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2018 Oregon Bowling Champions

Good bowling is a traditional pastime among the Confederated Tribes. A recent example: A team of five—four of the players from Warm Springs—has won the 2018 Oregon Bowling Championship—Division 4.

The team members are Chet VanPelt, Housing service specialist; Mychal VanPelt, Chet's son, who works at the Warm Springs Market. Tristan Smith, program coordinator at the Boys and Girls Club; Luis Smith from Composite Products; and Woody Wilson, who works at Madras Bowl.

Each of these bowls is in a league at Madras Bowl, some rolling on Thursday nights and some on Fridays nights.

The team that won the 2018 Division 4 Championship assembled for one weekend at the state tournament in Salem.

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Courtesy photo

The team: Chet Van Pelt Jr., Woody Williams, Mychal Van Pelt Sr., Tristan Smith and Luis Morales.

Holiday tradition turning 42

Back in 1976 the tribes began a tradition—the Indian Holiday Bowling Tournament—that continues from Thanksgiving Day through Saturday, November 24. As in past years, the 2018 tournament—the Forty-Second Annual—will be at Lava Lanes in Bend. Some of the featured events:

The Big Dog Challenge, the Grammaz Special, Mixed Team and Mixed Doubles, Men's A Masters Special—In Memory of Beloved Raymond Jones, the Puppy Dog Challenge, Senior Masters, Doubles and Singles, Master's Event, and Youth Bowling. The weekend concludes with the Holiday Roll-Off on Saturday at 2 p.m.

The tournament, including the youth division, are certified by the U.S. Bowling Congress. The prize fee is 100-percent returned. The tournament is organized by the Warm Springs Indian Holiday Bowling Tournament Committee: Margie Tuckta, Vice President; Austin Greene, President; and Birney Greene-Boise, Treasurer.

For information you can call Austin at 541-553-1953, Margie at 541-419-2558, or Birney at 541-553-5667. You can reach Lava Lanes at 541-318-5656. (See page 6 for details.)

Lights Parade and more for the holidays

Christmas time in Warm Springs begins in late November and continues in December.

The holiday season starts the evening of Thursday, November 29. Join Recreation in the courtyard at the Community Center for the Christmas Tree Lighting.

The Mickey and Friends Car Light Parade will be on Thursday evening, December 6. Hosted by Recreation, the parade begins by the former Warm Springs elementary school. Line-up is at 4 p.m., judging at 5, and the Car Light Parade begins at 6. For information call Recreation at 541-553-3243.

NDN Nite Out

On Monday, December 17 there will be the Christmas NDN Nite Out social powwow. All drummers and dancers welcome. Dinner will be at 5:15 p.m. in the Social Hall. The powwow starts at 5 in the gym. There will be raffle prizes and gifts. Hosted by Recreation.

Gifts for the kids

On December 17 will also be the Christmas gift wrapping at the former school gym, hosted by Health and Wellness Branch. Kids can pick up gifts on Tuesday or Wednesday, December 18-19.

Addressing the tribes' Public Safety matters

Most every crime on the reservation is in some way alcohol or drug related. Warm Springs Public Safety is developing new approaches to help address these recurring cases.

The new general manager of Public Safety is Carmen Smith, former Chief of Warm Springs Police, and more recently Chief of Burns Paiute Police.

Mr. Smith began about a month ago as Warm Springs Public Safety general manager. The branch includes Warm Springs Police, Fire and Safety, Prosecution, Parole and Probation, Victims of Crime Services, and Emergency Management.

An immediate issue Mr. Smith is addressing is to update the drug testing system at the police department. This became of critical importance because of contamination of the testing room at the police station.

In the past officers would test a suspected drug package using the previous standard method: By re-



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Public Safety Branch general manager Carmen Smith.

moving an actual sample, and applying a chemical test.

This required opening the suspected package, exposing the contents to the air in the testing room. Over the years the chemicals con-

taminated the room, requiring expensive cleaning.

New technology exists using a laser device that can determine the contents of a package—methamphetamine, opioids, etc.—with-

Sentencing for drug cases

The Warm Springs Justice Team is seeking community input on a draft resolution for mandatory sentencing for drug-related cases.

The community meeting will be on Monday evening, November 26 from 6-9 p.m. at the Community Center social hall. Dinner will be provided.

out opening the package and exposing the contents to the air.

The Central Oregon Drug Enforcement team has one of these, for example. Such a device would be of great value to the Warm Springs Police Department, Mr. Smith says. The cost is about \$25,000, and he is working on necessary budgeting.

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Long serving tribal employee retiring

Amelia Tewee knows how to make a career in life. "You look around until you find something you enjoy," Amelia was saying the other day, on the eve of her 75th birthday.

"If you like going to work," she says, "Then you'll never miss a day."

Anyone who has worked for the tribes over the past years knows Amelia. At tribal Personnel her desk was at the front, where she would greet and help employees who came by with questions. And true to her word she never missed

a day.

Amelia has been with Personnel for almost 30 years, yet—as with so many others—her career began a couple decades earlier at Kah-Nee-Ta. Her first job at the resort, back in 1965, was as a cashier. Over time, because of her courteous demeanor, Amelia became the Kah-Nee-Ta Front Desk manager.

In time she moved to Kah-Nee-Ta Personnel, where she became the director, and then to tribal Personnel. Amelia will be retiring on November 30, leaving



Amelia Tewee

— Dave McMechan

with two parties this month: One last week for her birthday, and then the upcoming retirement celebration.

Amelia has a daughter Carla, granddaughter Allee Rae, and a great granddaughter Savannah, who is 1 and a half.

With her family and pets—she has four dogs and a cat—Amelia has much to look forward. "I'm just going to take life as it comes," Amelia says of her retirement plans.



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