

Schools, community celebrate Academy project

The Jefferson County School District 509-J held a groundbreaking ceremony to celebrate the start of construction of the six-classroom addition at Warm Springs Academy.

District staff, administration, board members, students and community members gathered for the ceremony.

The Academy was funded in part by the 2012 school bond, along with the tribes. And upon completion, the district soon experienced growth in student enrollment in Warm Springs.

Immediately, all classrooms in the building were utilized, and even some spaces originally designated as community rooms were transitioned into classrooms.

The plans for the six new classrooms will allow the school to shift students into classroom spaces, and transition re-purposed spaces for their original intended use.

Through the result of several schematic design



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At the new classrooms groundbreaking: Myra Shawaway Orange, Chairwoman, Culture and Heritage Committee; Lonnie Henderson, Academy Principal; Valerie Switzler, general manager, tribal Education; Chico Holliday, general manager, Utilities; school board members Laurie Danzuka and Courtney Snead; Jay Mathisen, district superintendent; Academy assistant principals Gena Bennett and Troy Capps; and Jamie Hurd, school board member.

meetings, the new addition plans to include six new classrooms with support spaces such as a mechanical mezzanine, storage closet, and more.

Located along Chukar Road, the design will include water-conscious landscaping as well as improvements to safety and accessibility of parking lots and pick-up drop-off operations. The estimated completion and move in is scheduled for

Spring 2024.

School district superintendent Dr. Jay Mathisen expressed his excitement for what the new classrooms will provide for the school and community.

"This school is vital to our Warm Springs community and these six new classrooms will better serve not just students and staff, but the community as a whole.

"I am thankful today for the nod of support our Dis-

trict received from voters," he said.

District voters passed a \$24 million bond in November 2021. The bond is focused on improving health, safety, and security in all of our schools, updating and repairing aging facilities, and expanding vocational opportunities.

The community is encouraged to follow the construction progress through the bond website at: 509JSchoolBond.org

Third annual reservation wild horse sale on Sunday

The Third Annual Warm Springs Reservation Tribal Member Horse Sale is coming up on Sunday, June 4. The sale will start at 11 a.m. at the Warm Springs Rodeo Grounds. You may arrive earlier to view the horses.

The wild mustangs for the annual sale are rounded up from the reservation range by tribal members. Horses

are of all ages, sizes, colors and temperament; and they are in need of homes.

If you plan to make a purchase, please bring a three-horse trailer (or larger) for the safety of the horses and the individuals sorting and loading them. The horses will not load safely on anything smaller. Cash is strongly encouraged and pre-

ferred. There will be horses that have been handled, though most are wild, untamed and untouched.

These animals therefore will require extra patience and care. A recommendation is that buyers have reinforced pastures and corrals, training and plenty of year-round feed until you have established a bond.

Please reach out with any other questions or concerns. Check out the Facebook page:

Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Tribal Horses. Check the site for more information, or contact: facebook.com/groups/1979240728913149/?ref=share&mibextid=NSMWB

Clackamas Meadows Timber Sale: Project Assessment public comment and review, Warm Springs Reservation

The Clackamas Meadows Timber Sale contains an estimated 25,000,000 board feet of merchantable sawlog volume. The project assessment for the Clackamas Meadows Timber Sale is nearly complete. Warm Springs Forestry Department would like to invite the public to participate in the 30 day comment period. Copies of the project assessment have been made available at the Warm Springs Branch of Natural Resources (BNR) Office, BNR Forestry Office and Tribal Administration offices. The project assessment details the need for the sale, impacts both environmental and economic to the Warm Springs Reservation. Written comments can be submitted to the Branch of Natural Resources Forestry Office. Or mail to: Attn: Forestry, CTWS, PO Box C, Warm Springs, OR 97761. The comment period ends June 30.

Community notes...

The Spilyay Tymoo Culture and Heritage Language lessons will return in the next edition. Elsewhere: The Warm Springs Com-

munity Action Team is now offering Virtual Reality Training and Career Exploration. Contact Emily Courtney or Sara Dowty at WSCAT, 541-553-3148 to schedule a learning time.

Museum retrospective debuts in June

The Thirty-Year Retrospective exhibit—looking back at the past three wonderful decades of the Museum at Warm Springs—opens in June.

This celebratory exhibit will include the designs and artwork of nationally acclaimed Oregon architect Donald J. Stastny, who represented the architects of record, Stastny & Burke Architecture, during the design and construction phases in the 1990s.

Mr. Stastny will give a public program at museum on Wednesday, July 26, time to be determined. He will revisit the origins and



Grand opening day of the Museum at Warm Springs, March 14, 1993, photo courtesy the museum.

progress of the design process that created the museum.

He will also be signing copies of his book, *Portals:*

Seeking Transcendence.

The Retrospective exhibit will open the following day, Thursday, June 22.

Employment with the Confederated Tribes

The following are positions recently advertised with the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

For information, contact the Human Resources office, located in the tribal administration building, 1233 Veterans Street, Warm Springs.

Staff are available to answer questions related to the application process and can be reached at 541-553-3262 or hr@wstribes.org

Tribal Member preference is exercised in hiring processes as defined in Tribal Personnel Policy PER 202.

Executive director, Cannabis Commission. Telecommunications officer. Registered Nurse. Community Health information specialist. Tribal Tobacco Cessation coordinator. Secretary - Community Wellness Center.

Surveillance observer. Certified Recovery mentor. Summer Youth workers - six positions. Fisheries technician III. Human Resources office coordinator. Fisheries Biologist II (Hood River).

Warehouseman - Fire Management. Maintenance worker - Housing Authority. Indian Park Camp host. Treasury controller. IT database specialist. Police officer. Natural Resources summer youth - eight positions.

Assistant engine operator - five positions. Patrol Sergeant. Range and Ag manager. Conservation properties program supervisor. Information-Referral driver. Shop forman. Tribal Council recorder/support tech.

Community Health services driver. Project Archaeologist/principal investigator. Maternal child health nurse. Soil scientist/watershed planner. Medical

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