

TENINO APARTMENTS OCCUPIED, MANAGERS HIRED

A new style of living has quietly begun on the reservation with the opening of the Tenino Apartments, a complex of twenty apartments south of the rodeo grounds.

Twenty families have filled the earth-colored, two-storey apartments which feature carports, outside storage areas and a community laundry.

The first tenants, according to Housing Manager Elton Greeley, were a family of mallard ducks but the housing authority has yet to draw up a lease on the juniper tree they occupy.

One and two bedroom apartments which come complete with carpets and drapes rent for \$157 and \$180 a month, slightly less than rates in Madras. Rents include heat, hot water and gar-

bage collection.

Maintenance of the apartment interiors and grounds will be strongly encouraged. Tenants placed \$75 security deposits on their apartments when they moved in, refundable if the units are left in good condition.

Bids for landscaping are out but the Housing Department cannot predict when the work will be done. Already surplus flowers from Kah-nee-Ta grace some yards, a gift to tenants from George Schneider.

Tenants will be allowed to fence in their yards at their own expense and will be expected to provide their own gardening tools, although the Housing Department has a limited supply of equipment to loan.

The round-the-clock responsibility of overseeing Tenino

Apartments has been given to Iva and Jim Pennington in exchange for a rent-free unit in the complex. Proud of their new quarters, the Penningtons ex-

pressed the hope that everyone will keep the apartments in top shape.

As apartment managers, the couple will be on hand seven

days a week to fulfill such varied duties as assisting tenants who are locked out of their units, performing light repair work, cleaning and maintaining the laundry, urging tenants to keep up the grounds, and discouraging noisy parties and other disturbances. The Penningtons can recommend eviction of troublesome tenants but the final decision will be made by the Housing Authority.

Both Jim and Iva have had experience in building maintenance at Kah-nee-Ta. Jim is presently on call as a maintenance man for the Lodge and Iva at one time prepared apartments in the hamlet for incoming tenants.

With procedures yet to be developed and everyone new in the complex, the Penningtons anticipate the scheduling of a get-acquainted meeting for tenants, a step toward developing a community feeling.

The apartment managers can be found at Apartment R-42, 553-1583.



JIM AND IVA PENNINGTON, APARTMENT MANAGERS



A playground equipped with a slide, swings, ladder and bouncing animals appeared last week at the mobile home park. Marvin Lee took a wild ride on the exotic bird. CDS Photo

OTHER HOUSING NEWS

— Seemingly overnight a playground appeared just off the access road to the two trailer parks and kids have already laid claim to it. Scattered among the junipers are a slide, swingset, health ladder and two clusters of assorted animals that bounce on springs.

Sand has been brought in to cover the ground, instead of the anticipated sawdust which was found to be full of potential slivers. The playground, which so far has cost \$5000, may evolve into a community park with wooden tables, benches and buildings if the trailer court residents elect to install such structures, for which Housing Manager Elton Greeley has the designs.

There has also been discussion of a possible basketball court across the road said

Greeley, but the estimated cost of \$10,000 may be prohibitive.

— Vandalism hit a HUD home in West Hills shortly after it was vacated Monday night, June 12, reported Greeley. It will take a major renovation to restore the house to its condition prior to the paint-smearing incident, he said.

Tiles throughout the house will have to be replaced and all the walls repainted before the next tenants can move in — a major expense for the Tribes.

— Two families have purchased and moved into homes in the low density area atop the bench west of the mobile home park.

Eight other 3 and 4 bedroom homes are ready for occupancy and all fifteen have been tentatively spoken for.

— Final inspection of the

twenty senior citizen homes grouped on the rise north of the Agency Longhouse was planned for June 15 but postponed by the contractors, while old folks are "waiting in line" for the low rent HUD houses, according to Elton Greeley.

The freestanding fireplace has been constructed for the community building where a small kitchen and a dining area for 70 people will be located. Also housed in the attractive, sky-lighted community structure will be a sauna, whirlpool bath, patio, office and emergency medical area.

A foot path already winds down the hillside from the senior citizen area to the Longhouse.

Rent has been set at \$80 a month for the one bedroom houses which should be ready for occupancy this summer.



A footpath winds down the hill connecting the Senior Citizens' community building to the rest of the old folks complex (below) and the Longhouse (not visible). The homes, complete with smokehouses, should be ready early this summer. CDS Photo

HOUSING ASSISTANCE RENTAL PROGRAM

The Central Oregon Regional Housing Authority is now issuing applications for rent supplement to low-income families under the Section-8, housing assistance program.

For those who qualify and are interested, from Jefferson County there have been 40 units of 1 - 2 - and 3-bedroom apartments set aside, and 80 units in Deschutes County. All applicants who qualify will not pay more than 25 per cent of their monthly income.

To qualify, A. you may be either a male or female head of the household. B. There may be up to six person's in your household, but if you are single, you

must be 62 years old, or handicapped, or disabled. C. Income limits are based on family size. To be eligible your total family annual income cannot be more than the amount opposite the number of persons in your family.

Persons	Annual Income Limit
1.	\$8,150
2.	9,000
3.	10,300
4.	11,650
5.	12,400
6.	13,100

D. Housing must be in Jefferson or Deschutes counties.

These funds will become available June 30, 1978. Applications will be accepted on a first come first served basis. For further information: Call Mr. Larry English, Director, P.O. Box 36, Redmond, Oregon 97756. Or call Mr. English at 548-8594.

Applications are available at State Buildings, City Halls, the County Court Houses as well as at the Tribal Administration building in the housing department.

It is highly suggested that interested individuals pick up

the applications. Applicants can live in either Jefferson or Deschutes County as long as it's a safe and sanitary dwelling. Individuals should complete the applications and deliver them promptly to the housing authority.