

## Conservation Service citation awarded to ITC

A citation for conservation service was recently presented to the Intertribal Timber Council in recognition of its outstanding contributions to the improvement of the Indian Forestry Program "to realize the greatest economic and cultural benefits for the Indian forest owners."

The Intertribal Timber Council was formed in 1976 to establish better communications with the Bureau of Indian Affairs by providing a forum for Tribes to express collective concerns and to be more actively involved in the management of Indian forest resources. The ITC represents 61 Tribes and Alaska Native organizations, and 90 percent of the Indian-owned forest lands.

According to the citation, presented by Secretary of the Interior Manuel Lujan, Jr., "The Intertribal Timber Council has had a profound impact on the manner in

which the business and practice of forest management are conducted on Indian-owned lands. Most significantly, the ITC has produced 13 Annual National Indian Timber Symposiums that culminated with the presentations of findings and recommendations to the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs. The result has been improvements in administrative efficiency and technical applications, and a greater appreciation of the cultural and traditional values the Indian people hold for their forest resources.

"The Intertribal Timber Council has produced symposium proceedings, conducted periodic conferences, and published quarterly news letters to inform members of proposed legislation, Federal policies, and key forestry developments.

"Additionally," the citation continues, the Council conceptualized and conducted the Native American Forest Products Marketing and Business Development Study to

assist Tribes in forest products marketing/business development ventures.

"Finally, the Council sponsors two programs to promote and stimulate interest in natural resource management. The first is the Earle Wilcox Memorial Scholarship Awards Program, which was initiated in 1984 to annually honor outstanding individuals for significant contributions to the development of Indian timber resources. The second is the Truman D. Picard Memorial Scholarship Program initiated in 1988 to provide a \$1,000 scholarship to a Native American entering college in the field of natural resources. Today, forest resource management is an ITC/Tribal/BIA partnership effort, and it works exceedingly well. For its dedication and wise use of Indian natural resources, the Intertribal Timber Council is granted the Conservation Service Award of the Department of the Interior."



Former ITC president D. Fred Matt holds citation.

## Noxious weed work plan submitted

The 1990 Noxious Weed Control Work Plan has been submitted to the Environmental Assessment Review Committee.

According to the report, many noxious weeds threaten the productivity of the reservation lands in forest, range and agricultural areas. Community lands adjacent to the reservation are also threatened. Author of the plan, James Ellsbury, Bureau of Indian Affairs soil conservationist, states in the report that "Noxious weeds can cause untold economic losses to the land as well as a reduction in the value for recreation, wildlife and aesthetics.

Control of noxious weeds will take place in cooperation with county, state and federal agencies. Federal funds for action on the reservation will amount to \$20,000 over two years, or \$10,000 for 1990. The Oregon Department of Agriculture will match funds with \$2,500 for that purpose for tanga ragwort eradication and noxious weed control.

The Wasco County Weed and Pest Department is under contract with the Department of Energy, Bonneville Power Administration to treat BPA powerline right-of-ways in Wasco County. Wasco County will be spot treating six miles of the north powerline right-of-way, east of U.S. Highway 26. This work was originally scheduled for last year, but has been rescheduled for this year. Diffuse knapweed is the target weed species.

The Wasco County and Pest Department also budgets for spot treatment of road right-of-ways on the reservation. This is inclusive of all reservation lands in Wasco

County. The continued effort is to control diffuse, spotted and Russian knapweeds as well as yellowstar thistle.

The plan for 1990 will limit the spraying of herbicides to the infestations north of the Campbell Line, within the McQuinn Strip. Some exceptions include small infestations of Russian knapweed, hoary cress, dalmatian toadflax and yellowstar thistle.

Large scale herbicide application is neither economically practical nor environmentally desirable, according to the report. "In using biological control the objective is not eradication, but rather the reduction and regulation of the weed population below the level of economic injury."

Three biological control releases are scheduled for the 1990 weed control season. All releases will be for Canada thistle, with the control agent being *Urophori cardui*, a gall fly. Application will be made in early April along the Warm Springs River, west of Kah-Nee-Ta Resort. The other two releases will be made at the junction of S-507 and 507-A roads and the junction of S-507 and S-42 roads.

