

## Tourneys update

Warm Springs hosted the 2017 David White Memorial Basketball Tournament in October. In game 12, the Columbia River Redwolves defeated the Hustle Gangs, 66-36.

Meanwhile, the Fifty-Fourth Annual Warm Springs All Indian Men's Holiday Tournament is coming up in Warm Springs December 27-30. The tourney is hosted by Warm Springs Recreation.

The tournament is All Indian Men's Open, no height restriction. The deadline for entry fee is \$375 per team, payable by December 15. Awards include 10 Championship Pendleton jackets; 10 runner-up solid wool jackets; third place jackets; fourth place hooded sweatshirts; fifth place crewnecks.

More awards: MVP, Mr. Hustle, twelve All Tourney awards, coaches t-shirts.

Additional Information: Twelve teams, 16-game bracket. No high school players allowed. Proper proof of CIB/tribal enrollment needed in case questioned. For more information contact Recreation director Austin Greene: [austin.greene@wstribes.org](mailto:austin.greene@wstribes.org) Or call or 541-553-3243.



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## Community sports notes...

The 2017 Bob Main Memorial Men's and Women's **Basketball Tournament** is this weekend, November 10-12 in Warm Springs.

There will be a parent meeting for the upcoming **Central Oregon Basketball Organization** season at 6:30 p.m. this Thursday, November 9 at the Madras High

School library.

This will be an opportunity for parents to turn in registration packets and ask questions about the youth basketball league.

The Madras Aquatic Center **Turkey Trot** is on November 25, featuring a 10k run and a 5k run/walk.

Both races start at 9 a.m. at the MAC. Prizes are turkeys and pies. You can register at the Madras Aquatic Center or online at [madrecdistrict.com](http://madrecdistrict.com)

The MAC Rec District will have 30 and over, and 18-29 **adult basketball leagues**, starting in January and going to mid March. The registration deadline is January 5. See details at [madrecdistrict.com](http://madrecdistrict.com)

## Student CHAMPS at Warm Springs Academy

The Warm Springs Academy hosted their first-grade CHAMPS assembly in October, with recognition going to outstanding students. Here are the awards, by classroom:

### Ms. Kalama's class:

Communication: Communicates positively with others: Marisa Hatlestad.

Helping: Can count on being responsible and helpful: Jarrod Kalama Heath.

Most Improved: Through hard work and never giving up: Carla Wainanwit.

Participation: Participating through hard work: Jewlian Williams.

Student of the Month: All around model student: Adamaris Lopez.

### Ms. Apalategui's class:

Positive attitude: River Edwards. Hard work: Kaydence Blackwolf.

**Mr. Cortazar's class:** September perfect attendance: Alejandro Gomez Villa Jr., Landon Steen, Sylvia Wallulatum, Sydream Craig, Lazarus Hellon, Niko Kollen, Faith

Montgomery, Phillip Winishut Boise, River Martin Edwards, JoeRay Mylo Stwyer, Jewlian Williams, Dimmick Williams, Aaron Joseph Strong and Carla Wainanwit.

**Mr. Younth's class:** Physical Education awards:

Un-Wuck Smith, Jacoby Stevens, River Edwards, Bella Herkshan, Elonor Jim, Sylvia Wallulatum and Blake Culp.

### Ms. Jorgensen's class:

Communication: Positive and friendly: Nizhoni Yallup.

Helping: Can count on being responsible and helpful: Devyn Lucei-Bobb.

Most Improved: Through hard work and never giving up: Eloonor Jim.

Participation: Always doing her very best: AnnaBelle Yahtin.

Student of the Month- All around model student: Jaylon Holliday.

### Ms. Mahealani's class:

Communication: Positive and friendly: Debra Plouffe Anson.

Helping: Very helpful in class:

Dominick Spino.

Most Improved: He has become a big part of our classroom: Jeslie Williams.

Participation: He is on task and ready to work: Jermaine Mitchell-Picard.

Student of the Month: All around model student: Pearl Heath.

### Mr. Rodin's class:

Communication: Positive and friendly: Faith Montgomery.

Helping: Very helpful in class: Giuliana McGill.

Most Improved handwriting: OraLee Roubideaux.

Participation: He is on task and ready to work: James Noonan.

Student of the Month- All around model student: Bella Herkshan.

**Mr. Cortazar's class:** September Perfect Attendance:

Tayonna Cunningham, Dru Picard Smith, Arellie Scott, Willie Sittinghorse Kirk Jr., Matthew Winishut, Jayden Winishut McKinley and Un-Wuc Smith Myers.

## Winter sports start soon

The 2017-18 season for Madras High School girls varsity basketball begins with the Madras Invitational on Friday and Saturday, December 1 and 2. Opening home games continue Tuesday, December 5 with a visit from Scappoose.

