

## From the Probate Department

by Valerie Squiempfen  
Public Administrator

Just to clarify something that was in the last issue. The Probate Department was given a directive by Tribal Council that any:

“Tribal member minor child (18 years old and younger) coming into monies on an estate, will be deposited into a savings account with the cash management department.”

In other words, if they are not enrolled with Warm Springs, we will not hold onto that money, it will be paid directly to the parent or guardian of said child.

Probate code 320.030 **Intestate Succession and Wills:**

(1) Distribution Pursuant to Will. The Tribal Court shall distribute the estate according to the terms of the Will of the decedent which has been admitted to probate.

(2) Who May Make a Will. Any

person who is eighteen years of age or older or who has been lawfully married and who is of sound mind may make a Will.

(3) Validity of a Will. A Will which is valid under the laws of the state or country within which it was executed shall be valid for the purposes of this Code. In addition, a Will which is handwritten by the testator and signed by the testator shall be considered to be valid.

Probate code 320.031 **Intestate succession:**

(4) Indian Custom and Tradition Distribution of Indian Finery and Artifacts. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Code relating to descent and distribution, Indian artifacts and finery belonging to the decedent shall be distributed in accordance with the customs and traditions of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of

Oregon.

Such distribution shall be in accordance with directions left by the decedent, if any, or, if the decedent left no directions, shall be as directed by the surviving spouse of the decedent; if the decedent leaves no surviving spouse, then by direction of the decedent's eldest surviving adult sibling; if decedent leaves neither a surviving spouse nor surviving adult sibling, then by direction of the decedent's parents; if the decedent leaves neither surviving spouse, surviving adult sibling nor surviving parents, then by direction of the eldest surviving adult child of the decedent.

(5) Effect of Abandonment on Standing to Inherit. A person otherwise entitled to inherit pursuant to the provisions of WSTC 320.031 shall forfeit the ability to inherit from his or her spouse or child if he or she abandoned the spouse or child for a period of at least one year prior to the decedent's death and if he or she had an obligation to support decedent at the time of death or abandonment.

Probate code 320.041 **Proving and Admitting Will:**

(1) Proof of Will.

(a) Upon initiating the probate of an estate, the Will of the decedent shall be filed with the Court. Such Will may be proven and admitted to probate by filing the affidavit of an attesting witness which identifies such Will as being the Will which the decedent executed and declared to be his or her last Will.

(b) If the evidence of none of the attesting witnesses is available, the Court may allow proof of the Will by testimony or other evidence that the signature of the testator or at least one of the witnesses is genuine.

(2) Contest of Will. At any time within 90 days after a Will has been admitted to probate, or within such time as the Court shall establish in the case of an exempt estate having an appraised value which does not exceed \$3,500, any person having an interest in the

decedent's estate may contest the validity of such Will. In the event of such contest, the Court shall take no further action with respect to the probate of the estate, but shall set a day and hour for a hearing to determine the validity of such Will.

All relevant evidence shall be presented at such hearing concerning the decedent's capacity to execute a valid Will and the circumstances surrounding its execution. Every reasonable effort shall be made to procure the testimony of the attesting witnesses to the Will, or if their testimony is not reasonably available, an effort shall be made to identify signatures to the Will through other evidence.

(3) Admission of Contested Will to Probate. Upon considering all relevant evidence concerning the Will, the Tribal Court shall enter an order affirming the admission of such Will to probate or rejecting such Will and ordering that the probate of the decedent's estate proceed as if the decedent had died without executing such Will.

## Inheritance checks are ready

To the following individuals: Inheritance checks are ready for pick up at the Probate Department.

Adams, Alicia R.  
Adams, Jessie  
Bates-Perez, Cadaleana  
Bird, Louetta  
Blackwolf, Levi  
Buck, Joseph G.  
Courtney, Marisol L.  
Estimo-Polk, Kaydence  
Harvey, Gene Jr.  
Harvey, Windy  
Heath, Melinda  
Jack, Cecilia  
Jack, Cosmo  
Jack, Darian  
Jack, Maiya  
Jack, Nicole  
Jack, Shellie  
Johnson-Ching, Elamina  
Kalama, Roland III  
Katchia, Gary R.  
Lira, Mitchell F.