The report concludes, "Good land management helps prevent noxious weeds from becoming established. When noxious weeds invade and occupy a site, they do so at the expense of desirable vegetation."

Environmental considerations and constraints can be found in the "Environmental Assessment, Noxious Weed Control, Warm Springs Indian Reservation, 1989-1992." For more information contact James Ellsbury at the BIA Land Operations office, 553-2421.

## Crash dummies schedule Warm Springs visit

Vince and Larry, the nationally famous crash dummies seen on television, will be at the Warm Springs Headstart School on May 1, 1990 and at the Warm Springs Elementary School on May 2, 1990.

The team will present a program geared for children in grades kindergarten through fifth grade dealing with seat belt safety.

Buckle Bear will also be in attendance during the programs and will show videos on seat belt and car safety seat safety to the students.

The program will be part of Warm Springs Elementary's Safety Day.

As part of the program the students will be asked to inspect their own homes using a home safety checklist. Prizes will be awarded to students who do a good inspection.

The program is sponsored by the

Warm Springs Fire and Safety department, ITOM (Indian Teens On The Move), the Warm Springs Indian Health Center (Injury Prevention), and Warm Springs Elementary School in cooperation with

the Oregon State Police, OSSOM (Oregon Student Safety On The Move), and the Oregon Traffic Safety Commission.

## Spanish club to hold dinner

The Madras High School Spanish Club will be holding a banquet May 3 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the MHS cafeteria.

Students will be serving chicken enchiladas, Spanish rice, beans and tortillas.

Cost for the meal is: Adults-\$4.50; Family-\$10.00; and children under 12-\$1.00.

## Commodities to be delivered

USDA government commodities will be distributed in Warm Springs Thursday, April 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Butter and flour will be given to eligible low-income households at the welfare office located in the

Vern Jackson Home. Identification and proof of residence, such as a utility bill, is required. Recipients must meet the eligibility guidelines that are posted at the Home.

The commodities are made available through Central Oregon Community Action Agency Network (COCAANN) for the Oregon Food Bank.

## Preparing for the Drug-Free Years

Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m.  
Beginning May 1, 1990

### Session 1—How to prevent your kids from using drugs

- First drug experimentation
- Stages of drug use
- Risk factor for drug use

### Session II—Developing a family position on drugs

- Clear family position on drugs
- Clarify and set expectations
- Communicate expectations to family

### Session III—Avoid trouble. How to say "no" to drugs

- Skills to stay out of trouble
- Techniques for resisting peer pressure

### Session IV—Managing family conflict

- Importance of managing conflict constructively
- Anger management skills: How to control and express anger

### Session V—Strengthening family bonds

- Increase children's contribution to family
- Recognize each family member's special qualities

Sessions will be held at the Senior Citizen's Center

## Scholarship awards available through Mother Earth's Children

Four \$500 awards will be selected by Mother Earth's Children for American Indian/Alaska Native students who live in Oregon and who are enrolled (or will be enrolled) in a college or university in the Fall. Criteria for selection will include: the student's grade point average, financial need, extracurricular activities in school and the community, and motivation.

Deadline for submission of the scholarship application is May 1. Notification of awards will take

place during the month of May. Funds awarded will be sent directly to the student over the academic year in three payments, pending the satisfactory academic standing of the student during each school term. Funds not awarded will be reintroduced into the scholarship fund for future awards.

Students who apply for this scholarship need to include the following:

1. a completed application form

2. a school transcript (either official or unofficial);

3. a copy of an ED Form 506 or Johnson O'Malley form or other evidence of American Indian/Alaska Native heritage

4. a short letter from a school counselor or teacher describing your attendance, special interests and participation in school activities;

5. a short letter from an Ameri-

can Indian/Alaska Native about your participation in activities related to your heritage;

6. a letter, not to exceed 300 words, telling the committee about yourself.

Send a completed application packet to: Ann C. Thornton Memorial Fund Scholarship, C/O Mother Earth's Children, 9140 Cape Arago Highway, Coos Bay, Oregon 97420-9645. Phone (503) 8188-4584 for more information.

## Stevens retires from IHS

The Indian Health Services held a retirement potluck lunch in honor of Ernestine Stevens on March 28, 1990. Stevens was presented a silver tray along with pottery and a Pendleton blanket from her co-workers.

Stevens was the custodial worker from October 15, 1973 until January 12, 1990, a total of 16 years and two months. At the luncheon, Lee Loomis gave a short speech and co-workers reminisced along with community members.

Stevens' family was present to enjoy the happy occasion. She says she will spend her leisure time beadworking and helping her sister with her memorial. At the present time her position is vacant until further notice.

## Conference—

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and resource development among Native Americans organizations and the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and

3. To establish a basis for the creation of a Northwest Native American Purchasing Association as a means of maintaining ongoing education and support.

A special guest of the conference will be Mr. Donald F. Asbra, Chief of the Federal Division of Contracting and Grants Administration in Washington, D.C.. Mr. Asbra will present the keynote address during the May 7th banquet.

For additional information regarding conference registration contact: Oregon, Purchasing department, PO Box 1169, Warm Springs, OR 97761. (503)553-3254.



Annette Polk works on papier mache' yarn balloon for her daughter's Easter basket at the Early Childhood parent club gathering.

## Local officer graduates from academy

Les Peratrovich of the Warm Springs Police Department graduated from the Oregon Police Academy on March 16, 1990. Peratrovich was elected president of his class while attending the Academy.

Peratrovich was hired by the Warm Springs Police department in August 1988 as a part-time Special Officer, while attending graduate school. He later became a permanent full-time officer August 9, 1989.

His aspirations are within the law enforcement profession, to become a Sargent and working in Investigations. Among his accomplishments, Peratrovich is a graduate from Central Washington University with Bachelor Degrees in Cultural Anthropology, Recreation Administration and Native American Studies. He also has done graduate work for a Masters of Arts Degree in Cultural Resource Management.

Peratrovich is a Tlingit Indian from Klawock, Alaska. He is mar-

## ew meeting date

The Jefferson County Council on Child Abuse Prevention has a new meeting day. The council will now hold their meetings on the fourth Thursday of the month. The April 26 meeting will be at 8:30 a.m. at the 509-J Educational Services District Office, 1355 Buff Street in Madras.

## Nursing home schedules sale

Used appliances, furniture, office and kitchen equipment are among the items being offered at the Mountain View Hospital and Nursing Home surplus sale which is scheduled for April 21. Sale hours are from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Items will be prepriced. Payment is required the day of the sale and in most cases, purchases will need to be taken on the same day. The sale will be held in the north parking lot off of 12th Street in Madras.

## Census Bureau appeals for forms

Census Bureau officials have issued a strong appeal for area residents who were asked to mail back their 1990 Census questionnaires to do so as soon as possible. "There's

still time," said Leo Schilling, Regional Director for the seven state Seattle region.

"We are pleased with the response to date," said Schilling, "but I can-

not emphasize enough the importance of each household returning their questionnaires. For every one percent of questionnaires returned nationwide, "Schilling states, "\$11 million of personal followup costs are saved."

Residents will either mail the completed form to district offices, or hold them until a census worker calls to pick them up, depending upon instructions on the questionnaire itself. Generally, urban residents and larger communities in rural areas are in mail-out, mail-back areas, while all other rural residents are in mail-out, pick-up areas (called "List/Enumerate").

Most households receive a 14 question short form, which takes about 10- minutes to complete. Other residences will be randomly selected to receive a long form, with 43 additional questions.

Individuals who have questions concerning the census questionnaire should call 1-800-999-1990.



Linda Weiner, Associate Director of Stanford Health Promotion Resource Center, shares ideas to promote media resources for CHAMP's public meeting.

## Youth insight into alcohol education

Beginning Monday, April 23, 1990, a six-week insight education group will begin meeting at the Counseling Center. Meetings will be held from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Topics include:

- Week 1: Identifying your feelings
- Week 2: Dealing with your feelings
- Week 3: Assertiveness—Basic skills and self esteem
- Week 4: Alcohol and alcoholism
- Week 5: Roles in the alcoholic family
- Week 6: Decision-making and goal setting

Call William Moses for more information at 553-3205