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Coyote News In Brief

1988 reviewed

The 50th year celebration of the Self-Determination Act was only one of the many activities in Warm Springs during 1988. A year in review summarized the events including the gas spill, budworm spray project and WSFPI strike.

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Parents get report card

The JOM Committee hopes to see parents work more with their children, particularly on reading. A help list is presented.

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Stress reduction techniques offered

Stress does not have to adversely affect people. Ways to help reduce stress are discussed.

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Santa Clara takes championship

The 30th Annual Holiday Basketball Tournament pitted eight teams against one another. The championship trophy went to Santa Clara.

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Dial-A-Ride has new route

Seniors should note the Dial-A-Ride changes. Input about the program is also requested.

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Doney hopes to expand

Offering fabrication services to the area for 11 years, Ivan Doney is ready to expand his business to include custom mufflers.

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Deadline for the next issue of Spilyay Tymoo is January 20, 1989

WEATHER

January	High	Low
1	45	27
2	52	35
3	60	36
4	45	31
5	40	34
6	38	20
7	34	24
8	48	26
9	42	41



Assistants to U.S. Senator Mark Hatfield (Oregon) visited Warm Springs to learn a little more about the Tribe and its enterprises. MOIHS curator Liz Cross shows (left) legislative assistant Pat Reiter and (middle) field representative Susan Long part of the Tribe's artifact collection.

Murder case dropped

The murder case against a 27-year-old Warm Springs tribal member was dismissed with no prejudice January 10, 1989 by Judge Mosgrove in Madras.

Jefferson County District Attorney Bill Hanlon moved to dismiss the murder case against tribal member Warren Wallulatum earlier this week. Wallulatum is now free after spending the last three months in the Jefferson County jail.

Wallulatum was indicted in October, 1988 on murder charges in connection with the January 18, 1986 on Highway 26 at milepost 109 on the Warm Springs

grade. Investigators from Oregon State Police, Jefferson County Sheriff's department and local BIA law enforcement, at the time, found little evidence to bring about an indictment. However, a six-month investigation by BIA investigators in 1988 produced new evidence, including testimony of an eye witness, that was presented to a Grand Jury. The Grand Jury returned a true bill of murder and Wallulatum was arrested October 17, 1988.

Evidence collected in the case was not sufficient to prosecute Wallulatum and Hanlon moved to dismiss the case.

Training to be offered February 1 and 2

Families in Warm Springs will receive an early Valentine's Day greeting when they meet Dr. Stephen Bavolek during a special event sponsored by the Office of Early Childhood Education in early February.

Dr. Bavolek, an associate professor at the University of Utah and president of Family Development Resources, Inc., will be in Warm Springs February 1 and 2, 1989 to offer fun and informative training to parents, teachers and others who work and live with children and families in Warm Springs.

"Several tribal members first heard Dr. Bavolek during an Early Intervention Conference in Eugene three years ago," said Julie Mitchell, Director of the Office of Early Childhood Education. "They really enjoyed his presentations. In fact, people from other trainings joined Dr. Bavolek's sessions because they heard the laughing; and then kept coming back because the information was so helpful and positive."

Dr. Bavolek is a family expert who presents training for parents and professionals all over the United States. The training is focused on ways to increase family members' abilities to nurture each other, to find alternatives to yelling and spanking and to help parents and other professionals improve their self-esteem and pride within their families. He also identifies ways families and offers strategies for prevention and treatment of child abuse and neglect. He has written books about his nurturing program that apply to children from birth to 12 years of age and co-authored an evaluation tool to help adults and adolescents identify their parenting strengths and needs.

People who hear Dr. Bavolek leave feeling good about themselves as parents and professionals and they have specific activities they can practice at home to increase the love and caring and safety that a family can represent.

"We hope the community will

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Members question bonus action, additional payment sought

A bonus payment was made December 22 to all enrolled members of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. Tribal Council, in their resolution approving the payment, directed that if adult tribal members had delinquent accounts, primarily with the tribal credit and housing departments, up to 100 percent of the bonus payment could be withheld for the past due accounts up to date. This policy applied only to those tribal members over the age of 21.

Some tribal members, through a letter to Tribal Council, took exception to the action, asking for a "no strings attached" bonus. "We have many people who are unemployed and need the assistance of a full bonus payment for Christmas," the letter read. They asked that there be no percentage withheld for clearing up accounts.

Uren Leonard, as spokesperson for the group, informed Tribal Council he had obtained 700 signatures on the letter which ques-

tioned the Tribal Council action. Leonard stated there were many other reasons a full payment should be made and that an additional payment one-and-one-half times greater should be made in January. An additional payment would total approximately \$2.3 million.

Leonard stated that many people cited unemployment as primary cause for alcohol and drug abuse and that those who are working are earning low wages, thus making it almost impossible for people to meet their bills. Those social problems, Leonard said, are "passed onto our kids." There is a 50 percent dropout rate among Indian students in high school, Leonard said, and in college, the rate is even higher. In addition, said Leonard, "people need to increase their self-esteem, self-responsibility and self-reliability," he said.

"People need the money to survive," Leonard stated. Tribal goals need to be defined so that employees and tribal members understand

where the Tribe is going. He recommended that economic development be enhanced so that jobs are available for the growing number of people entering the work force. "The social side of our budget is slowly climbing and the economic side of the budget is decreasing," said Leonard. "If we don't develop economically, we won't have the money to support the budget."

Two meetings have been held to discuss the proposed additional bonus payment. A meeting at Simnasho January 7 showed support for the payment. A Seekseequa District meeting was held Wednesday, January 11; results of that meeting were not available at press time. Leonard has asked for an Agency District meeting, but no meeting date has been set. If a meeting is not called, Leonard said, he will ask Council to grant permission for one to be held at Verbena Greene's residence in Dry Creek.

Though Tribal Council is aware of the issues with which members are concerned, the Tribe is in no condition to make another bonus payment at this time.

Tribal financial forecasters have indicated that the \$500 dividend was all that could be afforded this year. Otherwise, the Tribes' financial forecast and plan would be jeopardized or delayed. Built into the current financial plan are investments for housing, economic development, an Early Childhood Education Center and a new health facility.

Wasco chief Nelson Wallulatum stated, "We cannot, at the expense of our future generations, use all the monies. We have planned to save for developments in the near

future, to build buildings to house a place for education. To me, it (another bonus payment) is going for broke. We will pass on the problems to our children whom will have very little funds to cope with the matter at that time."

Leonard stated that his family,

like others, "went without a Christmas. We're on welfare now because I can't get a job. I have done contract work to make a small amount of money and we're helping our son go to school. There are other families here who are in worse condition that we are."



Wasco Chief Nelson Wallulatum is not in favor of a second bonus payment, citing it's "going for broke."