

Letters to the editor

Recovery Is a Journey Walk

The Recovery Is a Journey Walk is coming up this Friday, September 1. There will be a prayer at 11:30 a.m., and the walk at 12:15.

This will be at the Warm Springs Community Center, hosted by the Health and Promotion Prevention Initiative (HAPPI), and Diabetes Prevention.

The Recovery Is a Journey Walk is part of September is National Recovery Month. For more information on the walk, please call Sarah at 541-615-0036; or Montell at 541-553-5504. Some of the themes:

The greatest gift to give the people you love is your recovery.

A path without obstacles leads nowhere. You've got to fight for your dream. And today I am choosing serenity.

The Recovery Is a Journey Walk will include prizes and food.

Columbia Indian Summer

The Columbia Gorge Discovery Center at The Dalles will present *Columbia River Indian Summer* in September.

This free daytime event will be on Saturday, September 9, featuring artisans, musicians and vendors from the regional Native American community.

The programming will include flute music by Foster Kalama, tule mat making demonstrations by Taaw-lee-Winch, traditional Indian games and drumming with Jefferson Greene, a Northwest twined pouch workshop by Pat Courtney Gold, and local craft vendors.

A salmon lunch and Indian fry bread will be available for purchase on a first come first served basis beginning at 12 noon.

This is part of an ongoing *Indigenous Voices Project*, funded in part by grants from Trust Management Services, Oregon Historic Trails Fund and Wy'East Fund of Oregon Community Foundation, and the Oregon Folklife Network.

For more information call 541-296-8600 ext. 201. Or go to:

gorgediscovery.org
The Columbia Gorge Discovery Center and Museum is open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Hands-on, multi-media exhibits illuminate the cultural and natural history of the Gorge, including Ice Age geology, Native American

culture, Lewis and Clark, the Oregon Trail, trade, transportation, renewable energy, ecology, live raptor presentations and more.

NIEA artwork

The Forty-Eighth Annual National Indian Education Association convention is coming up October 4-7. This year the conference will be at the Caribe Royale in Orlando, Florida.

The NIEA convention theme this year is *Building Education Nations by Amplifying Innovative Voices*—recognizing the role educators and communities play in shaping the future leaders of Native education.

NIEA is seeking Native artists to provide the artwork to illustrate the theme for this year's convention.

Within the scope of the theme, we will recognize the role educators and communities play in shaping the future leaders of Native education.

The selected artwork will be featured in marketing materials including website banners, member announcements, advertising, on-site signage, and other related marketing materials.

The winning artist will be provided a complimentary vendor booth space at the 2017 Trade Show. With the artwork featured in the convention's marketing materials there will be broad exposure of the winning submission

Submission guidelines: All 2-D and 3-D artwork accepted. All submissions must be in digital format, saved in JPG file format at 300 dpi.

All submissions should include the title of the work, the year of production, and a brief description of the piece that ties in the convention's theme.

All submissions and questions should be sent to Miriam Davis-Rosenbaum at: mdavisrosenbaum@niea.org

Livestock assistance

The 2014 Farm Bill authorized up to \$20 million in funding for emergency assistance to livestock producers that suffer losses due to fire.

This is a reminder to all livestock producers that if you have suffered livestock or pasture losses due to fire, please contact Christa at the Central Oregon Farm Service Agency.

Christa can be reached at

541-923-4358 ext. 106. Scott Duggan, Warm Springs OSU Extension, is also available to help producers. Scott can be contacted at:

scott.duggan@oregonstate.edu
Or by phone at 541-480-3091.

To apply for loss benefits under the Livestock Indemnity Program or the Emergency Livestock Disaster Assistance Program, the applicant must file a notice of loss with Farm Service Agency within 30 days of the loss being apparent to them.

Warm Springs OSU Extension.

During eclipse

Kudos to the community members, and a pat on the back to those who worked through the solar eclipse weekend.

I am feeling very grateful for the Warm Springs community, as things seemed to go very well through the Solar Eclipse weekend from the view of the Museum at Warm Springs.

We were open Saturday, Sunday and Monday with the local vendors, arts and crafts demonstrators, powwow dancing, playing the guitar, all at the museum.

We enjoyed a fairly good amount of visitors through the weekend. Some people were from other countries, other states that came through the museum. It was all good, very enjoyable for all.

It was great that administration pulled together to make available camping spaces, parking space for the solar eclipse viewers. Great to see the local people directing traffic, very helpful as we didn't have to sit and wait for a long time just to get across the street or to get on Highway 26.

