

# Tribes host visit from Governor Kotek

Governor Tina Kotek visited the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs for two days in June. During her visit, she met with Tribal Council, a number of tribal department and enterprise leaders, and community members. "The Confederated Tribes were very gracious hosts, especially with all the Treaty Days activities going on," the Governor said afterward.

"It was a privilege to be present for the ceremony designating Jefferson Greene as the newly elected Wasco Chief. It was wonderful to see the newly renovated Kah-Nee-Ta Resort, and learn more about all the work the Tribe is doing to support their community."

Raymond "Captain" Moody, Tribal Council vice-chair, added, "We're grateful to Gov. Kotek for her visit to the reservation to listen to and learn from members of the Confederated Tribes about the issues that are im-



Gov. Kotek attended the War Bonnet Ceremony for Wasco Chief Jefferson Greene.

portant to us.

"We enjoyed hosting her during the week that marks the anniversary of the Treaty of 1855, a time when we remember and celebrate our

predecessors' aim to preserve our Creator's gifts, our culture and our way of life.

"At this time, as always, we look forward to continuing to be good neighbors as we col-

laborate on the welfare of our region."

The Governor and First Lady Aimee Kotek Wilson started their visit with Tribal Council before touring the

Pelton-Round Butte dams, the largest hydroelectric project within the State of Oregon, co-owned by the Tribes PGE. The tours spurred conversation around the Tribe's dam projects, renewable energy transition efforts, and fish passage efforts.

On the first day, they also spent time learning about the Tribe's public safety services, then toured Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center.

The Governor and staff traveled to Simnasho, stopping at the Three Warriors Market there, and toured the Warm Springs National Fish Hatchery. After dinner they

attended a ceremony designating the newly elected Wasco Chief, Jefferson Greene.

The second day of the visit the Governor and First Lady toured the newly renovated Kah-Nee-Ta Resort, close now to reopening.

The tour spent the rest of that morning visiting the water treatment plant, and met with the Housing Authority, hearing about the Tribes' housing initiatives.

They also toured the Campus area, stopping at the Thursday Market, before visiting the Museum at Warm Springs. The visit to the reservation was part of the Governor's plan to visit all of the nine tribes of Oregon.

## Community notes...

The Culture and Heritage Department is looking for youth ages 13 to 18 interested in attending the Youth Canoe Journey 2024 hosted by the Puyallup Tribe July 31 thru

August 5.

This does not include the Power Paddle to Puyallp, though the youth will be on hand for the landing ceremony, and participate in the various activities during the event. Contact Adrianna at: [Adrianna.switzler@wstribes.org](mailto:Adrianna.switzler@wstribes.org) Or call her at 541-460-2336.

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Fishing Safety and Supplies	Health and Healthy Food Access	Regional Services	Tribal, State, and Federal Programs
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## Community notes...

Friends of Baseball, NARA and Warm Springs Prevention are co-sponsoring a one-day Jefferson County **Baseball and Softball Clinic** for players age 10 and over who are ready to improve their skills. There is no cost, and spots are limited.

It's this Saturday, July 13. Pre-registration opens at 9:30 a.m. for ages 10-12; and their clinic is from 10 a.m. until noon.

Registration for players 13 and up opens at 12:30 p.m.; and their clinic is from 1-3 p.m. For more information contact Andy Leonard at [andy.leonard@wstribes.org](mailto:andy.leonard@wstribes.org).

A **Women's Crafting Circle** meets this Wednesday, July 10 at the Papatxsimisha office, located at 1142 Warm Springs Street. All women are welcome to bring their own craft and spend time with others at one or both sessions. Meetings are from noon to 2 and from 5:30-7:30.

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