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# Spilyay Tymoo

## News from the Warm Springs Indian Reservation



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DECEMBER 30, 1987

### Coyote News in brief

#### Year reviewed

The year of 1987 is reviewed in photographs. Community members and events are highlighted.

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#### Dream comes true

Central Oregon Community College student Colleen Arthur is making her dream of studying forestry come true. She is taking classes at Warm Springs through the college.

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#### Motivating hints given

The Warm Springs Extension Service offers advice to supervisors on motivating employees. Six suggestions are outlined.

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#### Tournament begins

The 29th Annual Holiday Tournament bracket and schedule is presented. Tournament begins December 30 and continues through January 2.

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#### Portraits shown

Historical portraits bring back memories of years gone by.

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#### Classes listed

Warm Springs college credit classes and community education classes offered through COCC are listed. Classes range from Logging Methods to Painting Indian Art.

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**New Year's Eve dinners will be served at the Agency and Simnasho Longhouses. All are invited to join in the celebrations.**

**Happy New Year from the staff of Spilyay Tymoo**

### Miss Warm Springs 1988 selected



Bridget Kalama, 19, of Warm Springs, was selected December 29 to reign as Miss Warm Springs 1988. She is the daughter of Larsen and Pat Kalama of Yelm, Washington. Bridget will attend COCC during winter term. Lavina Colwash was second runner-up.

### Council plans Constitution celebration

The Tribal Council has set February 12-14, 1988 to celebrate 50 years of Tribal Government under the Wheeler-Howard Act, with the main observance to begin on Saturday, February 13, 1988. The Constitution and By-Laws and Corporate Charter of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon were adopted pursuant to the Wheeler-Howard Act and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on February 14, 1938. February 14, 1988 is the 50th anniversary of the Tribal Constitution and By-Laws and Corporate Charter which have positively contributed to the stable government at Warm Springs and the development of the Tribes.

The Act, passed on June 18, 1934, as part of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal, was one of the most important pieces of legislation affecting American Indians ever enacted. It ended a disastrous allotment policy dating from the 1880's; set the stage for the development of tribal self-government; restored Indian religious and other freedoms, inaugurated a revolving credit fund and other economic programs; and encouraged a revival of Indian cultures.

The Wheeler-Howard Act, also known as the Indian Reorganization act of 1934, permitted Indian tribes to choose a formal governmental structure and also to organize as a federal corporation. Our people choose to adopt both a Constitution and a Corporate Charter.

Each tribe is a unique sovereign entity, free to choose its own governmental system. The decision to organize under the Wheeler-Howard Act has proven to be a wise one for our Tribes. The structure of our Tribal government as established by our constitution has contributed to our stability and progress as a nation.

Our Constitution was approved by the Secretary of the Interior on February 14, 1938 and February 14, 1988 marks the 50th anniversary of our Constitution. We are planning a celebration of 50 years of Tribal Government under the Wheeler-Howard Act at Warm Springs on February 12-14, 1988, with the primary activities to begin with the noon meal at the Agency Longhouse at Warm Springs on February 13, 1988. This dinner will be followed by historical speakers, dances and celebration throughout the rest of the day and evening.

We hope that you can join us for

this celebration. If you have any recollections, reminiscences or observations to share with the other celebrants, we would like to include that in the program. Please contact

Warren "Rudy" Clements at 553-1161, ext. 298 or 299, or at P.O. Box C, Warm Springs, Oregon 97761 if you would like to be part of the program.

### Resolution #7524 ratifies celebration coordination

Whereas, The Constitution and By-Laws of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon has adopted pursuant to the terms of the Wheeler-Howard Act and was approved by the Secretary of the Interior on February 14, 1938; and

Whereas, The Tribal Council has set the dates of February 12-14, 1988, for the celebration of 50 years of Tribal Government under the Wheeler-Howard Act, with the main observance to commence at 12:00 noon on February 13, 1988; and

Whereas, Funds for planning and carrying out such celebration are necessary; now, therefore,

Be it resolved, By the Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, pursuant to Article V,

Section 1(t) of the Tribal Constitution, as amended, that the sum of \$25,000 is appropriated for the planning and carrying out of such celebration.

Certification

The undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, hereby certifies that the Tribal Council is composed of 11 members of whom 7 constituting a quorum were present at a meeting thereof, duly and regularly called, noticed, convened and held this 15th day of December, 1987; and that the foregoing resolution was passed by the affirmative vote of 6 members, the Chairman not voting; and that the said resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

### Dances scheduled

All are invited to dance the old year out and the new year in at a dance scheduled for the Warm Springs Elementary gym Thursday, December 31. In addition to the dance on New Year's Eve, there will be dances Friday and Saturday, January 1 and 2. The dances are sponsored by the Warm Springs Rodeo Association and are being coordinated by Shirley and Alvis Smith, Sr.

Music will be provided by The Savage Resurrection, an Indian

rock and country rock band from Klamath Falls.

Admission will be \$6 single or \$10 per couple. Proceeds will go to youth projects and the proposed announcement board at the Warm Springs Community Center.

The New Year's Eve dance will begin at 8 p.m. and continue until 1 a.m. The dances on Friday and Saturday will run from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight. There will be contest dancing Saturday evening.

### Please don't drink and drive!



Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) have initiated an effort to reduce drinking and driving this holiday season. They encourage drivers to "tie one on" in support of their anti-drinking and driving campaign.

### Senators seeking release of fishermen

Senator Daniel K. Inouye (D-Hawaii) and Senator Daniel J. Evans (R-Wash.) recently met with White House officials and leaders of the Yakima Indian Nation to seek the release of four Yakima Indians imprisoned for illegal fish-

ing. Attending the meeting with the two Senators were White House Chief of Staff Howard Baker, Jr. and Attorney General Edwin Meese III. Also in attendance at the meeting were Yakima General Council Chairman Philip Olney and Tribal Council chairman Melvin Sampson.

According to both Senators the meeting at the White House ended on a tentative but positive note. Attorney General Meese assured Senator Inouye, Chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs, and Senator Evans, Vice-chairman of the committee, that an answer would be forthcoming early next week about the possible early release of the Yakima fishermen.

"Our meeting was very positive," said Senator Evans. "I am grateful for the attention paid to the matter by the highest levels of the Administration. Senator Baker and Attorney General Meese were very courteous. They were eager to hear first hand the concerns voiced by the Yakima tribal leaders."

"We had a very amiable, forthright discussion of this problem."

said Senator Inouye. "I am encouraged by our discussions with Senator Baker and Attorney General Meese. They have assured us of an early response to our request."

David Sohapp, Sr., his son, David Sohapp, Jr. and three other Yakima fishermen were convicted in 1982 of violating the Lacey Act. They were sentenced to varying federal prison terms, ranging from one to five years. The Lacey Act provides federal criminal penalties for violations of state and tribal fish and game laws. Both Senators have recently expressed concerns that the sentences received by the Yakima fishermen were grossly disproportionate to the crimes they committed.

According to a letter to Senator Inouye from the Church Council of Greater Seattle, Sohapp, Sr. was convicted of selling 317 fish and Jr. was convicted of selling 28 fish to federal buyers. By contrast, two non-Indians charged with selling about \$20,000 of illegally caught

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