Just want to thank all the vendors who came here, not only to the museum but to the campus area to provide some of our culture, dancing, and good food to eat. Great huckleberry pies and fry bread.

I compliment all the talented people who shared their native talent in beading, weaving and art work. You took the time to share with

For the Years of Service



Cassie Katchia, Janice Clements and Councilwoman Val Switzler during the award presentation at Tribal Council.

Janice Clements has been a tribal community health advocate for many years. She has brought dedication and valuable experience to the tribal Health and Welfare Committee, addressing with care the matters at hand.

Her contribution to tribal community health was recognized recently with an Award for Excellence for Years of Service, given by the IHS Portland Area Office of Direct Service and Contracting. Janice accepted the award last week at Tribal Council, as presented by Councilwoman Val Switzler.

Janice has worked for the tribes in the health field longer than most

anyone. She recalled how years ago, as she was getting started in the field, a priority in tribal health was diabetes.

At the time, she said, it was a little understood disease on the reservation. She studied its causes and effects, "it was a learning process," Janice said.

The tribes then received a diabetes grant, a pilot project, the first of its kind in Indian Country. And today the tribes and IHS have among the best diabetes prevention and treatment programs. Maintaining funding for this is essential to the community, Janice says.

On a family level, she said, it's especially important for members to be tested regularly for diabetes. The

consequences of the disease are many, from kidney and heart problems, to high blood pressure, to name just some of ailments.

You can see the extent of diabetes in Indian Country—and the effort to address the problem—by the number of residents who are on dialysis, Janice said.

When presented with the Award for Excellence, she thanked the Portland Area IHS and the Tribal Council.

"I never expected this," she said. Of her years on the Health and Welfare Committee, "I've learned as much I could, and always tried to do my best."



Marge Kalama demonstrates beadworking at the museum eclipse weekend.

the community and with visitors. Thank you all for coming together. Thank you all. Thank you who worked, put in a lot of time to make this place more organized, more

enjoyable. Was great to witness the solar eclipse and tribal members top it off with the war hoops! It was a good weekend in the community.

(Except for the break-ins and thievery, that's another story!)

Evaline Patt, Museum at Warm Springs.

Summary of Tribal Council

The following is a summary of the Tribal Council meeting of August 8, 2017:

1. Roll call: Chief Delvis Heath, Chief Alfred Smith Jr., Vice Chairman Charles Calica, Ronald Suppah, Raymond Tsumpti, Carina Miller and Brigitte McConville. Recorders, Minnie Yahtin in the morning, and Phoebe Joe, afternoon.

2. Warm Springs Regulatory Authority
• Motion by Ronald adopting Resolution No. 12,359, approving the proposed hours and compensation for the Gaming Regulatory Authority commissioners, as set in this resolution. Seconded by Carina. Question; 6/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.
• Motion by Raymond

adopting Resolution No. 12,360, appointing Josephine Johnson the executive director for the Warm Springs Gaming Commission, effective upon the date of the completion of the personnel action form concluding her transfer from internal auditor. Seconded by Ronald. Question; 6/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

3. Board appointments.
• **Credit Enterprise board:** Will be re-advertised for a non-tribal member position.

• **Warm Springs Composite Board:**
Motion by Carina adopting Resolution No. 12,361, appointing Sytje Williams, term ending 12/31/18, and Don Sohapp, term ending 12/31/19 to the Warm Springs Composite board.

Seconded by Brigitte. Question; 6/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• **Warm Springs Power and Water Enterprise board:**

Motion by Carina adopting Resolution No. 12,362, appointing Gerald Henrikson, term ending 01/01/18 to the Warm Springs Power and Water Enterprise board. Seconded by Brigitte. Question; 6/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• **Ventures:**
Motion by Raymond adopting Resolution No. 12,363, appointing Douglas Williams Jr., to the Warm Springs Ventures board, term ending 12/31/17. Seconded by Carina. Question; 6/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• **Warm Springs Telecom:**

Motion by Raymond adopting Resolution No. 12,364, appointing James Halliday and Gerald Danzuka, terms ending 12/31/18; Todd Stum and Sue Matters, terms ending 12/31/19; and Lonny Macy, term ending 12/31/20 to the Telecom board. Seconded by Carina. Question; 5/0/1, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

4. Other business:
Motion by Raymond appointing Carina to the working group for Bill 1070. Seconded by Brigitte. Question; 5/0/1, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

5. Kah-Nee-Ta update.
6. Telecom update. Executive Session (3:08-3:25).
7. With no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 3:29 p.m.

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