

Letters to the editor

Help with layoffs

The WorkSource office in Madras offers help to anyone who has lost his or her employment. You can reach the office at 541-475-7118.

WorkSource offers help with applying for unemployment insurance, searching for a new job, retraining and educational opportunities, locating health insurance, and other services.

It can be done

I'm reaching out to the Warm Springs community, advising those with disabilities, or anyone who knows someone with a disability.

There will be a meeting Tuesday, September 18 from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the Rodriguez annex of the Jefferson County Library-Madras.

Meetings are held every other month. All are invited to attend and everyone is welcomed.

One tribal member has already taken advantage of the services for the blind, and will be going to Portland very soon to learn how to cope with her blindness and to regain her independence. So happy and proud she has decided to take this new venture in her life.

It can be done. Hope to see you there.

Rosemary Alarcon, disability coordinator, 541-553-4955; office at the Warm Springs Family Resource Center.

Conference at HeHe

The Recovery Never Ends recovery conference is coming up at the HeHe Longhouse.

The conference, Friday through Sunday, September 21-23. There will be prayer, speakers, support, camping, wellbriety group healing activity, meals and snacks, and sweathouse.

For your comfort bring your own chair. For information call **Sarah** at 541-553-3205; or email:

sarah.frank@wstribes.org

Vets car show

Jefferson County Veterans Services is hosting the Inaugural Classic Car Show & Suicide Prevention Expo this month at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds.

Vehicle registration is open now until September 16. The show is on Saturday, September 22.

They are also looking for several volunteers for the

event. For more information contact Kayla at 541-475-5228. More info is available at covo-us.org

Meet at Center

You are invited to the KWSO Community Advisory Board this Friday, September 14 from 2-4 p.m. at the Warm Springs Media Center.

Notice of the meeting and the proposed agenda is posted online at kwsso.org

These meetings are open to the public. You can reach the radio station at 541-553-1968.

Request from Corrections

The state Department of Corrections seeks tribal members who want to share spirituality with others, and those who want to be a mentor and guide to those looking for a better way.

Needed are sweat lodge and spiritual leaders. Corrections is lacking volunteers to provide this priceless service.

The application page is at: oregon.gov/doc/OMR/docs/pdf/Volunteer_Intern.pdf

Questions or assistance, contact Anita Espino at 503-983-5783. Call or text. Email:

Anita.L.Espino@doc.state.or.us
Thank you. **Anita Espino**.

Recovery Month

Warm Springs Recreation and HAPPI present National Recovery Month—September 2018—Prevention Works, Treatment is Effective and People Recover.

Come join us for National Recovery Month by joining people in recovery with their families and friends, as we walk to advocate and celebrate recovery.

When and where: Friday, September 28 at the noon lunch hour, at the Warm Springs Community Center pathway.

For more information contact Recreation at 541-553-3243.

Quilt raffle

Don't miss this chance to win a lap size Star quilt, yarn putlaph, small beaded purse and other items. The drawing will be September 28, need not be present to win. Tickets are \$10. Talk to

Raynele Palmer, 541-777-7845; Kelli Palmer, 541-325-6535; Tashayla Andrews, 541-214-7686; or Eraina Palmer, 541-325-6534.

Hands Across

The annual Hands Across the Deschutes River Bridge event will be held on September 30 in honor of Recovery Month.

People are invited to meet at noon at the boat launch area. There will be speakers, a blessing ceremony and potluck.

COCC surplus sale

Organizations, startups and individuals looking to shop for affordable tech will find a range of used computer equipment at Central Oregon Community College's annual Technology Equipment Sale, from 8 a.m. to noon, Wednesday, September 19 at the Bend campus bookstore.

Inventory includes CPUs, iPads, monitors, laptops, camcorders and other pieces of hardware.

Though the equipment is cleaned and tested, products are sold as-is and shoppers are encouraged to test items the same day of purchase; although no warranties are offered, staff may be able to address some issues, but only within the first 48 hours.

For a list of available items and their specifications, visit cocc.edu and search with the keyword 'sale.' Items will be sold on a first-come, first-serve basis, and as long as items are still available. COCC will not hold, deliver or ship any items. For more information, visit cocc.edu or contact COCC information technology services at 541-383-7400.

Latino Fest

The Latino Community Association is putting on the Latino Fest this Saturday, September 15 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Sahalee Park in Madras.

