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Wasco Chieftain election

May 15 is the Wasco Chief election date. Absentee ballots were mailed out last week, and must be received by May 15 in order to be counted.

The polling location will be the Community Center Social Hall during the hours of 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

There will be two questions on the ballot. The first question is the selection of the next Wasco Chief. The second question is:

“If the elected chief becomes unable to serve as Chief, should the next surviving highest vote getter on the ballot serve as an interim Chief until the Wasco people determine the replacement?”

The sitting Agency District representatives, at that time, will make the decision to implement this clause, if the vote affirms this second question.

Tribal Council and staff have asked two Wasco elders to monitor the process at the polls.

The results will be reported to the Agency District representatives to confirm the results.

There were eight nominations, and seven completed the qualifying process to be listed on the ballot as nominees.

The May 1 edition of the Spilyay Tymoo will include the statements of those nominees who have submitted them. If you would like to submit a statement and photograph, please stop by the tribes' Media Center; or email to: david.mcmechan@wstribe.org

At Tribal Council in April

The following are some of the items coming up on the Tribal Council agenda for April (subject to change at Council discretion):

Wednesday, April 17

9 a.m.: Adoption 101 discussion with Lucille Suppach Samson, Vital Statistics, and Raymond Tsumpti, Governmental Affairs.

11: Joint Health Commission discussion with Mike Collins and Caroline Cruz.

Thursday, April 18

11 a.m.: City of Bend signing with Tribal Council, the Memorandum of Understanding.

Monday, April 22

9 a.m.: Legislative Commission on Indian Affairs discussion with Shana McConville Radford, director.

10: Tribal Employment Rights Office discussion with Wendell Jim, Sarah Monkton and the TERO Commission.

11: The Oregon Business Grant Funding opportunity discussion.

Unique water system for new resort pools

At the Kah-Nee-Ta Hot Springs Resort, up to 400 gallons of geothermal water per minute flow from the hot spring, at 128 degrees, to a 54,000-gallon underground reservoir.

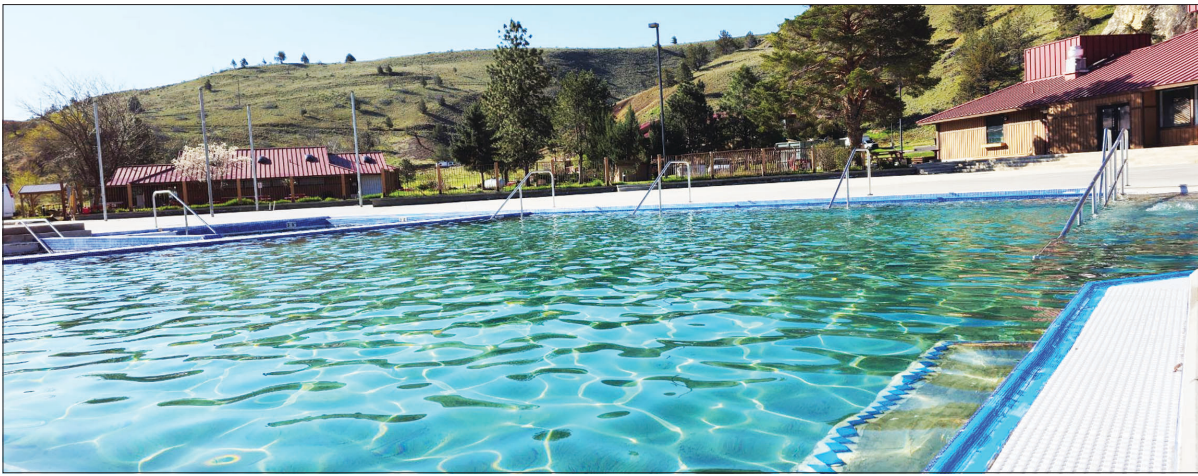
The reservoir is housed beneath the state-of-the-art pools equipment room. The amazing process uses 67 mechanical systems, 19 pumps, 16 filters, and titanium heat exchangers, just an example of the detail that has gone into this work. To further explain the process:

Every hour, the water in the mineral wellness pools is replenished and filtered through the most state-of-the-art cleansing process: The innovation is the use of the AquaFuzion system.

This diffuses oxygen and ozone 'nano bubbles' into the water at a rate of one million microscopic bubbles per minute.

The bubbles provide a natural oxidizer; and when added to water, provide the many health benefits for both the water being treated, and the people in the pools.

The use of ultra-violet lights provides the effective treatment, keeping the water clean without introducing any foreign substance or chemical.



Kah-Nee-Ta Hot Springs Resorts

Regulated to temperatures between 85-108 degrees, the water flows through eight pools.

What's more, the new filtration system at the Kah-Nee-Ta Hot Springs Resort has now been tested, and all the equipment is working perfectly.

Next, the resort developers are planning to apply the highest quality pool finish, called PebbleTec, at the beginning of May, weather permitting.

They will apply this to all of the pools' underwater surface areas.

Once the PebbleTec is on, the pools must be cleaned daily, using a brush and vacuum, for 30 days before they can be used. “The PebbleTec delivers the most beautiful and long-lasting pool finish possible for outdoors,” the resort literature says, adding:

“As we continue to work dili-



New pools are the feature at Kah-Nee-Ta Hot Springs Resort.

gently, we're eagerly anticipating the days we can open up to the public. We're making great strides and we can't wait to unveil the finished product the community.

“Stay tuned for more updates as we progress further. Your support and enthusiasm mean the world to us, and we're excited to share this journey with you.”

Wasco County 2024 Fair and Rodeo Queen

Audriyona Gilbert, 15, a freshman in high school, has already been riding horses for several years, and participating in rodeos and parades since she was 7.

Audriyona is also in her tenth year of ballet, and fifth year of softball.

“I was inspired to try out for Wasco County Queen by my love for riding horses,” she says. “And I want to send a positive message to other Native girls who might be interested in running for Royalty.”

“It is my honor to represent Wasco County at the upcoming parades and rodeos around the Northwest for 2024. I hope to see you at future events!” Audriyona says.

The Wasco County Fair and Rodeo, this year celebrating its 110th year, is coming up the weekend of August 15-18.

The Fair and Rodeo will host the Queen's Coronation Dinner—called *Boots and Suits*—and silent auction on Saturday, April 27 at the Sunshine Mill. The location is 901 East Second Street in The Dalles.

The reception and silent auction start at 4 p.m., dinner is at



2024 Wasco County Fair and Rodeo Queen Audriyona Gilbert.

5, and the silent auction ends at 6.

The dinner buffet is \$30 (please RSVP by April 22); or \$35 at the door. Guests 12 and under are \$15; and 5 and under free. Visiting queens, \$25. Cash is preferred at the door for silent auction items, though app payments with a fee are accepted. For the Boots and Suits event, RSVP by cashapp \$janaiarowe Or Paypal @jairowe

If you have questions please call or text 541-325-2910.



Courtesy Jeneae Frye/Lindy Marie Photography

Marlanea Wagner is the owner of Waunanuba Salon, Spa & Essentials of Redmond. She is also a talented artist whose work is now featured in downtown Redmond. The city Commission for Art in Public Places chose Marlanea's painting for display at Centennial Park, where the commission held the ribbon-cutting last week. Marlanea and husband James' daughter is the subject the painting, very beautiful and now appreciated by all who visit the park.



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