

Principal Trujillo— Involvement in education urged



New principal — John Trujillo

by Donna Behrend

His face is familiar to most people in the area and now that he is the new principal, John Trujillo is no stranger to the parents of students attending Warm Springs Elementary and the Simnasho school.

Trujillo recently filled the vacant principal position at Warm Springs after the departure of former principal Mike Darcy.

Trujillo is not new to principalship. He has served at two different schools in Oregon as vice-principal as well as being vice-principal at Madras High School from 1975 to 1978.

In 1978, Trujillo assumed the responsibilities of Federal

Program's Coordinator throughout the 509-J school district, which includes Metolius, Madras and Warm Springs. He was responsible for Title IV, part A, JOM, Title I Reading and the Migrant Education Program.

Federal funds were cut this year, and the coordinator position was eliminated, but the district picked up the deficit and now the programs are being handled by building principals, District Superintendent Darrell Wright and his assistant Phil Riley.

Trujillo doesn't envision any major changes this year at Warm Springs. However, says Trujillo, "We are implementing plans to try to develop the best educational program for the children and to make sure the

staff shares these same feelings," for improvement.

One new idea instituted this year is a new counseling program. The "Building Counselor Program" will get the new counselor Ed Roley involved with all the children. "He will be spending 30 minutes a week in every classroom," says Trujillo. "He will be working on attitude, behavior, self-concept and decision making. The children are responding favorably and like getting involved with Ed," he concluded.

Trujillo also says there will be more instruction in reading, language, spelling, handwriting and math this year. "The teachers will be required to spend a specified amount of time on each subject."

The new principal stressed the importance of punctuality, attendance and parental involvement. "The parents need to get involved in their children's education. They need to get their children to school on time and see that they're able to keep up with their work," he said. "The parents are welcome to visit the classroom and observe their children" at school.

He explained that when parents show they're concerned and care about their children's education, it gives the child a real sense of security.

Trujillo was born, raised and educated in the Bay Area in California. He did his undergraduate work in Business at San Francisco State. He did his graduate work and earned numerous Master's degrees at several other colleges.

Trujillo and his wife Angela have three children who are in the first, second and fourth grades at Madras Elementary.

Truancy procedures for school

The school year has begun and again the Warm Springs Tribal Police Department is asking for the cooperation of

all parents who have children enrolled in the district schools.

They urge parents to work with them to see that their

children are attending school regularly and are in compliance with the approved Tribal Ordinance on school attendance and the school law for students' attendance, which reads as follows:

"All juveniles shall be required to attend school through the completion of the twelfth (12th) grade. It shall be unlawful for any juvenile who has not completed the twelfth grade to be absent from school on any school day unless he/she has been excused from attendance for the day by the school authorities. "So states Chapter 7, Section 8, subsection 8.2 of Resolution 5305.

Students who are seen on the streets during regular school hours will be questioned as to their reason for not being in the classroom and if adequate reason cannot be given, they will be brought to the Warm Springs Jail, where their parents will be contacted and asked to come and pick them up. They will be processed through the Tribal Court for the violation of Truancy.

Repeated violations of truancy by students will result in the parents being cited into Tribal Court for Failure to Send Children to School.

Rivero cited for reckless driving

Early Saturday morning Ray Rivero, Warm Springs Fire and Safety Officer, was cited for reckless driving following an accident involving a fire department vehicle on highway 26. At 12:45 a.m. State Trooper Dick Gates was running radar when the Fire and Safety Blazer was clocked at a speed of 79 miles per hour at milepost 113 on Highway 26.

Trooper Gates followed to stop and ticket the driver of the vehicle, according to the Oregon State Police report.

At the top of the Warm Springs grade the Blazer hit the right shoulder of the highway and went into the right bank at which time the Blazer then rolled onto the road, according

to State Police Sgt. Larry Atkins. Atkins said by the time Gates pulled up to the scene of the one-car accident, the driver of the Blazer was out walking around.

Gates then cited the driver, Ray Rivero, for reckless driving. Rivero was then transported to his home by the Warm Springs Police who had arrived at the scene shortly after the accident.

The Blazer was towed to Madras and according to Delford Johnson, tribal vehicle pool manager, although it was rolled it will be repaired and returned to service.

Rivero has been cited to appear in Madras District Court in October.

Julie Sam reported in fair condition

Julie Sam, 21, of Warm Springs, who was injured September 9 in an incident at the Palmair Parlor in Madras, is listed in fair condition at St. Charles Medical Center in Bend.

She has remained in a semi-comatose state in the intensive care unit and, according to a family spokesperson, has been on a life-support system since she was admitted to the hospital. She was taken off the system September 27.

Also, according to the spokesperson, doctors have reported that Sam has suffered brain damage as well as numerous contusions and lacerations and may remain in an unconscious state for an unknown length of time. Sam was also six months

pregnant at the time of the accident and she miscarried the baby. A funeral was held for the baby on September 11.

Sam allegedly left the Palmair Parlor, and ran into the street and grabbed the hair of Yvonne Tatoosh, 20, of Warm Springs. Tatoosh reportedly proceeded west on the old Culver Highway with Sam still clutching Tatoosh's hair. Sam fell away from the car and struck her head on the curb at the intersection of 2nd street and Highway 361.

The reports to the Madras police are still sketchy at this time and the incident is still being investigated. At this time there are no pending charges against either party involved, stated District Attorney Mike Sullivan.

Correction

It was reported in the last issue of Spilyay Tymoo that Al Bagley was charged with the theft of two calculators, a slide projector, gold dinnerware and one count of embezzlement.

Bagley was, in fact, charged with the theft of the gold

dinnerware and embezzlement of the calculators and slide projector. He was convicted of the theft of the dinnerware but found innocent on the count of embezzlement.

Spilyay Tymoo apologizes for this error.

Flag contest deadline nearing

Time is growing short for those who plan to enter the Tribal Flag Contest. The deadline for submitting your design idea is Wednesday, September 30, no later than 5 p.m.

Although a number of people have picked up the required entry form and drawing paper, only three entries have been turned in, so far.

Earlier this summer the Tribal Council authorized the contest because the Confederated Tribes have never had an official reservation flag other than the three teepee design, which most people associate with Kah-Nee-Ta. The contest is open to any tribal member, with only one entry per person allowed.

If your design is good and you can beat the deadline, your entry could be worth money—plus the recognition of being the tribal member who designed the reservation's official flag.

Cash prizes will be awarded as follows:

- 1st-\$100 and a framed portrait of the winning design
- 2nd-\$80
- 3rd-\$60
- 4th-\$40
- 5th-\$20

The top five drawings will be publically displayed October 5-15 in the tribal administration building.

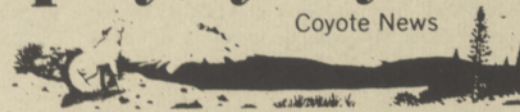
Judging will be done on an anonymous basis with consideration given to the design, creativity, use of color, visibility of design, and symbolism. Designs depicting special meanings or stories should be accompanied by a type-written narrative.

Design requirements are that each entry must symbolize the three tribes, colors must be limited to three to five shades of your choice, and the tribal logo may be incorporated. All entrants must use the standardized 11" x 17" paper supplied when entry forms are picked up from Winona Strong at the administration building.

Don't forget. The deadline for entries is Wednesday, September 30.

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