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# Data shows covid contagion rates

The tribal organization is set to re-open on Monday, August 17.

Tribal Council and the Warm Springs Covid-19 Response Team plan to meet this Friday to review and further discuss this matter.

In late July and early August, Council and the Response Team were considering re-opening the organization this week; however, further testing then showed an increase to more than 70 active Covid-19 cases on the reservation.

Council and the team then agreed another week of closure was in order.

Some good news this week is the number of active cases fell by about half from the early August high of the more than 70.

The current number is still high, though more manageable, said Caroline Cruz, general manager of Health and Human Services, and Response Team member.

#### Data graphics

A series of compelling graphics, produced by Warm Springs health experts and management, help to tell the story of the incidence of the coronavirus on the reservation. The following are some of the findings from the compilation of this critical public health data.

The numbers reflect the situation at the end of July and into early August. According to the data: By far the most likely place that people on the reservation have contracted the virus is through the household (see page 7 graphic).

The second most likely place of contagion is while visiting at gatherings.

The third most likely place is listed as "unknown." And by far the least common place to contract the virus is at the work place.

This could be attributed to the shut-downs since late March; and the many precautions-distancing, masks and plexiglass dividers, temperature taking, cleaning and sanitizing-adopted at tribal places of work.

Most people on the reservation who have contracted the virus were listed as 'Not working.'

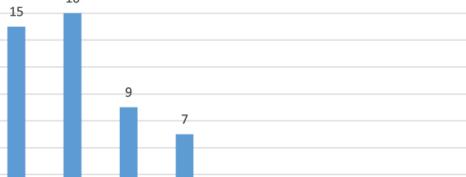
#### Cases by week, by age

According to the data: The number of cases by week-based on Health and Wellness Center testing-steadily increased from the week of June 15 to the week of July 20, then went down during the week of July 27. Specifically:

The week of June 15: Five cases. The week of June 22: Fourteen cases. The week of June 29: Sixteen cases. The week of July 6: Twenty-one cases.

Please see COVID-19 on 7

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# **Comprehensive** Distance Learning for 509-J schools

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If a household has no internet,

longer possible in Jefferson County,

# Water notice continues for now,

the state, Jefferson County 509-J will begin the 2020-21 school year using Comprehensive Distance Learning. Because of the coronavirus, there will be no onsite teaching at least for the first six weeks of the new school year.

State health metrics leave Comprehensive Distance Learing as the only teaching alternative available, at least for the start of the year. This is true of all or all but one of the other districts in Oregon.

School will start on the Tuesday after Labor Day, September 8. The week before will be an orientation time: This is an opportunity for students and families to become familiar with the Comprehensive Distance Learning approach.

This approach will be more involved and intensive than the distance learning employed during final months of last spring term, when all the schools initially closed.

This fall term there will be time during which the teachers and students will meet for face-to-face learning, though conducted virtually and online.

To ensure equity, the district has acquired many Chromebook devices that will be distributed to students and families who have no home computer. Students can then access the lessons online.

this would be provided through access to a hotspot, at a cell tower. This would accommodate nearly all of the district households. A solution will be developed for the very rural households that have no cell tower service.

The daily lessons would be accessed live with the teacher and students in virtual classrooms. Lessons may also be accessed later through digital video. Some aspects are being worked out as the new school year approaches.

In March of last year the district had to end on-site learning with almost no warning. This fall the learning sessions will be more intensive and comprehensive, as the district teachers and other staff have since gained much greater experience and training, said Ken Parshall, superintendent.

An idea earlier this summer was for the district to employ the 'hybrid' option as outlined by the state. This would have allowed students and families to choose either on-site learning or Comprehensive Distance Learning.

In the meantime the state—the governor's office, Oregon Department of Education and Oregon Health Authority-established new health metrics. By these metrics, the on-site learning option is no

as with other district in the state.

Specifically, an on-site learning health metric would require a Covid-19 positivity test rate of 2 percent for three consecutive weeks. In the 509-J district the current rate is 17 percent; so there is far to go in meeting the standard. The positivity test rate is one of the health metrics that apply.

Some districts are already planning for the entire 2020-21 to be under the Comprehensive Distance Learning model. "We're not ready to go that far," Mr. Parshall said.

Instead, as the year progresses, the district will develop its on-site learning model. This will require far more planning, as the on-site standards are more complex, due to obvious health and safety factors.

If the district at some point meets the health metrics, or if the metrics themselves were to change, the district could then implement the on-site or the hybrid plan.

The district is updating families every Thursday evening on the latest developments.

Listen to KWSO 91.9 FM at noon this Friday, August 14 for a talk show featuring superintendent Parshall, Warm Springs Academy Principal Bambi VanDyke, and Madras High School Principal Brian Crook.

# work complete

The Shitike Creek crossing water line replacement was completed this past weekend.

The boil water notice remains in effect, though, for the Agency area until the required samples are completed and reviewed by the EPA.

Water conservation efforts are still needed as the water tanks recover. The Water Distribution Center is closed until further notice.

Meanwhile, progress was noted on a potential federal funding source for a long-term reservation water line solution.

The pending federal legislation is the the Western Tribal Water Infrastructure Act, a proposed addition to America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018.

This bill is sponsored by Oregon's U.S. Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley.

If adopted by the full Congress and signed into law, the act would provide an additional \$20- to \$30 million for safe drinking water projects to Western tribes.

The Confederated Tribes' water crisis last year was an inspiration for this bill: The current water crisis on the reservation has helped move the bill forward, as the situation was made worse by the pandemic.

And also meanwhile, Oregon lawmakers this summer approved more than \$3.5 million in emergency water system repair funding to the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

The Oregon Legislature Emergency Board unanimously approved the expenditure from state reserves.

The money passes through the Oregon Business Development Department to the tribal government. The funding must be used by the end of the year.

The aid request originated with Rep. Daniel Bonham, R-The Dalles, whose district encompasses the reservation.



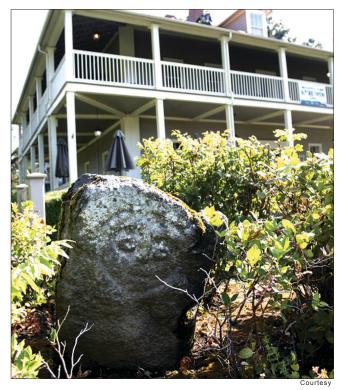
# Ancient petroglyphs moving closer home

 $\mathrm{T}$ wo petroglyphs located outside the historic Grant House near Fort Vancouver will soon return closer to their place of origin. The petroglyphs are believed to be up to 10,000 years old.

