

Archive project preserves historic photos

The history of the tribes is captured visually on thousands of photographs housed at the Culture and Heritage Department. Some of these photos are 100 or more years old, others from more recent times.

There are landscape shots, some at the traditional tribal land at the Columbia River, and images of community events and community members.

The images exist as developed photographs, as negatives and slides. Culture and Heritage director Val Switzler has seen the need to preserve these historic images in a more permanent form. A digital archive of all of the photographs would accomplish this.

Ms. Switzler worked with the University of Oregon to secure a grant that has funded an initial phase of the digitization project.

The grant paid for a specialized camera, a computer, lighting and photograph table. Creston Dana Smith is working on digitizing the images. He has also worked on organizing the Culture and Heritage Department archives room, filled with all kinds of tribal history—films, transcripts, oral histories, actual tribal items, etc.

Mr. Smith this summer completed a program at San Diego State University, hosted by the Western Archives Institute. So far he has digitized several hundred



Dave McMechan/Spilyay

At his office in the Education building, Dana Smith makes a digital photo image of an historic photograph.

of the photographs.

The process requires precision, using the specialized equipment from the University of Oregon. The project is housed in the Education building.

As there are thousands of images, the process will take some time. The current grant will allow for only an initial phase of the project.

In time the archives team would like to have as much information as possible for each of the photographs, the reason for the tribal photo night this Wednesday evening, July 18, at the Greeley Heights community building.

— Dave McMechan

Community Photo Night

Culture and Heritage will host Community Photo Night this Wednesday evening, July 18 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Greeley Heights community building.

Photographs from the Culture and Heritage archive will be on display. The hope is to gather information about the photos: Where they were taken, and when, who are the people in the pictures, and who might have been behind the camera.

There will also be an information presentation on digitizing and preserving historic photos. Culture and Heritage will hear community comments on what people think of the presentation, and whether they would like to see more such events.



Courtesy Dana Smith/Culture and Heritage



Stop by the Club at the Youth Center, the former elementary school gym, to donate. Or contact club director June Smith.



Above and at right are examples of photographs from the Culture and Heritage Archive.

Tamkaliks Celebration this weekend

The Twenty-Eighth Annual Tamkaliks Celebration is this Saturday and Sunday, July 20-22 in Wallowa, Oregon. Friday & Saturday mornings will be open for memorials and namings.

All drums are welcome and paid. There is free camping. For information on specials, contests and vending

see the website: wallowanezperce.org

Community notes

The Warm Springs Boys & Girls Club is having a penny drive through the end of summer. The proceeds will go towards incentives, supplies, a playground and other things for the club.

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Huckleberry Feast on Sunday

The tribes will celebrate the Huckleberry Feast this Sunday, July 22 at the HeHe Longhouse.

Culture Camp Naimuma moved to into August

Culture and Heritage moved Camp Naimuma to August, as there was a scheduling conflict this weekend with the Huckleberry Feast.

The 2018 Camp Naimuma will be August 5-9, with the registration deadline now August 3. The camp is open to the first 50 boys

and 50 girls who sign up.

The camp is for students in grades 3-8 (during the 2017-18 school year).

For more information call Greg Arquette or Merle Kirk at Culture and Heritage, 541-553-3290. Or you can email: greg.arquette@wstribes.org merle.kirk@wstribes.org

Native student pre-college academy

The University of Oregon will host the Native American Pre-College Academy, July 30-August 5 at the Eugene campus.

The academy aims to create a cohort of college-bound Native American students. The academy will focus on preparing high school juniors and seniors for the college admissions process.

Over the course of the seven-day program, the students will get acquainted with the University of Oregon campus, facilities, students and staff.

Students will stay in the

new Kalapuya Ilihi residence hall, and get first-hand experience living and learning on a college campus.

The program is free. Eligibility: Open to all Native American high school students who will be in grades 9-12 in the coming school year. Priority is given to rising juniors and seniors. Apply online at:

admissions.uoregon.edu/native-american-pre-college-academy

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