation Department.

They were inspired to begin the program out of concern that our youth were adopting other nation's cultures. It was Carol's goal to get community involvement and teach our younger generation cultural knowledge, and to learn as family. Last year Carol Sahme, Starla Green and I created an agenda for the year, leading up to our Lil Miss Warm Springs program. We planned to work on a different project each month, based on our culture and traditional teachings. We had girls come to our classes, creating community involvement.

The community once again came together and were instrumental to our success.

The Lil Miss Warm Springs program would like to thank Starla Green for helping create the yearly program. Starla helped the young girls make Put-la-pas, wing dresses, and jingle dresses. Thank you for opening your home to teach the girls how to can salmon, as well as cut and care for tule to create mats for the longhouse.

For all the time and effort you gave to the Lil Miss Warm Springs, we cannot thank you enough.

Thank you Louis Squiemphen-Smith for teaching the girls the Ichishkin alphabet and teaching the colors, animals, and how to speak the Sahaptin language correctly.

Thank you Cheryl Tom for donating the jingle dress material. Without these materials the dresses would not have been possible.



Miss Warm Springs Katrina Blackwolf presents to Junior Miss Warm Springs Gigi David.

Thank you Natural Resources for the donation of the salmon. And to Deanie Johnson for teaching the Lil Miss Warm Springs girls how to properly introduce themselves in all three tribal languages. Thank you for taking us out on the field trip to cut tule, as well as taking the girls out to dig roots and showing how to care for them. Thank you for doing our meal song the night of the pageant, and thank you for your generosity.

Thank you Valley Cruise for the donation of the material to make wing dresses.

Thank you Keeyanna Yellowman, 2016 Miss Warm Springs, for coming in and teaching our girls about the tribal flag, and what it means to be an ambassador for the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

Thank you to Alyssa Macy, and the Native Youth Council for the donation of the t-shirts, tribal coffee mugs and mini tribal flags.

Thank you to Chuck Patterson for getting our banners here in time for the pageant. And to Craig Graham for the pageant signs. We appreciate all your efforts, and we cannot thank you enough.

Thank you Starhorse Drum group for being the host drum for the pageant: Aaron Greene, Kyle Queahpama, Gary Villa, Preston Tom, Oscar

Queahpama, Jaden Esquiro, Emery Greene.

Thank you to our judges panel for the pageant night: Merle Kirk, Keeyanna Yellowman, Charmaine Billy, Bridgette Kalama, Tatum Kalama, Starla Green, Aurolyn Stwyer and Sunmiet Mabon. It was a tough competition, and the pageant would not have been a success without you ladies.

Thank you to our cooks for the night of the pageant: Carol Lawrence, Daniel Lawrence, Arnetta Saludo and Terry Saludo. And to Geraldine Jim for opening the floor for the pageant.

Thank you to Miss Warm Springs 2017 Katrina Blackwolf for crowning our new title holders during the pageant. Thank you Carol Sahme for being master of ceremonies and bringing the program together.

A huge thank you to Margery "Marge" Kalama for beading the senior and junior crowns. Another huge thank you to Eugenia "Teeny" Tappo for beading the Lil Miss Warm Springs Crown.

Thank you to the Recreation Department staff for setting up before the regular program days, for setting up before and helping tear down after the pageant: Tatum Kalama, Justine

Clements, Terron "T-mac" McDonald, Edna David, Joseph Arthur and Carol Sahme. Huge thank you to Austin Greene for guiding us in the right direction to move forward with the Lil Miss Warm Springs Program.

Thank you Carol Allison for creating the program in 1982. Thank you Arlene Boileau. Thank you to all those elders who have passed but shaped the program: Atwai Lucinda Green, Bernice Mitchell, Matilda Mitchell, Sylvia Wallulatum, Hilda Culpus, Marianne Culpus and Caroline Tohet.

Congratulations to our new 2017 Senior Miss Warm Springs Coreena Stwyer, Jr Miss Warm Springs Gigi David, and Lil Miss Warm Springs Kiahna Allen. You will represent us all well!

Humbly, **Norene Sampson**, Warm Springs Recreation Department.



Jayson Smith photos



Bucking horse and cow riding at the Root Feast Rodeo.

## Howlak Tichum

**Barbie Jaleen (Jackson) Shields** ~ April 26, 1980 - January 17, 2017

Barbie Jaleen entered into eternal rest on January 17, 2017 after complications with congestive heart failure. She was 36. Barbie passed away in Portland, Oregon.

Dressing was held at the Simnasho Longhouse on January 20 with Overnight services and final interment at Simnasho Cemetery.

