

# Editorial E COOSH EEWA:

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## Education Conference

Plans are well underway for the 1977 Northwest Indian Education Conference, to be held in Kalispell, Mont., Oct. 5, 6, and 7, according to Joe McDonald, conference co-chairman.

McDonald said an agenda of workshops, special guest speakers and entertainers is expected to be firmed up and available to the public by mid-July.

This year's conference, entitled "Involvement Promotes Success," is geared to success-

ful Indian education programs throughout Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Washington and Wyoming, in grades kindergarten through college.

McDonald said pre-registration will begin in mid-August, at which time further details on the conference will be released.

1977 Northwest Indian Education Conference Committee Co-Chairman Joe McDonald, (406) 755-5222, Ext. 270 May 24, 1977.



## Lets Get the Criminals

STATEMENT OF PETER MACDONALD

No one is more aware than I of the tragedy of alcohol abuse which afflicts so many of our people. When I was Executive Director of the Office of Navajo Economic Opportunity, I instituted the first alcoholic rehabilitation program throughout the Navajo Nation.

As Chairman of the Navajo Tribal Council I have worked diligently to assist our people in dealing with the problems of alcohol abuse. No one who is even the least bit familiar with the alcohol problem of the Navajo people believes that the unfortunate individuals who suffer from alcoholism are criminals.

In fact, both Arizona and New Mexico have changed their laws so that public intoxication is recognized as an illness instead of a crime.

In 1974, we attempted to deal with the increase of alcohol abuse within our lands through Navajo Tribal Council Resolution CMY-39-74 which increased the penalty for the possession, sale, transportation or manufacture of alcoholic beverages. Unfortunately, we restricted the application of this law to Indians.

Anyone even passingly familiar with the alcohol problems of the Navajo people know that the vast majority of sales of alcoholic beverages to Navajos are made by non-Navajos and not by our own people.

I share with Vice Chairman Skeet and the people of the Eastern Navajo Agency the concern over the transfer of liquor licenses in the Vanderwagen and Smith Lake areas.

The culprits, however, are not our own people who suffer from the disease of alcoholism, but rather those who have come onto our lands to sell this poison to our people. Thus, the people who should be punished are not our own Tribal members who suffer from this illness, but rather those who make a profit at the expense of suffering and misery and death of our people.

I have today received a memorandum from our Superintendent of Police Philip Meek indicating that any attempt to deal with the problems created by liquor sales in the Vanderwagen and Smith Lake communities by arresting Navajo patrons will only create an even greater problem than now exists. I have also been advised by our Judiciary that it is already overburdened and does not possess the staff to process the case of every Navajo arrested for patronizing one of these establishments.

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## Airport Master Plan

## Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE OF  
PUBLIC HEARING  
July 19, 1977  
at 7:30 p.m.

Warm Springs Agency  
Longhouse

PURPOSE: To consider the Economic, Social and Environmental effects of the proposed Warm Springs Airport and its consistency with Community Planning Goals and Objectives.

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs recently approved the Final Draft of the Warm Springs Airport Master Plan and Environmental Assessment Report and intend to apply for Federal funds to carry out the following Development at the proposed Warm Springs Airport, Warm Springs, Oregon:

Designate 418 acres within Section 19 on the Butte North of the Warm Springs Mill and East of the Fire Control Center as Airport Property; Construct, Pave and Light a Runway 3,800 feet by 75 feet; Construct and Pave an Aircraft Parking Apron 200 feet by 300 feet to accommodate about 20 to 25 aircraft; Construct and Pave a connecting Stub Taxiway 213 feet by 40 feet; Provide a graded and drained safety area around the Runway 150 feet by 4,200 feet; Construct an Administration and Operations building about 2,200 square feet including Utilities; Construct an entrance road about 8,450 linear feet and auto parking area for about 50 to 60 cars; Install a rotating beacon, lighted Wind Cone, Segmented Circle and Visual Approach

Slope Indicator (VASI-2); Construct about 2,500 linear feet of stock fencing with cattle guard and 1,200 linear feet of security fencing with gates and; Construct a residence with Utilities for a resident Caretaker-Manager.

