

# Native American Heritage Month at COCC

Tribal members and the Warm Springs community are a big part of the Central Oregon Community College higher education experience.

Each year more Native American students enroll at COCC, studying in a great variety of fields, graduating in successively higher numbers.

The COCC Native American Student program and First Nations Student Union are the support networks for tribal member students who are interested in these services.

And the program and union host special events throughout the year. They present the annual Native American Service Award, and sponsor the First Nations Union Scholarship.

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November is Native American Heritage Month, and in this honor COCC will



Navajo Code Talks documentary to air at Madras COCC on November 13.

present a number special events.

For more details on a specific contact Michelle.

### Film screening

The Navajo Code Talkers are a fascinating story of World War II. A free screening of the acclaimed documentary *Navajo Code Talkers of World War II* will be at the COCC campuses in Madras and Bend.

The Madras campus screening will be on Wednesday, November 13 from 5:30-7 p.m. Light dinner provided.

The Bend campus screening will be on Thursday, November 14 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Light snack provided.

### Native flute concerts

This month tribal member Clem Picard will per-

form an evening of Native flute music. The show will be on Monday, November 18 from 6 to 7 p.m. at the

COCC Madras campus. Light dinner provided.

Mr. Picard will then perform on Tuesday, November 19 from 6-7 p.m. at the Bend campus, in Wille Hall.

### Blue Flamez concert

Scott Kalama, aka Blue Flamez, will perform rap, and share some of his hip-hop videos on Friday, November 22 from 6 to 7 p.m.

The show will be at COCC's Wille Hall in Bend.

Winner of the 2016 Native American Music Award for Best Music Video—for his video *Rez Life*—Kalama is the first Warm Springs member to have won a Nammy award. His COCC show is free and open to the public.



Former Miss Warm Springs Thyreicia Simtustus, Michelle Cary, COCC Native American program coordinator, and Felician Conner, Umatilla member, at the 2018 Native American Heritage Month celebration.

## Summaries of Tribal Council

### October 7, 2019

Present: Chief Joseph Moses, Chief Alfred Smith Jr., Lincoln Jay Suppah, Raymond (Captain) Moody, and Glendon Smith. Minnie Yahtin, Recorder.

Today's meeting is cancelled due to lack of a quorum. Agenda items will be rescheduled to Friday, October 11.

### October 11

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Chairman Tsumpti. Present at roll call: Chief Alfred Smith Jr., Anita Jackson, Lincoln Jay Suppah, and Brigette McConville. Recordors: Minnie Yahtin, morning; and Madeline Jim, afternoon.

Bureau of Indian Affairs update.

Office of Special Trustee update.

### Kah-Nee-Ta discussion:

- Motion by Brigette, as a Kah-Nee-Ta Board member, approving proposals 3, 5, 6 and 7. The Secretary-Treasurer will set up dates and times for a meet and greet with each so they can present their plans for Kah-Nee-Ta; Second by Anita; 7/0/0, Chairman not voting; Motion carried.

### Other business:

- Letter from Matthew Drake, Mt. Hood Meadows. Federal and state legislative updates.
- Tribal attorneys update. Executive session, 2:10 to 3:10)

### Indian Head Casino: Casino loan documents:

- Motion by Glendon adopting Resolution No. 12,626 approving the loan agreement with Columbia Bank as stated in the resolution. Second by Delvis Heath. Question: 2/3/0: Glendon/yes, Delvis/yes, Brigette/no, Jay/no, Anita/no, Chairman not voting. Motion failed.
- Due to the motion failing, Indian Head Casino general manager withdrew their proposal for Kah-Nee-Ta.

Motion by Anita to adjourn at 4:25 p.m.

### October 14

The meeting started at 9:45 a.m. Present: Chief Delvis Heath, Chief Alfred Smith Jr., Raymond (Captain) Moody, Lincoln Jay Suppah, Anita Jackson, and Glendon Smith. Minnie Yahtin, Recorder.

The chairman and vice chair are absent today so the members present will only listen to Updates. The remainder of the agenda items will be rescheduled.

Business Investment Revolving Fund update.

## Financial Education fall fair

The Warm Springs Community Action Team will host the Financial Education Fair starting Wednesday November 20, and continuing through Friday, November 22. The Fair runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

The event will feature the Financial Skills for Families series with the Warm Springs Area Chamber of Commerce and Vital Tribal Economies staff, part of the Community Action Team.

Participants will receive raffle tickets for assorted gift cards, including a Thanksgiving meal for four from Safeway; or four meals from the Warm Springs Community Action Team food trailer.

All Oregon Individual Development Action clients should call Nettie for RSVP, and to sign up for modules you need to make up at 541-553-3148.

August financials update.

Justice Team update.

With no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

### October 16

The meeting started at 9:23 a.m. by Michele Stacona, Secretary-Treasurer. Present: Chief Alfred Smith Jr., Lincoln Jay Suppah, Raymond (Captain) Moody, Anita Jackson, Brigette McConville. Minnie Yahtin, Recorder.

Due to a lack of a quorum, and no chairman or vice chair present, the members will not have any action items today.

Civil Rights training by the Oregon Department of Education.

The Tribal Council Priorities. Secretary-Treasurer and Chief Operations Officer discussion. Highway 26 Safety Corridor update will be rescheduled.

With no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

### October 22

The meeting was called to order at 9:47 a.m. by Michele Stacona, Secretary-Treasurer. Present: Chief Delvis Heath, Chief Alfred Smith Jr., Anita Jackson, Lincoln Jay Suppah, Raymond (Captain) Moody, and Glendon Smith. Minnie Yahtin, Recorder.

509-J School update with superintendent Ken Parshall.

Tribal Farm update with Robert Brunoe and Zane Wilson.

Tribal Housing update with Danielle Wood, Housing staff board.

Broadband discussion with Tim York of the Warm Springs Telecom.

Taser Discussion with Public Safety general manager Carmen Smith, Ron Gregory and police officers.

Motion by Anita to adjourn at 5:02 p.m.



Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center Lunch and Learn:

# HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE CARE AND PREVENTION

### You will learn:

- The signs, symptoms and causes of high blood pressure
- How to work with your physician to get a proper diagnosis
- The benefits of self-monitoring
- Treatment options

NOV  
7  
12PM

1270 Kotnum Rd  
Warm Springs

Free Lunch  
Provided

The presentation will be given by Mark Backus, MD, FACP. He is a graduate Duke University Medical School and has been in private practice for over 20 years. Dr Backus practices medicine in at Cascade Internal Medicine in Bend. He was named a national blood pressure control champion by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Million Hearts Campaign.



# Madras Campus CENTRAL OREGON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## COCC welcomes Blue Flamez!

Join us for a free concert featuring local hip hop artist Blue Flamez, from the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, who won the 2016 Native American Music Award for Best Music Video.

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Friday, November 22  
6 p.m.

Wille Hall, Coats Campus Center  
COCC Bend Campus

FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC