

# Spilyay Tymoo

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## Coyote News In Brief

### Colleges visit

Oregon college and university representatives will be at Madras High School the morning of October 10.

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### Youth seminar scheduled

A conference open to all high school students will be held at the Agency Longhouse October 12 and 13. Students will be asked to meet the challenges of the 90's.

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### Challenge winners noted

The second quarter of the "Health is Good Medicine" Challenge concluded September 26. Several winners are noted.

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### Food Program guidelines listed

Early Childhood Education Program income eligibility guidelines are provided.

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### MHS athletic director sees bright future

Curt Sexton, new athletic/activities director at MHS, works toward greater participation in sports and more recognition for students.

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### Preserving heirlooms requires care

Fragile fabrics and textiles should be kept clean and stored properly.

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### Information Fair

October 16, 1990

3-8:00 p.m.

Agency Longhouse

**The Third Annual Warm Springs Arts and Crafts Show takes place Saturday, October 13 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Community Center. For more information call 553-1361.**

## Weather

Sept.	High	Low
19	80	52
20	80	46
21	82	43
22	82	48
23	86	49
24	89	52
25	91	58
26	86	56
27	81	52
28	84	52
29	85	46
30	80	42
Oct. 1	65	44



Marge Topash was one of many Warm Springs residents to display their handwork in the OSU-sponsored quilt show in September.

## Adoption election postponed

The 91 hopeful adoption candidates will have to wait a bit longer, as the tribal adoption referendum, tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, October 16, has been postponed until an opinion from the U.S. Solicitor's office is issued. The postponement came after a review October 1 of the first amendment of the Tribal Constitution and By-Laws.

The February 20, 1940 amendment reads, in part, as follows: Members of the Confederated Tribes, by a majority vote of the qualified voters "voting in an election called for that purpose by the Secretary of the Interior...may adopt as a member of the Tribe any person of 1/8 or more Indian blood who is a descendant of a member or former member of the Confederated Tribes." The amendment also includes language pertaining to the three-year reservation residency requirements and states that the adoption candidate "shall not be a member of any other tribe of Indians."

According to tribal Vital Statistics supervisor Madeline Queahpama, this is not the first time the constitutionality of an adoption election has been questioned. The issue of the Secretary of the Interior "calling" for an election is of major concern during this election, as it has been during the past three elections, she said. According to department records, the amendment was interpreted "literally" in a 1971 adoption election and a secretarial election was required. Since that time, elections have been held with the Secretary's approval, via his appointed representative, the agency Superintendent. Secretarial elections, she said, are held to "amend the constitution," an adoption does not.

Twelve adoption elections have been held since the first adoption April 24, 1948. According to statistics, 139 people have been adopted since that first election.

It could be December, 1990 or January, 1991 before an adoption election is held. Watch Spilyay Tymoo for further news concerning the election.

## 1991 budget posted; meeting dates scheduled

Is it really October already? It must be—school's in, nights are chilly and the upcoming year's proposed operating budget is posted.

Tribal Council posted the 1991 proposed budget at the end of September. Anticipated revenues for 1991 are \$25,431,527 as compared to 1990 anticipated revenues of \$28,010,000. Total proposed budget expenditures for 1991 are \$19,863,793, approximately \$1.5 million above the restated 1990 budget of \$18,545,150. Of the total proposed 1991 expenditures, \$16,221,973 is proposed for actual operating expenses of the tribal organization. Also included in the total expenditures is funding for community assistance, capital projects, economic development and debt service.

Meetings have been scheduled to discuss the proposed budget. However, district meetings will be preceded by the annual Information Fair, scheduled for October 16 from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Agency Longhouse.

—Agency District Meeting—  
Wednesday, October 17  
6 p.m.—Potluck Dinner  
7 p.m.—Meeting  
Agency Longhouse

—Simnasho District Meeting—  
Thursday, October 18  
6 p.m.—Dinner  
7 p.m.—Meeting  
Simnasho Longhouse

—Sidwalter Community Meeting—  
Thursday, October 18  
6 p.m.—Dinner  
7 p.m.—Meeting  
Sylvester Smith Res.