Queahpama, Kyle  
Seelatsee, Joseph  
Standing Yellow Horse, Emerson  
Standing Yellow Horse, Merlin, Jr.  
Strong, Leora J.  
Stroschein, Samantha  
Thomas, Ryanna  
Thompson, Kywon L.  
Van Antwerp, Carl  
Wahnetah, Haley  
Warner, Joshua J.  
Wolfe, Charles  
Wolfe, Richard, Jr.  
Wolfe, Richard Sr.  
Wolf, Tyrin  
Yazzie, Alicia  
Yazzie, George  
Yazzie, Vivian

Call Probate at 541-553-3246 as soon as possible or stop by at 1233 Veterans Way, Warm Springs.

## Jobs with Indian Health Service

The Warm Springs Indian Health Services is advertising a number of job positions. The clinic, located at 1270 Kot-Num Road, or PO Box 1209, Warm Springs, 97761, can be reached at 541-553-1196. You can apply for a job online at usajobs.gov

Full jobs descriptions are available at the site. The Human Resources specialist at the Portland Area Indian Health Service is Melanie May. Email: melanie.may@ihs.gov

Jobs include:

**Advanced Practice Nurse.** Salary \$109,147.00 – 141,886.00 per year DOE.

**Clinical Laboratory Scientist.** \$58,832.00 – 79,655.00/yr.

**Health Tech. Medical Support Assistant.** \$33,693.00 - 52,577.00/yr.

**Nurse** (two positions). \$68,273.00 – 101,994.00/yr  
**Supervisory Optometrist.** \$116,602.00 – 151,584.00/yr.

**Dental Assistant** (two positions). \$33,241.00 – 52,577.00/yr.

**Pharmacist.** \$94,905.00 – 135,089.00/yr.

**Physician** (Family Practice). \$111,035.00 – 243,000.00/yr.

**In the Matter of the Estate of Macyquinn F. Johnson, W.S., U/A Deceased Probate Estate #2023-PR05. NOTICE OF PROBATE HEARING-Rescheduled. TO: Kelsey Haywahe, Autumn Johnson, and Garyson Johnson:**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a probate hearing is scheduled for **JULY 17, 2023 AT 9 AM**. This hearing will be held at the Tribal Courthouse and also via a virtual courtroom. You will have to download the Zoom app onto your cellphone or computer to join Zoom Meeting ID: 994 6267 2725 PASSCODE: e3YBK5

**In the Matter of the Estate of Colleen D. Johnson, W.S., U/A Deceased Probate Estate #2019-PR54. NOTICE OF PROBATE HEARING-Rescheduled. TO: Marc Arthur, James Arthur, Crystal Arthur, Joseph Arthur, Clara and Viviano, Jessica Arthur.**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a probate hearing is scheduled for **JULY 17, 2023 AT 9:30 AM**. This hearing will be held at the Tribal Courthouse and also via a virtual courtroom. You will have to download the Zoom app onto your cellphone or computer to join Zoom Meeting ID: 981 0360 7722 PASSCODE: 8qa5eF

**In the Matter of the Estate of Zyrille C. McKinley-Wainanwit, W.S., U/A Deceased Probate Estate #2016-PR13. NOTICE OF PROBATE HEARING-Rescheduled. TO: Charlie Wainanwit, Virginia McKinley:**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a probate hearing is scheduled for **JULY 17, 2023 AT 10:30 AM**. This hearing will be held at the Tribal Courthouse and also via a virtual courtroom. You will have to download the Zoom app onto your cellphone or computer to join Zoom Meeting ID: 925 5308 0146 PASSCODE: 7BFJg9

**In the Matter of the Estate of Yvonne V. Tapedo, W.S., U/A Deceased Probate Estate #2017-PR08. NOTICE OF PROBATE HEARING-Rescheduled. TO: Jolene Soto, Joy Ramirez:**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a probate hearing is scheduled for **JULY 19, 2023 AT 9 AM**. This hearing will be held at the Tribal Courthouse and also via a virtual courtroom. You will have to download the Zoom app onto your cellphone or computer to join Zoom Meeting ID: 966 7941 2268 PASSCODE: DKN04M

**In the Matter of the Estate of Kenneth L. Smith, W.S., U/A Deceased Probate Estate #2020-PR23.**

**NOTICE OF PROBATE HEARING-Rescheduled. TO: Michele Hensel:**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a probate hearing is scheduled for **JULY 19, 2023 at 3:30 AM**. This hearing will be held at the Tribal Courthouse and also via a virtual courtroom. You will have to download the Zoom app onto your cellphone or computer to join Zoom Meeting ID: 9173 4290 344 PASSCODE: 2ZwbUR

