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Indian Chipmunk singers

Indian chipmunks took second place at the 1983 Warm Springs talent show. First place went to the Warm Springs fourth grade tumbling act.

Seekseequa nominates six

by Pat Leno

The Seekseequa District meeting was held March 9 chaired by Councilwoman Karen Wallulatum, at the Agency Longhouse. The meeting was originally scheduled to be held March 4 but was postponed. Six people from the Seekseequa District were nominated, with one person declining.

Those nominated and accepting to run for the two Seekseequa positions were, Vernon Henry, Geraldine Jim, Ellen Johnson, Hank Palmer and Karen Wallulatum. Carol Wewa Muniz was nominated but said at this time she felt she wasn't able to devote the necessary time to a council position.

Following the nominations the district members voiced concerns about issues within

the district. The issues addressed were unemployment, housing, water, education and board representation. A concern was expressed that there is a real need for better communication within the district between the council members and the people. It was suggested that district meetings held more often would be a step in the right direction.

The new regulation, which was introduced this year governing the nominations, raised many questions from the people. The people felt it was unfair and asked when and why this was enacted. The new rules states that a person must be present at the nominations to accept or decline the nomination. If they are not present the nomination would not be recognized.

Eleven run for Simnasho district

by Marsha Shewczyk

Eleven Simnasho district tribal members accepted nominations to run in the upcoming Tribal Council election scheduled for April 1.

Thirteen people were nominated during the two hour meeting held March 9 at the Simnasho Longhouse. One nominee, Arlita Rhoan declined her nomination because she felt she was unqualified, "I am still growing and maturing. I don't feel I am qualified yet."

Another nominee, Franklin Suppah, was not present at the Simnasho meeting to accept his nomination. A new regulation initiated this year states that a person has to be present to accept his or her nomination. Suppah later declined his nomination.

Those who accepted their nomination include, in order of nomination: Olney Patt, Sr., Delbert Frank, Grant Wakeneka, Larry Calica, Charles Calica, Kathleen Foltz, Jacob Frank, Sr., Marvin Meanus, Harold Culpus, Pierson Mitchell and Clarence McKinley.

Administration deaf to educational needs

by Marsha Shewczyk

The cutting of the Indian Education Act budget by the Reagan administration will not go unopposed by the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. Action has been taken to protest the 25% budget reduction.

A reduction of this magnitude would mean virtual elimination of Title IV Part A impact aid funds by 1985. Nationally, the program received \$67 million in the 1983 budget. According to Warm Springs education director Jody Calica, the 1984 budget for Title IV has been reduced to \$1.2 million and will be reduced to zero by 1985. This year's Title IV, Part A funding for Warm Springs totals \$142,000. It, too, is destined for elimination completely by 1985.

Title IV funds were appropriated initially to encourage parent and community involvement in the educational process as well as increasing the efficiency of Indian education programs. It was found that education programs in schools providing education for Indian children were at a disadvantage to non-Indian children as well as to Indian children. Funds were provided for the deficit through the federal government and parents and community members have a voice in the distribution of the funds into the programs.

Warm Springs programs funded by Title IV provide for school counselors, alternative education, teacher aids, culture camp, summer school and tutoring.

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Root Feast April 3

The roots look as though they're almost ready for digging.

Root Feast is scheduled for the first Sunday in April at both the Agency longhouse and the Simnasho Longhouse.

Washut services will begin in the morning around 11:00.

Andrew David will also be holding Root Feast services at his house. Everyone is welcome to attend any of these services.

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ON
Tribal Council Candidates