

Warm Springs officer involved shooting

This past Sunday, May 3, at approximately 2:20 p.m. the Warm Springs Tribal Police Department Dispatch received several complaints from citizens living in the West Hills area concerning a male subject brandishing a firearm.

Officers responded to the area in an attempt to locate the aforementioned subject, who was subsequently identified as a Macklin Kalama.

As Officers approached Mr. Kalama he was told to show his hands, and at which time a weapon was observed to be in his possession.

During the encounter Mr. Kalama exclaimed several times to officers "just shoot me," and then subsequently was alleged to make a movement that led officers to believe that Mr. Kalama was about to use deadly force against them. It was at this time that one of the Warm Springs officers fired their service handgun, wounding the suspect.

Emergency medical technicians were immediately requested to respond to the scene; and once the site was deemed safe, officers secured Mr. Kalama and moved him to a location where EMTs could have immediate access to this subject.

Once EMTs arrived, and an initial medical assistance provided, the subject was transported to St. Charles Medical Hospital in Bend for further treatment. At this time, Mr. Kalama is in stable condition, and has been transferred to Portland, to another health facility to further his recovery.

The Federal Bureau of Investigations and United States Attorney's Office were notified, and upon the request of the Warm Springs Police Department, the FBI dispatched their Evidence Recovery Team to process the incident site, which was completed on May 4.

The Warm Springs Police Department is conducting the administrative review as to the officer's use of force, and in furtherance of this review, the department arranged for another tribal police agency to conduct this review in order to ensure impartiality.

The officer was wearing a bodycam, which was operational, and the footage will be made part of the administrative review.

Limited tribal fishery open at Sherars Falls

The Warm Springs Branch of Natural Resources has announced a limited fishery for spring chinook at Sherars Falls.

Due to the small predicted return of spring

chinook to the Deschutes river, the Off Reservation Fish and Wildlife Committee has decided to limit the fishery at Sherars Falls.

Fishing will be open from dawn until dusk each week

from Thursday to Saturday through June 30.

Wild fish must be released.

Hatchery salmon with no adipose fin may be kept for subsistence use.

For more information you can contact Mark Manion in the Warm Springs Fisheries Department at the Branch of Natural Resources. The number is 541-460-0272.



Lynden Harry was named Golden Valley Conference All-League averaging 17 points, 8.8 assists, and five rebounds for the College of Siskiyous.

Lynden, a 2018 graduate of Madras High School, will continue her collegiate career at Southern Oregon University next year.

Pick up meals, student materials in Warm Springs

Distance Learning materials are available online at jcsd.k12.or.us

Distance Learning paper packets being distributed at the free youth meal sites on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Kindergarten registration packets are also available at meal sites on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Kids who will be 5 on or before September 1 can at-

tend kindergarten in the fall at the Warm Springs Academy.

The 509-J meal program is being offered to youth 1-18 years of age.

The free, grab and go meals, are being provided with breakfast, lunch and dinner available together.

Kids can pick up meals weekdays between 9:30 and 10:30 at the Warm Springs

Academy; in Madras at the high school or at Bridges.

Additional Warm Springs sites and times are:

- West Hills at Poosh adn Upper Dry Creek at 9:30.

- Tenino Apartments and Sunnyside at 10.

- The Trailer Court and Wolfe Point at 10:30.

- Kah-Nee-Ta Hamlets at 11.

- The Seekseequa Fire Hall at 11:15.

- The Simnasho Longhouse at 11:40.

- And the Sidwalter Fire Hall at 12:25.

Additional sites in Madras are by St Patrick's Catholic Church at 9:30; Tops Trailer Park at 10:15; and in the 97 Mart parking lot at 10:45.

Around the community...

The Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center continues to screen everyone upon arrival. IHS spokesperson Diane Fuller reminds folks to call the clinic before showing up:

"We would like people to call before they come to the clinic so that we can direct their care needs to the appropriate area," Ms. Fuller said. She continues:

"We are still scheduling for well child clinic, prenatal visits, some preventive and health maintenance issues. We also would like to know if someone is coming in thinking they may have been exposed to Covid-19, or thinking they are symptomatic, so we can direct them to the care they need."

People are directed to the outdoor screening area when they first drive up. The person is then directed from there, with the provider determining what care and testing is needed.

