

Middle School levy focuses on alleviating District crowding

An \$11.7 million bond levy will be presented to voters in the May 18 election for construction of a middle school.

The proposed education facility which will be located on donated land on Ashwood Road will accommodate approximately 1,000 students in grades 5 through 8. The land donation by the Bean Foundation was made when the Facilities Committee expressed interest in the parcel as a site for a school. The donation was made with the

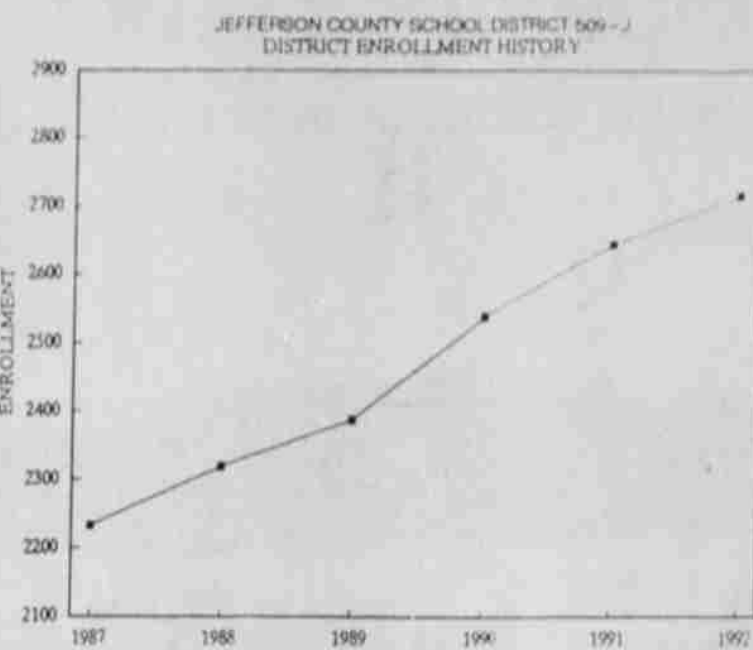
stipulation that the bond issue pass within one year.

Along with the recommendation for a new facility, the Board also received information about growing enrollment, federally mandated programs demanding space, overcrowded facilities, conditions of old buildings, and goals for both District and students. They approved the recommendation by the Facilities Committee to present the bond issue to voters and then decided to present the question to voters in the

May election.

The estimated tax rate is \$1.90 per

\$1,000 assessed property valuation over a 20-year period.



Tribal members address Board

Tribal members concerned about Warm Springs students at Madras High School gathered at the March 8 Board of Director's meeting in Madras. Two letters from tribal members were read regarding incidents involving students.

A letter submitted by Fran Moses-

Ahem referred to an incident between a student and a basketball coach while the other from Mary Sando-Ernoolah expressed concern relating to a student suspension.

The Board directed superintendent Phil Riley to investigate the incident and report back to the Board.

Board meetings open to public

The 509-J School District Board of Directors meets the second and fourth Monday of each month beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Support Services building. Community members are encouraged to attend.

Early Childhood Education Center news

The Week of the Young Child will be celebrated April 18 through the 24 this year. A community-wide celebration is being planned to focus on the needs and wonders of young children and recognize the contributions of teachers and care givers. Preliminary plans include: A community wide display of children's art work; a mini natural resources career day at Warm Spring Elementary; an evening penny carnival at the Community Center; an ECE children's parade; Indian night out at the Agency Longhouse; and a 1 mile fun run during the Recreation Departments Mini Marathon "Run a Mile with your Child!"

Plans also include the airing of a series of public service announcements on KWSO 91.9 FM, through

the month of April, focusing on child development information and parenting skills. "The Week of the Young Child" PSA's, Spilyay Articles and all planned events will be designed to raise community awareness of the needs of young children.

Young children is defined as kids ages 3-8. Most events will focus on activities specifically for that age group (the exceptions being the Natural Resources day 7 Indian Night Out). Parents/guardians will be asked to participate in activities with their children.

The next planning meeting for "The Week of the Young Child" is scheduled for Thursday March 25 at 3:30 p.m. in the ECE Center Conference room. All interested community members are invited to come and participate.

Education Center opens

The Education Center had Open House March 4, 1993 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Education Center is located East of the Warm Springs Elementary School on Wasco Street.

The creation of the Branch of Education is now centralized in one building with the exception of our Early Childhood Center facility. Education Branch General Manager, Mike Clements gave the opening speech to a room full of visitors at 10 a.m.

Housed in the Education Center are: Education Branch General Manager, Education Services Program, Culture and Heritage, Work Experience Development Department, OSU Extension Program and Central Oregon Community College Warm Springs Office.

