

## Carbon, water, EPA on Council agenda

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

### Monday, July 8

9 a.m.: Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission briefing with Jaime Pinkham and Jim Hefferman.

11: Carbon sequestration options with Vernon Wolf and Bobby Bruno, Branch of Natural Resources.

1:30 p.m.: Environmental Protection Agency and Confederated Tribes leadership meeting with Adam

Brown of the EPA.

2:30: Tribal attorney update.

4: ICF update with Wakinyan.

### Tuesday, July 9

9 a.m.: Board and committee appointments with Secretary-Treasurer Michele Stacona.

1:30-5 p.m.: Tribal Council Proclamation and Priorities.

### Wednesday, July 10

9 a.m.-5 p.m.: Tribal Council Proclamation and Priorities.

### Thursday, July 11

11:30 a.m.: Senate Bill

13 education project with Culture and Heritage Department.

### Monday, July 15

9 a.m.: Secretary-Treasurer and Chief Operations Officer updates.

10: August agenda and review minutes.

11: Draft resolutions.

1:30 p.m.: Legislative update calls.

2:30: Enrollments.

3: Tribal Water project with Direlle Calica.

### Monday, June 22

9 a.m.: June Financial overview with Alfred Estimo and Dennis

Johnson.

**Items for further consideration:**

School funding reform meeting with the Jefferson County 509-J School District board. Hemp business summit. Census meeting with Asa Washines.

## July Fourth Parade

This Thursday the Recreation Department is hosting the Fourth of July Parade, *Oobrah—Honoring Marines*.

Parade line-up is at 9 a.m., judging at 10, and the parade starts at 11.

The route is from the

campus, by the former elementary school, to the Community Wellness Center, where there will be a barbecue and family games.

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

## Progress with tribal housing at river

The long-awaited federal program to improve tribal housing at the Columbia River last week passed the U.S. Senate.

The legislation would enable the Bureau of Indian Affairs to make important safety and sanitation improvements at the tribal treaty fishing access sites along the Columbia River.

These are sites held by the United States for the benefit of the four Columbia River Treaty tribes.

The bill now goes to the U.S. House of Representatives for final passage, and then to the president's desk to become law.

The bill—the Columbia River In-Lieu and Treaty Fishing Access Sites Improvement Act—is sponsored U.S. Senators Jeff Merkley and Ron Wyden of Oregon, and Senators Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell of Washington.

The federal government for decades now—since the inundation at the Columbia River by The Dalles, Bonneville and

John Day dams—has had the obligation to provide replacement housing to displaced tribal families.

The tribes have kept this issue before the federal government—in particular the Army Corps of Engineers—over the many years.

The tribes worked with Corps of Engineers to identify suitable sites for the new housing.

The project is now at a funding phase, and is making welcome progress.



Miss Warm Springs Charisse Heath; and (right) Veterans at Grand Entry.



Jayson Smith photos

## Powwow results of 2019 Pi-Ume-Sha Treaty Days

These are the 2019 Pi-Um-Sha Powwow Winners (in order of finishing, first, second, third, etc. Hometown given where available.):

**Girls Tiny Tots 6 and under:** Soraya Caldera. Nainua Esquiro. Jessica Yelerchnin. Hazel Queampts. Analise Danzuka.

**Boys Tiny Tots 6 and under:** Richard Starr Jr.

Skylar George. Malika Danzuka. Jessie Jr. Ramone Thomas Jr.

**Girls 7-11:** Deeda Stacona. Sophia Jackson. Paula Tomma. Madison Jacqueline. Calyssa Fuentes.

**Boys 7-11:** Arthur Miller. Joseph Boise. EJ Denny. Eva Jurado. Jayden Walsey.

**Girls 12-16 Fancy/Jingle:** Junee Picard, Lapwai. Katelyn Tanewasha, Warm Springs. Carissa Jack-

son, Medford. Bethalyn Scabby Robe, White Swan. Shearcu Littlechild, Onion Lake, Washington.

**Boys 12-16 Fancy/Grass:** Brylen Scabby Robe, White Swan. Devin Martinez, Wapato. Sun Hawk Barney, Portland. Jayden Walsey, Wapato.

**Girls 12-16 Traditional:** Jordan Heemsah, Toppenish. Kaylyani Estimo, Warm Springs. Ei-sha Pirtle-

Wright-Boise, Portland. Marjorie Heath, Warm Springs. Angela Goudy, White Swan.