The ancient works were carved by artists from the Native American tribes who lived by the Columbia River Gorge, in an area near what is now The Dalles-Ceded homelands of the Wasco and Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

The relocation project will see that the two petroglyphs move to the Columbia Hills Historical State Park this fall. The project is a partnership among the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Yakama Nation, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla and the Nez Perce Tribe, plus the city of Vancouver, Clark County Historical Society, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

The petroglyphs for now sit covered in lichen, and surrounded by foliage on the lawn of the Grant House



The petroglyphs show heads, though the underlying interpretation remains a mystery lost to time.

Eatery. "They don't belong to us. They belong to the tribes," said Kerry Peck, a support specialist for Vancouver's Art, Culture and Heritage Commission.

In the 1950s the U.S. government approved construction of the Dalles Dam. This would flood

tribal sites and the tribal art. At the time an excavation effort led by the tribes, in conjunction with the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry, recovered around 40 petroglyphs before the dam flooded the area in 1957.

Most of the recovered works are already gathered

at Columbia Hills Historical State Park in a permanent outdoor display called Tamani Pesh-Wa, or Written on the Rock.'

Weighing in at about 2 and one-half tons apiece, the two petroglyphs at the Grant House arrived in Vancouver in 1957 as a donation.

The patrogplyphs depict a head—but the exact meaning remains a mystery, lost to time.

Both of these works came from Spedis Valley, just upstream of what would eventually be The Dalles Dam.

According to Liz Oliver, an archaeologist for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, representatives from the city and the Clark County Historical Society a few years ago approached the Corps with a request to return the petroglyphs to their place of origin.

The Columbia River Gorge Commission approved the project application in July. The petroglyphs will join the other works on display as part of Tamani Pesh-Wa, along with a new 200-foot dry-stack wall to protect the installation.

share your experiences and have fun with it.

Also in the meantime if you have questions, or want to connect with me directly, feel free to email travis@videodads.com

# W.S. Covid update

For the health and safety of the tribal community, Tribal Council has ordered the closure of the organization at least through this week.

#### **Reservation testing numbers**

The following are the updated Covid-19 testing figures for the reservation and membership, as of earlier this week:

The Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center has sent in or tested 2,266 total samples. Of the total, there were 1,997 negative results, with 42 tests pending, as of Tuesday morning.

There have been 212 total positive cases. Twentytwo people have been hospitalized due to the virus. Seventeen were discharged. One-hundred seventysix people have recovered.

There have been four deaths directly attributed to the virus.

The testing lab is taking one- to two days to provide the results. The maximum daily capacity for rapid tests is 20 to 22.

As of earlier this week, five members remained hospitalized, with two on ventilators.

Most recently there were an estimated 36 active cases on the reservation, done from more than 70 two weeks ago.

Since Health and Wellness began testing in March, the positivity rate has been an average of 9.3 percent. The center has tested approximately 40.1 percent of the total user population.

An critical reminder from the Tribal Council:

If you are positive with the coronavirus, the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs expects you to be responsible and isolate yourself.

If a person on the reservation does not comply with the tribal guarantine, isolation, community heath and safety laws-thereby putting the safety of others in jeopardy-then tribal Ordinance 101 allows the detention of that person.

The Tribal Council and the Warm Springs Covid-19 Response team ask you to please continue the use of face coverings, social distancing and hand hygiene.

Talk to your family about refraining from gatherings, especially with non-immediate family who live outside of your immediate household.



'Coming Home' blog with KWSO

by Travis Gilmour Coming Home—Warm Springs

You have likely heard the folks at KWSO talking about a new project called Coming Home—Warm Springs.

This is a part of a nationwide grant, funded by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

The aim is to tell stories in our country's rural areas.

Sue Matters at KWSO and I have been working together for a few years to find a project like this that would be a good fit for Warm Springs. And, being who we are, we wanted to do it a little differently.



Our "pitch" to the funders, and now to you, is maybe deceptively simple: What if-rather than bringing in folks from other places to tell the stories in Warm Springs-we invested our energies into you the people who call this home?

What if we worked to give you the skills, the tools, and the space to tell your own stories? And what if we could identify the group of people with stories to tell, and let them take the lead?

The way we're moving forward with our plan, for now at least, will take place on the KWSO website.

I'll be writing a series of articles that describe many of the key elements of the 'how to' in learning and growing as a filmmaker and digital storyteller.

Many of the essential qualities you need to be successful at this-curiosity, a desire to know and learn and help your community, deep knowledge of the place you call home-you already have.

As folks start to get interested and engaged, we'll work to expand it in a more interactive way. We'll find a path together to learn the tools, skills and techniques you can use to build your ability to identify stories, plan how you can tell the story, and actually produce a finished product.

ting this information together in one place-online at kwso.org-we can create a roadmap for expanding this project together.

some of your story ideas into meaningful professional quality videos for you, your family, the community, and people who may never even

# Governor's Arts Award recipient

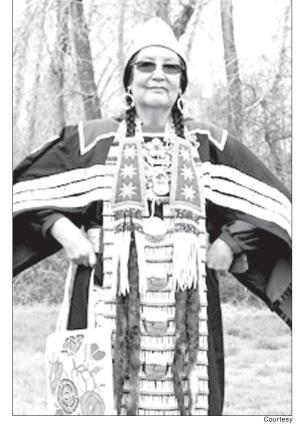
Roberta J. Kirk, traditional artist and educator from Warm Springs, is one of the recipients of the 2020 Governor's Arts Awards.

Ms. Kirk was honored for her volunteer work teaching apprentices beadwork, and the beliefs and ceremonies that make the beadwork meaningful.

She has taught countless women how to do beadwork and dentalium work for regalia and everyday clothing, and she has conducted several workshops on Plateau dress-making.

Roberta also serves as a traditional food gatherer for the Simnasho Longhouse.

The Governor's Arts Award is Oregon's highest honor for exemplary service to the arts. This year it will be celebrated during a virtual ceremony on September 12 on the Oregon Arts Commission Facebook page. The ceremony is open to the public.



Roberta Kirk, artist of Warm Springs

"The awards are a great way to celebrate Oregon's artistic treasures and honor the impact they have had on our state," said Governor Brown said. Here is an artist's statement from a previous Oregon Folklife Network feature:

Roberta is Wasco and Warm Springs on her mother's side, and Dine' on her father's side.

