

## Basic guidelines clarified

The General Assistance Program began at the beginning of October in the state of Oregon, one of the last states in the U.S. to participate in the program. There have been many inquiries regarding the eligibility guidelines, according to Bob Jackson, BIA social services director.

Jackson state, "This program is not supposed to be on-going indefinitely, but meet the basic needs until they can become self sufficient." The guidelines vary from person to family. The program is to help single and/or married adults in need of assistance. They basically have to demonstrate that they are ineligible for assistance at other

programs. Applications can be picked up at the Administration building from the social services office.

The following are the basic guidelines: 1) Are not eligible for State assistance 2) Must be enrolled in a federally recognized tribe 3) Live on or near the reservation 4) tribal member but if non-tribal, must live on the reservation 4) Show letter of proof that assistance is denied 5) Job search must be active unless in school 6) ALL income will be counted.

Any questions can be directed to the Social Service office at 503-553-2411.

## Funds requested for projects

Eleven projects considered for funding by a regional strategy team must be scaled back. The committee, originally requesting lottery funds totaling \$1.87 million, received only \$640,000.

The seven-member committee representing Deschutes, Crook and Jefferson counties were scheduled to make recommendations to the state last Thursday but will now do so on Friday, October 20.

Regional strategy proposals are evaluated by the Oregon Economic Development Department and then submitted to the governor with recommendations.

The proposed tourism-related project requests include: Improvements at the Redmond Airport (\$600,000); Development of a Native American museum by the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs (\$500,000); A recreation

vehicle park next to the Crook County Fairgrounds in Prineville (\$328,070); Funds for the park and recreation district in LaPine (\$125,000); Rewiring an exhibit building and construction of horse stalls at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds in Madras (\$82,000); Money to purchase a building for the Community Theater of the Cascades in Bend (\$76,000); The purchase of 1880s-type street lamps for downtown Sisters (\$74,000); Enhancement of visitor center promotions for LaPine, Redmond, Sisters, Madras and Prineville (\$45,000); Deschutes County golf course feasibility study (\$30,000); Development of a historic community center in Metolius (\$10,600); Video tape production highlighting recreation features along U.S. 26 east of Prineville.

## Crime victims find help available

Before our community created hotlines and support programs there were years of silence. Out of that silence would occasionally come the story of a battered husband, wife or child; or a man, woman or child who had been sexually assaulted. Most victims kept their secrets. They may have decided the abuse was not so bad, since they survived it. They may have decided that the abuse they suffered was their fault. But mainly, they kept their secrets, and they kept their silence.

There is only danger in keeping secrets. If abuse and violence cannot be talked about, it cannot be stopped. Speaking freely is a rare privilege for abuse victims who have kept silent in order to avoid more abuse. As victims have recognized their needs to talk about abuse, they have started to look for permission to speak and be heard. Many find this permission in our community counseling programs, shelters, support groups, or friends.

Our community has started to work toward protecting victims and preserving their safety. Growing numbers of victims call the police for help, request social services and medical care, and ask the court for long-term protection. Our community members, laws and courts are sending a clear message to both the victims and abusers that abuse and violence will not be tolerated in our community.

The Victim Assistance Board and volunteers want you to know that we are available to help. We offer you support, advocacy, informa-

tion, referral services, and community people who care. We do not forget the victims live in a dangerous world, where speaking out can be very risky. We do not forget that victims can expect to be

believed, respected and vindicated. As our community struggles to make the system safe for victims, we remember to listen without judgment and provide protection.

If you, a family member, or per-

son you know is being abused or needs to talk to other survivors about experiences, please contact the Victim Assistance Program at 553-3557. No one deserves to be abused.



Victim Assistance volunteers and board members include (left to right, back row) Linda Thompson, Starla Green, Art McConville, Floyd Gibson, (second row) Eugenia Tappo, Charlotte Herkshan, Libby Chase, (front row) Debbie Jackson and Shirley Sanders. Not pictured are Leona Ike, Kanim Smith, Karen Guerin and Laura Switzer.

## Family planning clinic opens reservation doors

Teens and young adults with questions concerning birth control, sexually transmitted diseases and pregnancy now have an outlet in Warm Springs where help and information can be found. The Family Planning Clinic officially opened its doors October 3 and is open to all Warm Springs residents aged ten through 35.

Through a cooperative effort among the Indian Health Service, Confederated Tribes and Jefferson County Health Department, a Family Planning Clinic has been established in Warm Springs. The satellite clinic, which is partially funded with a \$10,000 grant from Oregon state's Children's Trust Fund, is located at the tribal group home and is open from 2 to 4:45 p.m. Tuesdays.

"This is an inter-agency effort," said acting director of Community Health Promotion Judy Charley. Supplying the equipment is IHS. The Tribe is providing the space for the clinic and Jefferson County is providing the staff.

"This is one way that the Human Services branch is working to meet the overall goal of utilizing outside agencies and resources in order to broaden our services and to bring those services up to speed," Charley commented.

