

# Harlem Wizards game to help Academy

The Harlem Wizards is a professional comedy basketball team, featuring amazing basketball tricks, alley oops, dunks, fancy dribbling and passing. The team performs at school gymnasiums, helping schools and students with fundraisers, and for sporting inspiration.

In April the Harlem Wizards will play a team—the Hooping Eagles—made up mostly of staff from the Warm Springs Academy. They will play at the Madras High School gymnasium, in an exhibition game hosted by the Academy. Proceeds will go toward more playground equipment at the school.

The general admission tickets are now on sale at the Academy, or you can go online to purchase: [WoldWideTicketCraft.com](http://WoldWideTicketCraft.com)

The court-side and reserve seating tickets are only available online, as the purchase comes with a picture of the Wizards that you can have signed at the game, coming on April 30. These tickets are \$30 each. The general admission tickets are \$12 in advance, or \$15 at the door. And student tickets \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door.

A bus will also be travel-



Members of the 2020 Harlem Wizards roster.

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ing from Warm Springs to the high school on the evening of the big game. The goal is to pack the gymnasium, raising funds for the new playground equipment.

An idea for the Wizards exhibition fundraiser came in part from Sally Polk-Adams, who has seen the play; and the team itself has reached out to help.

The Wizards will also have an assembly at the high

school, and possibly a morning assembly at the Academy, time and schedule permitting.

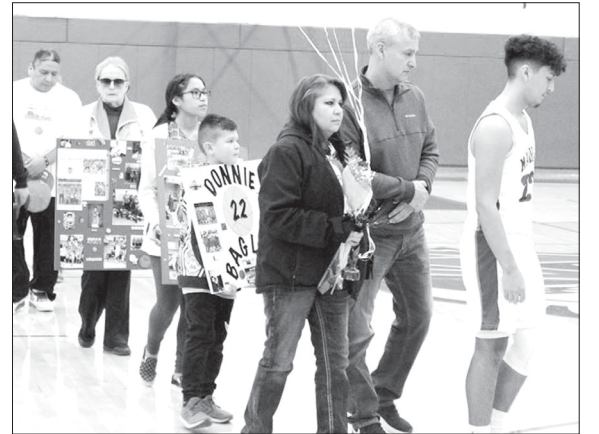
The Harlem Wizards, based in New Jersey, were founded in 1962. Since then they have the longest winning streak in all of sports. They have played thousands of games in the U.S. and abroad, on five different continents and in 22 different countries.



Jayson Smith/Spilyay

Drum group performs at the Madras High School boys varsity basketball Senior Night in February. The Buffalo squad won, 53-41, over Molalla in Tri-Valley play.

Seniors on the team include Donnie Bagley (below with family), Alex Smith Morales, Dapri Miller and Cole White.



## Baseball and softball

A softball and baseball fundamentals camp is coming up this Sunday, March 1. The camp will be from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Youth Center gym. All coaches and players are welcome.

Bring court shoes, no cleats; and a baseball or softball glove. Sign-up is ongoing for Little League until March 9. Call Edmund Francis at 541-325-3856 if you have any questions.

# Tribes, PGE give several million for fisheries

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs and hydro partner Portland General Electric awarded \$4.5 million in grants for fisheries, wildlife and water quality improvements. The grant awards go to 13 specific projects in the Deschutes basin. The grants range in size from \$51,000 to \$1.25 million.

This year's \$4.5 million in habitat improvement grants add to the \$26.5 million in tribal-PGE grants over the past 15 years. The tribes and PGE established the grant funding in 2005, as part of the federal relicensing of the Pelton-Round Butte hydro project. The dams are an emissions free and renewable source of energy, generating enough power to serve a city the size of Salem.

"The tribes continue to believe that working together is more effective than trying to accomplish



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A salmon at Whychus Creek.

objectives alone," said Jim Manion, general manager of Warm Springs Power and Water Enterprises.

The tribes, PGE, federal and state agencies selected the 13 projects for funding during the 2020 grant cycle. The projects are located over a stretch of river from Whychus Creek in the south to Log Springs Meadow north of Warm Springs; and from east at the Ochoco National Forest to Link Creek, west of Black Butte.

As part of the 2005

relicensing, the tribes, PGE, local, state and federal agencies and non-profit organizations committed to restore historic salmon and steelhead runs that were cut off from the middle and upper Deschutes Basin. Fish access was cut off with the construction in the 1950s and 1960s of the Pelton-Round Butte dams.

Fish access was re-established upstream from the dams in 2010. Since that time more than 1.4 million juvenile salmon and steel-

head have been given access to migrate to the ocean; while adult fish have returned to the project area every year since.

Spawning has now been confirmed near the Bowman dam on the Crooked River, in Whychus Creek at Camp Polk, and above Camp Sherman on the Metolius River.

The tribes, PGE and partners share the long-term goal of building sustainable and harvestable runs of chinook and sockeye salmon and summer steelhead in the mid- and upper Deschutes basin. The grants program focuses on using science to adapt reintroduction strategies, addressing challenges in returning the fish to their historic habitat after a four-decade absence. An inter-active 'roadmap' of reintroduction efforts is available online. See the site: [PRGFishCommittee.com](http://PRGFishCommittee.com)

## \$3 million for lamprey

The Confederated Tribes and PGE have also launched a new grant opportunity specifically benefiting Pacific lamprey in the lower Deschutes River. Like the salmon, the lamprey are ecologically and culturally significant to river ecosystems, and have experienced population decline over the decades.

By contributing \$3 million to restoration and research projects targeting lamprey, the tribes and PGE hope to learn more about how to serve these unique and often-overlooked creatures. Interested applicants can find more information at: [portlandgeneral.com/lampreyfund](http://portlandgeneral.com/lampreyfund)



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Pacific lamprey.

"When we started our long-term reintroduction program on the Deschutes, we recognized the importance of investing not just in fish passage, but also in quality fish habitat," said Megan Hill, the PGE biologist who leads the fisheries

and water quality team at Pelton-Round Butte.

"Through the Pelton fund, we've been able to support the incredible work of our partners throughout the region, and we're proud to continue the basin-wide collaboration with our 2020 grants."

## Fraud alert message

from Rosemary Alarcon, APD Navigator for Aged and Persons with Disabilities

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