She is a traditional food gatherer for the Simnasho Longhouse. This includes digging for the Root Feast and picking huckleberries for the Huckleberry Feast.

She studied museology and three-dimensional arts at the Institute of American Indian Arts, Sante Fe in the 1980s.

She worked in museum related areas for several years, and then with the Confederated Tribes as the Native American Graves Repatriation Act coordinator.

She has worked with Museum at Warm Springs, and with the National Museum of the American Indian as a museum specialist. She oversaw the traditional care component of the museum's collection.

# New 2020-21 school activities calendar

# Some discretion with local districts

The Oregon School Activities Association—the OSAA—shifted its traditional fall sports season contests to begin in March. The OSAA executive board approved the calendar last week.

The board also voted to waive current out-of-season coaching policies to allow for student participation during the fall.

Participation will be at the discretion of the local school district in those activities allowed per directives from the governor's office, the Oregon Health Authority, "The board recognized that a one-size fits all approach isn't what's best for students across the state.

"By waiving policy to allow regional participation this fall, local school districts will have the discretion for participation in those areas that are able to do so safely per state directives."

The OSAA executive board took this action following the early August release of school re-opening health metrics by the governor's office and the OHA.

These metrics will result in nearly all OSAA member high schools starting in a Comprehensive Distance Learning-CDL-format this fall, which presents challenges for the resumption of school activities. Shifting the season calendar later in the school year provides additional time for more schools to return to a hybrid or on-site learning format, while providing flexibility for local school districts to make decisions this fall that are best for their school communities, as health metrics and state guidance in this area continue to develop.

The OSAA's new calendar provides for three distinct seasons from late December to late June with limited overlap between seasons.

Traditional winter activities will take place in January and February—season 2—; followed by fall activities in March and April season 3—; with spring activities occurring in May and June—season 4. Each season will feature an equitable seven-week regular season, with adjusted contest limitations, followed by an OSAA August 31 in season 1, where policies restricting out-of-season coaching have been removed.

This allows member school students and coaches—at the discretion of the local school district to participate in any OSAAsanctioned activity permitted by directives from the governor's office, state Health Authority and Education.

This participation may include conditioning, practices and interscholastic competitions in those permitted activities provided schools adhere to OSAA policies.

The OSAA will continue to work with the governor's

# Burn ban in effect

A reservation burn ban is in effect due to extreme fire danger conditions.

With dry fuel conditions and persistent drought, and potential lack of

water for fire suppression, it is critical to take precautions to help protect people, property and resources.

All outside agricultural and residential burning is not allowed—

including weed burning and burn barrels. Outdoor camp fires are also not permitted during the ban.

Ceremonial and traditional fires are exempt.

Warm Springs Fire Management is not issuing any burn permits at this time.

#### Services available during closure

Essential tribal services are operating this week.

Tribal Council for now has set Monday, August 17 as the potential re-opening date for the rest of the organization.

Meanwhile, Warm Springs Credit has their drive through and ATM lobby open weekdays, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Warm Springs Housing

#### is open weekdays from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Or call 541-553-3250.

Warm Springs Victims of Crime Services can be reached for anyone in need through Police dispatch at 541-553-1171.

The 509-J school district **Summer Meal Program** for youth 1-18 years of age offers free, grab-and-go meals, on weekdays through the summer.

### House for sale

**For Sale:** A four bedroom, two bath newly remodeled home in the Sunnyside Subdivision.

It is fenced and move-in ready. Contact Lori Fuentes or Carlos Calica at the Tribal Credit Enterprise for information or to set up a time to tour the home. 541-553-3201.







and the Oregon Department of Education.

"Today's decisions by the executive board provide a framework to maximize the potential opportunity for students in Oregon to participate in three seasons during the 2020-21 school year," said Peter Weber, OSAA executive director.

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culminating week.

Specific plans for culminating week events will be developed in conjunction with member schools in the coming months in alignment with large group gathering guidelines issued by the state.

The OSAA association year will officially begin on

office, OHA and ODE, along with our Sports Medicine Advisory Committee, to provide information to member schools.

Guidance from these entities continues to evolve, along with the pandemic itself, and will impact future OSAA decisions regarding the 2020-21 school year.

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### Letters to the editor

#### Contact tracing

Warm Springs public health nurses continue to contact trace for positive cases of Covid-19.

In some instances they are not able to determine where a person contracted the coronavirus, or they are still doing contact tracing.

Recent numbers, from late July, show that 18 percent of active cases were listed as unknown as to where the person was exposed. It was determined that:

Forty-nine percnet were exposed to Covid-19 in their own household:

Thirty-one percent were exposed to Covid-19 at a gathering or visiting people; and only 2 percent were exposed in the workplace.

More data is being compiled to give a more in-depth picture of the positive cases in Warm Springs. Also as of late July:

Of the active cases in the community, 61 percent were 29 years old or younger.

Although younger people are less likely to have preexisting conditions, and may or may not be symptomatic, it's important to remember how easily this coronavirus spreads.

The nurses remind you, please for the health of your loved ones and the community, follow these simple practices:

· Wash your hands frequently.

· Cover your sneeze or cough with a tissue.

· Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.

· Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

· Wear a face mask or covering anytime you are in public.

from people not from your household.

· Keep kids home.

· Go out only for essentials like groceries, medical care, or work.

· Do not gather in groups.

· Don't meet up with people you haven't seen, give them a call or connect online.

• If you feel sick, stay in a room separate from others in your home.

• If you test positive for Covid-19 you must isolate yourself for at least 14 days. Public Health Nurses will call to check on you.

• If you have had close contact with a positive case of Covid-19, you also need to isolate yourself and watch for any symptoms.

#### Attention League bowlers

We are looking to minimize the leagues to a total of 36 bowlers per league night, maximum. Please contact your league secretary or call Christie at Madras Bowl to let them know if you plan to return to bowling this year. The number is 541-475-3353.

If your league night reaches the max number, there is an option to bowl on other nights, if there are openings.

Please know this is not an easy decision-to have to limit bowlers. It is necessary to make these choices to help keep our Madras Bowl open.

Please be kind-even if you don't agree with the mandatory masks. Mike and Christie are going the extra mile to maintain a safe and healthy place of entertainment for you and your family, while embracing the bowling unless eating or drinking. If you don't have a mask or face shiled, one can be provided.

We appreciate your support during these difficult times, and look forward to seeing you back on the lanes again. Cheers. Thank you. Madras Bowl.

#### Birth

Matthew Edward Mendes Jr.