Ms. Fuller reminds those who need to refill prescriptions that the pharmacy is offering curbside delivery service. "When you pull in at the clinic, and you tell them at the front gate that you are here for Pharmacy pickup, they will direct you to a Pharmacy parking area. There is a phone number there to dial: The pharmacy staff will gather up your medicine and walk them out to you in your car." Elsewhere around the community:

The **Warm Springs Market and the Warm Springs Shell Station** are now requiring customers to wear a face covering to prevent the spread of Covid-19. The Warm Springs Market continue to serve the community six days a week. Other policies at the store: Shoppers should limit their numbers to one person per household; to not bring children into the store; and to maintain six feet distance as possible.

Recently the market installed clear barriers between their cashiers and customers, as an additional protection for both employees and those shopping.

Cascades East Transit is also requiring that riders wear a face covering while using public transportation. They remind riders that Saturday community connector service is suspended.

Emergency forgivable loans to small Native Oregon businesses

With support from the Oregon Small Business Stabilization Fund, the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians Economic Development Corporation has established an Emergency Forgivable Loan to assist Native-owned small businesses with Covid-19 relief efforts.

Emergency forgivable loans will range from \$1,000 up to \$5,000. For more information on the Oregon Small Business Stabilization Fund, visit:

oregoncf.org/grants-and-scholarships/grants/oregon-small-business-stabilization-fund/

COCC Nursing program now nationally accredited

The Central Oregon Community College nursing associate degree program recently attained national accreditation from the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing—status that puts the program on a new level of recognition and quality.

The action follows a lengthy and in-depth application process, beginning with candidacy status in August 2018. The accrediting body will revisit the program in fall of 2024.

"This is a big moment for us, a new era," said Jane Morrow, COCC nursing department chair.

"And it comes just as

we're expanding our cohort size to 56 students. I feel that we're well-positioned to be a top-tier program in Oregon, and beyond."

The college took a proactive move to be on the front end of the growing shift toward national accreditation, according to Julie Downing, instructional dean at COCC.

"This wasn't stipulated by the Oregon Legislature or the Oregon State Board of Nursing," she said. "It reflects our aim to be on the leading edge."

With an ACEN-accredited degree, COCC nursing program graduates will be able to seek employment at

Veterans Hospitals nationwide, a sector of health care that requires that level of accreditation.

"Nursing's new programmatic accreditation will expand upon the reputation of the program and open more employment opportunities for our graduates," said COCC President Dr. Laurie Chesley.

"We are thrilled to be able to offer this level of recognition."

The college announced just last month that it was expanding its annual cohort size from 48 to 56 students, a change that will be implemented with this year's admissions process. The shift

comes as a response to a widening RN shortage in the U.S.

This year's graduating cohort is expected to finish on time despite coronavirus obstacles, made possible by health care training provisions in an Oregon executive order.

COCC's nursing program began in 1954.

For more information, contact Julie Downing, instructional dean, at 541-383-7238. Or email: jdowning@cocc.edu

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Warm Springs Community Health, IHS safety reminders

Indian Health Service and Warm Springs Community Health are providing services daily 8:30 until noon, except Wednesday mornings; and afternoons 1 to 4 p.m.

The Indian Health Services clinic is offering telemedicine, as well as clinic appointments with all providers.

Services continue to be provided for family planning, well child and immunizations.

Please call the appointment line at 541-553-2610 **before** you go to the clinic, so they can determine how to best meet your healthcare needs.

- If you have Covid-19 Symptoms—a cough, fever and shortness of breath—call the IHS Covid-19 nurse triage hotline at 541-553-5512.

- Outside of IHS regular hours, you can call the Registered Nurse Health Advice Hotline at 1-866-470-2015.

- Please remember when you go to the Health and Wellness Center, you will be stopped at the gate.

For everyone's safety, reduce your speed as you turn in. They will simply ask if you are sick or not and what you are at the clinic for.

They will then direct you for where to go next.

The things you can do to protect from spreading the Covid-19 virus is to:

- Wash your hands frequently.

- Cover your sneeze or cough with a tissue.

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth;

- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

- Practice social distancing by staying at least six feet away from other people

- Wear a face mask, even a homemade cloth mask, when in public.

- Stay home to avoid others.

- If you feel sic, stay in a room separate from others

in your home.

Things everyone should be doing is to:

- Stay home as much as possible—kids, too.

- Wash hands frequently.

- Disinfect surfaces routinely.

- Stay at least six feet away from others any time you are out

- Go out only for essentials like groceries, medical care or work.

- Do not gather in groups.

- Do not get together with friends.

- Do not have play dates for kids.

- And do not make unnecessary trips.