

### Cannabis vote requires one-third turnout

Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs tribal member voters are asked to participate in a Cannabis referendum on June 16, the question being:

“Shall the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation authorize the Tribal Council to:

“Allow, license, regulate and operate a Tribally-owned retail sales facility to be located on-reservation and/or on-trust land for sales of marijuana and related products for the legal possession and use of small quantities of marijuana by adults 21 years of age or older on reservation? Shall the resolution be approved? Yes or No.”

There is a voter turnout requirement for the Cannabis referendum vote to be valid.

## JUNE CANNABIS 16 REFERENDUM

8am - 8pm Warm Springs Community Center

Voting YES is a vote for:

- A Cannabis Retail store on the Reservation and/or Trust Land
- Legalizing On-Reservation Possession and Use for adults 21 or older



1232 VOTES NEEDED OR 1/3 OF ELIGIBLE VOTERS for the VOTE to COUNT

Specifically, there is a need for one-third of tribal eligible voters to cast ballots.

With 3,696 voters at this time, 1,232 votes are needed for the referendum outcome to count.

The Cannabis referendum voting will take place at the Warm Springs Community Center from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. on June 16.

### Thursday Market starts in June

The Warm Springs Thursday Market will be operating again this summer at the Campus Pavilion, starting June 12 and running through mid-September.

The weekly event runs Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. until 2 p.m., featuring the distribution of 30 Fresh Harvest kits from the High Desert Food and Farm Alliance. Each kit includes a bag of locally grown fresh produce.

Additional vendors include locals selling value added food items, beadwork and jewelry, art and clothing. Programs set up booths to share information and offer free items. OSU Extension typically has a recipe and taste testing.

Set-up is free and open to anyone in the community. The event is coordinated by KWSO and the Warm Springs Community Action Team.

### Sentinel forest and timber sale project

The Warm Springs Branch of Natural Resources is accepting comments regarding the Sentinel Forest Vegetation Management and Timber Sale Project.

The project proposes a commercial timber harvest of about 20 million board feet across 1,475 acres in a southwest section of the Warm Springs Reservation.

### Ballots are in the mail for the May 20 Special District Election

The Jefferson County Clerk's Office this week mailed out the ballots for the Special District Election coming up on May 20. In the Warm Springs precinct, no. 14, there are 1,508 registered voters, clearly enough to make a difference in the outcome of some questions.



Two positions on the library district board are also on the ballot.

For the May 20 vote, there is one position up for election for the Jefferson County School District 509-J, with Laurie Danzuka running unopposed. Other items:

#### Madras Aquatic Center

There are two questions regarding the Aquatic Center. One of the questions asks whether the existing MAC recreation district should be dissolved.

The future of the Madras Aquatic Center and Madras Aquatic Center Recreation District are on the ballot; and a bond measure proposal for improvements to the Jefferson County Library District services.

The current level of funding for the existing district is insufficient to sustain the operations, while state law does not permit the district electors to increase the current permanent tax rate. However, if the existing district is dissolved, a new district could be formed with a new funding structure.

The Library District Measure asks whether the district shall issue \$20.4 million in general obligation bonds. If the library bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property in the district.

And the second question regarding the MAC and recreation district is whether a new district should be formed, replacing the current one, if it is dissolved in the election. The ballot also includes positions on the Madras Aquatic Center Board of Districts. Other special district positions up for election: Central Oregon Community College, and the Jefferson County Education Service District.

If approved, the bonds would finance capital costs for construction, expansion, renovating, furnishing and equipping library facilities. Improvements and additions would be a new multipurpose room, meeting room, study spaces, spaces for children, teens and adults, work areas for staff, and an outdoor courtyard.



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**Friday May 23**

Host Drum  
**Invited Drum WILD ROSE**



Dinner - 5:00  
Grand Entry - 5:30  
Welcome Invitation

- Intertribals
- Social dances
- "Honoring Our Elders" Song
- "Honoring our Seniors" song

Specials sponsored by: WSCAT & Miss Warm Springs

- \* Boys Grass Dance (all ages)  
Winner: grass dance outfit (youth size)
- \* Girls Jingle Dress (all ages)  
Winner: Jingle dress (youth size)
- \* "Plain clothes"

Youth MCs

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**EJ DENNY**



Mentor MC **CARLOS CALICA**  
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