Matthew Mendes and Sophia Williams of Warm Springs are pleased to announce the birth of their son Matthew Edward Mendes Jr., born on August 1, 2020.

Matthew joins brothers Jocias, 11, and Nakiah, 6; and sister Serenity, 3.

Grandparents on the father's side are Eddie Mendes of Madras, and Lorree Bagley of Warm Springs.

Grandparents on the mother's side are Douglas Williams Jr. and Sytje Williams of Warm Springs.

#### From IHS

At the Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center they ask that you call ahead if you plan on going there.

For a regular appointment call 541-553-2610.

The Warm Springs Indian Health Services Covid-19 Nurse Triage Hotline number is 541-553-5512.

Outside of IHS regular hours, you can call the Registered Nurse Health Advice Hotline at 1-866-470-2015.

For all other business call 541-553-1196

Election Day is Tuesday, November 3. The deadline to register to vote in the election is October 13. You can find a link to register to vote in Oregon at kwso.org

#### Coaches association basketball all-star selection

Congratulations to our own Dapri Miller, selected to the 2020 Oregon Basketball Coaches Association High School Basketball All-Star Series.

This year unfortunately the All-Star games will not be played due to the covid. The coaches still made a program, though, to honor the student-athletes.

Dapri played three years of varsity basketball for the White Buffalos

He earned First Team All League honors while leading the Buffalos in scoring at 17.9 points per game in his senior year. He completed the 2020 season with three separate 30-plus point games.

Dapri is tied for fourth in school history for points in a single game with 36. His 17.9 points per game is eighth best in school history. Dapri also became one of the best free throw shooters in school history.

# gravity.

Strength training is an important component of a healthy and balanced lifestyle.

Examples of strength training include squats, lunges, push ups, planks, etc. The movements may be done using free weights, resistance bands, machines, or even no equipment at all.

### **#24 DAPRI MILLER** MADRAS



Congrats Dapril We are so proud of you! Thank you for always representing our community in a positive way!

Dapri tied for the second

most three-point field goals

in a game in school history

with nine threes. He finished

his career ninth in school his-

tory with 104 three-point

falo coaching staff and com-

The Madras White Buf-

field goals made.



munity would like to thank Dapri for his endless hard work and leadership, and for being an essential paret of the White Buffalo family.

We wish you the best of luck with your future—Go Buffs!

You can skip the gym and still get a great workout by using just your own body weights and the force of

Benefits of strength training include: Heart health, such as better cholesterol levels. Stronger bones, helping prevent fractures.

Weight loss. Improved balance. Diabetes management. Restful sleep and a better mood.

The American Heart As-

sociation, American Diabetes Association, and Center of Disease Control all recommend that adults perform at least two days of strength

training per week. Warm Springs Holistic Health is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Appointments are required. Call 541-777-2663 to learn more. The center, a program of Managed Care, is located on campus next to the courthouse.

### Looking forward to 2021 tournament



From W.S. Holistic Health

· Practice social distancing by staying home

• Stay at least six feet away

state's guidelines.

Masks will be required to bowl: You must wear while



## **Integrated Resource Management Plan (IRMP) Community Survey**

#### Help give feedback to IRMP Team for the 2022 Revision

CTWS Branch of Natural Resources whats to know what you think? Access the survey by going to https://qrgo.page.link/UUEVs



or take a picture of this QR code to get directed to the survey.



Please support Yvonne Greene and ChaCha Ramirez of Warm Springs, Madras High School students and basketball players.

Yvonne and ChaCha have been asked to represent America's basketball team—and our tribal community—at a 2020 international basketball tournament next summer in the Dominican Republic.

Yvonne and ChaCha are raising the funds to cover their travel expenses; show your support.

Meanwhile ChaCha and family are hosting a November raffle drawing, six tickets for \$5.

Please contact Jaihline 'ChaCha' Ramirez or Joy Ramirez on Facebook for ticket purchases.

Raffle items include several beaded earrings, ribbon skirts, wrapped rope earring set, several other items to be included.

Thank you for your support!

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### Chemawa boarding school going online

Add Chemawa Indian School to the growing list of schools planning to start online this year, rather than in-person, due to the coronavirus.

The nation's longest continuously operating boarding school for Native American students will start out online in September.

The plan for Chemawa comes after a conference call with top federal officials, during which tribal leaders and educators alike worried about coronavirus spreading at schools with populations considered at higher risk. "I don't want to lose any

staff or any students. It would be awful and tragic if anybody died on campus," said Leah Davis, an English teacher at Chemawa.

"If I'm a parent, I wouldn't release my daughter to go to a boarding school right now," Davis said. "If she got sick, she couldn't get back to me, she'd be quarantined. There'd be no way for me to get to her. I wouldn't take that risk."

Valerie Switzler, cultural

and heritage manager with the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, worried about what might happen if a boarding school opened, students came and then contracted the virus.

"It scares me that some of our students that do live in the Southwest or do live in other areas of the country-How would we get them back home if they did get sick, or if the tribe is going to let them come back home sick?"

Another Chemawa teacher warned that parents

and students aren't the only ones who worry. Teacher Diane McGinnis told federal officials that administrators might have a hard time persuading staff to come to work.

"We have a limited staff in the best of times. So making that decision to stay open, in the worst of times, I don't know how we're going to find people to do all that is needing to be done in the time necessary," said McGinnis, who, like Davis, teaches English at Chemawa.

# Latest plan for school reopening

Dear family members, students and staff of the Jefferson County School District 509-J,

I'm writing to provide an update on our plans to reopen schools on Tuesday, September 8, within the Comprehensive Distance Learning guidelines provided by the State of Oregon.

The state originally provided three models for districts to consider for reopening schools.

These models included the 'On-Site', 'Hybrid' and 'Comprehensive Distance Learning' options.

Our district began the planning process to offer both the on-site option, and a distance learning option for our families.

However, in August the Governor, Oregon Departmetn of Education and Oregon Health Authority released health metrics limiting all schools within Jefferson County to the Comprehensive Distance Learning model until the level of positive Covid-19 test drops below the health metric guidelines.

At that time, we announced that we will be starting the first six weeks of school in the Distance Learning Model.

This past spring, school staff and families were given little warning prior to the closing of schools.

This provided minimal opportunity for school employees and families to plan for technology needs, systems for communication, training and support, and other logistics needed to make learning in the virtual environment highly effective.

This summer, district employees have been researching, planning, and acquiring resources to ensure we are significantly more prepared to support our employees, students, and family members in the Comprehensive Distance Learning model.