**Boys 12-16 Traditional:** Jayden Esquiro, Warm Springs. Joshua Martinez, Wapato. Michael Bourgeau, Lapwai. Labron Boise, Madras. David George, Hood River.

**Women 17 and up, Fancy/Jingle:** ShiNaasha Pete, Polson, Montana. Julie Johnson, Salem. Aurelia Johnson, Burns. Heaven Walsey, Wapato. Alanis Yazzie, Tuba City, Arizona.

**Men 17 and up, Fancy/Grass:** Jesse Bevis, Pendleton. Ron Kicking Woman, Browning. Terry Heemsah Jr., Toppenish. Wilbur Oatman, Mission. Redhorse Wesley, Wapato. Rolin Mornginowl, Warm Springs.

**Women 17 and up, Traditional:** Tilda Walsey, Wapato. Leah Villa, Grand Ronde. (Contestant no. 21). Sharmayne Frank, Warm Springs. Jasmine Mayokok, Yakama Nation.

**Men 17 and up, Traditional:** Logan Queampts, Mission. Saul Jurado, Salem. Kiowa Dougherty, Salem. Quindon Calica, Warm Springs. Jarvis Stwyer, Tenino Valley.

**Women Golden Age, 50 and up:** Pat Heemsah, Toppenish. Edith Walsey, Wapato. Wilma Buch, White Swan.

**Men Golden Age, 50 and up:** Terry Heemsah, Toppenish. Dan Nanamkin, Nespelem. Joe Tuckta, Warm Springs. Roy Pete, Beshbito, Arizona.

**Owl/Rabbit Dance:** Pat and Terry Heemsah, Toppenish. Wilma Buck and Saul Jurado, White Swan and Salem. Ken and Carina Miller, Warm Springs.

**Women/Girls Team Round Dance:** Sweetheart Walseys—Tilda, Edith and Heaven Walsey. Napoleon Express, Pat and Jordan Heemsah, and Wilma Buck. Arizona Runaways—Alanis Yazzie, and Persia and Siryan Sloan. Three Teepees—Calyssa Fuentes, Jaliyah

George and Deeda Stacona.

**Men/Boys Team War Dance:** MMiW—Dan Nanamkim, Kiowa Dugharty and Quindon Calica. Bustlers—Kellen Joseph, Jarvis Stwyer and Saul Jurado. JLM—Jesse Bevis Sr., Mike Allen Sammaripa and Logan Queampts. Family—Devin and Joshua Martinez, Brian Maldonado.

**Wi-ei-ti/Shell Dress Dance Special:** Wilma Buck, White Swan. Linda Meanus, Portland. Edith Walsey, Wapato.

**Round Bustle War Dance Special:** Jarvis Stwyer, Tenino Valley. Jesse Bevis, Pendleton. Logan Queampts, Mission.

**Hand Drum Contest:** Eagle Spirit—Ronnie and Hawk Walsey, and Mikey Sammaripa. Morning Star—Alesia and Arlita Eyle, and Rudy Wachumwa. Hungry Horse—Nick, Joe Small Johnson and Kelly.

(Results courtesy of the Pi-Ume-Sha Powwow Committee.)



## Cap-and-trade bill falls short

The Oregon House of Representatives in June approved a bill that would establish a cap-and-trade program in the state.

The bill then went to the Senate, prompting a group of lawmakers who oppose the bill to leave the state for several days.

The Senate was then unable to vote on the bill, or any other pending legislation, as the minimum of 18 members was not present to do business.

The Democratic leader of the Senate then announced that the bill would not have enough votes in favor to pass.

The group that had left the state—referred to as 'the Oregon 11'—then returned.

The episode was rare, and garnered national and even international news coverage.

Tribal members earlier

this year had testified in favor of the bill. The tribes participate in the cap-and-trade program that exists under California jurisdiction.

This is a forestry program whereby a company pays the tribes to manage an area of the reservation forest to maximize the intake of carbon dioxide. This allows the company to exceed the state limit on greenhouse gas emissions.

The carbon sequestration program has been one of the more successful tribal ventures in recent years.

Oregon would have been the second state, after California, to adopt a cap-and-trade program.

The Oregon bill was contentious during the entire legislative process: The vote in the House was 36-24 in favor.

A projected 23-cent per gallon gas tax was an issue.

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