

Local Musician to Perform in Redskins Halftime

Look closely at the all-Indian band playing during the halftime at the Redskins-Cowboys game Thanksgiving Day. One of the trumpet players will have a very familiar face.

Alex LaMere, 15, was chosen to play with 149 other Indian high school students in the first-ever performance of a program called "Wamus '77."

Alex will be helping to make history and perhaps launch a tradition when he travels to Washington D.C. as part of Wamus '77. The all-Indian halftime entertainment, including a marching band, drill team and dancers, will be brought into millions of American households by national television.

Several BIA notables are responsible for organizing this extravaganza. The BIA Education Department, headed by Dr. William Demmert, worked with John Olguin, a member of the Redskins Band and former Bureau Policy Planner. An original musical score is being written by Dr. Louis Ballard,

noted Indian musician and Director of Music Programs for the BIA.

Alex, who is a member of the Madras High School Band, tried out for Wamus '77 at Chemawa Indian School in mid-September. About being chosen, Alex said, "I felt pretty good about it."

Another auditioner, Leontyne Tanewasha, is still waiting to hear from Wamus.

The first leg of Alex's journey will begin November 12, when he will go to Brigham City, Utah to play with the other band members for the first time. The 150 Indian teenagers from all parts of the country including Alaska, will have an intensive week of practice at the Intermountain Indian School.

Alex said that the only thing that was scaring him was "playing with other kids that I don't know."

From Brigham City the newly formed band will go to D.C. for more practice and the big day.

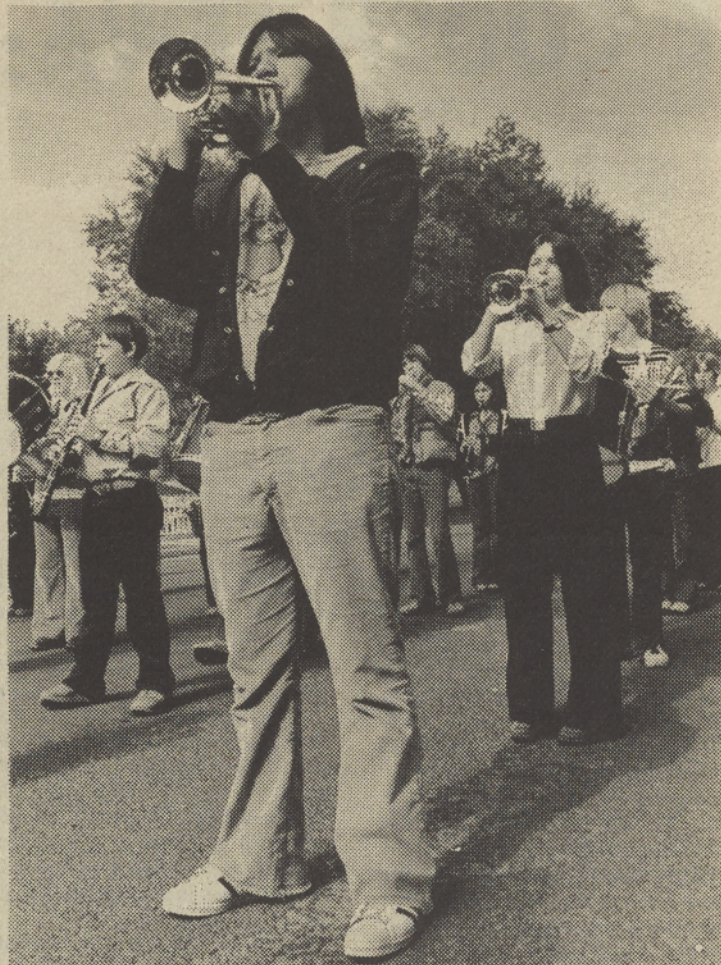
Alex is generally feeling quite cool about the upcoming trip. He's been to Washington D.C. before on an American Heritage tour, so he is a veteran traveler. Alex said he was most looking forward to "watching the game" which is an annual Thanksgiving tradition.

The music student is busy practicing the dozens of songs that have been given to him "to get down and play right." An experienced band member, Alex has played the cornet since the fifth grade.

Alex, now a junior, was recommended by his band director Mr. Dean Jolstead, and the Johnson-O'Malley Committee.

The Burger Inn is sponsoring a Coffee Day November 8 for Alex, according to owner Richard Macy. All coffee proceeds that day will go to Alex to help finance his trip. In addition, Warm Springs Forest Products will match that amount 50 percent.

Good luck to Alex and Wamus '77!



Cornet-player Alex LaMere is going to D.C. soon to play with an all-Indian band during halftime of the Dallas Cowboys - Washington Redskins game on Thanksgiving Day. Alex is one of 150 students chosen to play in the BIA sponsored band called "Wamus '77."

