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On July 4

The Confederated Tribes are planning a great day for the Fourth of July, this year falling on a Tuesday. The early morning will start with a 5-k fun run, starting at 8 a.m. You can register at the Warm Springs Community Center.

The Fourth of July Parade lineup is at 9 a.m. in front of the old elementary school, float judging at 10, and the parade at 11 a.m.

Grand Marshall this year is Wynter Sky Meanus; and the 2023 Fourth of July Parade theme is 'Operation Iraqi Freedom.'

There will also be a horse shoe tournament after the parade, at 12:30 p.m. at the Community Wellness Center, and a barbecue with family fun games around 1:30

The official fireworks show, sponsored by Health and Wellness, is at dusk.

For more information please call Recreation at the Community Center, 541-553-3243.

For 2023 graduates

The Confederated Tribes 2023 Graduation Celebration is coming up this Saturday, July 1 at the Community Center Pavilion. The parade, hosted by Papalaxsimisha, will begin at 11 a.m. And the meal, hosted by Prevention, starts at 12

This is for college graduates, high school graduates, eighthgrade graduates and Head Start graduates.

The Confederated Tribes, Education, Papalaxsimisha, Warm Springs Prevention, the Community Action Team and other partners invite you to join them and celebrate these students.

Spay-a-Thon, volunteer event

The Warm Springs Spay-a-Thon concludes this Saturday and Sunday, July 1 and 2. The clinics are at the Warm Springs Fire Station. The Spay-a-Thon is hosted by Fences for Fido with First Nations Veterinary and Clinic HQ.

To check if there is still an open spot, you can visit: firstnationsvet.com/warm-springs-

nation Or call 503-451-0765.

Meanwhile, Fences for Fido is partnering with Commodities on a volunteer recruitment and information gathering on Thursday, August 3 at Indian Head Casino.

Fences and Commodities will be serving free tacos, and have a face painting station where the kids can get their face painted like their dog or cat. They will also have bracelet making with animal-themed beads.

New campus pavilion

A great new addition to the community will be the pavilion now under construction in the campus area, behind the Family Resource Center and by the Children's Protective Services

The construction crew is currently working on the wooden trusses that will support

As can be seen by the trusses, the new pavilion will be

large, about 11,520 square feet, said TJ Foltz, Warm Springs Prevention manager, who has been coordinating the project with Health and Human Services.

The pavilion project is made possible by a Meyer grant, Mr. Foltz said.

When the roof is in place, possibly by the end of July, the plan is put turf down as the flooring, he said.

Pavilion continues on 6



The construction team is building the trusses that will support the roof of the new pavilion. These will be lifted to the ceiling height when they are fully built in the coming days.

Pi-Ume-Sha 2023

Pi-Ume-Sha Treaty Days returned with perfect weather and a great turnout for the 2023 powwow, the first in four long years, honoring veterans and the One-Hundred and Sixty-Eighth Anniversary of the signing of the 1855 Treaty between the Tribes of Middle Oregon and the United States government. Look for the Powwow competition and the Rodeo results in the next Spilyay Tymoo.

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Rodeo features Buck Smith Memorial Horse Race

The Pi-Ume-Sha Rodeo this year opened with a memorial tribute to the late Stanley 'Buck' Smith. His wife Susie, and all his many family and friends who could be there showed up to pay their respects. "Buck was a fine man. A nice man," said Joel Florendo, who lived with Buck and his family for four years. "He was a great father, husband, uncle, brother, friend and teacher."

Joel said, "Buck took me in

like I was one of his own. He helped me grow up and get on the right track." Joel is now a rancher, and chairs the tribes' Range and Ag Com-

The 2023 Pi-Ume-Sha Rodeo opened with the Buck Smith Memorial Wild Horse Race, a sport that he was great at, like his son Jason.

Joel Florendo, wife Alfredine, daughter Kecia and the Butch David family organized the wild horse event as a tribute to Buck's life and memory.

Memorial continues on 5



Joel Florendo and nephew Spud Smith Jr. at the Wild Horse Race.







