## MHS Buffalo hoops upcoming

There are three weeks left in the 2019-20 Madras High School basketball regular season.

The boys varsity team had a 30-point victory in January over Corbett, with the score of Madras 72 -Corbett 44. This was the opening game of the Tri-Valley Conference series.

The boys are away this Friday at Molalla, then at home on Tuesday, February 4 against Estacade; then away at Corbett, February 7; and hosting North Marion on Friday, February 14.

Madras team statistics from the Corbett game:



Strong defense against Corbett from sophomore guard Isaiah Cochran.

Donnie Bagley, 23. Dapri Miller, 20. Derreck Main, 7. Isaiah Cochran, 7. Jesse McDonald, 6. Jordan Mitchell, 5. Mason Strong, 4. Alex Smith-Morales, 2.

Junior varsity boys games follow the same schedule, with earlier game times; though the JV Buffalo boys have a game scheduled at Sisters on on Wednesday, February 5.

The Madras varsity girls are home this Friday, January 31 against Molalla. Game time is 7 p.m. The girls are then away at Escada; and home against Corbett on February 7.

The girls had a winning record-seven wins and five loses-going into a game against North Marion last Friday.

Youth crafts day at Simnasho

A Youth Arts and Craft Day is happening this Friday, January 31 at the Simnasho Longhouse, starting at 9 a.m.

This event is free and provides youth with the opportunity to let their creativity out while learning about tribal programs and resources.

For More information vou can contact Charlene at 541-615-0037.

31 with matches starting at

noon. The matches are being held at the Burns High School.

## Little League sign-ups

Warm Springs National Little League is taking registration for T-Ball, Baseball and Softball. Avoid the \$10 late fee by registering before March 1.

Practice sessions are starting soon. For information contact Edmund Francis, president, 541-325-3856. Or email:

in@wsnll.org

Check out the Facebook page at WSNLL. Prices are as follows:

T-Ball, \$20. Baseball and softball minors, \$30. Baseball and softball majors, \$40.

Baseball and softball juniors, \$50. Baseball and softball seniors, \$60.



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## It's Literacy Activity

Community notes...

Night at the Warm Springs Academy from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 6.

Warm Springs Nation Little League spring conferences will also be at the Academy on February 6, from 4 to 6 p.m.

The Warm Springs Academy Eagles girls basketball is in action Thursday, January 30.

They continue their road trip at the Crook County Middle School with tip off at 3:45 p.m.

The Warm Springs Academy Eagles wrestling team is

taking on Hines Middle school this Friday, January

# Act to improve fishing sites

Lone Pine—tribal fishing site along the Columbia River where about three dozen families live year-round—will see much-needed maintenance and sanitation services. The improved follow federal legislation recently signed into law.

Oregon's U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley and U.S. Congressman Earl Blumenauer authored the bill that in 2019 passed the House, and then unanimously passed in the U.S. Senate. President Trump then signed the bill the Columbia River In-Lieu and Treaty Fish Access Sites Improvement Act.

Along with the Lone Pine site, 30 more Columbia River tribal fishing sites are included for improvement in the act.

The law makes it possible to allocate money to fix up the sites, which have fallen into disrepair, as the federal government initially underestimated how many people would use them. As back-

Beginning in the 1930s, the construction of the three lower Columbia River dams displaced members of the four Columbia River Treaty tribes: The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Yakama Nation, the Umatilla, and Nez Perce

The 31 traditional fishing sites and villages were created for those tribes, because they have a treatyprotected right to fish along the Columbia River in their usual and accustomed places.

While the Oregon legislators wrote the bill, much of the credit is going to New Mexico Rep. Deb Haaland, one of the first two Native American women to be elected to Congress.

Congresswoman

Haaland successfully called for the bill to be voted on without debate in the House.

Jeremy Wolf, Umatilla, chair of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission, was pleased with the progress of this long-standing project.

"I am grateful to the staff at the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission, and each member tribe for their tireless work in preserving and recovering our treaty rights along the Columbia River and its tributaries," Mr. Wolf said.

'And of course, our Northwest delegation—specifically Senator Merkley Representative Blumenauer who spearheaded the bill—are to be commended for fulfilling this promise to replace our flooded village sites. We have worked closely over the past two decades to get the job done."



## Peace and Dignity Journey

The 2020 Peace and Dignity Journey is starting in three months. On April 14 spiritual runners carrying sacred staffs will begin the journey in Chickaloon, Alaska while Southern runners start at the tip of South America.

After eight months the runners of the North and South will meet on December 14 in the middle of the earth, Quito, Ecuador.

Peace and Dignity Journeys have been held every four years since 1992, with the purpose of fulfilling an ancient prophecy of the Eagle and the Condor coming together.

This joining represents the unification of indigenous people from the North and South after centuries of colonization. The 2020 journey has its own special prayer for Sacred Fire. Past journeys prayed for water, sacred sites, elders, and seeds.

A few core runners are

still needed who will make the commitment to do all or most of the run. For more information contact Al Gonzalez in California. His email is: atl@peaceanddignity.org

Or Anobel Gutierrez at:

pdjyolotli\_2008@yahoo.com

Those who want only to run a day or so are encouraged to join the run as the journey passes your territory.

Contact local coordinators or Mel Huey at: mel97402@gmail.com

If the run is not passing through your community a tributary run to feed into the main run can be organized as was done in past years.

Peace and Dignity is scheduled to reach Portland on June 2. The route then goes to Grand Ronde on June 3, somewhere near Corvallis June 4, Eugene June 5, Reedsport June 6, Coos Bay June 7, Gold Beach June 8, and then enter California at Smith River Rancheria on June 9.



We are looking for committed individuals to help bring a safe and positive environment for the boys and girls of WSNLL, fostering the importance of leadership, sportsmanship and teamwork.

- Please reply by the March 1st deadline.
- All volunteers must be approved by the WSNLL board, and pass 2 background checks (WSPD-tribal & JDP-national).
- All volunteer coaches and umpires will be eligible for 1 free registration for an immediate family member.
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