



**New Member**

*Spilyay Tymoo photo by Behrend*

At the last meeting of the Middle Oregon Indian Historical Society board of directors, members and staff welcomed the board's newest member, former Governor Vic Atiyeh (second from left). Shown with Atiyeh are Liz Teevee, museum curator, former board chairman Rudy Clements, board treasurer Jim Noteboom, board member Jim Southern and museum executive director Duane King.

**Stars in Warm Springs:  
Early Childhood Education classes videoed**

Stars are being made at Warm Springs! Video stars, that is! Warm Springs residents may have seen the video filming while shopping at Macy's, getting their mail, going to the Clinic or during Pi-Ume-Sha. Filming has also been done in private homes and at Day Care Center.

With the help of the Culture and Heritage department, willing children and parents, and the Early Intervention Advisory Committee, the Office of Early Childhood Education has been making special videos as part of a grant funded by the Department of Education and the State Mental Health Division.

The Warm Springs grant was one of 85 funded in the state and one of 30 selected to receive special support because of its unique focus on parents and using locally made videos as teaching tools.

The videos will be previewed for the first time by a special group of parents who are invited to participate in five afternoon "Gatherings" scheduled to begin July 19 at the Community Center. Invited to the "Gatherings" will be parents of children younger than three years of age who are involved in the Infant Follow Along Program or the Early Intervention Program.

"We believe that parents are their children's very best teachers," says Julie Mitchell, Director of Early Childhood Education. "We wrote the grant so we could emphasize

how well parents teach and to encourage parents to use everyday situations to increase their child's ability to learn. "The videos show opportunities for parents to especially teach their children language or speaking and understanding skills, listening or attention skills and fine motor skills. These three skill areas grant it's name: The LAF Project. "As our children are tested or evaluated through the year, we found that many have problems with these LAF skills which later make success in school more difficult," comments Charles "Jody" Calica, Department Director of Education, Employment and Training, who served as the Warm Springs representative on the grant selection committee. In addition to the "Gatherings" activities, the grant allowed the purchase of video equipment and editing machines to make the movies.

"We selected parents involved in our Infant Follow Along program because we've found these parents are very interested in discovering how their children learn and how they can teach their kids," says Julie Mitchell. "But lots of times parents are turned off by education classes. To avoid that, we wanted teaching materials that included Native American people." The "gatherings" will include food and fun and games focusing on LAF skills.

All the while, parents will be learning how they can teach their children—even as young as one or

two months old—to notice their world, to listen to sounds, to respond to word and smiles, to begin to use their hands and fingers to pick things up and hold them, to turn babbling into ways to talk.

A second part of the grant is to encourage parents to allow filming of their families in their family homes. "Three of our staff—Reona Trimble, Geneva Charley and Mary Calica—will be receiving special training this summer in understanding and teaching these three skills and in using the video equipment," comments Julie.

After the five "gatherings" are completed, families will be encouraged to allow these staff to film families in their own home with their own children and themselves talking, playing, eating together.

The films will help parents see how well they teach their children and help them look for opportunities for teaching. The videos will be given to the families after completion of several follow-up filming visits.

"We have specialists in language and parent teaching to help us design the videos and the "gatherings" activities and the follow-up visits," says Julie. "We want our parents to have a positive experience, to realize how important they are and to have their involvement be enjoyable.

At the completion of the project, the staff will ask for parent suggestions and advice. This will be especially important as videos, "gatherings" and follow-up filming will be made available to parents of three to five year old children.

"And we've been told that another educational group would like to copy the films and make them available to other Native American peoples," notes Julie.

So, Warm Springs stars may be shining throughout the Northwest!



**Exciting Game**

*Spilyay Tymoo photo by Shewczyk*

Carol's Room at the Warm Springs Community Center provides a place for children to play games and create art during summer days.

**Please leave flags, stakes**

Warm Springs Natural Resources fisheries biologists ask that children playing in Shitike Creek refrain from removing flags and stakes which are used as markers in a fisheries enhancement project.

**Designs for sale**

Indian designs for beadwork, drums and artwork activities are currently available in black and white charcoal suitable for framing. Sizes vary from extra-large to small.

Call Jimmy Scott at 553-1043 anytime or visit him at 3246 Wal-sey Lane, Warm Springs.

**Stereo for sale**

For Sale: Stereo unit, AM-FM receiver with eight-track player. Car sunroof with accessories, fits import and domestic cars. Asking \$200 for both of best offer. Call Jim Scott anytime, 553-1043.

