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-Ume-Sha activities set for June 20-22

The time to gather, to visit, to enjoy, to share, to dance, and to have a good time will be June 20, 21 and 22 at the Pi-Ume-Sha Treaty Days in Warm Springs, This year the powwow will feature \$7,900 in cash prizes for the 17th Annual individual and team championship

The powwow will start on Friday, June 20 at 7 p.m. with a grand entry. The registration books close at the time of the grand entry. Contests on Friday will be 1) little girls round dance (six and under); 2) little boys war dance (six and under): 3) little girls round dance (seven to 11 years); and 4) the little boys war dance (seven to 11 years). Five semi-finalists will be picked for each session for men and women individuals.

Use care with fireworks

The 4th of July is a time for picnics, celebration and family fun. Don't let fireworks turn your holiday into tragedy. Last year we had several fires caused by illegal and uncontrolled fireworks.

By Tribal Council Resolution #6492 dated 6/28/83, only fireworks sponsored by the Fourth of July Committee and those approved by the Fire and Safety Chief are

Only sparklers, caps, snakes, and other small smoke producing devices are allowed. No other fireworks are approved. The approved type must be used under adult supervision and must be used in a "Fire Safe" area (pavement, sand, gravel, bareground, greengrass or other places cleaned of burnable materials). Unauthorized use will result in confiscation of the fireworks and

may result in prosecution. We are approaching a critical, high fire danger period. Please do all you can to make this Fourth of July season safe for everyone!

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On Saturday, June 21, the day's events will start with the judging of the participants entered in the traditional dress parade. The parade will start at 10:30 p.m. The afternoon session will start with the grand entry at 1 p.m. The teen girls round dance (12-16) will be the first contest event. Following will be the teen boys fancy dance (12-16 years), the "Kussa" round dance (50 years and over) will be a full dress and participants will receive an honorarium in appreciation. Following will be the 'Ol' Warriors" wardance for those men 50 years and older, participants invited to dance in full dress. These participants will receive an honorarium in appreciation. On Saturday five more semi-finalists will be selected for the mens and womens individuals. An open give-away will follow immediately after the last

Saturday afternoon sessions. On Saturday evening the session will began with the grand entry at 7 p.m. Featured contests will be the girls buckskin graceful dance (16 years and under), the boys straight dance (16 and under), womens team round dance and the mens team dance open contest. During the evening session five more semifinalists will selected for mens and

Sunday, June 22 will start with the grand entry at 2 p.m. Five semifinalists will be selected at the start of the session for mens and womens individuals. The mens straight dance (17 years and older) will then follow. The womens individual straight

wardance for 17 and older will be

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the second contest followed by the mens individual fancy wardance. The final contest on Sunday will be the womens shawl dance for 17 years and older. Also featured will be the Indian

stick games which will start on

Friday. A stick game tournament will be held on Saturday. Local and visiting drums will be paid after each session. Drummers

are asked to bring their own chairs. Rules for the contest are 1. All

contests will be in drum order. 2. Registration for contestants will be open until 7 p.m. Saturday. 3. Contestants have to dance each session to gain points. 4. Full regalia, according to tribal custom. 5. Loss

of any regalia will disqualify dancer during competition, number is considered part of regalia. 6. No tennis shoes, dark glasses or chewing gum. 7. All contestants must be in grand entry at 7 p.m. nightly or will be disqualified, also must be at least 1/4 degree blood of an Indian tribe. 9. Semi-finalists will be chosen during sessions. 10. Only registered drummers will be paid, deadline to signup 5 p.m. June 21. 11. All judges' decisions will be final. 12. Men may register only for one individual contest, mens straight or fancy.

For more information contact Art Mitchell at (503) 55-1010 or Nathan "8-Ball" Jim at (503) 553-1403. No collect calls will be accepted.

Reactor safety examined

Salem-The Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE) is reviewing the safety of Hanford's N reactor. The review began May 1.

Gov. Vic Atiyeh directed ODOE to review the U.S. Department of Energy's (USDOE) conclusion that N reactor is safe and to make recommendations to improve safety if necessary. The review is expected to be completed by August 1. Mike Alsworth, Manager of Reac-

womens individuals. tor Safety for ODOE, said safety at N reactor is important to Oregon because it is close to the Columbia River. "A major accident at the N reactor could have severe consequences for Oregonians," Alsworth

Alsworth said ODOE's review will focus on three safety issues. They include the ability of N reactor's safety systems to prevent damage to the nuclear fuel and to prevent radioactive releases. ODOE also will review emergency response procedures for possible accidents at N reactor.

