MHS girls basketball fundraiser benefit

A fundraiser benefit is coming up for the 2019-2020 Madras High School girls basketball team.

The fundraiser will be a

can and bottle drive, and car wash on Saturday, May 18 at the Les Schwab parking

You can bring your cans

from 10 a.m. 2 p.m.; or one of the coaches or players can pick them up from you.

Contacts are Butch

and bottles to the parking lot David, 541-325-2253; Jerin Say 777-7904; Tony Holliday, 541-460-0675.

Community notes...

The Tenth Annual Lan-Knowledge guage Bowl, hosted by the Umatilla Tribes, is coming up next Wednesday, May 15 at Wildhorse Resort & Casino in Pendleton.

The Trauma, Healing and Resiliency Conference—a methamphetamine

and suicide prevention initiative— will be held at the Museum at Warm Springs on May 29-30 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day.

For more information contact Rosanna Jackson at the Prevention office 541-615-0036.

A Jefferson County Vic-

tims Assistance advocate comes to Warm Springs on the third Wednesday of every month at the Victims of Crime Services office located at 1108 Wasco Street.

Folks can get help with things like case assistance, paperwork, and other resources. Appointments can also be made for other times. For information call Ken Clark 541-475-4452 or Victims of Crime Service,

541-553-2293.

The Native American Program Legal Aid Services of Oregon will have a walk-in intake clinic next Wednesday, May 15 from 1:30-3:30 p.m.; and on May 16 from 10 a.m. until noon at the Community Action Team office.

Free civil legal service is available to eligible tribal members.

Salmon-eating sea lions targeted at Columbia River dam

More California sea lions preying on imperiled salmon in the Columbia River below a hydroelectric project on the Oregon-Washington border are being killed under a revised federal policy.

The National Marine Fisheries Service made public reduced criteria for removing sea lions at Bonneville Dam about 145 miles from the Pacific Ocean.

The new guidelines that went into effect April 17 permit any California sea lion seen in the area on five occasions or seen eating a



Columbia River sea lion with salmon.

fish to be put on a list for lethal removal.

The former criteria required both those marks to be met. Officials say at least 10 sea lions have been killed

so far this year, most as a result of the policy change.

The California sea lions at the dam are all males, with some 200 to 300 showing up and numbers typically peaking in the spring.

They're bulking up on salmon, with some sea lions reaching 1,000 pounds, before swimming roughly 800 miles to breeding beaches at the Channel Islands off the California coast.

California sea lions at Bonneville Dam were a rarity until they started showing up in the early 2000s.

Authorities began the le-

thal removal list in 2008.

Since then, some 400 sea lions have made the list, with 229 removed. Of those, 15 have been sent to zoos or aquariums, seven died during capture, and 207 have been euthanized.

Killing sea lions "is not a long-term solution," said Russ Kiefer, an Idaho Fish and Game fisheries biologist, noting the main problem for salmon and steelhead is habitat degradation along their migration corridor. "It won't be a game changer, but it will

Birth announcement -

Andrew J. Wahchumwah and Ewelyn E. Wahchumwah of Warm Springs are pleased to announce the birth of their son Jaque Chaney Morris Dixon Wahchumwah, born on May 3, 2019.

Jaque joins brothers Sterlin, 10, Terrance, 6, and Robert, 4; and sister Marie,

Grandparents on the

Wahchumwahs, Robinsons, the Jacksons and the Franks.

Grandparents on the

Tribal fishing season

Sherars Falls

For the 2019 spring salmon season at Sherars Falls fishing is open through July 15. Times are Thursday to Saturday from dawn until dusk, with an initial harvest cap of 200 fish.

All un-clipped spring chinook must be released.

The Fish and Wildlife Committee will monitor the fishery weekly to see if modifications are necessary.

All chinook may be retained between July 16 and March 31 of the following year.

Other salmon species, with the exception of sockeye, may be retained.

The remainder of Deschutes River is closed from through July 15.

Other salmon species, with the exception of sockeye, may be retained.

Hood River

The Hood River subbasin, including all forks and tributaries is open through July 15 for spring chinook salmon, with the exception of the following areas that are closed year round:

One-hundred feet up or downstream from the Dee Mill fish trap in the East Fork of the Hood

In the West Fork of Hood River upstream of Green Point Creek.

In the entire length of

Rogers Creek, a tributary to the Middle Fork of Hood River.

Only marked hatchery chinook may be retained. Other salmon species may be retained during the spring chinook season.

If 378 Hood River origin adults have not passed Bonneville Dam by May 15, an 'emergency closure' may be implemented by the Fish and Wildlife Committee in consultation with the Branch of Natural Resources.

Gear must be removed on the last day of the season. Gear left over 24 hours after the end of the season will be considered abandoned. and become the property of Branch of Natural Resources.

John Day River

The entire John Day River is open through July 15 spring chinook salmon, with the exception of the John Day River upstream of the Sheep Rock National Monument and all tributaries.

Both marked hatchery and unmarked spring chinook may be retained. Other salmon species may be retained during the spring chinook season.

Invitation for Hospital Week

St. Charles Medical Center-Madras will host a Hospital Week celebration on Thursday, May 16.

The program will be from 5-6 p.m. at the St. Charles Madras Healing Garden. All are invited to attend. Greg Arquette of Warm Springs, and Jill Plant, United Methodist Church, will give the invocation.

The master of cer-

emony will be Candy Canga.

David Golda of the hospital administration will give the welcoming address. The keynote speaker will be Marian Morris-Ervin, Nurse.

A patient will then give comments, followed by the closing remarks by Mack Gardner, board member; and Dr. Neill, chief of staff.

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mother's side are Annette H. Polk of Warm Springs. Great grandparents are Lucille Schuster of Warm Springs, and great grandfather is James Teema. Step grandparents are Selena Polk and Dixon Polk Sr. of

Salmon Camp applications in May

The Tribal Salmon Camp, hosted this year by the Nez Perce at Camp Wittman, is coming up in Au-

Students in grades 6-8 who are members or descendants from the four Columbia River treaty tribes may apply. It's a free six-day camp, and a stipend is provided after successful completion.

Students will learn about salmon, restoration projects, and traditional ecology through hands on experience with tribal professionals. To apply go to: critfc.org. The deadline is May 31.



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SATURDAY, JUNE 1 10:30 A.M. to 3 P.M. **COCC** Athletic Field **Bend Campus**

Join us for a FREE, traditionally prepared salmon lunch and a Native American celebration!

Accepting donations for the FNSU Scholarship Fund and the Flag Fund.



EVENT & LUNCH IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

*Receive a free vendor space with donated item to our silent auction.







For more information, contact Michelle Cary 541.318.3782 | mcary@cocc.edu

& 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

Washington budget funds study of dam removal

Tucked into Washington's \$52.4 billion operating budget is controversial funding for a "stakeholder group" tasked with looking into what would happen should the

four Lower Snake River dams be removed or altered. Supporters say this group

will make sure Washingtonian's voices are heard in the often contentious conversation around dam removal. Critics say the effort is a waste of time and money—too similar to a discussion already happening at the federal level.

