

# Spilyay Tymoo

News from the Warm Springs Indian Reserv

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## Coyote News In Brief

**Education high priority at ATNI conference**

The role of parents, the State and the Tribe were concerns discussed at the most recent ATNI meeting held in Portland February 10-14.

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**Diversion Program offers alternative to juveniles**

Youth diversion program keeps juveniles out of jail and offers them training and help with school.

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**Students recognized**

Madras students were recognized on honor rolls for academic achievement.

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**Sinnasho hosts powwow**

The 16th Annual Sinnasho Lincoln's Birthday Powwow held February 7-9 brought drummers, dancers and on-lookers to Warm Springs.

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**Sweetheart Run draws runners**

Runners gathered to compete in run. Evan Cochran came in first.

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**Help parents maintain independence**

Avoid taking on too much responsibility when parents need care.

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**Deadline for the next issue of Spilyay Tymoo is February 28, 1992.**

**Legend Week will be celebrated at the Warm Springs Elementary School from February 24-28.**

**Tribal Council Elections In March Watch for signs announcing dates of District Meetings**



Warriors lead Grand Entry

War bonnets stood out in Grand Entry during the 16th Annual Lincoln's Birthday Powwow, February 7-9 at the Sinnasho Longhouse.

## Community Roundtable Meetings

Monday, February 24

Employees: 8:30 a.m.

Conference Room 3

Community members: 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Community Center Social Hall

## Youth conference

Announcing the Northwest Indian Youth Conference at Lewis-Clark State College, Lewiston, Idaho, scheduled for April 1, 2, 3, 1992, hosted by the Indian Clubs of Lapwai, Lewiston and Kamiah High Schools. This conference is open to Junior High and Senior High School Students.

Registration fees are \$35.00 per person if received by March 2, 1992. After March 2, registration is \$45.00 per person. Make checks or purchase orders for registration fees payable to Lewis-Clark State College.

For more information, contact: Jenny Williams, Lapwai High School, P.O. Box 247, Lapwai, Idaho 83540, phone number (208) 843-7751.

## FHA offers loans

Farmers Home Administration makes loans to low-income and very-low income families who cannot qualify for a loan through the bank to purchase a home. Call 475-6135 for more information.

## CPR class set

Fire and Safety will be holding a public First Aid and CPR class on February 22, 1992. The class will start at 8:00 a.m. and end at 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$12.00 per student to be paid before class.

Pre-registration is required. Class size is limited to 15 people. Call 553-1634 and ask for Erma to enroll.

## Scouts' graves to receive markers

Stone setting ceremonies will be held February 29, 1992 at the Agency Cemetery for two Warm Springs Scouts. The stonemasonry will be preceded by two days of singing at Nelson Wallulatum's medicine lodge on Shitike Creek. Each day's singing will follow dinner that begins at 5 p.m.

## Youth Challenges to begin Mar. 24

Youth Challenges will be starting again on Tuesday, March 24, 1992 (1st session) at the Warm Springs Senior Citizen Center.

Six sessions will be on "Coordinating School Skills with Prevention Skills." They will be held every Tuesday from 6:15-7:30 p.m.

**March 24th - session one - Introduction, overview of sessions. Identify "Feelings, Home and School."**

**April 7th - session two - What's communication in Home and School? Self Identification. Bring an object that represents something about you. Your choice, something you made, earned or you feel proud about.**

**April 14th - session three - Alcohol and Drugs, Nutrition. The effects, in the Home and School.**

**April 21st - session four - Relationships=Communication; "Family, Home, School and the community."**

**April 28th - session five - Coping Skills; Building your own creativity and self esteem.**

**May 5th - session six - The Choices I make. "Challenges, Cultural and Spiritual Awareness."**

Sessions are open, free of charge to all youth and adults who care and want to support a better community.