Copies of the Final Draft of the Airport Master Plan and Environmental Assessment are now available for review in the office of the Warm Springs Planning Department, Administration Building, Warm Springs, Oregon. The Document summarizes the impact which the proposed project is expected to have upon the Environment and is available to any person for review during normal working hours prior to the hearing date.

All interested persons are

invited to attend the Public Hearing on July 19, 1977 at 7:30 p.m. in the Warm Springs Agency Longhouse for the purpose of considering the Economic, Social and Environmental effects of the Airport location and its consistency with the Goals and Objectives of such Urban Planning as has been carried out for this area.

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## Workshop Set . . .

## Positive Parenting a Community Concern

A group of concerned parents and educators have launched a "grass roots" effort to raise local consciousness in the area of parenting. Their focus is an upcoming workshop entitled "Positive Parenting: Breaking the Chains that Bind," to be presented at the Community Center Thursday and Friday June 16 and 17.

Psychologist Mike

Giammatteo, dynamic lecturer and authority on self-development and child-rearing, will

lead the workshop which is open to any interested adults or students. Dr. Giammatteo has worked with Indian youth and their learning problems for the past five years and offers tools and techniques in parenting that cross cultural boundaries.

The momentum for this workshop began this spring when about 25 people from Warm Springs attended a parenting workshop in Redmond. Dr. Giammatteo was a featured speaker at that gathering

and he generated a great deal of enthusiasm among locals.

A spokesman for the workshop committee commented about Giammatteo, "He is the man that our people need right now to make them aware."

The committee recognizes that parenting is a concern of many Warm Springs people. Families are struggling with poor communication, misunderstanding and confused roles. Another spokesman said, "Dr. Giammatteo will open up our minds to be more understanding of ourselves."

The committee member continued, "What's our Number One investment on this reservation? People." He sees good parenting as the key to the community and its social as well as economic success.

Dr. Giammatteo's approach is to encourage individuals to take a look at themselves and their personal strengths and weaknesses, then to apply what they discover to their relations with others.

The workshop will consist of informal lectures and group sessions. At the end of the second day the more serious participants who would like to share what they've learned with others will gather for training.

A mini-powwow will kick off the two-day session. To be held at the Community Center on the evening of June 15, the powwow will bring many community people and Dr. Giammatteo together informally.

Sponsored by the Title IV-A Parent Committee, the workshop will be free to residents of the Warm Springs community and \$20 for all others. Two lunches and a dinner will be included as well as a packet of materials.

For more information contact Jody Calica at 553-1161, ext. 262.

## Seedlings Planted In Massive Program

Within a two-month period, Douglas Fir and Ponderosa Pine seedlings were planted in a large scale program which covered 1,174 acres of the reservation. The planting program was almost three times larger in scope than any previous year, according to BIA forester Voldemars Abrenietis.

The nursery-grown seedlings were planted in scattered areas of the reservation during a massive reforestation effort which ran from March 22nd to May 25th. Quite a number of clear cut areas and previously replanted areas which had fail-

ed were included in this year's program.

Abrenietis explained that nature usually takes care of areas which have been denuded of trees as a result of fire, epidemics, insects, or man.

But for two reasons, modern man prefers to reforest these areas himself. 1) He considers a denuded area as non-productive and can't wait for nature to reforest it, and 2) Nature doesn't always restock the area with trees most desirable from man's standpoint.

In this recently completed

planting, 416 acres were planted in Ponderosa Pine seedlings, and 758 acres were reforested with Douglas Fir seedlings.

The fir was planted dominantly where it had stood before - usually at higher elevations, and the pine at lower elevations and in marginal regions near the desert. Mixed stands were also planted at intermediate zones. An interesting bit of information offered by Abrenietis is that mixed stands are more resistant to epidemics and damage due to wind throw than pure

stands.

Plantings were conducted at Big Springs unit, Fire W-300, Ceanothus Ridge, North and West Boundary clearcuts, Saw Mill Butte, Fort Butte clearcuts, Skyline clearcuts, High Country and Skyline Pine selectively cut areas, and some partial cuts were planted.

On the McQuinn Strip, plantings were done in the Tyee and Sunshine clearcuts, and in the Sunshine, Pinto, Swamper and Show Shoe selectively cut areas.