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## August Celebration at Casino

Last year due to covid restrictions, Indian Head Casino missed the opportunity to celebrate the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the casino. So this year Indian Head in August is celebrating this milestone anniversary.

The original Indian Head Casino opened its doors in 1995. At the time the casino was at Kah-Nee-Ta Resort. And at the time there were up to 70 to 90 casino employees. Today, Indian Head employs between 165 and 185.

The casino relocated to its current Highway 26 location in February of 2012, to be more accessible to passing travelers.

The upcoming Anniversary Celebration starts with cash drawings, Friday and Saturday, August 13-14. This is a chance to win a share of \$25,000 from 6-11 p.m., followed by a \$2,500 Slot Tournament on Sunday, August 15.

The main celebration will be on Saturday, August 14 from 2-8 p.m. with family fun activities, Bingo, music, beer garden, local craft and food vendors, and anniversary souvenirs.

The full schedule of events is as follows:

Friday, August 13, 6-11 p.m.: \$25,000 Weekend Drawings.

Saturday, August 14: 2 p.m. Opening Prayer and Welcome.

2:30: Gifts and cake.

2:30-5:30: Bingo for all ages.

2:30-6:30: Family friendly events—including a Bouncy House, Water Slide and Velcro Wall.

2:30-8: DJ Music.

2-8 p.m.: Community food and craft vendor booths (applications available at the Players' Club, IHC social media; or: indianheadgaming.com

Saturday, August 14, 6-11 p.m.: \$25,000 Weekend Drawings.

Sunday, August 15, 2-4 p.m.: \$2,500 Slot Tournament.



Courtesy Leah Henry

## A Return to the Fair



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The Jefferson County Fair and Rodeo returned last week after a year off because of covid. The Warm Springs Prevention Youth Camp students went to the fair last Friday: On hand were Arellie, Arellia, Katelyn and Lilly Ann (above from left).

One of the great things that happened at the fair this year was that TeShaun D. Yazzie (left) won the 2021 Grand Champion Market Poultry Prize. TeShaun is the son of Trevern Yazzie. He wishes to thank his 4-H coach Amy Hamilton, who encouraged him to join the club and raise the prize poultry. And thank you to buyer, Haystack Farm & Feed. This is the second year in row that TeShaun, 13, has won the County Fair Grand Champion Poultry Prize. *Great job and Congratulations, TeShaun!*

## Vietnam Veterans Day Parade coming up in W.S.

The Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day Parade is back this year, set for Saturday, August 7. There will not be the Expo, but the Eugene Cougar Greene American Legion Family #48, host of the event, will be serving lunch following the parade.

Each year the American Legion Family #48 hosts this public event to honor those who served in the armed forces between the years 1955-1975. "It was a time that treated our troops wrong, and we seek to give them the honor they deserve," the Family says.

See the website to register, or for a waiver: WSala48.org

Groups can email a roster of your Vietnam Vets with t-

shirt sizes to: info@WSala48.org

On Parade Day, Spectators, Bring your "Thank You" posters.

At the check-in tent everybody receives directions. The veterans and widowers receive their gift bags and commemorative challenge coins. The parade is a one-mile route. Schedule:

9-11:30 a.m.: Event check-in.

11 a.m.: Parade lineup at 1110 Wasco Street.

Noon: Parade starts.

12:30: Parade ends at the Community Center.

Call if you have any questions, 541-460-8212. Some background of the event:

Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day is a holiday that has



been celebrated since 1973 on either March 29 or March 30 of each year through a patchwork of state resolutions.

The first Vietnam Veterans Day, declared by President Richard Nixon in 1974, coincided with the one-year anniversary of the withdrawal of U.S. combat forces from Vietnam on March 29, 1973.

Today, the holiday is officially observed on March 29 and is referred to as National Vietnam War Veterans Day.

In Warm Springs the day is celebrated in the summer.

National Vietnam War Veterans Day is an opportunity to recognize and give thanks for all who served during the Vietnam War, including

those who were wounded, gave their lives, or went missing. Even in the face of controversy and opposition at home, millions of Americans honorably answered the call to serve our country during this tumultuous time in history. And when those who were fortunate enough to come home finally returned, they were met by ugly protests, scorn and neglect.

National Vietnam War Veterans Day is the heroes welcome they never received. It underscores the need to heal their painful wounds and allows us the occasion each year to pause and give respect, admiration and thanks to the patriotic men and women who sacrificed so much in service to their nation.

## Community update

On Monday of this week, July 27, the tribes' Covid-19 Response Team reported there were six people with active covid on the reservation. This was an unfortunate increase from the previous week, when there was just one case.

One person of the community was reported as hospitalized with Covid-19; and three people were being monitored as close contacts.

If you need a Covid-19 vaccination, you can call to schedule at the Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center at 541-553-2131. Anyone 12 and older who is Indian Health Service eligible, or who lives or works in Warm Springs and their family members can be vaccinated. (More community covid recent data on 3 and 5.)

## Tribal Council names new Secretary-Treasurer

Tribal Council has appointed Glendon N. Smith as the Secretary-Treasurer of the Confederated Tribes. Councilman Smith takes over the S-T duties from Michele Stacona, who will be staying on for some time during the transition.

Mr. Smith, on his first Tribal Council term, served previously as S-T in 2015-16 before returning to the Tribal Court as an Associate Judge. He had served previously as a Tribal Court Judge from 2008 to 2015, for a total of nearly 10 years as Judge.

Glendon was elected to Council in 2019 as a representative of the Agency District.

Some of his priorities coming up as Secretary-Treasurer include unfinished business re-



S-T Glendon Smith

garding the tribes' use of the Cares Act funding and that of the American Rescue Plan.

Some important infrastructure projects on the reservation will benefit from this funding, such as im-

provement of the heating, ventilation and cooling systems of some tribal buildings. An example is the Courthouse, where HVAC issues during the current heat wave have forced shortened work days, as the temperature reaches more than 90 degrees. The Community Center is another example.

Some housing projects, and the water infrastructure can also benefit from use of the Cares funding, Councilman Smith said. "People need housing, and water," he said.

For some of his education background, Glendon has an Associates of Arts Degree from Central Oregon Community College; a Bachelor of Science Degree from Oregon State University; and a Master of Science Degree from the University of Phoenix. He also has Cer-

tificate Training from the National Judicial College, Reno, Nevada.

Besides Council, he serves on the Commission of the Warm Springs Tribal Employment Rights Office. And he has served on the Neighborhood Impact Board of Directors.

Glendon recently renewed his substitute teaching license with the state of Oregon, the Teachers Practices Standards Commission, the TPSC. The license is for teaching classes first- through twelfth grades.

Glendon chaired the Justice Team while working at the Tribal Court. This is an advisory board for Tribal Council on law and public safety.

Ms. Stacona decided in May to resign. She had been the tribes' Secretary-Treasurer since 2016. She agreed to stay on during the transition, as budget season approaches.



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