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Warm Springs Prevention and Health and Human Services last week a pumpkin giveaway at the park area by Behavioral Health and the Prevention offices. Warm Springs Fire Prevention (left) also had a booth at the event. Coming up for Halloween with Recreation are a virtual carving party (details pending), and the Indian Night Out on Halloween night (see page 6 for details).



Concern regarding cantaminants in lamprey

The state Health Authority recently issued a health advisory warning people about toxic cantaminants found in lamprey.

The advisory sets limits for the first time on how many lamprey people can safely eat from the Columbia River and its tributaries in Oregon.

Aja DeCoteau, executive director of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission, said tribal members have led the effort to restore lamprey in the Columbia River Basin to protect their role in the ecosystem and to preserve tribal access to an important cul-

tural food.

“As Oregon’s largest consumers of lamprey, this consumption advisory will impact tribal people most of all,” Ms. DeCoteau said.

“Lamprey have been an important part of the cultures, diets and ceremonies of Columbia Basin tribes since time immemorial.”

Ms. DeCoteau said limiting consumption should only be a temporary solution.

“The tribes believe that the long-term solution to this problem isn’t keeping people from eating contaminated fish—it’s keeping

fish from being contaminated in the first place,” she said.

David Farrer, a toxicologist with OHA, said the toxins in the fish are likely coming from the ocean, where lamprey spend the majority of their time.

Farrer said salmon also spend the majority of their lives in the ocean and generally have low contaminant levels.

Lamprey might be different because they are parasites that feed on larger predators that often accumulate more toxins in their bodies.

2 killed in highway wreck on reservation

Two people were killed in a crash last Saturday afternoon, October 15, prompting a nearly 5-hour closure of a 20-mile stretch of U.S. Highway 26 on the reservation.

Oregon State Police confirmed the two fatalities, a Redmond woman and a Texas man. Warm Springs Tribal Police and state troopers are in-

vestigating the crash

An extended closure occurred after the crash, reported shortly before 2 p.m. on Saturday, just east of the state Highway 216 junction at milepost 77, according to the Oregon Department of Transportation.

The highway was fully reopened by about 6:30 p.m.

ODOT said tuck traffic was not

allowed south from the 216 to 197 junction, but trucks could go north from the junction to Interstate 84, then head south on Highway 97.

The east side of the crash was just past Warm Springs at milepost 97.

The names of the deceased were not yet released as of press time for this publication.

Jobs with Indian Head Casino, Plateau

The following is a recent list of job openings with **Indian Head Casion**. For details see the website: indianheadcasino.com

Administrative assistant. Cage cashier. Cage main bank cashier.

Cage manager. Cage supervisor.

Coffee stations attendant. Controller. Cook. Count team member. Custodian. Executive chef.

Guest service operator. Kitchen steward.

Lead cook. Lounge bartender. Maintenance man II.

Player development supervisor. Player’s Club ambassador.

Player’s Club lead ambassador. Security officer.

Server. Slot keyperson. Table games dealer. Tule Grill attendant. Tule Grill cook.

The following are jobs advertised recently with the Plateau Travel Plaza. For information see the website mentioned above, or stop by the Plateau or Indian Head human resources:

Store cashier. Store supervisor. Custodian. Fuel attendant.

Host cashier/server. Line cook. Security officer. Security supervisor.



Wishing Warm Springs a Happy Halloween! From Travis Bobb.

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 - ECP- Emergency Conservation Program for livestock water facilities (if applicable)
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 - o Water Hauling
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 - o Forage Transportation
 - LFP- Livestock Forage Program for Drought
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 - NRCS programs

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