

Bishop to work on Warm Springs study

Bruce A. Bishop has resigned as executive secretary of the Oregon Commission on Indian Services to join Quill Point, a Portland consulting firm which specializes in study-based research and organizational planning.

Bishop began work at his new position last week, April 2. Quill Point has provided consulting services to the Confederated Tribes the past seven years.

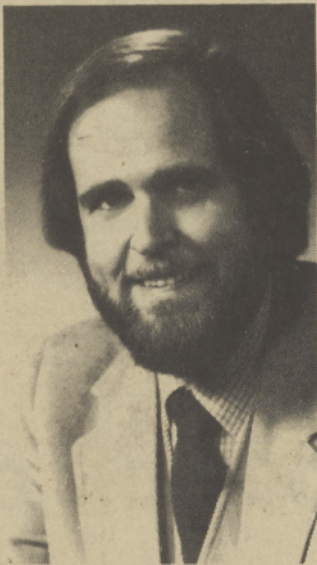
An attorney, Bishop is the first and only staff executive the Indian Services Commission has had since it was established a policy advisory agency by the 1975 legislature. Warren Rudy Clements served as chairman of that committee for two terms.

During his past five years with the commission, Bishop feels that, generally, the Commission on Indian Services has been most effective in opening up communication between the Tribes and the state. He said the commission also furthered the opportunity for cooperation between the state and Tribes by providing a forum for Indian people to get together.

Specifically for Warm Springs, Bishop is most proud of the one piece of legislation which enables tribal law enforcement officers to get certified and to attend state training academies. "This legislation had a direct impact on Warm Springs," he said in a phone interview.

Other issues in which the commission was involved include legislation to increase penalties for people excavating Indian burial sites and historical locations.

Nationally, the commission was involved in upgrading Indian education on a state-wide level throughout the



Bruce Bishop

country.

Bishop said that the commission, which provides liaison services, has been working diligently on the Indian Child Welfare Act. They have been working closely on this Act with the Children's Services Division, Juvenile Court judges, and with the Tribes to help them understand the Act.

Regarding his new position, Bishop said that Quill Point has a background of working with tribes, and that his new job will allow him to continue his interest in working with Indian people. At Quill Point, Bishop will work on research and policy projects for both tribal organizations and corporate clients. He will be working on the Law Enforcement Task Force Study currently underway at Warm Springs. "I am looking forward to working on this project," he remarked. "I will be around."

Mulvihill fills vacancy

Dennis Mulvihill, former Senior Legislative Assistant to the Joint Committee on Trade and Economic Development, assume the duties of Executive Secretary to the Oregon Commission on Indian Services April 7. Mulvihill replaces Bruce Bishop who is joining the staff of Quill Point, a professional research and policy consulting firm in

Portland, after three and a half years with the Commission.

Jack Shadwick (Modoc) was recently appointed to the Commission by the Speaker and the President of the Legislature. Shadwick, a counselor at Lane Community College in Eugene, represents Native Americans in the Willamette Valley Area on the Commission.

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much space will taken up by secretarial staff.

Tribal attorney Dennis Karnopp said that the Justice Department could seek a court order to prohibit use of the present jail. If the Justice

Department would happen to win the case the tribe would not be able to use the present jail, and they would have to seek housing for prisoners elsewhere.

Tribal Council has an-

nounced that voters will be better informed prior to the next vote in May. They intend to have several district general council meetings, and more printed material will be provided.

Award given for work with Indian Housing Authority

At a recent meeting of the East Cascade Association of Indian Housing Authorities, Rose Atkinson was awarded a plaque for her work in establishing and directing the two year-old organization. Assistant director of housing for the Confederated Tribes, Atkinson found it necessary to relinquish her position as director of the East Cascade Association because of lack of time. But she continues to be involved in the association's activities.

She was instrumental in organizing the association and says it is "growing and getting stronger." The purpose for its existence is to affect policy. Last year along with similar associations a lobby group was formed to convince the government that Indian housing should not be cut. This year they face that problem again.

The association also helped to get all paper work concentrated in one location. There will be an "Indian" desk in Seattle. This cuts down on the time element involved in applying for HUD housing. Everything is in one place.

"The housing problem is an ongoing project, it is never complete," Rose says. "It is unbelievable some of the problems many housing departments face. Warm Springs is a very fortunate reservation."



Rose Atkinson

General Council rescheduled

The March 27th General Council was postponed for several reasons, but has been rescheduled to Tuesday April 15th. Council felt there had been a very long series of public meetings, district meetings and General Councils and participation had been gradually declining.

Also, by rescheduling it to April 15th, this will give the people an opportunity to express their concerns to the Council members-elect as well as the General Manager and Branch Managers, rather than just to an out-going Council.

Tan Ru appearing at Lodge

Tan-Ru, a group consisting of Joe Woldrich, Cher Doering, Dan Waddell and Mike Roser, returning to Kah-Nee-Ta for their third summer. They are providing music in the Appaloosa lounge at Kah-Nee-Ta Lodge for dancing and good listening.

A spokesman for the group stated that, Kah-Nee-Ta "is our favorite job each year. We really look forward to coming back here, we love the lodge more than any other club."

Going on, the spokesman

said, "we will be making a record in June with four original songs at the Associates studio in Portland."

The group enjoys playing in the newly remodeled facilities. The band has some new features such as, Electronic drums, flute and a new light system. Requests for special music are accepted if they have been rehearsed.

For an evening of music and dancing, Kah-Nee-Ta can satisfy all.



You Count

Census takers will be visiting 700 households in and around Warm Springs during the month of April. All information is confidential, so "answer the census, we're counting on you."

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