



Homes in Warm Springs should all have received an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census along with the paper version of the Census Questionnaire.

Please take time to complete the Census for your household today, if you haven't already done so.

You can complete the paper form and return it in the provided prepaid envelope.

You can also complete the 2020 Census online at <https://my2020census.gov/>

The U.S. Constitution mandates a census of the population every 10 years. Responding to the 2020 Census is easy, safe and important, and it's key to shaping the future of communities. Census statistics are used to determine the number of seats each state holds in the U.S. House of Representatives and informs how hundreds of billions of dollars in public funds are allocated by state, local and federal lawmakers for public services and infrastructure like hospitals, emergency response, schools and bridges over the next 10 years.

For Warm Springs Residents who have completed the Census online, by phone or by mail – the Warm Springs Complete Count Committee wants to **THANK YOU**. Join us for a Drive Through recognition of you doing your part, pick up a gift and a meal!

CENSUS COMPLETION DRIVE THRU

Friday 6/19 & Friday 6/25 11am - 2pm

Warm Springs Community Center
Simnasho Longhouse
& Seekseequa Fire Hall

The Warm Springs community has historically been undercounted and so this year – everyone needs to participate and let the world know we are here and **WE COUNT!**

For more information you can contact the CTWS Complete Count Committee's Jaylyn Suppah (jaylyn.suppah@wstribes.org)

Your vote

I would like to thank the voters of Warm Springs and surrounding areas that came out to vote in the May 19 Primary Election. This was the first year our Oregon mail-in ballots included pre-paid postage to return ballots! I am excited about this and hope this positive change will make it easier for all of us to vote.

During this time of Covid-19, and our need to stay safe and healthy, it is difficult to meet with people and learn more about individual and community needs.

I hope people will come to know I am open to being contacted to learn about the cares and concerns of your communities.

One thing Covid-19 has brought out into the open is the lack of internet access and bandwidth for those of us living in rural communities. Senators Wyden and Merkley are working diligently, and have written and

introduced legislation "aimed at ensuring all k-12 students have adequate home internet connectivity and devices." This would include resources for tribal schools and libraries.

I strongly support this and other legislation that would bring needed resources to our communities.

We have another big election coming up, the General Election on November 3. I encourage you to make your voice heard by voting; and remind your neighbor and relatives to vote, as it takes all of us to make change.

And while I am on the ballot for Jefferson County Commissioner again, and want to earn your vote, most important is that you vote!

Please contact me at 541-980-6371 if you have questions or concerns that I need to be aware of or should gain understanding about.

Thanks again to the voters of Warm Springs!
Kim Schmith, kimschmith26@gmail.com

Congratulations, 2020 Graduates!

Congratulations, Jessi Wahnetab, 2020 graduate of St. Mary's Academy in Portland, where she helped found the First Nations Club.

Katla is Kate Jackson, and her Tila is Richard Craig.



Births

Eiden Rose Wagner

James Wagner and Marlanea Lynn (Manion) Wagner of Culver are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Eiden Rose Wagner, born on June 12, 2020.

Eiden joins sister Adelia Lynn, almost 2.

Grandparents on the father's side are Linda and Jerry Wagner of Drain, Oregon.

Grandparents on the mother's side are atwai Kelli Muskopf of Madras; and Eddie Manion of Warm Springs.

Katrina Hazel Kalama

Katherine S. Kalama of Madras is pleased to announce

the birth of her daughter Katrina Hazel Kalama, born on June 12, 2020.

Katrina joins brothers Micah, 5, and Deigo, 1; and sister Bella, 3.

Grandparent on the father's side is Donald J. Hoptowit of Warm Springs.

Grandparent on the mother's side is Tamera J. Kalama of Warm Springs.

James Wyatt Bemrose

Ike Bemrose and Dayna Bemrose of Madras are pleased to announce the birth of their son James Wyatt Bemrose, born on May 26, 2020.

Grandfather on the father's side is Chet Bemrose.

Grandmother on the mother's side is Amy Eagleton.

COCC celebrates 2020 graduates

More than 600 college degrees and certificates are being conferred at the Central Oregon Community College's 2020 commencement.

The commencement was originally set for last Saturday, and has since been moved instead to a web format due to Covid-19 restrictions.

A compilation of videoed presentations, now accessible, will deliver the customary, from the graduate address to the conferment of diplomas. The college has also invited 2020 graduates to walk in next year's ceremony.

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Evans—a 1997 COCC graduate and now the deputy director of the Deschutes County Juvenile Community Justice Department—provides this year's recorded graduate address.

The college weighed many options in reshaping the event. In the end the college decided to offer its students the classic traditions, albeit prerecorded, said Ron Paradis, COCC spokesperson.

Graduates received packets in advance that included a congratulatory letter from COCC president Dr. Laurie Chesley; and a COCC 2020 mortarboard tassel.

The college also cel-

ebrated graduates across its social media channels, sharing students' photos and degrees on Facebook and Instagram.

The college's summer term begins on June 22.

Looking ahead, the college plans to offer some in-person instruction at all campuses this fall, along with online, remote and hybrid options for students, though the college is prepared to move to fully remote or online instruction if directed by state guidelines.

For more information call Ron at 541-383-7599.

Registration has started for COCC's Summer Term for Adult Basic Skills Class. Due to Covid-19, classes will be offered through a combination of remote and online instruction.

Essential Communication class will be Monday and Wednesday afternoons; and Essentials of Math will be Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

To learn more and sign up email: jjudd@cocc.edu

Or call the ABS office at 541-504-2950.

Summer Solstice this Saturday

In the Northern Hemisphere, the June solstice—also called the Summer Solstice—occurs when the sun reaches both its highest and northernmost points in the sky, marking the beginning of summer.

This year the Summer Solstice happens on Saturday, June 20. After the solstice, the sun appears to reverse course and head back in the opposite direction.

The Summer Solstice is the day with the longest period of sunlight: The sun appears highest in the sky at the solstice.

In the Southern Hemisphere the June solstice marks the beginning of winter. The word 'solstice' comes from Latin *solstitium*—from *sol* (sun) and *stitium* (still or stopped).

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