

Ball fields renovation project



This is a detail from a conceptual drawing of the Warm Springs ball fields renovation project.

3 areas of Wellbriety

Wellbriety in Warm Springs—'Working Together to Create a Healing Forest'—has many aspects.

There are the Wellbriety Court, Wellbriety Celebrating Families, and Wellbriety WAR Warriors meetings.

The **Wellbriety Court** is a 36-week program for eligible court ordered clients. The program involves an intense treatment plan by Warm Springs Behavioral Health, monitored by the Court and Probation.

Who can attend? Anyone who is ordered by the Tribal Court. For information contact Martha Stewart, 541-553-3293; email: Martha.stewart@wstribes.org

Wellbriety Celebrating Families is an 8-week, 16-session evidence based class for the entire family, or for parents only. Parent classes began this

week, and meeting from 9 to 11 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the group room at the Behavioral Health Center.

Who can attend? Anyone who wishes, or ordered by the court. For information contact Sarah Frank, 541-615-0035; email: sarah.frank@wstribes.org

Wellbriety WAR—Warriors Accepting Recovery—is a weekly grass roots recovery/sobriety-based social movement, using the Medicine Wheel and 12 steps. Wellbriety WAR meetings begin on Tuesday, January 23, and meet every Tuesday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Greeley Heights community building (location subject to change).

Who can attend? Anyone seeking sobriety and wellness. For information contact Oriem Made, 503-688-8538; email: oriemade1982@gmail.com

Work Force: given Tribal Council support

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Spirituality will be a big part in finding a lasting solution, Councilwoman Miller said.

Family and community, not just government measures, are also essential, said Councilwoman Brigette McConville.

Council chairman Austin Greene Jr. said he will work to bring back the inter-tribal meth task force, as other tribes are experiencing this epidemic.

Warm Springs Chief Delvis Heath noted the Yakama Nation has taken unprecedented steps to contend with the problem, even discussing disenrollment, and reservation exclusion of convicted drug dealers.

Work Group statement

The Meth and Opiate Work Group has met a number of times in recent months. Their first meeting, with 14 members attending, was in November. Some meetings have seen up to 30 members present.

This week the group asked for a statement of support from Tribal Council, who were unanimous in support.

"We as the Meth and Opiate Work Group would like to ask our Chiefs and Council representatives to openly support and speak out against the epidemic of methamphetamine, alcohol and other drugs," the letter to Council says. "We need the support of our Chiefs and leaders in order to eliminate the issues surrounding meth, alcohol and other drugs."

Some of the requests are as follows:

Strong encouragement against the use of meth, alcohol and other drugs.

Ensure appropriate levels of funding are provided to support programs that are currently trying to combat the issue through education, treatment, prevention, healing and activities. Ensure collaboration among the programs.

Attend assist with and appear at events, classes or projects that are being held locally that are addressing meth, alcohol and other drugs.

Enforce current tribal laws and update the Tribal Code to allow law enforcement, tribal Court and other tribal entities to hold offenders accountable for damage and property

loss caused by the use of meth, alcohol and other drugs.

Enforce curfew. Return to unwritten Indian laws, and restore cultural teachings.

There need to be clear standards and healthy beliefs in the jurisdiction of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. We must hold each other accountable for our actions as a community. All tribal codes regarding meth, alcohol and other drugs are in immense need to be updated to hold accurate accountability.

We as a tribe need to create and foster an environment that supports healthy norms through encouragement, promotion, recognition and modeling. It's only through a joint effort and commitment of the leaders and community that will help shift to a positive change.

The Warm Springs Meth and Opiate Work Group.

The Work Group

The mission of the Meth and Opiate Work Group is "To bring awareness and education for our community about the dangers caused by meth and opiate use. To

create pathways toward healing with hopes of making a better life for our present and our future generations." If you would like to learn more about the work the group is doing, talk to one of the key group members:

Danielle Wood, Housing Authority director.

Judge Lisa Lomas, Tribal Court Chief Judge.

Paul Jim of the Children's Protective Services.

Charlene Dimmick, Family Preservation.

Josh Caldwell, member of Wellbriety.

Aldo Garcia, member of Wellbriety.

Alice Sampson, Warm Springs Behavioral Health.

Janet Bissell, Indian Health Service.

John Brunoe, OSU Extension.

Radine Johnson, HAPPI.

Karla Tias, Fire and Safety.

Pamela Douglas, Housing.

Starla Green, Warm Springs Police Department.

Michael Martinez, HAPPI.

Nancy Seyler, Prosecution.

Oriem Made, member of Wellbriety.

Darryl Scott, Warm Springs Behavioral Health.

Dr. Thomas Creelman, Indian Health Service.

Jaycelene Frank, Family Preservation.

Wilson Wewa Sr., Seniors Program.

Craig Graham, Community Health Resource Center administrator.

Sarah Frank, HAPPI.

Presenters at the recent Council meeting were Health and Human Services general manager Caroline Cruz, chief operations office Alyssa Macy, Danielle Wood, Sarah Frank and Russell Graham.

Their meetings are the second Friday and fourth Wednesday of the month.

They also host public community meetings where all are invited (see the notice below).

What is Meth Contamination?

The Meth and Opiate Work Group this week will present a community education and discussion event, *What is Meth Contamination?*

The event will be this Thursday, March 15 from 6 to 8:30

p.m. at the Community Center Social Hall. Presenter will be Craig Graham.

Dinner will be served from 6 to 6:30 p.m., and door prizes at 8:20. Must be present to win.

Celebrating THE MUSEUM AT WARM SPRINGS 25th Anniversary with A Traditional Powwow March 17th 2018 2:00pm -5:00pm

Please join us at The Museum At Warm Springs for a community event & exhibit opening of 'Twanat- Celebrate Our Legacy' to honor our Museum and it's inception on March 1993.

Commemorative Gifts, Museum Family Memberships for door prizes, Miss Warm Springs, refreshments served.

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WSK8 Academy Family

Please join us for a night of:
Crafts and activities + Dinner + PRIZES

- ~Wednesday, March 14th
- ~Dinner- 5:00-6:00
- ~Literacy Activities- 5:30-7:00

Title 1 Family Involvement Event