Some Messages For Fire Prevention Week

Learn Not To Burn

Here are two messages from Fire Chief Jack Fiala and Fire Safety Officer Elmer Quinn during Fire Prevention Week, October 9-15.

INTRODUCE YOUR FAMILY TO EDITH

EDITH (Exit Drills In The Home) is a plan to save your life in case of fire.

Don't wait for smoke and fire to surprise you. Plan your home fire escape now. If you live in an apartment, ask the

management to schedule drills. Practice during Fire Prevention Week and once or twice more during the year. If you move, make a new plan right away! Discuss and Plan Ahead

Sit down with your family



In observance of Fire Prevention Week (Oct. 9-15) Health Educator Lee Loomis presented fire safety programs at the Warm Springs Grade School Oct. 11 & 12. He showed students Gerald Wilson and Rhonda Smith (above) how to put out a fire started in a cooking pot

Guidance Offered To Parents and Children

Two upcoming workshops will offer families in Warm Springs an opportunity to improve their communication skills and build more harmonious relationships. Sponsored by the Warm Springs Parenting Committee and the OSU Extension Service, the workshops will be held October 19 and 27.

The first session, entitled "Guidance for Parents and Children", will be led by Marcelle Straatman who is a Human Development Specialist for the OSU Extension Service. Straatman has done many workshops and talks on family relation-

ships, child development, communications and personal development.

She is known to Warm Springs people for the Parenting Workshop she led in cooperation with Headstart in 1975 and the Marriage Enrichment Series she developed and held in Warm Springs in February 1976.

An informal talk and a workshop allowing for any degree of participation — discussion, role-playing or listening — will be offered at two different times on Wednesday October 19: 2:20 and 7:30 p.m. The place is the Community Center.

A follow-up workshop will be held at the Community Center Thursday October 27 at 7:30 p.m. Entitled "Putting our Parenting Skills to Work," the session will be led by Delson Suppah and is designed to assist parents and children in effectively using the new parenting and communication techniques learned in the previous workshop.

Both parents and children are encouraged to attend this workshop series. According to organizers of the sessions, the idea is to have all family members working and learning together.

today and make step by step plans for emergency fire escape.

Diagram two routes to the outside from all rooms, but especially from bedrooms. Locate the enclosed exit stairs in an apartment building.

Put the fire department number on your phone.

Choose a place outdoors for everyone to meet for roll call; locate the call box or neighbor's telephone for calling the fire department.

Discuss why you shouldn't go back inside once you're out. (People have died returning to a burning building.)

You May Need To Make a Purchase

Buy a smoke detector for each level of your home. If the bedrooms are not all in the same area, you need a smoke detector outside each sleeping area, too.

Each person should have a whistle (for warning others) to keep by the bed. Some family members may need a special escape ladder.

Practice

Start now sleeping with the door closed, unless you have a good system of smoke detectors. The door holds back smoke and fire while you escape.

Practice testing the door for fire. If it's warm, you'll have to use your alternate escape route. If not, brace your shoulder against the door and open it cautiously. Be ready to slam it if smoke or heat rush in.

Make sure children can operate the windows, descend a ladder, or lower themselves to the ground. (Slide out on the stomach, feet first. Hand on with both hands. Bend the knees while landing.) Lower children to the ground before you exit from the window. They may panic and not follow if you go first.

Practice what to do if you become trapped. Since doors hold back smoke and fire-fighters are adept at rescue, your chances of survival are excellent if you do the right thing. Put closed doors between you and smoke. Stuff the cracks and

cover vents to keep smoke out. If there's a phone, call in your exact location to the fire department even if they are on the scene. Tell children not to hide. Wait at the window and signal with a sheet or flashlight.

Practice crawling in smoke.

Have children practice saying the fire department number, the family name, street address, and town into the phone.

PREVENT FIRES FROM CASTING SPELL OVER PLANS FOR HALLOWEEN FUN

Don't let fire "bewitch" your children this Halloween.

This warning comes from the head of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) as families get busy with costumes and decorations in anticipation of the youngsters' fun Oct. 31.

"One of the great dangers lurking about for the trick-or-treat set is the hazard of fire," according to President Charles S. Morgan of NFPA, the national center of fire safety information. "Far more scary than any monster or ghostly figure is the possibility of flaming clothing and furnishing," he points out.

Home-made costumes should avoid flimsy materials and the yard and yards of old sheeting popularly used for witch and ghost disguises. A touch of flame could start a fire in such billowing skirts and sleeves. Also beware of paper-bag masks and costumes made of paper — although economical, they too can ignite in an instant.

Ready-made costumes, masks, wigs and beards should be labeled "flameproof." Do not buy any Halloween items not so marked.

Use flashlights — never lighted candles — to illuminate the faces of pumpkins being carried about. If candles are used in jack-o-lanterns on display, be careful to place pumpkins where they can't set fire to curtains or other decorations and where they can't be tipped.