**Interesting trivia**

Benjamin Franklin was the first head of the U.S. Post Office.

A car with manual shift averages two miles more per gallon than one with automatic shift.

**School receives improvement grant**

Warm Springs Elementary has recently been awarded a grant for \$20,850 by the Oregon State Legislature for curriculum development.

The Warm Springs' school was chosen from 70 schools in Oregon to receive the school improvement grant after application was made for money allocated through House Bill 2020. The bill was passed after a request was made by the Oregon Department of Education for funds which encourage the development of programs by teachers within a school.

According to principal Jane

Westergard-Nimocks, the grant is a big "boon to our program." It will allow the training of staff members in curriculum development. Fourteen staff members and the principal are scheduled to attend a critical thinking institute in Sonoma, California this summer. Teachers then will return to implement the ideas in the school.

Along with this grant, Warm Springs Elementary has been selected as a demonstration site for science curriculum development in the state. Chosen by the Science Department for the Oregon De-

partment of Education, the school will utilize a program involving all teachers at all levels. Materials will be provided as will staff development activities and training for teachers.

Students will be taught science in a practical way through a concept/process basal science curriculum. They will be taught the "scientific process and basic concepts rather than facts," says Westergard-Nimocks. This method has been shown to increase scientific knowledge among students.

**In-lieu sites subject of D.C. hearings**

Management of the Columbia River Indian Fisheries was the subject of a lengthy hearing conducted recently in Washington, D.C. by Senator Senator Daniel J. Evans (R-Wa), and Senator Daniel K. Inouye (D-Hi) of the Senate Select on Indian Affairs.

The hearing focused on the Lacey Act amendments and a 1939 agreement to provide 400 acres of in-lieu fishing sites which to date, only 41 acres have been provided for Indians.

Witnesses at the hearing included councilmembers of the Yakima Indian Nation, the Nez Perce Indian Tribe, and the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation. In addition, testimony was gathered from representatives of the Justice

Department, Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Department of Defense, and the U.S. Department of Commerce. Also present were some traditional Indian fishermen who still make their homes along the Columbia River.

Officials testified on amendments to the Lacey Act used recently to prosecute alleged fishing violations by Indians in Federal courts including the highly publicized Salmon-cam case involving David Sohapp, and four other Yakima fishermen.

During the hearing, Senator Evans stated his conclusion, "Indian tribes, not the federal government, should bear primary responsibility for enforcing tribal laws. In this sense, I believe that the Lacey Act has been

wrongly applied. Tragically, several Indian fisherman were caught in the middle of a struggle between two sovereign governments; a struggle, I might add, that could not have taken place."

The Senate panel also heard testimony with regard to the 1939 commitment of the Federal Government to acquire 400 acres for access to the Columbia River to Indians whose traditional fishing sites were cut off by construction of the Bonneville Dam. A witness representing the Army Corps of Engineers agreed that additional sites were needed, and expressed a commitment to work with the four Columbia treaty tribes to identify additional sites."



**Parade Entry**

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The Madras Fourth of July parade featured entries from Warm Springs. Lena Edwards walks while her daughter Natasha rides on decorated vehicle.

**Hofstetter tells of European vacation**

Phyllis (Guerin) Hofstetter, former Warm Springs resident and Madras High School graduate (1958), recently returned home to San Diego from a three-week trip to Europe. During the trip she visited Rome, Venice, Florence, Pisa, Nice, Geneva, Monaco, Paris and London.

Hofstetter capped several days exploring ancient sites in Rome with a visit to the Vatican. She also rode gondolas in Venice and traveled to the top of Eiffel Tower in Paris. Time in Paris was primarily devoted to touring art galleries in and around the Louvre. She and her traveling companion and friend concluded the trip with some leisurely exploration of London before returning to the United States.

The highlight of the trip was studying Michelangelo's paintings in the Sistine Chapel, according to

Hofstetter. An artist and housewife, Hofstetter currently resides

with her husband, Richard and son Andrew, in San Diego.

**Volunteers needed!!  
Want to help build a winning float  
to enter in the  
Jefferson County Fair/Parade  
August 13?  
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at Community Counseling  
All ages urged to participate!**



**Water Play**

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Playing in the water at the Pelton Park Day use area are (left to right) Gerald Polk, Edna Winshut and Don Howtopat. The main park area remains closed while engineers determine whether or not it can be safely reopened.

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