It is a community celebration honoring the heri-

tages of our Latino friends and neighbors with music, dance, food, education, community resources and kids activities. It is free and open to people of all ages.

Vets expo

Jefferson County Veteran's Services is hosting the Classic Car Show and Suicide Prevention Expo on Saturday, September 22 at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The event is family-friendly and open to all. It is free, however a canned food donation at the door is appreciated. Breakfast and lunch will be served at no cost to veterans and small donation is requested for others.

Pathways

The next Pathways Home: Native Home-ownership course will begin on October 9. Classes will be Tuesday evenings from 5:30-7:30 at the Tribal Credit Enterprise.

To sign up call 553-3148. This course is required for anyone in the Community Action Team's IDA Program for home ownership.

The first class will cover modules 1 and 2, exploring home ownership and mortgages.

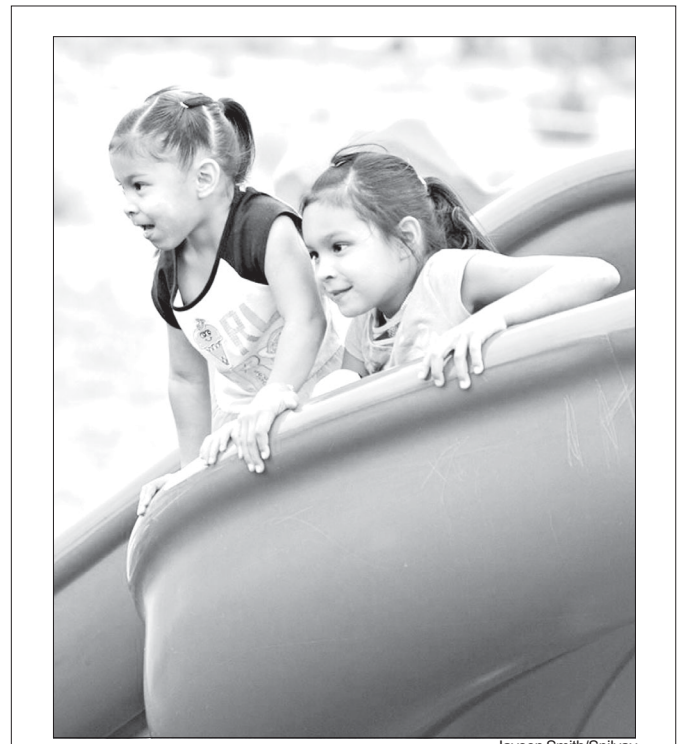
Student pics

Picture days at the Warm Springs Academy are on Monday and Tuesday, September 18-19.

The September 18 pictures will be for fourth through eighth graders from 8:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Community Room.

The September 19 pictures will be for kindergarten through third grade from 8:15-2:45 in the Community Room. Watch for your student's packets.

The Warm Springs Police Anonymous Crime Tip Line is 541-553-2202. There is no caller ID used on this line.



Jayson Smith/Spilyay

A thank you to all who helped and participated in the 2018 Back to School Barbecue, hosted by the school district, Warm Springs Academy and Health and Human Services.

Apologies

First, I want to apologize to my kids. I am apologizing for being selfish and letting you down. Because of my addiction to drugs we got raised by the Warm Springs Police. I wouldn't ever in a million years believe that I would put through that traumatic event. But I have learned and my luck is running out. I know I need help and I am going to do my best to reach out and get the help not only for myself but for you all also.

I have been irresponsible, and exposed you to an event I wouldn't ever wish upon any child. To be cuffed in front of you was my wake up. No child should see their mother cuffed up and put in a cop car. I am lucky to have you all still, I realize that, and I vow to you all I am going to get the help I need to be a better mother, role model, mentor and all around better parent.