In addition, we have expanded our district's Online Learning program to accommodate families who choose to opt into this model. In both options, students are expected to engage and log in on a daily basis for attendance and to make weekly progress based upon pacing guides for completion of courses.

Comprehensive Distance Learning and Online Learning Program options are described below:

#### **Comprehensive Distance** Learning

Comprehensive distance learning-CDL-provides the opportunity for teachers, students, and classmates to remain connected and engaged with district content materials while working from a distance.

Teachers will use live engagement tools such as Google Meets (K-12), as well as video and audio recorded lessons, to provide direct, teacher-supervised instruction.

This will be a much more robust distance learning model than last spring and will be designed for the teacher and students to navigate back to on-site learning when health metrics allow us to return to traditional classroom teaching and learning.

This option is likely the best choice for families who plan to have their students return to inperson learning once metrics allow us to reopen our schools.

Ken Parshall, superintendent, school district 509-J. August 6, 2020.

### Corrections facility closed

The Warm Springs Police Department reported that the Warm Springs Correctional Facility closed due to maintenance issues.

They have contracted with Northern Oregon Regional Correctional Facility-or NORCOR-located in The Dalles.

In addition from the Corrections facility: Remember that in the event a person is arrested on tribal criminal charges, it is up to the individual to provide his or her own transportation back home after being released from custody.

No timeline was given for reopening of the Warm Springs jail. In other public safety news:

#### Cougar sighting

The Warm Springs Police Department alerted community members in the Kah-Nee-Ta, Wolf Point, Culpus Bridge, Charley Canyon, Schoolie and Simnasho areas that a large cougar was sighted recently by Kah-Nee-Ta security officers recently.

They remind you that if you encounter a cougar in the wild, or a residential area, you should:

· Stay calm and stand your ground. Maintain direct eye contact.

· Pick up any children, but do so without bending down or turning your back to the cat.

Back away slowly. Do not run: Running can trigger a chase response.

· Raise your voice and speak firmly. If the cougar seems aggressive, raise your arms to make yourself look larger and clap your hands.

If in the very unusual event that a cougar attacks you, fight back with rocks, sticks, tools or any other item available. Always be aware of your surroundings.

# Removing invasive plant species from Lake Billy Chinook

Eurasian watermilfoil is a kind of feathery, submerged aquatic plant that can quickly form thick mats in shallow areas of lakes and rivers.

It is native to Asia and Europe, but is now found in North America. It arrived here sometime between the 1880s and the 1940s.

The thick watermilfoil mats can interfere with swimming and entangle propellers, which hinders boating, fishing, and waterfowl hunting.

The plant is found in Lake Billy Chinook. The U.S. Forest Service in July began a removal project of the nuisance invasive plants.

Michael Crumrine, specialist



#### Eurasian watermilfoil

moval.

The Eurasian watermilfoil is also a problem invasive species because it can block water movement, and warm the water temperature.

The watermilfoil is widespread throughout Western Oregon and the Columbia River. In Central

The plant can travel to new locations, carried on the bottoms of boats, trailers and other water equipment. The best practice to slow the spread of the plant is to clean anything that goes in the water.

"Drain out bilges and things," Crumrine said. "Any sort of container that might keep a little bit of water in it, that might have some floating plants it. Dry those out before you go anyplace else. Containment is really the goal."

Crews are out this week working on the cleanup. This will probably not be the end of the removal project, as the plant is persisent once in place.

#### Grant for some elder home repair

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs is among 21 tribal communities across the country to receive a \$30,000 grant from the Wells Fargo Foundation, in partnership with the Native American Indian Housing Council.

The funds will go toward elder home repair projects.

With tribal nations across the country severely impacted by Covid-19, Wells Fargo and the Native American Indian Housing Council provided a total of \$620,000 in grants to tribal housing programs to fund housing repairs for 96 elder homeowners in 21 tribal communities.

The funding includes a total of \$180,000 in grants

funding home repair projects such as plumbing upgrades, accessibility improvements, and heating maintenance and installation.

At a time when tribes are forced to pare down services and devote their limited resources to pandemic response, these grants will help ensure the safety of senior homeowners and their families.

Many of the homes can currently be classified as substandard based on plumbing, heating or other repair needs.

The repairs made through the rehab program will ensure that families have safe places to reside as they are forced to stay home due to Covid-19 physical distancing requirement.

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pointment is needed.

The sites include:

a.m. to 2 p.m.

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4 p.m.

Oregon the plant is currently found only in Lake Billy Chinook.

www.invasivespeciesinfo.gov/ profile/eurasian-watermilfoil

### The Dalles area fire contained

Work on the Fir Mountain Fire early this week increased the containment to more than 80 percent.

Close to 200 firefighters continue mop-up operations working from the perimeter into the interior of the fire. The fire was human caused.

Firefighters use a grid system to locate any areas of heat, then cool these spots with water and dirt as they pull the material apart.

Fire behavior on the Fir blaze this week was minimal this week.

Full containment is expected this Wednesday, August 12. The Central Oregon Fire Management Service Type 3 Team has transferred command back to Oregon Department of Forestry's The Dalles Unit.

A Type 4 organization will shadow the team today in preparation for the transition. Wasco County Sheriff's Department early this week reduced the Level 3 evacuation notice for 2900 Godberson Road to a Level 1.



St. Charles Family Care and Immediate Care in La Pine at 51781 Huntington Road. Open seven days a week, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

St. Charles adds curbside collection locations

St. Charles Family Care in Prineville at 384 SE Combs Flat Road. Open Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and weekends 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

to blow their nose at home and wash their hands afterward, but to avoid using nasal spray or nasal salve 24 hours prior to collection. St. Charles' Immediate Care

clinics are also able to evaluate individuals and provide Covid-19 specimen collection without an ap-

collection site, individuals are asked

St. Charles Health Services this month added curbside Covid-19 specimen collection at six St. Charles clinics. The service is available to any person with a

Before going to any St. Charles

pointment.

