

Letters to the editor

Fond farewell

Dear Warm Springs community,

Due to personal circumstances, I will be leaving the clinic near the end of August to move back to my home in Missouri. This decision was not easy, as I have come to love Central Oregon and particularly the people of Warm Springs.

I am honored to have been allowed to care for you over these past five years and will cherish the things you have taught me.

Working with my patients and my co-workers has been one of the greatest experiences of my life and has instilled in me a new respect and love for you all. I will miss you all tremendously and I hope that fate might steer me back to care for your strong, resilient, and beautiful community in the future. Fondly,

Corinne Smith, Family Nurse Practitioner.

(Please note: Patients assigned to Corinne Smith have a temporary provider assigned until her replacement is hired. Please contact the clinic scheduling desk, 541-553-2610 with any questions or needs.)

Back to School

The 2024 Back to School Barbecue is coming up this month, on Thursday, August 29 at the Warm Springs Academy. The barbecue, supplies and resources fair, and new school year introductions will be from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Academy.

Here are some other important 509-J district dates coming up, as the start of school is less than a month away:

Wednesday, September 4: First day of school, grades 1-5, sixth-graders and ninth

graders.

Thursday, September 5: First day of school, seventh- and eighth-graders, and grades 10-12.

Then on Monday, September will be late-start Monday.

The district has a late start to the school day every Monday in order to provide the teaching team members time for ongoing job-embedded professional development.

School will start 90 minutes later than usual on Mondays throughout the school year.

Making ribbon skirts for show

A Ribbon Skirt Making class is offered Thursday and Friday, August 23-25 for young people ages 14-24.

Participants will tell their stories on their ribbon skirt, and show it at a fashion show in Bend in October. All materials will be provided.

In addition to the three days of class, there will be a designing class on Thursday, August 15 and shopping day on Monday, August 19. You must commit to attend all classes.

To sign up contact Waurica Miller by email at: millerwaurica@gmail.com

Birth

Salena Lorryne Andrade

Juan Andrade Jr. and Shirlee Spino of Warm Springs are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Salena Lorryne Andrade, born on July 12, 2024.

Grandparents on the mother's side are Reona Trimble of Warm Springs, and Martin Spino of Warm Springs.

4-H show at the Jefferson County Fair



Courtesy Candy Wood

Bailey Reese, 12 of Warm Springs, is with the Lyle Gap 4-H. At the fair market this year she was showing her pig Remi.



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The Lyle Gap 4-H group at the fair this year were Arellie Scott, who showed a market goat; Bailey Reese, in her fourth year with 4-H; Keria Saldana, also in her fourth year with 4-H; and Peyton Cortazar, in her first year with 4-H at the fair. Great work, Lyle Gap 4-H team!

Memorial

Norman A. Nathan, in Memory of his twelfth year in Heaven, August 8, 1937-July 18, 2024.

You are missed every day, You are remembered every day. It is lonely without you, But love for you never ends.

Pet clinic

First Nations Veterinary and Fences for Fido will hold the final **Warm Springs spay-neuter clinic** of the year during Labor Day Weekend.

It's for dogs and cats. All pets must be between 2 months and 5 years old, weigh 60 pounds or less and live within the boundary of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

There is no cost for services. The Warm Springs spay-neuter clinic will be Saturday and Sunday, August 31 and September 1 at the Agency Fire Station. Online registration is preferred at: firstnationsvet.com-warm-springs-nation

Or you can call 503-451-0765.

Native artist featured at Bend museum

The art exhibit *Rick Bartow: Animal Kinship*, by one of Oregon's most celebrated artists, will open September 20 at the High Desert Museum.

The artist Rick Bartow was of the Mad River Band of the Wiyot Tribe. Mr. Bartow passed away in 2016. He was born in Newport, where his family's roots run deep. He grew up with close ties to the Siletz community.

Though he traveled the world extensively in his lifetime, Bartow always returned to his family's coastal home, and it was here that he eventually became one of the Northwest's best-known and most celebrated artists.

