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As most of the Tribal membership know, our country is entering into a period of depressing conditions, economic wise, and how long this will go on, is not known by anybody.

Warm Springs is still in good condition, but we are still affected greatly by what happens in Central Oregon, the state, the rest of the nation. So this is the time when we all must watch our money very closely and keep from taking on further credit unless absolutely necessary, and only if you are employed, to meet all your monthly bills.

Purchase of large items today, should be limited, such as new cars, furniture, equipment, and personal needs. Our Tribal members must be aware, that because our economic situation is stronger than most communities. At this time, you will be

subject to heavy pressure from anybody in the sales industry to buy consumer goods.

The Tribal Credit Department will continue to meet your financial needs but, we are going to be looking very closely at auto purchases, for example: Large, eight cylinder automobiles are difficult to sell (Gas Hogs) and anyone considering a purchase of this kind should get a very good discount off listed price. Small and compact cars should also command a good deal.

A salesperson is always eager to sell their product but nothing is a good deal if you can't afford it! If a person does purchase a car or merchandise and finances it through another lender they should be able to make the payments, because the Credit office here cannot be used to bail out a customer, each time they find they cannot afford the payments.

If you plan to purchase a car or other large items, be sure you know credit procedures and policies. Contact one of the loan officers in Credit Department to find out what you must do and if we would be able to help you buy any product or vehicle, and we can tell you if you are getting a good deal with any one company, before a deal is made.

Regardless of how much a salesperson wants to sell you something, you do not have to buy it, if you don't like it, don't want it, don't need it, or can't afford it.

Due to the heavy work load that Credit is currently having, all loan applications received beginning Monday April 21, 1980 will not be acted upon until May 5, 1980. Family emergency will be reviewed immediately as they always have. We appreciate your cooperation.

Patients guide now available

The Warm Springs Indian Health clinic has recently completed a patient's guide to the services available at the clinic. The pamphlet is available at the Health Service's building in Warm Springs.

The patient's guide is intended to answer questions about the clinic and provides phone numbers for more complete information. Health Educator, Lee Loomis, says, "it provides a person who is unfamiliar with our operation answers to questions such as, who we are, why we're here, and who is eligible. After looking through the pamphlet a person would end up with a pretty good idea of what the clinic is about."

The guide states the clinic's goal, "It is the goal of Service Unit and the Indian Health Services to raise the health of Indian people to the highest possible level...The staff of the Health Center welcomes the opportunity to serve all eligible Indians in the Warm Springs Unit Area."

A PATIENTS GUIDE to the WARM SPRINGS INDIAN HEALTH CLINIC	
	
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Awareness Day scheduled

The Municipal Branch, in an effort to increase dialogue with the community, has scheduled a Municipal Branch Awareness Day at the Agency Longhouse on April 29, 1980, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The purpose of the event is to afford the community an opportunity to become more familiar with the programs, personnel, and services available through the Municipal Branch. Branch, department, and program supervisors will be available to answer questions, review program activities, and record community recommendations for improving services.

The community is invited to bring their curiosity and concerns about recreation,

police and juvenile enforcement services, natural resources, extension service, fire and safety, legal aide program, and the education programs. The evening will begin with a short coffee and pastry social, followed by a brief overview presentation of the branch and departments, then participants can move freely to the booth setup to discuss specific issues.

The Municipal Branch is very sensitive to the quality and quantity of services that it provides to the community. The Branch recognizes the need to form a strong working relationship with the members of the community, if it is to succeed. The key to estab-

lishing this relationship is to provide an understanding of the organization and intent of the Branch then allowing citizen input into the direction of the Branch activities.

The timing of this input is vital as we undertake our annual and long-range program and budget planning. The present plan is to conduct this type of event at least twice a year. Once in the spring, before program and budget planning to gain input, and the second in the fall, to share our efforts to incorporate the citizen recommendations and to seek additional input for implementation of the Branch's objectives.

Everyone is welcome.

Fire season approaches

The Fire Control Section of Forestry is responsible for the suppression of all Wildland Fires on the Warm Springs Indian Reservation. Fire Crews responded to 57 Wildland Fires during the 1979 fire year. This figure is a little above the average of fires experienced in recent years.

There was a total estimated resource loss of \$26,573.00 An

estimated 1650 acres of Wildland were burned at a cost of \$261,459.00 to control.

The success of the Fire Control Program cannot be realized with out the combined efforts of Tribal members, logging contractors and individuals who prevent, detect and report fires.

The Fire Control Section looks forward to a safe fire

season in 1980, and knows that people of the reservation will continue their safe use of fire. Burning Permits may be obtained from the Fire Control Office from May 1 until October 31.

Burning in residential areas requires a burning permit on a year round basis and can be obtained from the BIA Plant Management office.

Attention class of 1975

We are planning our five year class reunion for July 26, 1980. The festivities will begin at 11:00 a.m. on the west side of the second dock of the Cove. The day at the Cove will be a "bring your own picnic", for you and your family. Be sure to bring along any equipment for games (softball, volleyball, etc.).

There will be a dance beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Elks Lodge in Madras. There will be drinks of all kinds at a reasonable cost.

Please let us know by May

30, 1980, if you will be attending our reunion, and how many you will be bringing to the dance. WE'LL SEE YOU THERE!

Also, we need your help with finding people from our class. If anyone knows the addresses of these people, or how to get in touch with them, please let us know as soon as possible. Those people are: Lee Allison, Alan Baird, Anita Austin, Jim Grant, David Buckingham, Ted Hurtado, Don Perry, Sylvia Northrup, Karen Sullivan and Mike Swanson.

Tutors needed for adults

Madras—Imagine the frustration of an adult non-reader in a world of road signs, newspapers and children's textbooks.

As a literacy volunteer, you can help a non-reader cope with life in Central Oregon.

The Jefferson County Literacy Council is sponsoring a mini-workshop in Madras April 26 for anyone interested in tutoring adults.

Members of the Oregon Literacy Program Committee will present the Laubach method of reading and writing instruction.

The workshop, scheduled for 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the COCC Community Education Center

in Madras, will provide five of the ten hours needed for tutor certification. Further hours of instruction can be arranged.

There will be no charge for the workshop, but Laubach materials will be available for purchase after the workshop.

Participants should bring their own lunches. Coffee will be supplied throughout the day.

To preregister call 553-1428 or 475-2136. There will also be time to register before the workshop Saturday morning. The Madras Community Education Center is located at 213 3rd Street.

The Jefferson County

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