

Special Events Week Marks End of Summer Recreation

(by Roger Stwyer)

To climax the summer recreation program, a special events week was held the last week of the program. The program was held from June 22 to August 12.

A trip to Trout Lake, a spot deep in the backwoods of the Warm Springs Indian Reservation on August 8 kicked off the week with plenty of action and excitement. A large number of the kids who went to Trout Lake enjoyed it because they said they have never been to Trout Lake before. Nine out of ten children asked replied that they have never been there in their life.

Lyle Rhoan, director of the summer recreation program, said that a lot of these kids have gone to pow-wows all over the states but they have never been to a lot of places right here on the reservation like Trout Lake. He also briefly explained how the program benefits to the children. "What this program does is offer an opportunity for kids thirteen and under that can't work, recreation."

Thirteen year old Selena Thompson, who was enrolled in the recreation program, enjoyed the scenery along the trail to the lake. "It was fun, 'cause we hiked up (to Trout Lake), and seen three waterfalls," stated Selena.

A day spent riding bicycles and ice skating at the Sunriver Vacation Resort was the next stop for the youngsters and the recreation staff, and according to the kids, the ice skating was slightly disappointing.

Sandra Shike said that the ice skating was "ugly, because it's hard to skate on plastic junk." Sandra's younger sister, Lana further described the ice as being like soap.

But to Anita Bryant, "the ice skating was all right, bike riding was better though, because the ice was artificial, like plastic."

Comments from the boys were hard to come by because when they saw the ace reporter swaggering their way, they had to go swimming, or so they said. The only boy to say anything was Tony "Hamburgers" Thompson. When asked how he liked the program, he replied, "it's fun."

On August 10, the group went to the Cove for boat rides and swimming. The boat rides were really fun said the children, but they weren't able to talk to the ace reporter into risking his life and going out on a boat ride.

Thursday, August 11 saw the children and the staff preparing for the Penny Carnival, which the Summer Recreation Program sponsored. The carnival was held Thursday night with all proceeds going toward paying their bill at Macy's, where they bought melons for Watermelon Day and punch.

The carnival offered a cake walk, pie throw, fishing booth, kissing booth, and many other booths.

Some of the people who had the courage to go in the kissing booth came out a little disappointed. One of those observed Lawrence Shike. He got his lips all puckered up, paid his two cents, strutted in, and came out with a chocolate kiss candy.

All in all, Lyle Rhoan was very pleased with the program. The only thing he noted that needed improvement was to be prepared to handle more people at the carnival next year.

In earlier activities, the recreation program had a



Totally absorbed in the joys of eating watermelon were Summer Recreation Program kids Missy David and Alfredine Smith. Watermelon

Day at Kah-Nee-Ta August 12 was celebrated by many kids eating 10 or more pieces of the drippy fruit. CDS Photo

mini-parade July 1, with Rita Foltz, grand marshal, skate board day was held, they went to Kah-Nee-Ta, sports activities such as Tomball and prison ball were played, and other activities.

Now that the program is over the children said that they would have not much to do except maybe watch T.V. or go swimming. The kids did go swimming quite a bit in the recreation program, but they think it will be different now because they had a lot of fun with lots of kids piling on a

bus and going someplace to swim. But now, just a few individuals will be seen walking with their inner tubes down to the old swimming hole.

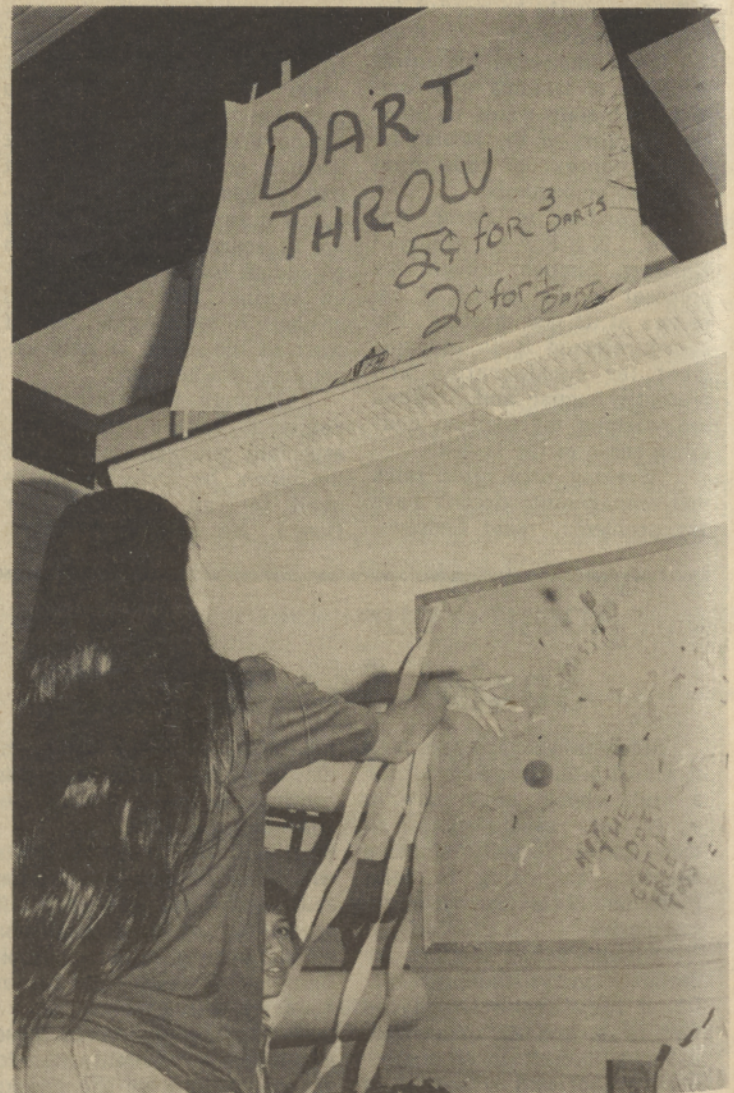
The staff was made up of Lyle Rhoan, director, Bev Vib-

bert, Cathy Wiegand, Lola Freeman, summer recreation staff, Levi VanPelt, Levi Bobb, Barb Earl, Kim Manion, student trainees, and Sally Rhoan and Spencer Keo, summer work program.



Barbara Earl and Kim Manion, Summer Recreation Program trainees, played "Let's Make a Deal" with kids at the Penny Carnival

sponsored by the SRP August 11. Kim tried to sell her necklace for pennies but ended up giving it away - a real steal. CDS Photo



Sheila Wahnetah missed the balloon in the dart throw but hit the "missed" sign. The booth was part of the fun at the Penny Carnival sponsored by the Summer Recreation Program August 11. CDS Photo