Rick Bartow's diverse experiences enabled him to incorporate traditional Native themes and images into contemporary works that connect us with both the past and present issues facing Native nations. Bartow, through paintings, prints, or sculptures, is a master of the art of expressing his voice and contributing to the legacy of Native art and culture," said re-



Bear with Humor by Rick Bartow



Painting by the artist.

Animal Kinship is an exhibition from the collections of Jordan D. Schnitzer and His Family Foundation.

The upcoming show is also the third art exhibition in a yearlong series of collaboration with the Jordan Schnitzer Family Foundation exploring the complex relationships between humans, animals and the world we share.

The first was Andy Warhol's *Endangered Species*, followed by *Near, Far, Gone*, which is open now through September 8.

Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)

Warm Springs Housing Authority (WSHA) partnered with Warm Springs Behavioral Health Center (WSBHC) to develop the Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Endeavor. PSH will provide affordable housing with tenant support services. There are 10, one bedroom units and 2, two bedroom family units with a maximum occupancy of 4.

Criteria Needed to be Considered are as follows:

- 1.) Must be an Enrolled Member of Warm Springs (CTWS)
- 2.) Must be Chronically Homeless and referred by WSBHC
Homeless Definition is as follows; homeless and lives in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter continuously for at least one year or on at least four separate occasions in the last 3 years.
- 3.) Must be diagnosed with one or more of the following conditions: Substance Use Disorder, Serious Mental Illness, Developmental Disabilities or Chronic Physical Illness or Disability
- 4.) Must meet income eligibility guidelines and can provide proof of income (Examples: TANF, SNAP, SSD, SSI, Child Support, G.A., ETC)

Applications are available at Warm Springs Behavioral Health Center

541-553-3205 or 541-675-5481

Please come in or call for any questions
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Confluence Filmmaker Fellow

Seven talented Indigenous storytellers were chosen as Confluence Filmmaker Fellows.

Thanks to a generous grant from Oregon Film, Confluence supports Indigenous filmmakers in achieving their visions through cash awards and new film equipment, helping them take their craft to the next level.

LaRonn Katchia is among the Confluence Filmmaker Fellows. Mr. Katchia is a Warm Springs-Wasco-Paiute filmmaker and storyteller from the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

His passion, dedication,



LaRonn Katchia

and love for film derive from his Indigenous teachings and lived experience as a tribal member. His films contain a unique, impactful and powerful approach to narrative and documentary storytelling. **Confluence project.**

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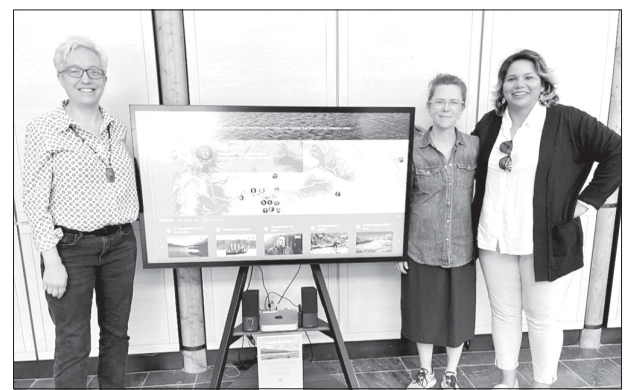
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For Voices of the River



Confluence

Oregon Gov. Tina Kotek; Confluence program manager Courtney Yilk; and Oregon Director of Tribal Affairs Shana McConville Radford; and below, Gov. Kotek and Museum at Warm Springs executive director Elizabeth Woody.

Thank you to Governor Tina Kotek and Oregon Director of Tribal Affairs Shana McConville Radford for spending time with our *Voices of the River* digital exhibit.

And a special Thank You to Museum at Warm Springs director and Confluence board member Elizabeth Woody. Thank you also to the Museum at Warm Springs for hosting our display.

Voices of the River is a story-driven digital display that amplifies Columbia River Indigenous knowledge and love for the river



to motivate visitors to connect and care for it too.

You can find it at the Museum at Warm Springs, the Hood River History Museum, and, soon, more locations around the region.

Courtney Yilk, Confluence program manager.