

Jayson Smi Senior guard Kaliyah Iverson scores over Gladstone in another win for the Madras varsity girls.

Extension hosting important clinic for local cattle owners

Warm Springs OSU Extension will hold our annual brucellosis 'bangs' clinic.

U.S. Department of Agriculture veterinarians will be here to administer the brucellosis vaccine to heifers 4-12 months of age.

In addition, a de-wormer can be administered to cattle of all ages.

Cattle owners need to call OSU Extension and let us know how many cattle you have and what type of vaccinations you would like administered.

Cattle vaccinations will take place at the Warm Springs rodeo arena or at the rancher's home. Cost of the brucellosis vaccine is \$1 and the cost of de-wormer Ivomec is \$3.

If interested, please contact OSU Extension at 541-553-3238 or email:

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Contagious disease

Brucellosis is the only vaccine given to cattle that requires a veterinarian to administer the shot. The reason for this is brucellosis is highly infectious and is a zoonotic disease. Zoonotic means the disease is capable of spreading from animals to humans.

The name of the human form of brucellosis is undulant fever, which is a painful disease that causes fatigue and headaches followed by high fever, chills, joint pain and weight loss.

Long-term effects include arthritis, chronic fatigue and recurrent fevers. While undulant fever does not typically kill its victims, it is a serious disease that can plague its victims for the rest of their lives.

Humans contract undulant fever by eating raw meat from an infected animal, or by drinking or eating contaminated, unpasteurized milk products.

Additionally, if you slaugh-

ter an infected animal, the bacteria can enter your system through cuts or touching your

Due to the risk of infection, only trained veterinarians are permitted to administer the brucellosis vaccine. After the vaccine is given, a small metal tag is placed in the ear of the heifer where it remains for the rest of their lives. This metal tag is proof that the heifer is protected from brucellosis.

Brucellosis causes decreased milk production, weight loss, lameness, abortion of calves and infertility in cattle. Signs of brucellosis are slow to appear and difficult to detect in sick animals.

Until cows start aborting calves or having weak calves, there is no visual sign that an animal is infected.

When brucellosis is detected in a herd, cattle must be quarantined and infected animals are humanely slaughtered, as there is no cure for the disease.

Sadly, ranchers can lose their entire herd to the disease, as it is easily spread through bacteria shed in the milk or via the aborted fetus, afterbirth or other reproductive tract discharges. Therefore, brucellosis is responsible for large economic losses if detected in your herd.

Thanks to a national surveillance program, losses have dropped from 124,000 affected herds in 1956 to 700 in 1992 and less than 10 herds today.

The large economic losses sustained in the past are why the livestock industry must remain vigilant.

Thanks to the national surveillance program, the odds of having a positive test in your herd are small. However, if an infected cow is detected, ranchers often have to liquidate their entire herd.

Scott J. Duggan, Warm Springs OSU Extension

Youth sports action

The Madras High School boys varsity basketball team has two road games next week, at Molalla on Tuesday, February 6, and Estacada on Friday, February 9.

The girls varsity basketball team—14-2 going into their home game this Tuesday evening against Crook County—have two home games next week:

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Warm Springs Academy

The Warm Springs Academy wrestlers have a meet this Thursday, February 1, at the High Desert Middle School in Bend today.

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Culver on Tuesday, February 6.

The Warm Springs Academy girls basketball team host Crook County on Monday, February 5. Seventh-grade plays at 4, and eighth-grade at

The Academy girls have basketball games at Sisters Middle School on Thursday, February 8.

Warm Springs Academy will have a Healthy Heart Family Engagement Night on Wednesday, February 7 from 5-7 p.m. Dinner will be provided.

Community notes...

The Warm Springs Culture and Heritage Language program is looking for volunteers to help chaperone, coach, judge and assist at the 2018 **Language Bowl**, coming up in May 24 at the Wildhorse Resort. To learn more call Culture and Heritage at 541-553-3290.

The Madras Aquatic Center and Recreation district has opened registration for their swim team, swim lessons and the mudslinger. The Mudslinger is a 5.1 mile run or walk trail course on March 24. To register go to macrecdistrict.com and click on the 'register now' button; scroll down for your activity.

The **Mobile Medical Unit** will be located at the Campus area on Tuesday, February 6.

The Warm Springs Baptist Church is announcing a **Marriage Improvement class** starting this Friday, February 2.

The classes will continue for seven weeks on Friday nights from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Pastor Larry McKinney will be the instructor.

The Warm Springs Economic Development Corporation has extended its job advertisement for a **Ventures staff accountant.** For a full job description or additional information contact Leslie Cochran-Davis at 541-553-3207 or Sandra Danzuka 553-3565. Applications will be accepted through this Friday, February 2.

Kah-Nee-Ta Resort is looking for a **horse stables operator** for the 2018 season, March-October.

Please send request for proposal to:

Kah-Nee-Ta Resort & Spa; PO Box 1240; Warm Springs OR mwilliams@kahneeta.com

Birth

Timoty and Kelsey of Madras are pleased to announce the birth of their son Logan, born on January 26, 2018.

Logan joins sister Nevaeh, 3.

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The Thirty-Fift Annual Tra-

ditional Powwow at the Heri-

tage High School in

Vancouver, Washington is

coming up on Saturday,

March 3. Grand entries will

be at 1 and 6 p.m., with a

hand-drum contest during the

dinner break.

Learn the cultural importance of why Native males wear their hair long. Too many young Native boys experience bullying or discrimination due to their long hair. Often parents and their young boys struggle to find the correct words to answer the question, "Why do you have long hair?" A variety of guest speakers will share their personal experiences and how they overcme these situations.

Saturday, Feb. 17 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Coats Campus Center Bend Campus

Snacks and drinks provided FREE & OPEN to the public cocc.edu/mcc-events



Questions: mcary@cocc.edu or 541.318.3782

& In advance of College events, persons needing accommodation or transportation because of a physical or mobility disability, contact Joe Viola at 541,383,7775. For accommodation because of other disability such as hearing impairment, contact Disability Services at 541,383,7583.