To conduct the review, ODOE staff will observe the condition of safety systems at the plant, Alsworth said. Staff also will review plant operations with USDOE representatives and plant managers.

ODOE staff also will examine documents on the plant's safety systems; consider analyses of possible Continued on page 8

CRITFC opposes Hanford proposal

The Yakima, Umatilla and Nez Perce Indian tribes and the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission expressed alarm and dismay this week about the sudden Department of Energy (DOE) announcement that Hanford, Washington had been selected as one of three possible sites for storage of the nation's nuclear waste.

Russell Jim, Nuclear Waste Program Manager for the Yakima Indian Nation, called the decision and the process for making it an "insult". Herman Reuben, Nez Perce Tribal Chairman, protested that the DOE had promised to notify the tribes at least two weeks in advance of the announcementbut in fact, tribal representatives weren't informed until May 28. "DOE obviously didn't want us to be ready to make public state-

ments," Jim commented. Jim emphasized that the decision had not been made in compliance with the Nuclear Waste Policy Act. legislation passed in 1982 to guide the establishment of the nation's disposal of commercial nuclear waste. "Without the study required by the act, the Secretary of Energy recommended Hanford for site characterization and the President

accepted that recommendation,"

William Burke, Director of the Umatilla Nuclear Waste Study Program, charged that the decision to suspend studies for a second repository in the eastern United States "is directly contrary to the act's purpose." Because most high-level radioactive waste from power reactors comes from eastern states, the decision to consider only western sites, he added, was an unfair choice based on politics, not safety. Under the act, these three Indian nations were designated as "affected tribes" and as such have status virtually equivalent to that of the states where dump sites may be located.

The three tribes own land, water, fish and other resources in the area near the Hanford Nuclear Reservation; and the Columbia River, the tribes' historic lifeline, borders Han-

ford on its east side "Columbia River tribes have sacrificed time and again in the name of national interest," said Tim Wapato, Executive Director of the CRITFC. the tribes' fisheries technical service. "First, it was the loss of most of our lands, then it was, and still is, the massive Columbia River hydroelectric development that almost

cost us our salmon, the very resource we have depended on for physical and spiritual sustenance since time immemorial.

'Are we now being asked to sacrifice again for the national interest? Isn't it enough that we already have in our midst Hanford and its dangerous activities that threaten our future generations.

"If our congressional representatives cannot ensure that the mandates of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act are upheld," Russell Jim concluded, "we will have no choice but to seriously consider litigation to protect not only the tribes but also all the region's residents from this improper decision to go ahead and begin site evaluation studies."

Adoption election invalidated

The Tribal Adoption election was invalidated because too few voters cast their ballots May 20. Fifty-percent, or 715, of the eligible tribal voters were necessary to validate the election; 668 voted. It is not known when another adoption election will be conducted.

Burning permits required

Fire Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs announces the 1986 Fire Season will be in affect as of June 6, 1986 and will continue until this fall. We urge that all activities such as logging, camping, picnicing, branding, and others be done with fire safety in mind. Please be extra careful and help make the summer of 1986 a fun and safe one.

Burning permits are required for trash barrels, sweat house fires, debris burning and others. Permits are available at Fire Management, 4205 Holliday Lane, seven days 10:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Voters decide on referendum items, tie

Warm Springs voters cast their ballots Thursday, May 29 on three referendum itsms. The senior citizen trust fund and the scholarship trust fund were both approved but the appropriation of funds for a western apparel factory was denied by voters. Simnasho voters, at the same time, cast their ballots to determine who would fill the undecided third Tribal Council seat. Janice Clments won over Delbert Frank, Sr. by a margin of 132 to

The senior citizen trust fund will set aside \$5 million to be used specifically for pensions. It is estimated that by the year 2000, there will be 190 tribal members 60 years

of age and older. Each member 60 or older receives up to \$270 per month. Voters approved the fund by a margin of 499 to 79. The scholarship trust fund was

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approved by a margin of 439 to 138. Six million dollars will be set aside for tribal members who wish to attend college or vocational education programs.

The Western wear apparel factory went down to defete by a margin of 319 against to 259 for. Voters were asked to approve the appropriation of \$400,000 and authority to borrow up to \$750,000 for the factory, which would have been located at the Tektronix building.



TAKING THE OATH-Janice Clements (right) winner of the recent Simnasho run-off election for the third Council seat from that district was sworn into office by BIA Superintendent Bernard Topash (left) June