

## Letters to the editor

### Master's Graduate!



#### Friends and Family,

Raymond C. Tsumpti Jr. is a University of Oklahoma, Master of Legal Studies Graduate, focusing on Indigenous Peoples Law, Class of 2024.

Mr. Tsumpti has also been selected as a graduate student for Liberty University's Doctor of Law and Policy program.

Raymond Tsumpti, SSG USA (ret.)

And sponsors Cyrille Mitchell, Lori Mitchell, Lupe Katchia, Rodney Katchia, and John Katchia Sr. Thank you all for the hard work during the powwow weekend.

Already for next year, Thank you Dad, Arthur T. Mitchel and Atwaii Isaac Mitchell. I hope I did half as good as you guys did set-

ting the foundation for me to follow.

I love love love you all and thank you for supporting the powwow.

**Gorky Mitchell.**

### At Simnasho

Quilts Coffee House in Simnasho is having a Tattoo Party and Concert featuring

Annie Humphrey and David Huckfelt on Thursday, July 25. The tattoo party is at noon and concert at 7 p.m. Admission is \$5 per person and vendors are welcome.

### Summer meals

The Jefferson County School District's free **Summer Meals** for Kids pro-

gram runs through mid August at the Warm Springs Academy.

Breakfast is served from 8:30-9 a.m. and lunch 11:30 until noon.

Meals are open to all kids 18 and younger. No enrollment is required. This institution is an equal opportunity provider. No grab and go, or parent meal pick up.

## Always improving with Warm Springs OSU Extension

The Oregon State University Extension 4-H program in Warm Springs has expanded over the past year.

Tracy Wilson changed positions to become Assistant Professor of 4-H Youth Development and Community Food Systems. Sara Olson also changed positions and is now the 4-H program assistant. John Brunoe remains the program coordinator for 4-H garden education.

What is 4-H? Over 100 years ago, 4-H began as a way for new agricultural developments to be shared with young people in rural communities, ensuring all Americans have the opportunity to benefit from the research conducted by their public universities. Building community clubs to help solve agricultural challenges was a first step toward youth learning more about the industries in their community.

Today, Oregon 4-H continues this legacy by creating educational opportunities for kids across Oregon. Oregon State University is one of only three land, sea, space and sun grant universities in the United States. So today, Oregon 4-H'ers can learn about agriculture, animal science, rocketry, robotics, entomology, honey bees, forestry, art, conservation, and more. We believe everybody deserves access to an education that transforms their lives.

Many people are familiar with 4-H's project-based clubs, where kids get together with others in their community and learn about specific things they're interested in, like raising dairy goats or backyard chickens.

Youth can also join a Community Club, where they can get to know 4-H explore different projects that spark their interest. These are especially fun for Cloverbuds (4-H'ers ages 5-8). Cloverbuds aren't old enough to work with large animals or compete on their own, but there are plenty of ways they can learn and get involved.

The new 4-H year starts each year on October 1, but youth can join anytime by finding a local club that is accepting new members. Reach out to the Warm Springs Extension office for more information and to be connected with local club leaders.

Since the beginning of the 2023-24 school year, the 4-H program has been able to offer after school programming to all grade lev-

els at the Warm Springs K8 Academy. These classes focused on building skills like cooking and kitchen safety, teamwork, fishing, water safety, gardening, arts and crafts, and more.

Two clubs have formed from these afterschool lessons. Culture Club focuses on making cultural items and the Fishing Club which focuses on teaching youth water safety and sustainable fishing practices. Both clubs are led by community volunteers.

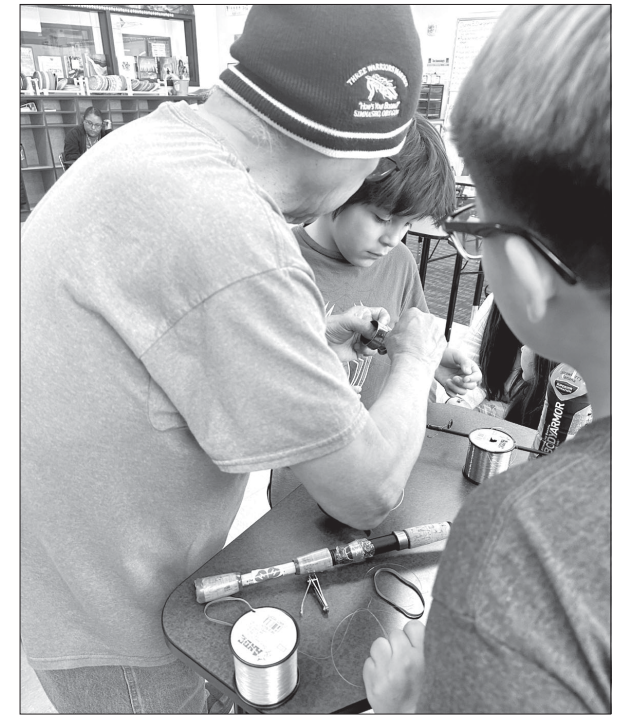
Moving into summer, 4-H will be at the weekly Thursday Markets with fun

kids' activities and information on our programs. Stop by and say hello!

The 4-H program focuses on positive youth development and relies on community volunteers to lead clubs.