## In the Tribal Court of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs

#### CTWS, Petitioner, vs Glenda Fisher, RE-SPONDENT; Case No. JV159-06. TO: GLENDA FISHER, ANGEL DEJESUS MEDEL:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a CUS-TODY REVIEW has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 10<sup>th</sup> day of SEPTEM-BER, 2020 @ 10:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs CHARLENE CHEE, RESPONDENT; Case No. JV129-07, DO110-19, NEW CASE. TO: CHARLENE CHEEE, SARAH IKE, REX ROBINSON-ANGE-LES:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a PRE-LIMINARY HEARING has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **31**<sup>st</sup> **day of AUGUST, 2020 @ 11:00 AM** 

#### JOANNA ARCE, Petitioner, vs BEN HOLLIDAY, RESPON-DENT; Case No. JV15-05. TO: JOANNA ARCE, BEN HOLLIDAY:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a MODI-FICATION has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 8<sup>th</sup> day of SEPTEMBER, 2020 @ 2:00 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs Charnelle Jackson, RE-SPONDENT; Case No. JV192-07, JV193-07, DO38-07. TO: Charnelle Jackson, Wayne SEPTEMBER, 2020 @ 10:30 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs Essie Lawson, RESPON-DENT; Case No. JV81-15; JV82-15. TO: Essie Lawson, Reggie Medina, Heather Williams-Stewart, William Stewart, JV Pros:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an AS-SISTED GUARDIAN-SHIP HEARING has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **17<sup>th</sup> day of AUGUST, 2020 @ 10:00 AM** 

CTWS, Petitioner, vs MELODY BERRY, Respondent. TO: MELODY BERRY, JV PROS, CPS, P&P;Case No JV22-20:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that A BENCH PROBATION REVIEW has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 23<sup>RD</sup> day of September, 2020 @ 10:00AM

#### CTWS, Petitioner, vs OLIVIA GLEASON, Respondent; Case No JV33-18. TO: OLIVIA GLEASON, CPS, JV PROS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a CUS-TODY REVIEW has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **15<sup>TH</sup> day of SEPTEMBER**, **2020 @ 2:00 PM** 

CTWS, Petitioner, vs MARJORIE SAND, ReTribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **21**<sup>st</sup> **day of September, 2020 (@ 10:00 AM** 

CTWS, Petitioner, vs EDITH WYENA, Respondent; Case No DO102-08, JV77-17. TO: EDITH WYENA, ROB-ERT CHALEY JR, CPS, JV PROS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a PER-MANENCY has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 23<sup>RD</sup> day of September, 2020 @ 2:00 PM

MANDA SUPPAH, Petitioner, vs DELLARAE SUPPAH, Respondent; Case No DO69,70-04. TO: MANDA SUPPAH, DELLARAE SUPPAH:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that A MODIFCATION has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 17<sup>TH</sup> day of September, 2020 @ 4:0 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs Kelli Langnese, Respondent; Case No. JV8-18. TO: Kelli Langnese, Erikson Lucei, JV PROS, CPS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Custody REVIEW has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **17**<sup>th</sup> **day of September, 2020 (@) 9:00 AM**  day of September, 2020 @ 10:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs KISHON GRAYBAEL, Respondent; Case No. JVX2-16. TO: KISHON GRAYBAEL & MARION GRAYBAEL JR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSIS-TANT GUARDIANSHIP REVIEW has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **21**<sup>st</sup> **day of September, 2020 @ 2:00 PM** 

CTWS, Petitioner, vs Marilyn Suppah, Respondent; Case No. JV95-19, JV46-19. TO: Marilyn Suppah, CPS, Jv Pros, P&P:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Permanency/ Probation Review has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **17<sup>th</sup> day of September**, **2020** @ **11:00 AM** 

CTWS, Petitioner, vs PHYLLIS SHAWAWAY, Respondent; Case No JV33-18. TO: PHYLLIS SHAWAWAY, ISIDRO PEREZ, MYRA JOHNSON-ORANGE, CPS, JV PROS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a PRE-LIMINARY has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 15<sup>TH</sup> day of SEPTEM-BER, 2020 @ 11:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs R A E N E L E WEASELHEAD, Respondent; Case No. JV41Respondent; Case No AM JV35-10, JV12-15. TO:

SR.

**KISHON & MARION** 

JR. GRAYBAEL, ROSA

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CTWS, Petitioner, vs

CYNTHIA IKE, Re-

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17. TO: CYNTHIA IKE,

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LAWRENCE JR &

TRIXIE SHIKE, Peti-

tioner, vs NORMA

DELBERT FRANK, Re-

spondent; Case No

LAWRENCE JR &

NORMA SWITZLER,

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**GRAYBAEL:** 

LACE FRANK Petitioner, vs JAIME SCOTT , Respondent; Case No RO36-20. TO: LACE FRANK, JAIME SCOTT:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that A RE-STRAINING ORDER has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 8<sup>TH</sup> day of September, 2020 @ 10:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs ARNETTA SALUDO, Respondent; Case No DO113-17. TO: ARNETTA SALUDO, CAROL LAWRENCE, DANIEL LAWRENCE, CPS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that A VISI-TATION / CUSTODY REVIEW has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **3**<sup>RD</sup> **day of September, 2020 @ 10:00AM** 

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TO:

SHIKE,

In the matter of the estate of Matthew McKinley Arthur, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2010-PR29. To Tyrell Arthur-Poitra, Renee Arthur-Poitra, Jacqualine Sargent, Juliane Bonser, Stephanie Herrera, Virginia Arthur, June Aguilar, Joseph Aguilar, Ralph Aguilar Jr., Myntora Aguilar, Thomas Tahkeal, Cassie Tahkeal, Walter Tahkeal, Shawna Tahkeal, Christina Tahkeal and Tasha Tahkeal: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled

#### Eaglespeaker:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a AS-SISTED GUARDIAN-SHIP HEARING has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **22nd day of SEPTEM-BER, 2020 @ 3:00 PM** 

#### CTWS, Petitioner, vs LYLE RHOAN JR., ANNETTE JIM, RE-SPONDENT; Case No. JV16-20. TO: LYLE RHOAN JR, ANNETTE JIM:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a JUVINILE ARRAIGN-MENT has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **15<sup>th</sup> day of SEPT'EMBER, 2020 (a) 4:00 PM** 

#### M I L E E N A EDWARDS, Petitioner, vs TROY SAM-SMITH, RESPONDENT; Case No. RO39-20. TO: MILEENA EDWARDS, TROY SAM-SMITH:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a RE-STRAINING ORDER has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **15th day of** 

#### spondent; Case No JV181-02. TO: MARJORIE SAND, JULES BOYKOFF, KATE JACKSON, RICH-ARD CRAIG:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that A AS-SISTED GUARDIAN-SHIP has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 23<sup>RD</sup> day of September, 2020 @ 4:00 PM

#### CTWS, Petitioner, vs JESSICA TUFTI-JIM, Respondent; Case No JV38-18. TO: JESSICA TUFTI-JIM, JV PROS, CPS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that A AS-SISTED GUARDIAN-SHIP has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **21<sup>ST</sup> day of September, 2020 @ 3:00 PM** 

