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(The way it is)



Carter Nominates Seasoned Indian Leader To Interior Post

A native of Browning, Montana and a longtime advocate of Indian concerns in Washington, D.C., Forrest Gerard has been nominated by President Carter for the position of Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs.

Gerard would be the first person to take on the new title, which replaces the position of the Commissioner of Indian

Affairs. According to Mark Phillips who works with Jay Edwards Associates, the Confederated Tribes' legal representation in D.C., "some impediments that have existed in getting to the Secretary of Interior's ear have been removed" by the reordering of this position. The Secretary will be "more available" to the Assistant Secretary than he was to the Commissioner, Phillips said.

Interior Secretary Cecil B. Andrus said he is pleased with Carter's selection, which is subject to Senate approval. Said Andrus, "Forrest Gerard has proven himself an intelligent advocate of Indian causes as well as an outstanding executive in his work with the Senate Sub-Committee Staff, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service. I am delighted he will be the Department's first Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs."

President Carter wrote to tribal leaders in February asking that they recommend individuals whom they felt were qualified to administer a large, complex organization and be a strong voice in Washington for Indian communities. Under Secretary James Joseph selected Gerard from about 40 recommended names.

Forrest Gerard, who was endorsed by the Warm Springs Tribal Council, is currently the Staff Assistant for the Senate Sub-committee on Indian Affairs, a position he has held since 1971. Gerard has also been a Legislative Officer for the BIA and Tribal Relations Officer for the Indian Health Service.

A member of the Blackfoot Tribe, Gerard has been in D.C. since 1957 and has been involved in the development of the Indian Self-Determination Act, Indian Education Assist-

ance, the Indian Financing Act, Minominee Restoration, the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, and legislation establishing the American Indian Policy Review Commission.

Fifty-two year old Gerard is also a spokesman for Indian Tribes in D.C. through his firm Forrest Gerard and Associates. He has represented a number of Washington State tribes on their timber concerns.

Mark Phillips commented on Gerard's nomination. "Forrest's long association with the government has provided him with an intimate familiarity with the ways of Washington."

Others named

The new Assistant Secretary will be joined, pending Senate confirmation, by George Vincent Goodwin, a White Earth Chippewa who has been nominated for Deputy Assistant Secretary, and Thomas W. Fredericks, a Mandan-Hidatsa

who has been recommended for the Associate Solicitor slot.

Goodwin has worked with the Indian population in his native state of Minnesota as the director of community action programs, the Executive Director of the Minnesota Chippewa, and presently as the BIA Area Director in Minneapolis. Goodwin, 35, is a graduate of Bemidji State College.

As Solicitor, Tom Fredericks, 34, would be the Department of Interior's principal lawyer in Indian matters. A graduate of the University of Colorado School of Law, Fredericks was one of the founders of the Native American Rights Fund (NARF) which has been involved with the Penobscot-Passamaquoddy land claims case in Maine. He is currently the Executive Director of NARF. Previously Fredericks worked extensively with tribes in the state of North Dakota.

Thank You

We would like to express our deep appreciation to those who participated in the funeral of our mother Blanche Tohet.

Thanks to those who brought gifts and helped prepare food for the gathering.

Special thanks to Dr. Creelman who stayed with us throughout our difficult time.

Prosanna Williams
Verbena Greene
Bernice Mitchell

Notice of Public Hearing Airport Master Plan

NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING
August 15, 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 Aug. 15, 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.

Eugene Greene
Tribal Council Chairman
Confederated Tribes of the
Warm Springs Indian Reservation

Ken Smith
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Confederated Tribes of the
Warm Springs Indian Reservation.

Tribal Hay Program

The Tribal Hay Purchase Program is underway and all but about 40 of the 200 cans of

Spaghetti Feed

Next Wednesday, July 28, come support the Springers girls softball team. They will be having a spaghetti feed at the community center in the social hall at 6:00 p.m. The menu will be spaghetti, green and fruit salad, french bread, dessert, juice and coffee. The cost will be \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for kids under 12.

grass straw brought by the Tribes have been spoken for.

The hay can be acquired from farmers on Agency Plains for \$30 per ton in the field, and \$35 stacked.

Those interested in buying the hay can make arrangements through the Extension Service and Credit Department. The low cost of the hay is partly due to the fact that livestockmen are picking up the hay directly from the farmers, thus eliminating storage

costs.

The Tribes are spending \$80,000 on hay to ensure that individual stock owners have enough hay at a reasonable price when they need it. Hay prices are expected to rise continually through this drought year.

There are plans to purchase alfalfa and grass hay later in the year.

Call Clint Jacks (Extension) or Buddy Kalama (Credit) for more information.

From the Editor:

Traffic accidents seem to be on an upward trend around this area, what seems to be the problem? Could it be heat, restlessness, bad drivers, well what ever it may be the auto seems to be one of the deadliest weapons around that is killing every day throughout the country.

We have had several deaths here on the reservation due to auto accidents and the causes are not known. There are the road hogs, the speedy

irresponsible drivers, the reckless driver, drunk drivers and who knows what else. Even the most careful driver can make mistakes that can be fatal.

Even these days one can see kids as young as 12 years old speeding down the road. As you pass through a small town or a large city you see the bill boards showing a beautiful girl with the ads of those big fancy cars. Perhaps they should show a dead person or a smash-up on one of these ads

and show what could happen.

There are countless uncalled for car accidents caused through carelessness. People are in too much of a hurry to get places and they don't realize all the problems they cause on the highways. Everyone should take a good look at this problem and see the idiotic manner in which some people drive. Well this problem is here to stay probably, but there must be a way to cut down on the traffic accidents.

to the Editor

We would like to thank all the wonderful people who supported our team (Eaglettes) through our bake and sack lunch sale, and the tremendously kind and generous people who donated bottles to our girls on their bottle drives. Without your help we would not be able to travel any place, so may God bless each and every one.
Rick and Marcia Minthorn and team

Tribal Council Agenda

July 25 - W.S.F.P.I. - Kah-Nee-Ta Lodge - 9:30 a.m.

July 26 - Tribal Council Meeting, 9:00 a.m.
1. Kah-Nee-Ta Monthly Report - Dan Myles, Ed Manion
2. Management Reports
Tribal Council-Management Joint Meeting, 2:00 p.m.

July 27 - Tribal Council Meeting, 9:00 a.m.
1. Enrollments
2. Unfinished Business