

Yakima Valley student government president

Jaren Wallulatum is in his junior year at Yakima Valley Community College. Working on a double major in Public Policy and Economics, Jaren is serving as president of the Student Government for the college Yakima Campus.

He grew up in Warm Springs, and graduated with the Madras High School Class of 2014. After high school Jaren first went to technical school, studying the mechanics of Diesel Engines.

Working in tribal government, and advancing tribal higher education are among his long-term goals. The retention rate among Native students, and transition to higher education—making the transition easier for the student—are key points of interest.

At Yakima Valley last



Jaren Wallulatum at Yakama Valley.

year Jaren got involved with the student diversity center, and served as a student ambassador. He then ran a successful campaign for presi-

dent of the Yakima Campus student government.

His experience since high school has given him a great insight into how to succeed

at higher education. A first rule to keep in mind, he says, "Is find something you're passionate about."

Follow your passion and things can fall into place. "It's kind of like learning to swim," Jaren says. "You have to go at your own pace. And don't be afraid to ask questions along the way, and find the help you need."

Getting started, he said, working with Carroll Dick at tribal Higher Education was a great help. "She was always proactive in helping with things like funding and scholarships."

Jaren is one of six kids. His mother is Josie Wallulatum. "I'm thankful to my brothers and my mother, and everyone else who has helped lead me in the right direction."

— Dave McMechan

For graduate caps and gowns

The Johnson O'Malley Committee will cover costs for caps, gowns and tassels for graduates.

Pick up a Johnson O'Malley request form from Carroll Dick at Education. The Johnson O'Malley Committee is also able to help with an allowance for spring sports, elementary through high school.

The deadline to submit a request is this Thursday, April 11.

Renowned birder to visit

Noah Strycker, author of *Birding Without Borders*, will visit Warm Springs in May. Mr. Strycker will be at the Museum at Warm Springs on Friday, May 17.

This is part of the Jefferson County Community Read, sponsored by the Jefferson County Library District and the Warm Springs Library. In *Birding Without Borders* Noah Strycker recounts his journey to 41 countries, with only a backpack and a pair of

binoculars.

Strycker became the first person to see more than half of the world's 10,000 species of birds in one year. Across seven continents in 365 days he saw a total of 6,042 species—by far the biggest birding year on record.

You can purchase a copy of *Birding Without Borders* at the Warm Springs Library, or the Jefferson County Library.

Remembering when...



Pam Bolton came across this image while going through some of her father's Boy Scouts photo album. Her dad was the district Scout executive from 1957-1959 for the Modoc Area Council of the Boy Scouts. This photograph is of the Warm Springs Troop 59. Pam thinks it is probably from around 1958.

The Warm Springs Community Action Team's AARP Tax Aide is doing free tax preparation and filing. Last day for this service is this Thursday, April 11. Call for appointment 541-553-3148 or stop by the CAT office on campus to reserve a time.

Easter Egg hunt is coming up

The Health and Human Services Branch will host the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 20. For the older kids—grades kindergarten and up—the hunt will be on the lawn in front of the Behavioral Health Center. The younger kids will gather on

the lawn by the Family Resource Center.

The start time is 10 a.m.—Be on time because the eggs go fast. This is a healthy and fun family activity. Drug- and alcohol free: Our community, feeling good and being healthy.

Tribal Council

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

Monday, April 22

9 a.m.: Attorney update.
10: May agenda/review minutes with Secretary-Treasurer Michele Stacona.
11: Draft resolutions.
1:30 p.m.: Legislative update calls, federal and state.
2:30: Enrollments with Lucille Suppach-Samson of Vital Stats.
3:30: Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund projects approval with the Central Oregon Inter-Gov-

ernmental Council.

Tuesday-Friday, April 23-26: Tribal round table with Congressman Blumenauer. Visit to tribal schools. Cultural Resources task force meeting. Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission meeting.

Monday, April 29

9 a.m.: Indian Head Casino with Jeffrey Carstensen.
10: Secretary-Treasurer and Chief Operations updates with Michele Stacona and Alyssa Macy.

Items for future consideration: Museum at Warm Springs Twanat

Award Honor Dinner. Government to government meeting with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Oregon Indian Education Association conference. Health and Human Services tribal consultation meeting. Fishing code update. Southern Oregon University meeting with university president Linda Scott.

Summaries of Tribal Council

April 1, 2019

Roll call: Chief Delvis Heath, Chairman Eugene Greene Jr., Raymond Tsumpti, Valerie Switzler, Carina Miller, Lee Tom and Brigitte McConville. Minnie Yahtin, Recorder.

Bureau of Indian Affairs update.

Office of Special Trustee update.

Realty update.

Water and wastewater updates:

• Motion by Carina supporting the criteria of the new water treatment, calling for current construction site and withdrawal from the Deschutes water system; and five-step criteria as listed. Second by Val. Question: 6/0/0, Chairman not voting.

Motion carried.

Federal legislative update call.

With no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

April 5

Roll call: Chief Delvis Heath, Chief Joseph Moses, Chairman Eugene Greene Jr., Raymond Tsumpti, Ronald Suppah, Valerie Switzler, Carina Miller and Brigitte McConville. Minnie Yahtin, Recorder.

Tribal Council Election results:

• Motion by Carina adopting Resolution No. 12,584 to confirm, accept and validate the results of the 2019 Tribal Council elec-

tion. Simnasho District: Raymond Tsumpti Sr., Raymond Moody and Lincoln Jay Suppah. Agency District: Lola Sohappay, Anita Jackson and Glendon Smith. Seekseequa District: Brigitte McConville and Wilson Wewa Jr. Certified by the Election Board. Second by Val. Question: 7/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

1980 Census

Motion by Carina tabling Resolution No. 12,158 for the Twenty-Eighth Tribal Council. Second by Brigitte. Question: 6/0/1, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

With no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

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Wednesday, April 10
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

COCC Madras Campus
Community Room

In advance of College events, persons needing accommodation or transportation because of a physical or mobility disability, contact Joe Viola at 541.383.7775. For accommodation because of other disability such as hearing impairment, contact Disability Services at 541.383.7583.

Blackjack Dealer School Class

Starts On Wed. 4/10/19 to Wed.
5/8/19

Blackjack Dealer School Classes scheduled to begin at the HR office on Wed. April 10, 2019 and will run through Wed. May 8, 2019. Class days will be Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm daily. Upon completion of a minimum of 96 hours of supervised instruction and successful completion of an audition, students will be eligible to receive a certification as a dealer. Certification is required to apply for a position as a Table Games Dealer. Please contact Human Resources 541-460-7714 to sign.