The Buffalo boys varsity season opens December 5 away at

Scappoose, followed by home games for the Madras Invitational, Friday and Saturday, December 8 and 9.

Madras High School varsity wrestling starts Saturday, December 2 away at Summit, followed by a visit to Culver on Friday and Saturday, December 8 and 9.

## Buffalo Skywalkers sign-ups

The Buffalo Skywalkers youth basketball league is starting soon. Youth who want to play should sign up by November 13. There is no cost involved.

There are four Buffalo Skywalker age groups: k-1, 2-4, 5-7, and 8-12.

All practices and games are at

the Community Center.

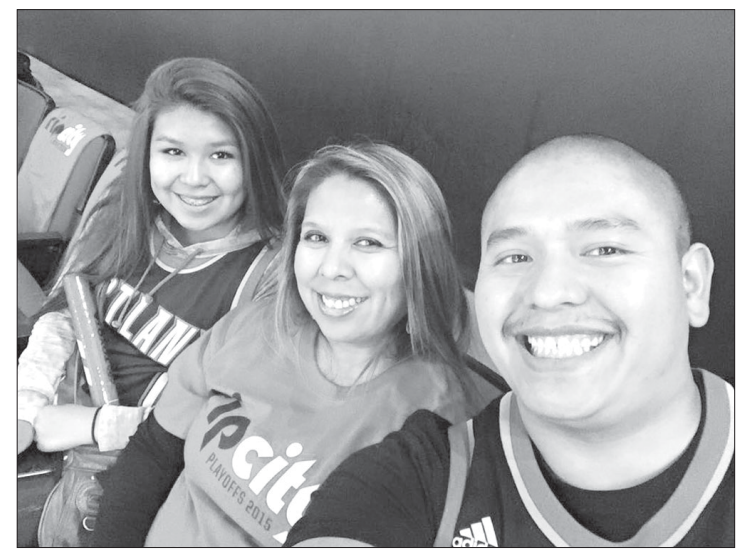
Leagues are sponsored by Warm Springs Community Counseling Prevention, and Community Wellness Center programs. For information call **Reina** at 541-615-0144; or stop by the Family Resource Center.

## Trail Blazers Fan Fest



Courtesy photos.

A group from Warm Springs made it to the Portland Trail Blazers October Fan Fest, where Donna Wainanwit (above) met star point guard Damian Lillard, among other Blazers. Donna went with Stormy Spino, MorningStar Smith and Don Wabaunsee.



## CRITFC, Nez Perce program increases adult wild steelhead

This year's low number of steelhead returning to spawn are getting a helping hand from the the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission and the Nez Perce tribe.

Last week fisheries biologists began releasing approximately 100 wild, B-run steelhead into the Snake River. Funded by the Bonneville Power Administration, the steelhead restoration project increases adult steelhead returns to the Snake River basin by maximizing the species' ability to repeat spawn.

The steelhead released in late October just below Lower Granite Dam were all "kelts"—steelhead that have spawned at least once.

They were collected at the dam on their out-migration during spring 2016 and 2017, and transported to the Nez Perce Tribal Hatchery in Idaho where they were nursed back to health. After their 6- to 18-month re-maturation process, the

females that were ready to spawn again were transported back to the river and released into the wild.

"With an expected natural return of around 500 female B-Run steelhead, this year's kelt release will boost the number of spawners in the Snake River 20 percent," said Doug Hatch, senior fisheries scientist and kelt project leader for the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission. "This work is beneficial every year, but absolutely critical in low-return years like this one."

Nearly all steelhead survive after spawning, but challenges such as river conditions and the Columbia/Snake hydrosystem impact their survival. Only about half of each year's steelhead run makes it back to Lower Granite Dam, the first dam they encounter on their migration back to the ocean. Only a tiny fraction survive to repeat another spawning cycle.

## Commercial fishing sales open in zone 6 until Dec. 31

Commercial platform, and hook and line sales are open until 6 p.m., Sunday, December 31. The open area is all of Zone 6.

Salmon, steelhead, shad, walleye, catfish, bass, carp and yellow perch may be sold or kept for subsistence use.

Legal-size sturgeon are between 43 and 54 inches fork length in the Dalles and John Day pools, and be-

tween 38 and 54 inches fork length in the Bonneville Pool. These may be kept for subsistence use only.

Allowed gear is hoop nets, dip nets, and hook and line. Dam closed areas applicable to platform gear and hook and line are in effect. Fish may be sold after the period ends if caught during the open period.

The special fishery below Bonneville Dam:

The Fish and Wildlife Committee has closed the fishery below Bonneville Dam to protect spawning chum salmon that utilize the area below the dam.

These fish are listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act. The closure began November 1.