—Seekseequa District Meeting—  
Wednesday, October 24  
6 p.m.—Dinner  
7 p.m.—Meeting  
Agency Longhouse

## Highway department issues statement

Tom Garner, project Manager for the Oregon State Highway Division reports that the slide at milepost 110.0 on Highway 26, the Warm Springs highway, continues to show some movement.

Efforts to stabilize the slide were undertaken shortly after it developed late in the month of May. The Division's Geotech section has continued to monitor the slide and gather further data. Their study indicates that additional weight added to the toe of the slide will most likely stop its movement. Funding for this work has been authorized by the Highway Commission and is scheduled for this fall. Materials for loading the slide

will come from the hillside next to the highway and upon completion will provide additional roadway width.

A meeting between the Highway Division and Jefferson County Court to discuss work on the Warm Springs Highway was held in the Courthouse October 3rd at 2 p.m. Anyone concerned or interested in the highway work was welcomed.

Mr. Garner expressed his appreciation and extends his thanks to the traveling public for their patience, especially to those who regularly motor the Warm Springs Highway in the vicinity of the slide. Without the public's awareness, patience and understanding, a difficult situation could have become intolerable.

**First Annual Veterans Day Powwow  
November 9 and 10 Agency Longhouse**  
Organizer Daisy Ike requests photos and family histories of veterans so the information can be included in a commemorative program.

## October 11-13 conference to focus on Oregon Indians

The First Oregonians, A conference for Indian People, Teachers and the General Public.

On October 11, 12 and 13, 1990, the Oregon Committee for the Humanities and the Commission on Indian Services will host a statewide conference on the Indian people of Oregon. This will be an exceptional opportunity to participate with tribal people and scholars in learning about the experience of Indians in Oregon from the time before contact with Europeans to the present.

Beginning with a procession of the tribes of Oregon, the conference will feature workshop presentations by Oregon tribal people about their history and culture. Tribal historians and spokespersons will be joined by scholars of Oregon Indian experience.

Two of America's most important Indian leaders will be featured at the conference. N. Scott Momaday, Pulitzer Prize winning writer and scholar. A Kiowa Indian, Momaday has published several novels and works on Indian culture and has received honorary degrees from nine universities.

Ada Deer, Chair of the Menominee Restoration Committee and currently Director of the Native American Studies Office at the

University of Wisconsin-Madison. The Conference will offer Indian and scholar-led workshops on:

- \* National and regional repositories of historical and cultural documents regarding the Indian tribes of Oregon.
- \* Oral traditions among the different tribes.
- \* Mistaken ideas about Indians held by non-Indians.
- \* Current Indian writing and its roots in oral storytelling.
- \* Indian Art: historical art forms

and present day art—basketry, mask art, contemporary painting, etc.

\* The attempted suppression of Indian culture in Oregon through boarding school experience, relocation and termination policies, missionary work, state legislative acts, etc.

\* The uses of place by Indians: food gathering, displacement from ancestral lands, stories associated with places, spiritual places and other topics.

## River use recommendations issued

Strict restrictions on power boats and lower levels of use during peak months on the lower 100 miles of the Deschutes River was recommended by a four-person review board which met September 20 in the State's capitol.

The draft plan which outlined the preferred alternative of the Governor's Executive Review Board is designed to minimize environmental damage to the Deschutes Scenic Waterway and limit conflicts between users of the river.

"We were very pleased with the decision of the Executive Review Board on both the power boat and levels of use issues," says Jim Noteboom, board member and attorney for the Confederated

Tribes of Warm Springs. "The resolution addresses the Tribe's primary concerns." Noteboom adds.

Both the number of days the river would be made available for power boating and the number of boats on the river are limited by the plan. The proposal makes the following recommendations:

\* Power boats would be prohibited year-round on segment I (from U.S. 26 at Warm Springs downstream to the locked gate above Maupin) and Segment II (from the locked gate downstream to Sherar's Falls).

\* Segment III (Sherar's Falls downstream) would be closed to power boats May 15 to September 30 and open the rest of the year.

In Segment IV (Beavertail to the Columbia River) power boats would be allowed during alternate weeks from May 15 to September 30 and would be allowed at all times the rest of the year.

A limit of five persons per boat and no more than two trips per day is recommended with operating hours between legal sunrise and sunset.

The number of boaters on all sections of the river would also be limited between May and September and would include power boaters as well as those using rafts, kayaks and drift boats.

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