#### CTWS, Petitioner, vs KISHON GRAYBAEL, Respondent; Case No. JV59-14. TO: KISHON GRAYBAEL & MARION GRAYBAEL JR:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSIS-TANT GUARDIANSHIP REVIEW has been scheduled with the Warm Springs

CTWS, Petitioner, vs Lynnita Miller, Respon-Case dent; No. IV63,64,65,66-19. TO: Lynnita Miller, Bradley Brocheau, Facudo balderama, CPS, Jv Pros: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Custody REVIEW has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 17th

#### 18. TO: RAENELE WEASELHEAD, JV PROS, CPS, P&P:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Custody Review has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the **15**<sup>TH</sup> **day of SEPTEMBER**, **2020** @ 3:00 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs KISHON GRAYBAEL, PRISCILLA FRANK, Petitioner, vs RUDY PAUL, Respondent; Case No DO90-20. TO: PRISCILLA FRANK, RUDY PAUL:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that A ELDER PROTECTION ORDER has been scheduled with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 8<sup>TH</sup> day of September, 2020 @ 10:30 for August 19, 2020 at 9 a.m.

In the matter of the estate of Mona N. Charley, W.S., U/A, deceased. Estate no. 2014-PR07. To Buddy Charley, Autumn Meninick, Aaliyah Meninick and Michael Meninick Jr.: You are hereby notified that an informal probate hearing is scheduled for August 19, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

# NCAI opposes proposed McGirt legislation

The nation's largest intertribal advocacy organization is diving into controversy over the U.S. Supreme Court decision that affirmed the treaty rights of the Muscogee—Creek Nation, vowing to oppose legislation aimed at undermining the historic victory.

In a statement last week the National Congress of American Indians acknowledged efforts on Capitol Hill to "disestablish or terminate" reservations in Oklahoma following the landmark win in *McGirt v. Oklahoma*. But the organization said it would "aggressively oppose this baseless action."

"NCAI's mission is to fully protect and support the sovereignty of every tribal government across the country," the short yet pointed statement read.

"As such, we will strongly oppose any and all legislation that diminishes the sovereignty, jurisdiction, or treaty rights of tribal nations that are affirmed in the United States Constitution, statutes, and judicial opinions, including in the Supreme Court's historic McGirt decision."

The statement capped off days of political drama that began when the Muscogee—Creek Nation, whose reservation boundaries in Oklahoma were confirmed through the case, walked away from potential legislation that might address issues arising from McGirt.

The tribe and its leaders have made clear that they

will not accept any efforts to erode their sovereignty.

"Creek Nation is completely against any legislation that diminishes *McGirt*," Jonodev Chaud-huri, a former federal government official who now serves as his tribe's ambassador, said during a well-attended webinar that concluded right as NCAI was issuing its statement.

Derrick Beetso, NCAI's general counsel, also took part in the session, which was hosted by the Indian Legal Program at the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University. He called *McGirt* a "huge victory on behalf of Indian Country" that should not be attacked in the halls of the U.S. Congress.

"NCAI will stand strong

against that," Beetso, who is a citizen of the Navajo Nation, said in a preview of the organization's eventual statement, which points back to its 76-year history as a defender of sovereignty and opponent of termination-era policies such as taking away tribal homelands.

Stacy Leeds, dean emeritus and professor of law at the University of Arkansas, said she's heard about a legislative rider that could diminish not just the homelands of the Muscogee— Creek Nation but those of the Cherokee Nation, the Chickasaw Nation the Cherokee Nation, the Choctaw Nation and the Seminole Nation, who are sometime collectively known as the Five Civilized Tribes.

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# Covid-19: Tracing contagion trends

(Continued from page 1)

The week of July 13: Thirty-three cases. The week of July 20: Thirtyeight cases. And the week of July 27: Fifteen cases.

Young people between the ages of 0-18 and 19-29 have seen the most cases of Covid-19.

Those in the age groups 30-39 and 40-49 were second; followed by elders ages 50 and up. Older peopleon average more vulnerable to serious consequences from the virus-are more likely to practice safe distancing, staying at home, and other precautions.

A second graph looks at the number of cases by week, with references to

events from the Salmon Feed at Celilo, Mother's Day and graduation, Memorial Day weekend, Father's Day and the Fourth of July, plus the instances when the tribal organization was shutdown.

This is a fascinating graph, as it demonstrates that social gatherings appear to drive some spikes in the positive rate in testing.

An example: Two weeks after the Salmon Feedduring the week of April 13-19-there was a spike in the positive testing rate on the reservation. The common incubation period for the virus is between five days and two weeks.

A short time after Mother's Day and school graduations saw another spike. And the same thing happened shortly after Memorial Day weekend and the Fourth of July.

The post-Memorial Day weekend spike-which saw particularly large increase in the positivity rate-also roughly coincided with state of Oregon reopening.

These increases prompted the Covid-19 Response Team to recommend re-closure of the organization, which the Tribal Council and management then implemented.

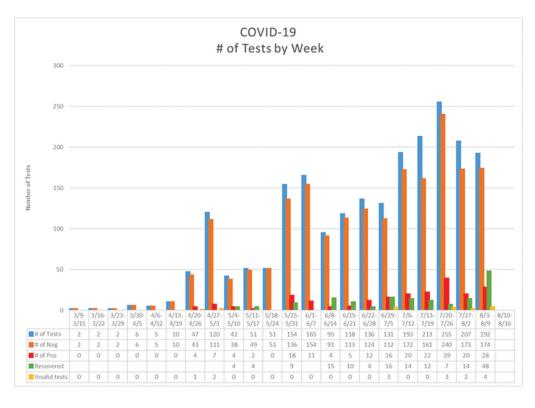
#### Hospitalization numbers

Another category is "Hospitalization ages: Inpatient." In this category most members who have been hospitalized have been between 70 and 79 years of age. As of late July, no one aged 40-49 had been hospi-

talized; with roughly equal numbers of hospitalization among those 30-39, 50-59 and 60-69.

