

Students Spend Christmas Vacation Working

Nine high school and college students beat the boredom of Christmas vacation by earning a few dollars and gaining work experience. Under the CETA Youth Employment Training Program the students took to the streets and offices for six days, learning responsibility while contributing to the community.

Coordinator Danny Martinez was enthusiastic about student involvement in the program, which is new this year. Announcements of employment opportunities were made by counselor Ron Pinkham at the high

school and students volunteered as soon as school was out.

Martinez rolled up his sleeves and worked along with his clean-up crew as they tackled roadside debris. Surprised by the number of pickup loads they were sending off to the dump and the value of some of their finds, the boys soon became enterprising. The bottles were turned to cash and they joked about selling auto parts to a local wrecking yard.

Happy to be outside working, Nathan Jim, Jr. said that if it were not for the vacation pro-

gram he would probably be home "just sitting around and looking at my dumb presents."

In the tribal offices, freshman Vesta Johnson longed to be outside but was busily occupied at a typewriter using skills picked up at school. Even though office work is the "last thing"

she'll ever do, according to Vesta, she was enjoying her first job and looked forward to being able to pay her mom back for a pair of tennis shoes.

Junior Annette Jim thought that filing for the education department was "fun" and college sophomore Carmela Scott jug-

gled figures in the accounting department to earn money for the horse she wanted to buy.

All the students, aged 14-21, earned \$2.65 an hour for their work. But the additional pay-off was in training received on the job and the experience of an 8-5 work schedule.



SEASON FOR SCAVENGING - (above) - Bottles gathered by Charles Frank as part of the vacation work program clean-up crew produced a little extra cash for him and his partners. The program was funded by CETA with leftover YTEP monies.

CHRISTMAS CALCULATING - (left) - College sophomore Carmela Scott spent her Christmas vacation adding figures and otherwise assisting in the tribal accounting department.

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Health Needs Assessment Survey To Be Underway

On November 17, a health workshop was held to develop a Health and Social Services needs assessment survey questionnaire. The questionnaire will be applied to randomly-selected community members shortly after Tribal Council approval, and Health Planner, Sal Sahme, expects an analysis of the findings to be completed in early February.

Involving a broad representation of the community, participants of the workshop were on hand to help compile the survey questionnaire and included students, management, providers, consumers, elders, and Tribal Council members (who were placed with the elders).

The questionnaire is to help the community identify and plan for major health and social service program needs. The answers will hopefully expose shortcomings and tell what kind of job the Tribe, Indian Health Service, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs are doing in providing health and social services to the Warm Springs community.

There are four areas in which the survey questions will request answers: (1) Quality of service or how good or bad the

existing services are; (2) What are our present and future specific health and social services needs?; (3) Are we organized correctly in respect to adding, subtracting, or renewing a particular kind of program, service, or building?; and (4) How accessible are the services to the community or is the community aware of the services and do they use it?

"This survey will give our community the opportunity to have involvement and direct input into how future health and social services are provided to our community," said Sahme.

"Obviously there are things wrong with the existing services and programs," he continued, "and it didn't happen overnight that these programs happened to be this way. So it's going to take just as long to make better and change those problems."

After the surveys are completed and the findings are in, Sahme, Dr. Dave Jacobs, and Audra Pambrun, will be writing up the analysis. Sahme advised the Health and Welfare Committee that he is utilizing Jacobs and Pambrun's services only for resource purposes and not to dictate what they feel is right.

Sahme explained that this was because he hasn't acquired the technical experience needed yet.

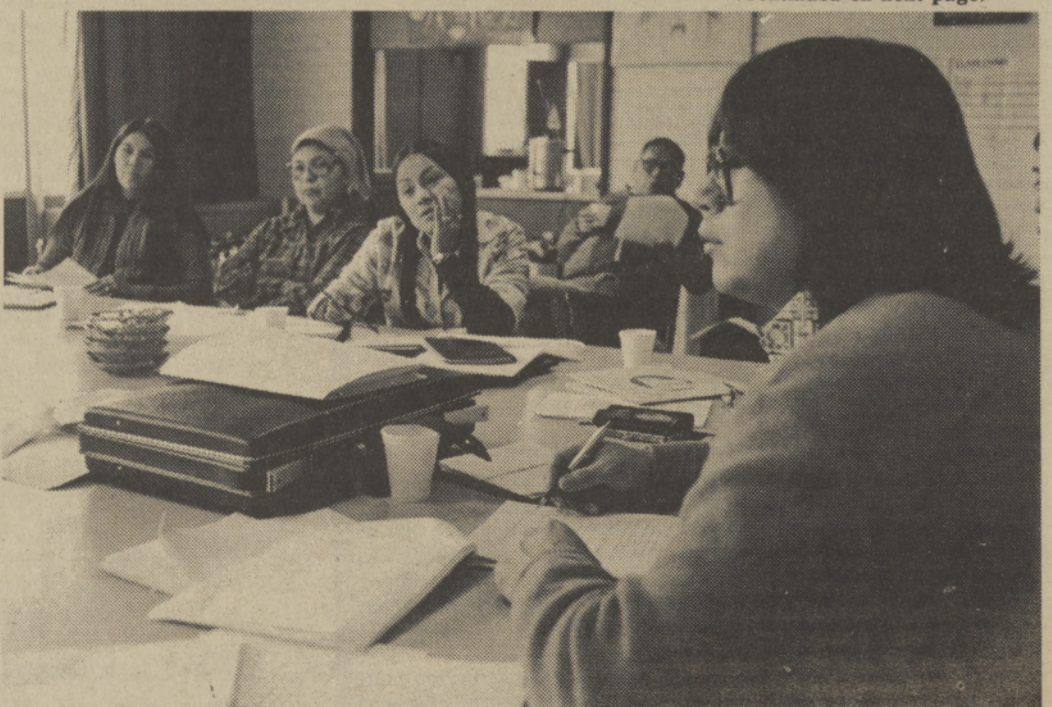
Dr. Jacobs and Audra Pam-

brun are both Indian people from the White Cloud Center at the University of Oregon Medical School in Eugene, according to

Sahme.

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DESIGNERS - Members of the Health and Welfare Committee as well as others from the community joined Sal Sahme (right) in preparing a questionnaire to assess health needs on the reservation.

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