

Getting started with Eagles track and field

The Warm Springs Academy will host the school's first ever track and field meet, with three schools competing on Tuesday, April 17.

The schools visiting the Academy for the competitions will be Culver and the Cascade Academy. Events begin at 3:45 p.m. at the school sports field.

Competitions will include the 100 meters, 200 meters, 400 meters, 800 and 1500 meters; hurdles, the 4x100 meter and 4x200 meter relays; shot put, discus, javelin, high jump and pole vault.

Coming up before the meet at the Academy, the Eagles will visit Sisters this Friday, April 13.

This year the Academy track and field team has more than 40 students participating, the most ever, said Coach Darrell Yount.



Warm ups with Warm Springs Eagle track and field.

The team last year had a great season, finishing with top-level individual and team honors.



In youth sports...

Thomas Sales and Service will hold a **Drive for Your School** event this Friday, April 13 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Madras High

School. When you test drive a vehicle, a donation will be given to the Madras High School Seniors' graduation party.

In MHS sports: This Friday, April 13 JV and varsity softball

have home games against Estacada at 4:30. The Baseball teams travel to Estacada.

In MHS sports: On Saturday, April 14, girls tennis is hosting the **White Buffalo Invitational.**

In MHS sports: On Monday, April 26 JV & Varsity **softball** host Gladstone. Games are at 4:30. The baseball teams travel to Gladstone.



Dave McMechan/Spilyay

Community notes

The annual **Canyon Crawl** race is on Saturday, April 21. It is a 7.5 mile walk or run, starting at the Madras Public Works parking lot and finishing at Fraser's Deep Canyon Grill at Lake Simtustus for lunch. The route goes down Willow Creek Trail.

Visit macredistrict.com for additional info. This Friday, April 13 at 7 p.m. is the deadline to register.

Madras High School Drama Club will present **Beauty and the Beast** April 13 and 14 at the Performing Arts Center. Friday's performance is at 7 p.m. Saturday's will be at 2 and 7 p.m. On April 20 & 21 there will be 7 p.m performances.

Free child's car seat at April event

Is your child in the safest car seat? Stop by and find out a free car set check up, coming up in April.

The program Native CARS—Children Always Ride Safe—will provide free seats, based on need. The seats will be available only during this event—Don't miss out.

The free car set check up with be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, April 25 in the parking lot between the Early Childhood Education Center and the Agency Longhouse.

Priority will be given to those who schedule an appointment with Candice Jimenez at the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board. You can reach her at 503-416-3264; or email:

cjimenez@npaihb.org

Drop-ins will be available as time allows. Children need not be present for the car seat check.

Dams will spill more water to help salmon

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers this week are spilling additional water over dam spillways on the Columbia and Snake rivers.

The action is intended to help salmon, and comes following a federal appeals court ruling last week.

The three-judge Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld a decision by U.S. District Court Judge Michael Simon, who had found that salmon are in a "precarious" condition.

The Army Corps and the National Marine Fisheries Service had appealed Judge Simon's ruling.

Their arguments were that there was not enough time to come up with a spill plan, and also that the salmon were not in need of the added protection.

The decision is a win for plaintiffs in the case. These include the Nez Perce Tribe, state of Oregon, and conservation and fishing groups.

Steve Masuda, attorney for one of plaintiff Earthjustice, said

Bill would maintain dams status quo

As the spill ruling was announced last week, Congressman Dan Newhouse was meeting in Kennewick with business, agriculture, utility and community leaders, who oppose both the increased spill.

One of the their arguments: Water that is spilled cannot be used to produce inexpensive electricity, which increases the utility bills for Northwest ratepayers.

Newhouse said that U.S. House leadership a bill, H.R. 3144, would advance to consideration by a committee, and

then possibly to a vote of the full House as early as this month.

The bill would keep the status quo at the Snake and Columbia River dams until at least 2022, with no court-ordered change to operations.

Now dams are operated under a plan called the Federal Columbia River Biological Opinion, or BiOp. It was created by a collaboration of federal agencies, states and tribes during the administration of President Barack Obama to protect salmon while operating dams.

Judge Simon has found the

BiOp does not do enough to protect salmon.

He ruled that a new environmental study is needed to look at the Columbia and Snake rivers hydropower system and that it must consider the option of breaching, or removing, the Snake River dams from Ice Harbor Dam near Burbank upriver to Lower Granite Dam.

The Bonneville Power Administration said it will follow the court decision and increase spill, even though it would increase electricity costs in the Northwest.

added spill has been proven to help juvenile salmon.

"Spill is really the one bright spot in efforts to preserve salmon over the past 10 years or so," Mr. Masuda said.

This is the fourth time since 2005 that increased spill has been

mandated by a federal court.

However, Joseph Bogaard, executive director of the Save Our Wild Salmon Coalition, says the spill is only one part of efforts to restore the regions' salmon. He says the federal government continues to propose inadequate plans

to save the 13 populations of Columbia River Basin salmon that have been endangered for the past two decades.

Culvert, salmon case going to Supreme Court

Seventeen years ago, 21 tribes sued the state of Washington to fix those culverts. On April 18, the U.S. Supreme Court is scheduled to take on the case.

The question is whether the state will have to invest significant funding, perhaps \$2 billion, to modify roads—replacing culverts with bridges, for instance—to allow salmon passage. And the court's decision will have repercussions for tribes all over the West and Midwest.

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APRIL 18, 2018

HOST DRUM—BLACK LODGE SINGERS

DINNER WILL BEGIN AT 5 PM IN THE MAUPIN ELEMENTARY GYM

MAIN DISHES, BEVERAGES & SERVICEWARE WILL BE PROVIDED

PLEASE BRING A SIDE DISH, DESSERT OR SALAD

SOCIAL DANCING AND GAMES WILL BEGIN PROMPTLY AT 6:30 PM IN THE HIGH SCHOOL GYM

ALL DANCERS AND DRUMMERS ARE WELCOME!

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