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Car Show returning to casino

Indian Head Casino is bringing back its car show after having had to put it on hold due to the pandemic. The Sixth Annual Car Show at the casino parking lot will be on Saturday, June 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The event will feature several different vehicle categories including imports, muscle cars, trucks and much more. The event is made for all ages and will have a DJ, a covered food court and much more.

The casino is still currently closed on Wednesdays and Thursdays, as management is finding ways to get events back in to place after the effects covid had on businesses and communities.

If you'd like to learn more about the car show or get pre-registered, you can call Monte or Karen Strand at 503-789-8973. The link to register for the event is at the website indianheadcasino.com

Coming up at Council

These are some of the items coming up on the Tribal Council agenda for the rest of the month of June (subject to change at Council discretion):

Wednesday, June 15

9 a.m.: Memorandum of understanding with the state of Oregon discussion with Gayleen Adams, interim chief judge.

10: Meet and greet with the Mt. Hood National Forest Service.

11: Early Childhood Education discussion with Deanie Smith and Valerie Switzler and the Education Committee.

1:30 p.m.: Discussion with the Johnson O'Malley Committee.

2:30: Pension Committee discussion with Catherine Langford.

3:30: Cannabis Commission discussion with Ron Roome and Starla Greene.

Monday, June 20

9 a.m.: Secretary-Treasurer/CEO discussion with the S-T.

9:30: July agenda and review minutes with the S-T.

10: Oregon State Bar discussion with Kamron Graham and Helen Hierschbiel.

11: Enrollments with Lucille Suppah-Samson, Vital Statistics.

1:30 p.m.: Draft resolutions with the S-T.

2:30: Covid-19 update with the Response Team.

3: Legislative update calls, federal and state.

4: Salary chart proposal discussion with William Sam, Human Resources; and Isaac George, Finance.

Tuesday, June 21

9 a.m.: Timber LLC update with Brian Prater.

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Tribes to mark Treaty of 1855 anniversary

Parade, Health Fair, community gathering to mark the occasion

June 25 will mark the one-hundred and sixty-seventh anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of 1855 between the Tribes of Middle Oregon and the federal government.

The full three-day Treaty Days Powwow and Rodeo are again not possible this year, as happened in 2020 and 2021. This is due to covid: The necessary and extensive fund-raising for Pi-Ume-Sha was not possible because of the virus. And there is the lingering health risk of the virus itself, as Pi-Ume-Sha in the past traditionally draws several hundred or more visitors to Warm Springs. So the Pi-Ume-Sha Committee chose to have the Traditional Parade this year on Saturday, June 25, which also happens to be the anniversary date of the Treaty.

After the parade the community is invited to the powwow grounds for a community gathering. On June 22, the Wednesday before the anniversary weekend, Warm Springs Community Health, IHS and partners will host the Pi-Ume-Sha Health Fair, held at the Agency Longhouse.

Pi-Ume-Sha began in 1969. The present day committee would like to acknowledge the original team that first planned and hosted the powwow. The original members have all now passed. They include Arthur Mitchell, who was Chairman, and Bernice Mitchell. Sammy Colwash also served as Chair. Grant and Emily Waheneka were members of the original powwow committee, along with the following:

Longhouse.

Linton and Eva Winishut. Andrew and Edna David. Joe and Ruth Estabrook. Clarence and Florence Meanus.

Nathan '8-Ball; Jim, the Master

of Ceremonies. Chief Amos Simustus Sr. Prosanna Williams, grounds and vendors coordinator.

J. Silas Williams, contest coordinator. Verbena Greene and Perry Greene, Parade organizers. Jimmy Macy and Carla Macy. Ella Jane Jim, Elder. Adeline Miller. Larry Calica. Millie Colwash, Elder. Ada Sooksoit. Elizabeth Rhoan. Geraldine Jim. Wilford Jim. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Stanley. Clark '9-Ball' Livingston. Wally Chamnu. Donna Olsen. The Committee wishes the community the best and safest Treaty anniversary weekend, hoping to see the full powwow return in June 2023.

— Dave McMechan

\$27 million for water, landfill projects

The Confederated Tribes received some good news earlier this month, as the Indian Health Service announced \$25 million in infrastructure money for the tribes this year. The funding is part of the \$1.2 trillion bi-partisan Infrastructure Law of 2021.

Overall, \$700 million of the Infrastructure money went to recognized tribes for water projects. This number is part of a five-year, \$3.5 billion allocation for IHS projects.

This year's funding to the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs will also go toward much-needed work on the Warm Springs Landfill.

Funding is expected to arrive within 60 days, according to IHS public affairs.

For the Confederated Tribes the 2022 funds will be divided between eight projects. A breakdown is as follows:

Dry Creek water treatment plant: \$13.6 million.

Sewer collection system re-



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Ron Palmer is the operator at the water treatment plant.

newal phase I: \$1.43 million.

The Simnasho lagoon rehabilitation project: \$513,810.

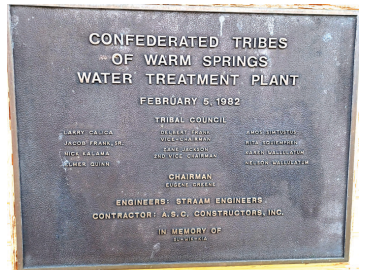
Agency area water distribution rehabilitation phase I: \$2,654,000.

Municipal landfill project: \$5,942,500.

Residential water meters installation: \$1,212,750.

Water storage tank rehabilitation: \$119,625.

Schoolie Flat water system rehabilitation: \$352,000.



Dedication plaque from 1982 on the front wall of the treatment plant.

one of the first projects to move forward, with construction expected to begin in September.

Focus on water infrastructure on the reservation picked up in 2019, and again in the summer of 2020, as the Agency area experienced prolonged boil-water conditions.

Oregon's U.S. Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley made addressing the situation a priority. Mr. Holliday said their work is greatly appreciated, and makes for a good start to a long term resolution.

3 years as Sisters Rodeo Queen

Mary Olney of Warm Springs just finished her time as the Sisters Rodeo Queen. Mary was the Sisters Rodeo Queen from 2020 through this past weekend, a three-year rodeo royalty term.

Mary auditioned with her horse Dixie at the 2019 Sisters Rodeo, just after she had graduated high school. The rodeo was cancelled because of covid in 2020 and 2021 while Mary continued serving as Rodeo Queen.

The 2022 rodeo was last weekend, when the next queen was chosen. So Mary had a run of three years. "Most ladies are blessed to have one year as a Sisters Rodeo Queen," Mary says. "I've been blessed to have three."

Mary is the daughter of Sonia Heath and Shane Olney. She is also the granddaughter of Warm Springs Chief Delvis Heath Sr.



Courtesy Sisters Rodeo

Mary grew up on the reservation, where she learned the Native culture. This is also where she developed a love for horses and the sport of rodeo.

Mary comes from generations of rodeo family. Her grandmother use to ride bareback, her mother ran barrels, her brothers ride bulls and broncs, and many other family members who have participated in Wild horse racing.

Mary started participating in junior rodeos, play days, and horse clinics at an early age. Growing up she was instilled with a passion for animals, rodeo, and in all the western way of life.

Mary believes that growing up around rodeo teaches some very valuable lessons; which is to lend a hand when needed, to stay humble and determined. "And to get back on if you get bucked off!" she says.

Mary Olney, Sisters Rodeo Queen from 2020 through last weekend's rodeo.



PI-UME-SHA CELEBRATION DRAWINGS

JUNE 24TH & 25TH | 7PM - 10PM

Where Winners Play!

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SAME DAY ENTRIES. See Players' Club for details.



