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Search for a new quiver

Coyote is in search of a new quiver during Li'l Miss Warm Springs legend practice. The Li'l Miss Warm Springs pageant takes place Friday, January 25 at 7 p.m. at the Community Center.

With passage of 456. . . .

## No practical effect seen

In the November elections, Indian treaty rights in the State of Washington suffered a setback with the passage of State Initiative 456. Initiative 456 sought to change state law by overturning the 1974 "Boldt decision." In this decision District Court Judge George Boldt ruled that U.S. treaties entitled certain Washington tribes to one-half the annual salmon and steelhead catch in the state.

Following the Boldt decision, tribal fish harvests increased

from five percent of the annual catch in the early 1970's to 48 percent in 1982. Simultaneously, overall fish populations have declined, leading to charges that Indian fishing is depleting the resource. However, there are indications that pollution, poor logging practices, the building of hydroelectric dams and general overfishing have diminished the salmon and steelhead populations, rather than centuries-old Indian fishing practices.

Proponents of "456" oppose

Indian treaty rights, claiming that the Fourteenth Amendment of the Constitution says no citizen can have rights not given to others. But these proponents overlook other parts of the Constitution and the numerous federal court rulings which affirm that sovereign tribal nations negotiated to retain these hunting, fishing and other rights when they ceded their lands to the U.S. in treaties.

Because the law is clear that only Congress or the courts can

modify treaty fishing rights, the passage of Initiative 456 will have no practical effect. There is some thought that the initiative itself is unconstitutional. It is encouraging that tribal, civic, sports fishing and church groups helped mount a broad-based opposition against the initiative. Many were concerned that Initiative 456 would undermine the recent progress made as state fisheries officials and tribes have cooperated to protect and enhance the declining fisheries resource.

## Investigation continues

The investigation in the theft of a money bag from the Tribal accounting office continues, according to BIA investigator, Jerome Main. Some of the results from the Oregon Crime Lab have been received. More conclusive results are still expected.

On October 31, a tribal money bag was found in the Agency campus area. The bag had been cut open. Upon investigation it was discovered that the bag originally had over \$35,000 in

checks and over \$2,000 in cash. The money was missing from the bag. The checks were still in the bag. The bag and its contents were turned over to the crime lab to be tested for further evidence.

A polygraph test was given to one individual whose test has been proven to be deceptive. The identity of that person has not been disclosed.

At this time there have been no charges filed nor indictments made.

## OIEA Conference slated

The 10th Annual Oregon Indian Education Association will be held at Kah-Nee-Ta April 10-12.

The conference will be hosted by the joint education committees—Warm Springs Title 4 Part A parent committee, Headstart Early Childhood, Johnson

O'Malley parent committee and Tribal education.

The theme for this year conference is "Making the dream a reality." For more information on the conference and registration you can call Dean Azule, 503-393-3903 or Charles Calica, 503-553-1161, ext. 228.

## NAPA to meet at resort

### in mid-March for workshop

The first annual convention of the Native American Press Association will be held at Kah-Nee-Ta Resort March 14 and 15. All Indian and non-Indian print journalists are encouraged to attend the two-day event.

The NAPA newsletter, which is due for publication soon, will carry full details of the convention. The agenda has not been finalized yet, but there will be workshops covering editorials, advertising, layout and design and business and circulation.

There will also be awards given for best editorial, column, feature, series, hard news story, sports story, sports photo, general photo and layout and design.

Awards will be presented Friday evening during a banquet. To attract more participants, it is hoped that a well-known media person such as Dan Rather, Mike Wallace or Art Buckwald will serve as the key-note speaker for the banquet.

A nominal registration fee of \$25 will be charged for the convention. This will not cover transportation, meals or lodging. Annual membership fees have been set at: Indian publications, \$100; non-Indian associate, \$150; institution, \$125 and individual, \$50.

Look in future editions for further information and registration forms.

## Accident claims one

A four-year-old girl from Fort Hall, Idaho was killed in a single-car accident on Highway 3 near milepost 17 Thursday, January 10.

The accident occurred at 9 a.m. near the Larry Calica residence when the van in which Nicola Weiser was a passenger went out of control after hitting black ice. The van fishtailed, spun around and flipped over. Weiser was thrown from the vehicle. There were four other passengers in the van. All were

treated at the Warm Springs clinic for minor injuries. Weiser was also taken to the Clinic and then transported by ambulance to Mt. View Hospital. She died enroute and was pronounced dead upon arrival.

Special investigator Jerome Main stated the roads were "extremely hazardous" and that this was one of five weather-related accidents last week.

The accident is still under investigation.

## Coffee Day Jan. 25

There will be free coffee and tea for those who take advantage of the annual Easter Seal Coffee Day January 25.

On Coffee Day each year, participating local restaurants pour free coffee or tea from bot-

tomless pots for customers who have purchased a Coffee Day button for \$1. Buttons went on sale at the restaurants January 11.

Margo Tathwell of the Alpha Omicron Sorority in Madras, area Coffee Day chairperson, said dollars realized from the sale of buttons will help finance wheelchairs and other equipment or therapy services for physically-limited Oregon children and adults served by the Easter Seal Society of Oregon.

The participating Madras area restaurants, who donate the coffee or tea are: Friendship Corner, Tiger Mart, Pietro's Pizza, Dairy Queen, Jackie's Trailways, Jerry's, Ahern's, The Stag, Madras Coffee Shop, the Cable Car Restaurant in Metolius, and the Rainbow Market in Warm Springs.

## District budgeting gets underway for '85-'86

Budgeting for 1985-86 is underway in school offices throughout the District. The District's budget committee will meet on Tuesday, February 26, 1985, to begin analysis of the District's proposed budget. Budget committee members are: Mike Ahern, Don Aitken, Steve Earnest, Dave Hawes, Tom Lakin, Charles Nathan, Orrin Potampa, Lloyd Smith, Guff Thorpe and Bette

Wallan. Patrons are urged to attend budget committee meetings and to express opinions about the proposed budget.

Please feel welcome to our schools. We exist because you support our efforts to provide quality schooling. District 509-J is fortunate to have strong teachers and quality programs because of community support. Please help us improve.



Vehicle involved in fatal accident January 10 was towed to Madras and secured until further investigation.

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