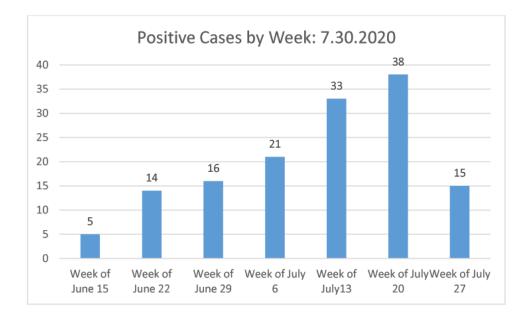
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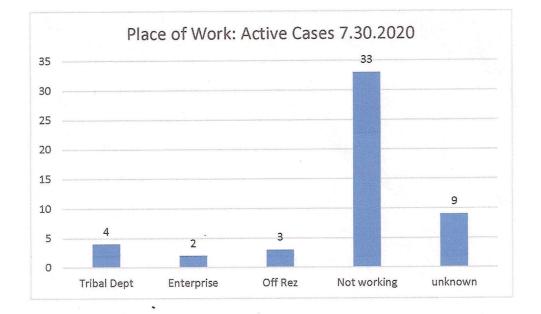
ages: Cumulative" the ages 50-59 and 70-79 each had five hospitalizations. With other age divisions either at two or one person.

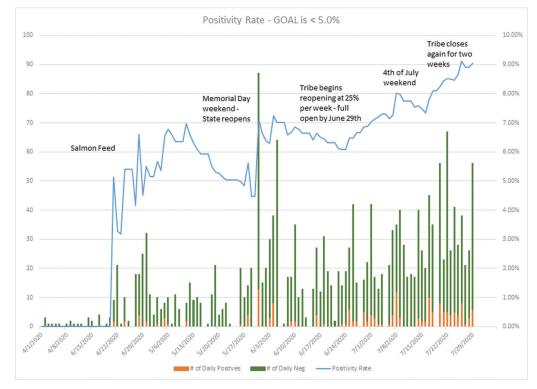


# Case Demographics: Active Cases 7.30.2020

Active Cases: 51







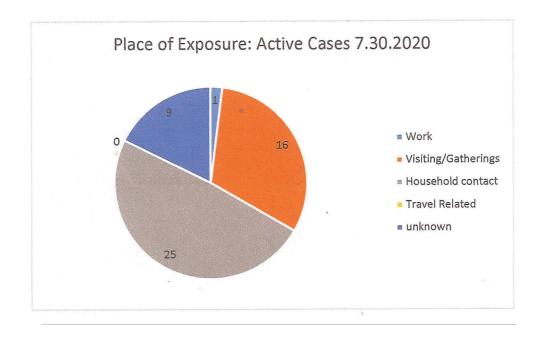
## **COVID-19: Quarantine vs. Isolation**

**QUARANTINE keeps someone who was** in close contact with someone who has COVID-19 away from others.



ISOLATION keeps someone who is sick or tested positive for COVID-19 without symptoms away from others, even in their own home.





#### CRITFC hiring enforcement officer

The Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission seeks to hire police officers. The positionare in the CRITFC law enforcement department.

The jobs are full time, with the salary range of \$50,506 to \$55,157. The location is at Hood River or Boardman.

There are three vacancies to be filled from this recruitment.

Officers are directly responsible for carrying out all enforcement and protective patrols by foot, vehicle and boat on the main stem Columbia River.

Hiring preference will be given to qualified members of the four CRITFC member tribes, and to qualified enrolled members of other federally recognized Indian tribes and Native Alaskans.

Submit a letter of interest, application, list of at least three professional to:

Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission -Attn: Human Resources -700 N.E. Multnomah Street, Suite #1200 - Portland, OR 97232.

Phone: 503-238-0667 Email: hr@critfc.org



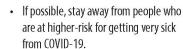
If you had close contact with a person who has COVID-19

Stay home until 14 days after your last contact.

Check your temperature twice a day

and watch for symptoms of COVID-19.







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If you are sick and think or know you have COVID-19

- Stay home until after
  - 3 days with no fever and
  - Symptoms improved and
  - 10 days since symptoms first appeared



#### If you tested positive for COVID-19 but do not have symptoms

- Stay home until after
  - 10 days have passed since your positive test.



If you live with others, stay in a specific "sick room" or area and away from other people or animals, including pets. Use a separate bathroom, if available.

#### cdc.gov/coronavirus

StrongHearts adds to advocacy service

Reaching the mark Native Americans continue and every milestone with to experience the highest determination and dedirates of sexual violence cation, StrongHearts Naacross the nation and until tive Helpline this month now, there hasn't been a nalaunched sexual violence tional culturally-appropriate advocacy. Adding this service for them," said Anna type of advocacy will ad-Nicolosi, operations mandress a long-standing ager. need in Indian Country.

"In response, we have "It's an atrocity that developed advocacy training to prepare our advocates to meet the needs that are unique to Native Americans and Alaska Natives." According to the National Institute of Justice research, 84 percent of Native women experience violence in their lifetimes, while 56 percent experience sexual violence.

# IHS updates Covid-19 numbers

The Indian Health Service has updated its coronavirus data, showing results as of August 9. According to the data, 35,631 tests have returned positive for Covid-19.

That represents an increase of 0.78 percent from the 35,355 cases previously reported.

Altogether, 537,762 coronavirus tests have been administered through August 9, the data shows. That marks an increase of 0.55 percent from the day prior.

The low growth rates are typical of lulls in data seen during weekends. But since July 21, there has been a slowdown in coronavirus activity within the IHS.

Overall, 6.6 percent of IHS coronavirus tests have returned positive, according to the data. But the rate is far higher in the Phoenix Area, where almost 17.1 percent are positive.

Next is the Navajo Area, which serves the largest reservation in the United States. But even with about 15.1 percent of tests returning positive, the rate has fallen steadily over the last month, following a noticeable decline as the region with the highest rate.

The Nashville Area, which covers a wide area of Indian Country, including the South and Northeastern parts of the U.S., also continues to show a high positive rate of 8.9 percent.

On the other end of the spectrum, aggressive efforts in the Alaska Area are turning up very few cases. Out of 106,659 tests administered in Alaska, only 0.65 percent have returned positive, the data shows.

The Alaska Area also outnumbers every other area including Navajo— in terms of tests administered. The Oklahoma City Area has fallen back to the second spot.

The data, however, is incomplete. While 100 percent of facilities run directly by the IHS are reporting data, only 33 percent of tribally managed facilities and 44 percent of urban Indian organizations are doing the same.

The service population for 2019 is 2,562,290. Based on that figure, about 21 percent of American Indians and Alaska Natives have been tested for the coronavirus since the IHS began reporting data in March.







I want to hear from <u>YOU!</u> Tell me your vision for Warm Springs. 541.980.6371 • KimSchmith2020@gmail.com Paid for by the Committee to Elect Kim Schmith







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