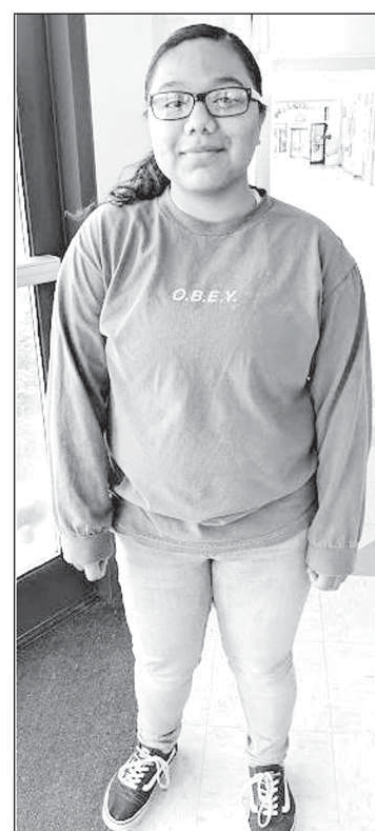
Second, I want to apologize to my babies. I should have pushed your dad harder to stay sober for you girls. I will do whatever it takes to get sober and help your dad to be sober as well. We both fell to our addiction, but we will get the help we need to get your back home. I vow to you three beautiful girls to get the help I need to be able to help your dad get the help he needs to be able to get you girls home.

We love you very much and not a day goes by that we don't think of you three. I hope this letter somehow gets to you. We love you and haven't stopped fighting for you.

Last but not least I apologize to my fiancé. I am sorry I didn't push you harder to stay sober. I take full responsibility for falling off the wagon. It was an epic fail. I love you and vow to be better.

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Summer Aspirations profiles



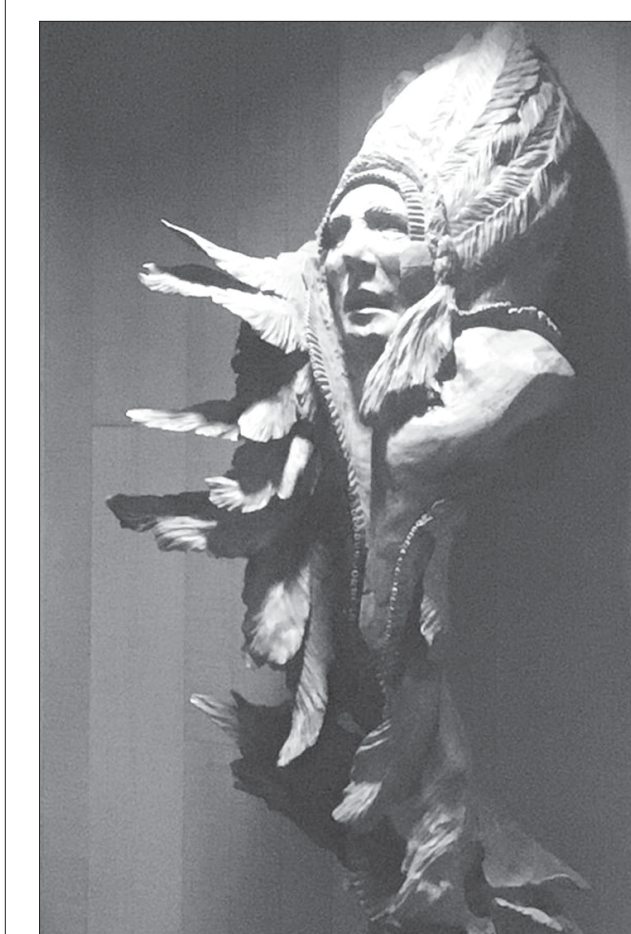
Name: Francien Charley
Age: 16 years old
Summer youth worker for WIOA-Native Aspirations: Early Childhood Education teacher aide

This year Francine works for ECE and last year she worked for Utilities and she says, "it's way different." This year Francine learned some sign language, which she will be able to use that skill at her own family events or just hanging out with children. This coming high-school year she plans on playing softball. In her spare time she likes to ride "rip sticks." After high-school she wants to attend Haskell University.



Name: Octavio Rios-Bagely
Age: 15 years old
Summer Youth worker for WIOA-Native Aspirations: Medical facility custodian

Octavio is in his second summer working for Native Aspirations, last summer he worked for the Boys and Girls club on campus. He like to play basketball and to chill, in high-school he plans on trying out for the basketball team. This year he is learning to maintain the cleanliness at HIS. After high-school he plans on going to college. Fun fact his favorite food is hamburgers, he can eat a total of three in a sitting.



A last picture I took before leaving the Kab-Nee-Ta Lodge. I remember 40 years ago when I first came to Kab-Nee-Ta. I love the place, and I'm going to miss it. Jayson Smith.

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