**In the Matter of the Estate of Alex C. Tufti, W.S., U/A Deceased Probate Estate #2022-PR02. NOTICE OF PROBATE HEARING-Rescheduled. TO: Gerald Tufti, Brian Renfro, Paulette Henry, Vernon Sampson, Rebecca Sampson, and Kayla Godowa-Tufti:**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a probate hearing is scheduled for **JULY 24, 2023 @ 9 AM**. This hearing will be held at the Tribal Courthouse and also via a virtual courtroom. You will have to download the Zoom app onto your cellphone or computer to join Zoom Meeting ID: 9716 9453 921 PASSCODE: U1w72T

**In the Matter of the Estate of Kurtis L. Boise, W.S., U/A Deceased Probate Estate #2023-PR07. NOTICE OF PROBATE HEARING-Rescheduled. TO: Alyssa Whitehurst, Nellie Tanewasha:**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a probate hearing is scheduled for **JULY 24, 2023 AT 10 AM**. This hearing will be held at the Tribal Courthouse and also via a virtual courtroom. You will have to download the Zoom app onto your cellphone or computer to join Zoom Meeting ID: 9348 1386 174 Passcode: aNG4Tf

**In the Matter of the Estate of Corwin M. Bobb, W.S., U/A Deceased Probate Estate #2020-PR22. NOTICE OF PROBATE HEARING-Rescheduled. TO: Myrna Frank:**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a probate hearing is scheduled for **JULY 24, 2023 AT 9:30 AM**. This hearing will be held at the Tribal Courthouse and also via a virtual courtroom. You will have to download the Zoom app onto your cellphone or computer to join Zoom Meeting ID: 9297 2133 971; Passcode: Kd3wTv

**In the Matter of the Estate of Charles Nathan, W.S., U/A Deceased Probate Estate #2022-PR63. NOTICE OF PROBATE HEARING-Rescheduled. TO: Steven Courtney, Lori Courtney-Rose, Donald Courtney, Randall Nathan, Heather Nathan, Shana Paulson, and Jeremiah Johnson:**

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**In the Matter of the Estate of Shirley Heath, W.S., U/A Deceased Probate Estate #2020-PR34. NOTICE OF PROBATE HEARING-Rescheduled. TO: Delvis Heath, Lucinda Heath, Candace Heath, Robert Heath, Vern Heath, and Challis Yahtin-Cloud:**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a probate hearing is scheduled for **JULY 26, 2023 AT 2 PM**. This hearing will be held at the Tribal Courthouse and also via a virtual courtroom. You will have to download the Zoom app onto your cellphone or computer to join Zoom Meeting ID: 9603 5054 869; Passcode: r6zCMg

**In the Matter of the Estate of William B. Heath, W.S., U/A Deceased Probate Estate #2021-PR46. NOTICE OF PROBATE HEARING-Rescheduled. TO: Kirby Heath, Stephanie Heath, Sharon Crooked Arm, Colleen Seelatsee, Julianne Seelatsee, Roosevelt Heath, Delores Picard, Ray Picard, Heather Picard, Clarissa Picard, Melinda Heath, Haley Wahnetah, and Charisse Heath:**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a probate hearing is scheduled for **JULY 26, 2023 AT 2:30 PM**. This hearing will be held at the Tribal Courthouse and also via a virtual courtroom. You will have to download the Zoom app onto your cellphone or computer to join Zoom Meeting ID: 9186 9676 109; PASSCODE: BMXT33

**In the Matter of the Estate of Chesley Yahtin, W.S., U/A Deceased Probate Estate #047-PR47-09. NOTICE OF PROBATE HEARING. TO: Owens Yahtin, Minnie Yahtin, Dorethy M. Yahtin, Henry J. Yahtin, Maria Martinez-Garcia, Bernavene Aguirre, Edgar M-W Yahtin, Randolph Yahtin, Zachary Norton, Launi Norton, Chesley Q. Yahtin, III, Brett R. Yahtin, and Melissa Waheneka:**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a probate hearing is scheduled for **JULY 24, 2023 AT 1 PM**. This hearing will be held at the Tribal Courthouse.

## FREE HAIRCUTS

By: *Melinda Bissy*

**When: Friday's**  
**Time: 10:30am to 2:00pm**  
**Location: High Looke Lodge**




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