If you are interested in being part of helping youth to find their individual spark and setting them up for success, please contact either Tracy Wilson at: [tracy.wilson@oregonstate.edu](mailto:tracy.wilson@oregonstate.edu)

Or Sara Olson at: [sara.olson@oregonstate.edu](mailto:sara.olson@oregonstate.edu)



OSU Extension Youth Fishing lesson with Frank Smith (right); and Moccasin Making With Eileen.



OSU Extension photos/Sara Olson

## Hood to Coast

The Hood to Coast Team 2024 is hosting a raffle to help with this year's event. Items include a sewing machine, a flatscreen TV, a pillow set, Walmart gift cards, a ribbon shirt, a ribbon skirt, flowered design bag, \$200 cash. Other items: \$150 cash, \$100 cash, \$75 cash and \$50 cash, Fred Meyer gift cards, an outdoor packable blanket, an oven mitt and pot holder; and other items.

Tickets are \$1 or six for \$5. The drawing will be on July 27, need not be present to win. See Shayla Stwyer, Val Squiemph, Angolo George, Annette McCabe and Deklyn Parton for your tickets. Team members are Monica Sampson, Jeston Leonard, Brody Leonard, Keith Charley, Angelo George, Shana Radford, Fanny Hollingshead, Julian Stwyer, Deklyn Parton and Tammy Ayer. **Val Squiemphen.**

## A thank you

Hello,  
I'm Gorkey Mitchell, chairman of the Pi-Ume-Sha Treaty Days Powwow, our tribes' Treaty signing of Warm Springs, Wasco and Paiute Confederated Tribes of Oregon and the United States of America.

I would like to thank our sponsors: Caroline Cruz, Children's Protective Services staff, DMJ Auto, Warm Springs Power and Water Enterprise, and Indian Head

Casino. If I left any off, I apologize.

I would also like to thank all the vendors who paid their fees, and to those who haven't we do have a list of how many years you may have not yet paid.

I would also like to thank Utilities for setting up and taking down of the grounds. And thank you to the Community Center staff who opened up and monitored the showers from 6 to 10 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Thank you to the Queen candidates and the two who were crowned as the 2024-2025 Queens.

Thank you Powwow Committee: Carlos Calica, vice chairman and emcee; treasurers Cyrille Mitchell and Arthur Mitchell. And thank you to the vendors-Queen candidates, Sharon Katchia and Rayanne Santanus.

And to judges Lena Ike, Natasha DeBiao, Cyrille Mitchell, Sharon Katchia, Sarah Gonzales, Jaimie Smith and Rosie Tom. And to Mackey Begay, Gary Smith, Jefferson Greene, Preston Tom and Mitchel Laura, Gary Villa.

Outgoing queens all around judges, Elfreda Mitchell, Marcella Tish Martinez, Lena Ike, Natasha DeBiao, Whitney Jackson and Sharon Katchia.

Isaac Stewart Mitchell Memorial Round bustle Special: All the boys who grew up with Isaac-Arthur Mitchell, Rodney Mitchell, Gary Smith and myself. And his two daughters, Natalie Grabe and Verna Mitchell.



## Wishes...

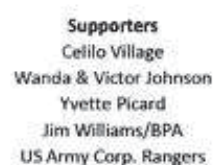
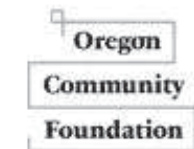
Happy Birthday to Belatet Salvador, June Li, Love Auntie Buck. And Happy Birthday to Jole Johnson, Love Laura Robinson. And Happy birthday July 29 to TattaBoy, Rex, Love Auntie.

Happy Birthday to Laura Johnson, 'Missy.' Love, Laura Robinson.

And hello to all my immediate family and dear friends. With much love and many prayers, Laura Edna Johnson.

## Commodities

Warm Springs Commodities is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to noon, and 1-4 p.m. Commodities provides fresh fruits and vegetables, healthy meats, pastas and other healthy food. To apply, stop by the Commodities warehouse located at the Industrial Park.



## Canoe Family Mid-Columbia River Tribes Canoe Journey 2024

TENTATIVE

- July 14<sup>th</sup> Arrive at Celilo Village, OR
- July 15<sup>th</sup> Arrive at Avery Canoe Landing, WA
- July 16<sup>th</sup> Remain at Celilo Village, OR
- July 17<sup>th</sup> Arrive at Wascopum, Hood River, OR
- July 18<sup>th</sup> Arrive at Wascopum, Cascade Locks, OR
- July 19<sup>th</sup> Arrive at CT of Grand Ronde, Fairview, OR
- July 20<sup>th</sup> Arrive at Cowlitz Indian Tribe, Vancouver, WA
- July 21<sup>st</sup> Arrive at Lummi Indian Nation
- July 22<sup>nd</sup> - July 24<sup>th</sup> Remain at Lummi Indian Nation
- July 25<sup>th</sup> Arrive at Samish Indian Nation
- July 26<sup>th</sup> Arrive at Swinomish Tribal Community
- July 27<sup>th</sup> Arrive at Tulalip Tribes
- July 28<sup>th</sup> Arrive at Suquamish Tribe
- July 29<sup>th</sup> Arrive at Muckleshoot
- July 30<sup>th</sup> - Arrive at Owens Beach
- July 31<sup>st</sup> - August 5<sup>th</sup> Puyallup Tribe of Indians



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