Barbie was born in Madras to Delmar S. Jackson of Chiloquin, and Louella Squiemphen Jackson of Warm Springs.

She attended school at Riverside Indian School in Anadarko, Oklahoma, and later graduated from Madras High School, in 1999.

Barbie then graduated from Concord Career Institute in Portland, with a Degree in Medical Coding and Billing. She gradu-



ated in June, 2011.

Barbie was also one of the first to be certified by the Oregon Inter-Tribal Breastfeeding Coalition as a community health representative in May 2015.

Barbie spent her youth ranching, gathering traditional foods, playing softball and riding horses. She loved to sing harmony and back-up around the big powwow drum among family and friends.

Her laughter and smile

could brighten any room. She was always full of love and life and had a great deal of respect for her family.

Barbie is survived by sisters Shawna Jackson of Mesa Ariz., Ellen Jackson of Warm Springs, Ronna Jackson of Chiloquin; brothers Sam Jackson Sr. of Warm Springs, Raymond Jackson of Gresham, Jordan Jackson Sr. of Warm Springs, and Delmar W. Jackson of Chiloquin; children Stephaugh Jackson, Pierre McCloud, Tacori Shields, Ashah Shields and Husband Kenneth Shields; numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by mother Louella Squiemphen Jackson, and Kala Ellen Greeley Squiemphen.

## Native sculptor visiting Sisters gallery

Cliff Fragua lives as a traditional Towa on the Jemez Pueblo of New Mexico.

The people refer to their Pueblo, a recognized sovereign nation, as *Walatowa*, which translates to "This is the place."

Cliff was born on the Pueblo in the mid 1950's, has spent most of his life there, and both his home and large sculpting studio, *Singing Stone*, are upon his ancestral homelands.

Fragua attended the San Francisco Art Institute while also studying as a student at the prestigious art school for Native American youth in Santa Fe, Institute of American Indian Art.

Shows in Chicago and



Cliff Fragua with sculpture.

New York City have featured his work.

His most well known work, *Po'Pay*, a monumental statue now located at the

U.S. Capitol. Fragua is the only Native American artist with a work featured at the Capitol.

Besides being a traditional individual among his people, he's a rather accomplished conga drum player, recreational weight lifter, and frequent traveller.

The Raven Makes Gallery in Sisters will host a visit by Fragua on April 28-30.

The Raven Makes Gallery is new, and exclusively has Native American and First Nations art.

The gallery will also host a Navajo Rug exhibition in June. For more information go to: [ravenmakesgallery.com](http://ravenmakesgallery.com)

## National Poetry Month

Celebrate with activities organized by COCC's Barber Library!

**MOsley WOTta**  
April 12 • 4 to 6 p.m.  
Poetry Slam Writing Workshop  
with MOsley WOTta

Coats Campus Center, Multicultural Center  
RSVP: 541.383.7559  
Chicago born Jason McNeal Graham, better known as MOsley WOTta, (MOWO) is a consummate creative. MOsley WOTta has been featured internationally as a speaker, performer, poet, visual artist and educator for more than a decade. A former slam poetry champion for the state of Oregon, MOWO's work focuses on the power of voice. His CV includes Sundance Film Festival, Fiji International Jazz & Blues Festival and PBS Oregon Art Beat.

April 13 • 6 to 8 p.m.  
Poetry Slam MC'd by MOsley WOTta  
Coats Campus Center, Multicultural Center

Plus... poetry crafts, pocket poems, magnetic poetry and more available at Madras, Redmond and Prineville Campuses and the Barber Library Rotunda all month!



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**Book2Eat**  
April 26 • 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.  
Barber Library Rotunda

Book2Eat events are often held in conjunction with International Edible Book Festivals held around the world. For several years, COCC Barber Library's Book2Eat event has featured a creative cake (with a bookish theme) created by COCC's culinary students. Come eat cake!

**Elizabeth Woody**  
Poetry Workshop with Elizabeth Woody  
April 28 • 6 to 7 p.m.  
Coats Campus Center, 116

RSVP: 541.318.3782  
Oregon's Poet Laureate and an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Ms. Woody has published poetry, short fiction and essays, and also is a visual artist. *Hand Into Stone*, her first book of poetry, received a 1990 American Book Award. Woody was a founding board member of Soapstone, Inc., an organization dedicated to supporting women writers and a founding board member of the Native Arts and Cultures Foundation.

Poetry Reading and Talk by Elizabeth Woody  
April 28 • 7 to 8:30 p.m.  
Barber Library Rotunda

For more information:  
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