According to Kathy Dodson, a registered nurse who administers the Clinic, the number of hours spent in Warm Springs may be extended depending on the need and number of participants. The clinic will offer pregnancy testing, sexually transmitted disease (STD) testing, prenatal information and

birth control. Dodson will also do alcohol and drug and crisis referrals if the need is present.

Dodson stressed that all information and charts will be "totally confidential" and that "no one will have access to the records" without patient authorization. All records will be kept at the Jefferson County Health department.

The Clinic has "standing orders," said Dodson, that if a patient falls outside certain medical guidelines, the patient will be referred to a physician of their choice. "However, doctors are not notified by the program."

Clinic staff will do follow-up, unless the patient requests otherwise, said Dodson. Follow-up will include treatment for STDs, abnormal PAP smears and lab tests and elevated blood pressure.

"We're in no way advocating sexual activity or birth control,"

said Dodson. "However, we want to provide accurate information so patients can make accurate choices for themselves. If they're sexually active, young people need to know the consequences of STDs and pregnancy. It's my job to teach them how to prevent them."

"We can provide a caring, confidential program to those who want it," said Dodson. Appointments can be made by calling the Jefferson County Health department at 475-2266. Services are free but donations will be accepted to help continue the program.

"My job isn't to hassle people about what they're doing. My job is to provide information and to help protect them against unwanted pregnancies and STDs. I want to empower young people to make accurate choices," Dodson concluded.

## Artists to show work

Four-hundred Indian artists will be showing their work at the Colorado Indian Market scheduled for November 17-19 at Currihan Hall in Denver Colorado.

Holiday shopping will be at its best with gifts ranging from fine

pottery to silver and turquoise jewelry.

The Market runs from Noon to 10:00 p.m. Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday and 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sunday. Admissions \$5.00 adults, \$2.50 under 12.

## Public meetings to discuss bond issue

- |                  |                               |
|------------------|-------------------------------|
| October 19, 1989 | Metolius City Hall, 7:30 p.m. |
| October 26, 1989 | Madras Elementary, 7:30 p.m.  |
| November 2, 1989 | Warm Springs Elem., 7:30 p.m. |



Northwest Veterans gather at White Swan, Washington during the annual National Indian Day's celebration on September 23, 1989.

## Veterans Association holds first assembly

The Northwest Indian Veterans Association held its first assembly September 23, in White Swan, Washington. This was the first gathering since the Association was organized in April, 1988. Indian veterans of three wars from the Northwest tribes joined together, marching six abreast at the Yakima Nation Pavilion during the annual National Indian Days celebration. Approximately 150 servicemen and women circled the building and stood at attention for raising of the American flag and the Yakima's 14-feather flag.

Following speakers, each veteran identified himself, the war, branch of service and theater he served in and his current veterans affiliation, if any. The long line included ex-prisoners of World War II, Korea and Vietnam, Rangers, Green Berets, Marines, Infantrymen, Airmen and Sailors, many with battle stars and medals won in Europe and Asia. Each veteran was greeted by Joe Jay Pinkham,

Yakima Reservation elder for the Northwest Indian Veterans Association.

Following the parade, a discussion was led by Charlotte Herkshan of Warm Springs, Oregon and Pinkham. The topic was Problems of the Pacific Northwest's Native American Veterans. Herkshan, the wife of a Marine veteran of Vietnam, said many Vietnam veterans still need treatment for post combat stress. "The problem is that most Veterans Administration medical centers are in big cities, a considerable distance from the reservations. We need VA service officers to visit reservations to inform veterans of their eligibilities for education, housing and other programs. Also, how to get around 'bureaucratic red tape' that is often encountered. We also want veterans memorial monuments on reservations updated."

On the agenda for the April, 1990 gathering in Portland, Oregon will be discussion about a pro-

posed mass visit to the Vietnam Veterans Monument in Washington, D.C. The Northwest Indian Veterans Association is networking with Portland Area Indian Health Board, Affiliated Tribes of the Northwest, American Lakes Veterans Administration Medical Center and the Administration of Native Americans.

## 509-J bond issue— Continued from page 1

plan calls for the addition of a Chapter-I classroom, an ERC classroom, a Chapter I-M classroom, a music room, a new counseling office, expanding the library, remodeling the old shower rooms, re-surfacing the gym floor, and upgrading the heating system in the southeast wing. These changes will free three classrooms in the building.

Proposed remodeling at Metolius Elementary totals \$410,600. Plans include a new library, converting the existing library into the ERC counseling and conference room, re-surfacing the gym floor, building a new music room and a new kindergarten room with bathrooms, and developing a staff parking area.

At Madras Jr. High proposed space solutions total \$525,500. Changes include reorganizing and remodeling counseling offices and existing classrooms, adding a practice room to the music room, replacing a handicapped ramp, developing an outside play area, treating east windows for energy, sound and heat gain, adding a handicapped access to science rooms on the lower level, building a new shop and remodeling the old shop area for art and additional classroom space. These changes create one classroom.

The major part of the levy funds will be utilized at Madras High School. Approximately \$4,005,000 will go toward construction and renovation of the building including a new adaptive physical education room, new ventilation to the weight room, lowering the raised floor in the gym, converting the

existing graphic arts room into a room for severely emotionally disturbed students, building a new graphic arts room, building a new Forestry classroom, a new Alternative Education classroom and a

new girl's shower room, revising the parking area and building an 800-seat community auditorium.