## Board Members needed

The Warm Springs Victim Assistance Program and Board members are looking for community members who are interested in serving on the Victim Assistance Board. We need more community members to be involved with the Victim Assistance Program. Your job will be in an Advisory Capacity to the Victim Assistance Program and to be able to attend a meeting once a month with the Victim Assistance Coordinator and Volunteers. These monthly meetings are to get updated on the program activities, give suggestions, ideas and any information that would be available for the program. This is a voluntary position. If you are interested in being a board member please call Ramona Greene-Baez at 553-3357 or see her at the Tribal Court-house building.

## Mill future depends on many forthcoming decisions

Warm Springs Forest Products Industries has been the topic of many conversations over the last several months. Employees, anxious about job security, have vocalized their concerns to their Council representatives and current mill management personnel. Tribal Council, currently in the driver's seat as the acting board of directors, must help guide the enterprise back to profitability and success by considering information provided by consultants Clyde Hamstreet and Brent Stumbaugh, turn around gurus brought on board last year.

According to WSFPI's new personnel and safety director Theresa VanPelt, all but 17 of the 44 tribal members and persons married into the tribe who were laid off in December have been put back to work. Her number one function, she says, is to oversee safety program. "This has been sporadic in the past...there were no defined programs and no training...It was management by crisis," VanPelt says. All employees and supervisors will be informed of the "desired safety standards." She is also working on a standards and procedure manual and attempting to develop on-the-job programs so that a more sophisticated "bid process" can be implemented. VanPelt sees herself as the employees' voice to management and management's ear among employees.

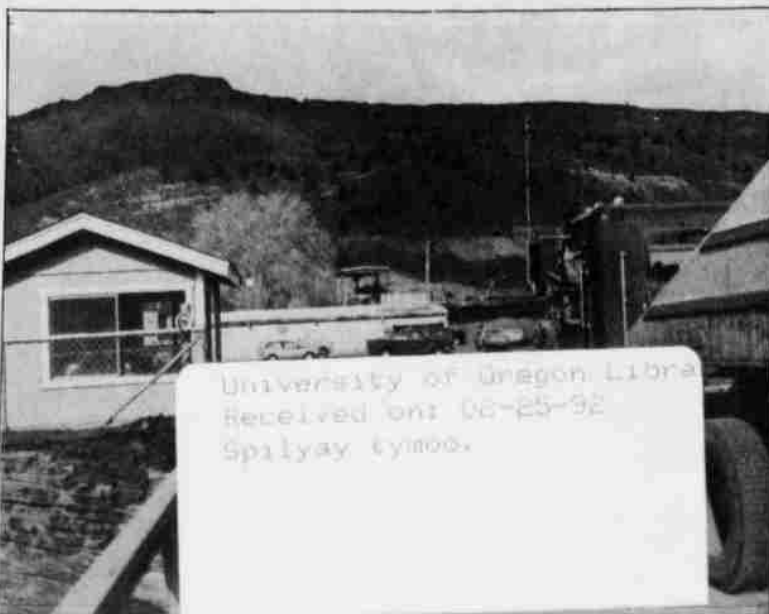
Of particular concern is the WSFPI cutting contract, which establishes the price of the logs and results in stumpage payments to the tribe. According to tribal CEO Ken Smith,

the cutting contract will be "re-vamped" so that the tribe receives "fair market value" for their resource. The cutting contract is "collateral" for refinancing and it is imperative that the contract be settled as soon as possible.

Smith says the new contract will satisfy all parties, without shorting WSFPI of profit, without shorting the Tribe of adequate stumpage and without jeopardizing proposed financing.

Tribal Council will spend an entire day next week reviewing the proposed cutting contract with the consultants as well as discussing the plan of operation, the affirmative action plan and tribal loggers. Smith added that they will also discuss recruiting a new WSFPI general manager and putting a board of directors back in place.

Watch future editions of Spilyay for further information concerning WSFPI and related issues.



Guard house at the entrance of Warm Springs Forest Products Industries was installed to cut down on number of visitors to mill and to help prevent thefts.