

Letters to the editor

Quick response

My family had a health emergency on February 25, 2018. I called 911, and even though my house is hard to find, EMS workers came within 10 minutes.

Because my small house is not easy to negotiate a gurney through, the workers had to improvise using the back door and a sheet 'carrier.' Within 20 minutes, we were on our way in the ambulance.

Thanks to Andrew and Dan for the quick response and excellent service. We have some of the best, well trained EMS help right here on the reservation!

Mavis Shaw

Monday, April 23

9 a.m.: Vehicle pool policy update with the Chief Operations Officer.

10: Capital plan with the COO.

11: Managed Care update with Michael Collins.

1:30 p.m.: Realty items with Urbana Ross.

Thursday-Friday, April 26-27: CRITFC meeting.

Thursday, April 26: BPA awards ceremony for Roy Sampsel.

Saturday, April 28: Boys & Girls Club annual fundraiser.

All draft resolutions and ordinances, including any attachments or exhibits, are due by the first Friday of each month by 5 p.m.

Indian Head Casino, Composite Products, and Power & Water.

Businesses from Warm Springs, Madras, Redmond and Bend support the event.

The Honor Seniors Day Committee is requesting door prizes and gift donations, or anything you would be willing to donate. And for the Luau Party on May 11, remember: *'Come dressed in your island attire and show us your moves!'*

For additional information contact the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Senior Wellness Program, 541-553-3313, or 553-3520. Sincerely,

Honor Senior Day Committee.

For fisheries, cultural talks



Bruce Jim presented this salmon artwork, made entirely of items commonly found in the kitchen, to Tribal Council last week.

Bruce Jim, Fish and Wildlife Committee member, gave two talks on tribal fisheries programs, first foods and other tribal cultural resources.

His most recent talk was at the Oregon Natural Desert Association. The group was interested

in hearing about, for instance, the tribal fisheries improvement projects in the Ceded Lands.

Mr. Jim also talked about the berries, roots and other foods that tribal members gather, and medicinal plants of the region.

Following the talk, the Oregon Natural Desert As-

sociation presented Mr. Jim with a salmon artwork. The item is made of common items found in the kitchen.

Mr. Jim presented the work to Tribal Council this week, after giving an update on how the talks went. Council much appreciated the update.

President's List at PSU



Amanda Squiempben-Yazzie is a student at Portland State University School of Social Work.

For the recent winter term at Portland State, Amanda made the President's List.

The honor was for her outstanding academic achievements.

Congratulations and great work, Amanda!

Carroll Dick and Warm Springs Higher Education.

From B&G Club

The Boys & Girls Club of Warm Springs this month will host their annual Great Futures golf scramble, dinner and auction fundraiser.

The fundraiser—the club's Ninth Annual—will be on Saturday, April 28 at Kah-Nee-Ta Resort.

The club is seeking items for the auctions.

Club membership was 500 young people during 2017. Over the past four years, daily attendance has increased over 90 percent since 2014.

On average they are serving 100 tribal youth each day. Sixty-two percent of the members are from single-parent households.

One-hundred percent of our members are from low income households. The Boys & Girls Club of Warm Springs is a unit of the Boys & Girls Club of Snohomish County.

For more information, on the fundraiser or on how to contribute, contact club director **June Smith** at 541-553-2323. Or email: jsmith@bgcsc.org

Luau Party

Honor Seniors Day is a month away, coming up the second Friday in May.

Warm Springs Honor Seniors Day—this year celebrating its Twenty-Eighth Anniversary—is now a long-standing tradition in the Pacific Northwest. The team at the Senior Program decided this year on the Seniors Day theme of 'Luau Party.'

Average attendance is usually from 700 to 1,200 elders. The day showcases the reservation community, from Kah-Nee-Ta to the Museum at Warm Springs,

Hiring youth

Central Oregon Youth Conservation Corps is now open to 15-year-olds.

This is a great opportunity for youth ages 15 to 18-years-old to gain job skills and learn more about natural resources, while improving public lands and reducing the threat of wildfires in our community.

Nearly 100 local youth will be selected for this competitive summer program, earning \$10.75 an hour, working 36 hours a week.

Hands-on projects in Central Oregon's beautiful forests and high deserts include building trails, maintaining fences, piling hazardous fuels, restoring campgrounds, and improving wildlife habitat on the Deschutes and Ochoco National Forests and the Crooked River National Grassland.

The program runs from June 25 through August 16.

Youth will work 9 hours a day Monday through Thursday. Youth crews meet daily in Warm Springs, Madras, Redmond, Bend, Sisters, Prineville, La Pine and Crescent.

These jobs are a great introduction to careers in natural resources.

Funding for the 2018 program secured thus far includes support and grant awards from the Confederated Tribes of Warm

Springs, Deschutes National Forest, the Ochoco National Forest, Wells Fargo Bank, The Bill Healy Foundation, Oregon State Weed Board, The Gordon Elwood Foundation, The Autzen Foundation, and United Way of Deschutes County.

Applications must be received by May 1, and are available online at: heartoforegon.org.

For more information, contact Summer Program Coordinator Yancy Wilkenfeldt at 541-633-7834; or Forest Service YCC Coordinator Paul Smith at 541-416-6431.

Tip Line

The Warm Springs Police Department is reaching out to the community members to assist in the fight against drug and alcohol abuse on the reservation.

The department has an anonymous tip line to help gather information from individuals who want to remain anonymous but assist in providing information regarding any criminal activ-

ity. The Tip Line has no caller identification program attached. The caller can leave a message after the recorded message, and it is checked daily by a staff member.

If anyone has any information about any criminal activity, we are asking that you please call the Warm Springs Police Department Tip Line and leave your information. It is your choice if you want to leave a contact number.

Warm Springs Police Department Anonymous Tip Line: 541-553-2202.

Lt. Starla Green, Warm Springs Police Department.

Family, Friends

Hello Dear Family and Friends,

I am writing in the hope that you will write back to me. I find pure joy in writing long letters.

I am looking forward to hearing from you, to anyone who wishes to contact me.

Steven N. Andersson, no.

19520459; Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution; 2500 Westgate, Pendleton OR 97801.

The facts

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs and the Senior Program in June will host an education program presented by the Alzheimer's Association.

The presentation—covering the basics: memory loss, dementia and Alzheimer's disease—will be at the Warm Springs Senior Center on June 14.

If you or someone you know is affected by Alzheimer's disease or dementia, it's time to learn the facts. This program provides information on detection, causes and risk factors, stages of the disease, treatment, and much more.

To register call 1-800-272-3900.

At Council

The following are some of the items on the April Tribal Council agenda (subject to change at Council discretion):

Monday, April 16

9 a.m.: Secretary-Treasurer and Chief Operations Officer updates with Michele Stacona and Alyssa Macy.

10: May agenda and review minutes with the S-T.

11: Draft resolutions.

1:30 p.m.: Legislative update calls.

2:30: Enrollments with Lucille Suppach-Samson from Vital Stats.

3:30: January and February financial update with Alfred Estimo and Dennis Johnson.

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A thank you for the egg hunt

The Native Aspiration Coalition and Health and Human Services wish to thank all who helped with the Easter Egg Hunt, and thank-you to all the families who part.

The estimate is that more than 200 children looked for the eggs and other Easter gifts.

Native Aspiration Coalition.

