

Tribal flag inaugurated at ceremony

A near capacity crowd turned out for the Tribal Flag inauguration held on Friday, October 22, in the Agency longhouse, where a special dinner and ceremonies took place for the occasion.

Owen M. Panner was the keynote speaker for the

activities where he reflected back through all the years he had been associated with the Tribes as the Tribal Attorney. He said that it was a great honor for him to be invited to be the featured guest speaker at such as occasion as this.

Opening the program was

the Washut Services which started at 4:30 p.m. followed by the welcome address by the Wasco Chief Nelson Wallulatum. After the dinner was served the colors were posted by the local VFW and Auxiliary Post No. 4217, veterans of foreign wars.

Mike Clements who was the Master of Ceremonies proceeded with the program. Following his remarks the introduction of the dignitaries and guest were introduced. Hamilton Greeley who was the winner of the flag design contest was introduced to the public.

Delbert Frak, Sr., the chairman of the Tribal Council made the official acceptance of the tribal flag. A flag to the Indian people here is a symbol of sovereign rights, a sacred symbol that has been highly respected in many ways by the tribes for time immemorial.

Just like the flag of the United States that distinguishes Americans from other nations, so does the Tribal Flag. It distinguishes one tribe or band of Indians from another.

All the symbols seen on the flag have a significant value and meaning as described.

The outline of the reservation represents the reservation boundaries. The pair of eagles represents our reservation's wildlife, freedom for our people and courage for all people as long as the mountains stand. The tepees represent our old Indian way of life, rejoicing, singing, dancing and happy Indian celebrations. The round warshield alone represents the Sacred Circle of Life, the Gift of Life and the

Rebirth of Life. The three stars above Mount Jefferson represents the people of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs; the Warm Springs, the Wasco, and the Paiute Tribe. The seven eagle feathers represents tribal religion, praising the Great Spirit, praying for peace and forgiveness and cleansing of our souls. The mountain represents Mount Jefferson signifying our beautiful Mother Earth and our beautiful Indian land. The year 1855 represents the year of our treaty with the United States government and our sovereign powers reserved through the treaty. The blue color represents the Great Spirit land, and the way of life for which without our people, animals, fish, roots and birds cannot survive. The green color represents our Warm Springs reservation for as long as the grass should grow.

Hamilton Greeley who designed the flag done a good job and his entry was chosen from a member of other fine entries. The decision of the Tribal Council and the flag Committee must have been a difficult one to make as all of the designs were all beautiful. There were 36 entries in all.

This is now the official Tribal flag of the Confederated Tribes and will be displayed in all public places and where tribal Representatives travel.



Hamilton Greeley, tribal flag designer, briefly explained the significance of his design. Greeley was one of over 30 tribal members who submitted hand-drawn and original flag designs for the contest. Tribal Council selected Greeley's entry, saying it represented all of Warm Springs.

Spilyay Tymoo photo by Miller

COCC invites participation in its many classes

COCC Mid-term classes

The adult education program through Central Oregon Community College has three mid-term classes planned for the month of November.

Yard Irrigation Systems—Jay Binder will instruct this how-to class on the design and installation of a residential irrigation system. Each student will develop a workable plan for the kind of irrigation system selected (manual electric or hydraulic). All of these system will be thoroughly discussed.

The pay-off with such a system is the freedom from being a slave to yard maintenance. Classes will be each Tuesday at 7:30 to 10:00

p.m. beginning November 2. Eight people are required to register by October 29 before this class will be taught. Fee is \$10.00

Easy Family Finance—Reba Powell will lead the class through simple money management techniques that have helped her through the years. Subjects will include budgeting your income, keeping a checkbook, maintaining records for taxes, etc. There is no charge for this class and it will be held Tuesday, October 26, from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Adult Learning Center.

Good for Ya Goodies—This is for all you folks who supply food to little ones and want to make it good as well as

nutritional. Karen Gorden, IHS staff nutritionist, will share her knowledge and recipes in this three-session class. Cost is \$6 and the class will meet on Mondays from 7 to 9 p.m. beginning November 1. You must register by October 29.

Indian film festival

According to community education coordinator Nancy Pitt, over 70 adults and children attended the Indian film festival during the fall-term registration week. Pitt says this will be a regular event during, or near, registration weeks in the future.

Also, according to Pitt, COCC can bring any variety of speakers or performers to the Warm Springs community. The only limitation, she says, is imagination and community interest.

Fall term a success

Several Madras residents are taking the Warm Springs community education classes offered during fall term this year. People are traveling to Warm Springs to attend the Making Horse Gear class, Nurses Aide Training, Painting Landscape workshop and the Principles of Economics.

Fifty-four people are registered in the credit classes and 75 people are registered in the community education classes. Two high school students, Merrit Youngdeer, Jr. and Sandra Tanawasha, are taking the Principles of Economics class.

Instructors needed

People have shown interest in several different types of classes they would like to see offered during winter term. "We need part-time instructors for chain saw repair and

maintenance, carpentry, stained glass windows, special gourmet cooking, cross-country and down-hill skiing, fitness for over 50, painting and baby board construction," says Pitt.

If you feel you are qualified to instruct such classes or have a class idea yourself, the last day to mail new-instructor applications and course outlines is October 29. Contact Pitt at the Adult Learning Center.

Advisory Committee needed

COCC would like to start an informal advisory committee to help Pitt in planning credit and community education classes. The committee would assist in getting more people to come to the adult learning center and work towards their GED. A 12-noon meeting is planned October 28 at the Adult Learning Center. If you plan to attend, contact Nancy Pitt.

If it is difficult to determine just what classes would be helpful and entertaining to people in Warm Springs. "The community needs to communicate what they want," says Pitt. Contact her at the Adult Learning Center with your ideas. The phone number is 553-1428.

Aid in Registration

In hopes to increase the number of Warm Springs voters, Nancy Pitt, Ortheta Miller and Theresa Katchia will be at the Adult Learning Center, Monday, October 25 at noon to meet with people interested in registering voters. For more information, contact Pitt at 553-1428.

Gift Certificates available

"Put a little class in someone's life," as the saying goes. COCC now has gift certificates available. They can be used for community education course tuition and fees. The certificates can be purchased at the Adult Learning Center in denominations from \$5.00 and up.

GED completions

According to the Adult Learning Center, 16 students completed their GEDs after studying at the ALC last year. Several MHS graduates earned credits towards graduation with the ALC.

Against Measure #3

At a recent board meeting, COCC directors unanimously pass a resolution to "adopt a position in opposition to Ballot Measure #3 and encourage the citizens of Central Oregon to study the measure carefully prior to voting on November 2.

According to Fred Boyle, COCC president, "COCC will lose about \$1.7 million from the operating budget," if Measure #3 passes.

COCC Tax Base

COCC is seeking a tax base beginning in 1983. The college has never had a tax base and has always had to rely on voter approval each year of its budget. The proposed tax base is \$4.2 million, the same as this year's operating budget. Make sure to cast your ballot on November 2.

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