The levy amount also includes \$1,200,000 for federally mandated asbestos removal, \$427,700 for pro-

fessional fees and \$197,500 for financial services fees.

If voters approve the bond levy, the tax rate for property owners is estimated between \$2.20 and \$2.50 per thousand assessed valuation.

## Spilyay Tymoo

### Staff Members

MANAGING EDITOR ..... SID MILLER  
ASSISTANT EDITOR ..... DONNA BEHREND  
PHOTO SPECIALIST/WRITER ..... MARSHA SHEWCZYK  
REPORTER/PHOTOGRAPHER ..... TINA AGUILAR

FOUNDED IN MARCH, 1976

Spilyay Tymoo is published bi-weekly by the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. Our offices are located in the basement of the Old Girls Dorm at 1115 Wasco Street. Any written materials to Spilyay Tymoo should be addressed to:

Spilyay Tymoo, PO Box 870, Warm Springs, OR 97761

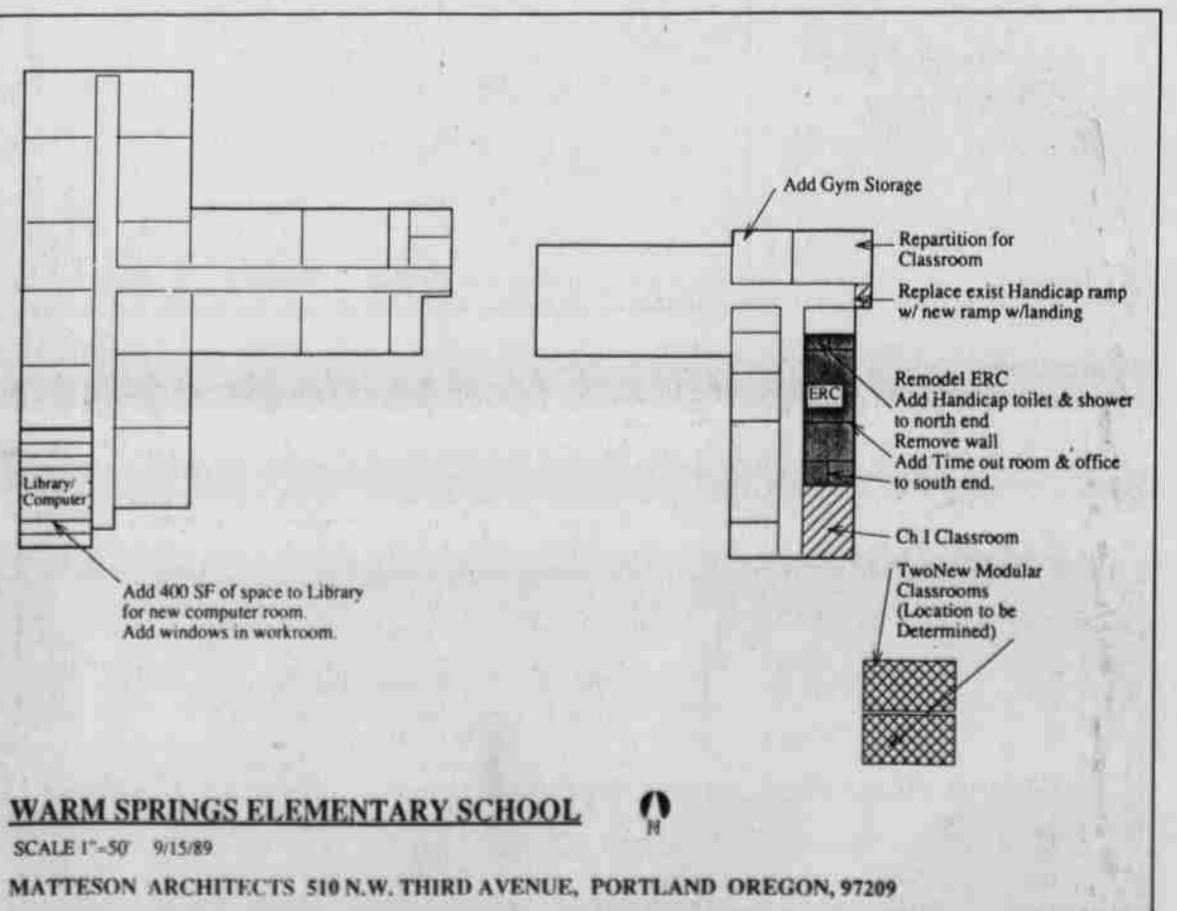
PHONE:

(503) 553-1644 or (503) 553-3274

Annual Subscription Rates:

Within the U.S. — \$9.00

Outside the U.S. — \$15.00



WARM SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

SCALE 1"=50' 9/15/89

MATTESON ARCHITECTS 510 N.W. THIRD AVENUE, PORTLAND OREGON, 97209

Architect's view of proposed renovations and additions to Warm Springs Elementary are presented. Remodeling depends on passage of 509-J bond issue November 7.