There are numerous programs offered to our members through the departments. For a more detailed listing, please call (503) 553-3311 Education Services Programs and GM Office; Culture and Heritage 553-3290; OSU Extension 553-3238; Work Experience Development 553-3324; and Central Oregon Community College Warm Springs Office 553-1428.

Approximately 150 people came for Open House, toured the building and talked to the staff members about their programs.

Door prizes were given as follows: Garment Bag & Bless Me Ultima Book and balloons donated by Education Services to Linda Allen and Matilda Mitchell & Guests: Rabbit Story, Bear with Tail & Dog Family books donated by Culture and Heritage to Arlene Jackson, Nettie Shawaway & Tom Kalama. Beaded hair clips and key rings donated by Work Experience Development to Russ Alger, Merle A. Kirk, Cynthia Fullerton, Rebecca Sahme and William "Buck" Jones. Cow-calf Manual & 2 OSU Manuals to Carol Shadley, Hank Morrison, Cynthia Scott. Two computer class certificates donated by COCC/Computer class to Laura Switzler and Gwen Leonard. Spirit shirt donated by WS Apparel to Floyd Gibson. Flowers donated by General Manager's Office to Estella Lawson, Thelma Davis, Charlene White, Freddy Wallulatum, Denise Gabriel, Fritz Miller, Helen Clements, Laurain Hintsala, Leana Blueback, Mavis Kirk, and Danielle Switzler.

ABOUT CHILD SAFETY

PREVENTING SUFFOCATION AND CHOKING

KEEP SMALL OBJECTS AWAY FROM CHILDREN
Nuts, buttons, pins, beads, balloons, etc., can be deadly. Don't buy toys with small, removable parts.

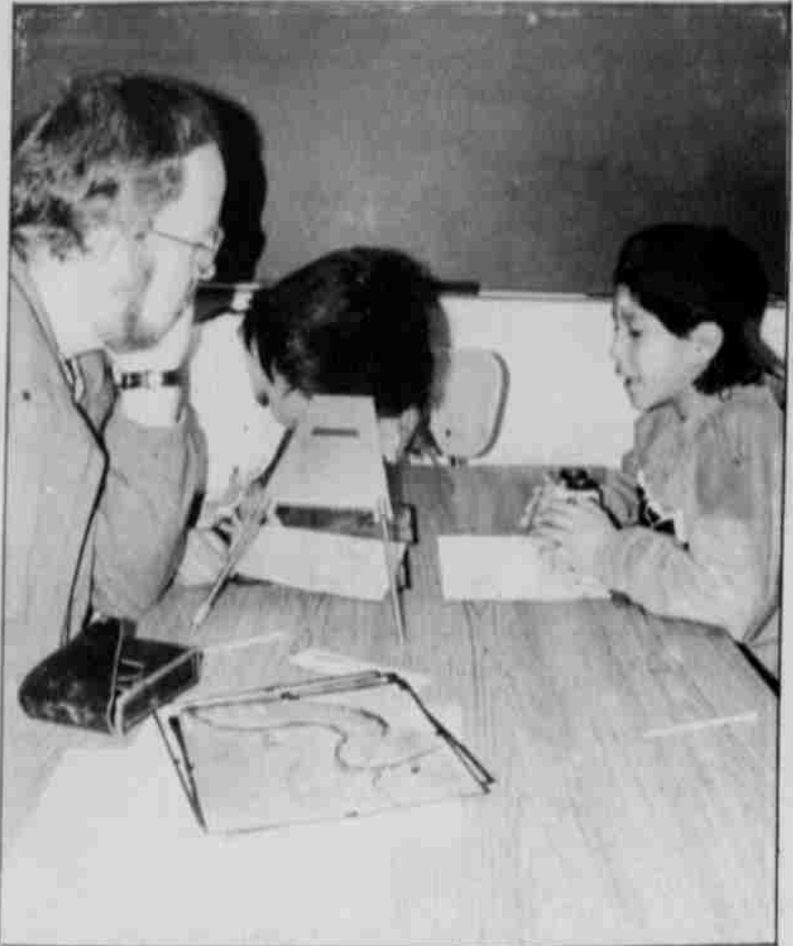
MAKE BEDTIME SAFE
Keep bedding loose. Don't use a pillow in the crib. Make sure crib has snug-fitting mattress, narrowly spaced slats. Remove small toys, etc., before bedtime.

WATCH OUT FOR LONG CORDS
Cut or secure cords on draperies, blinds, toys, appliances, phone, etc. Don't attach toys with long cords to crib.

DON'T ALLOW FOOLING AROUND AT MEALS
Laughing while eating can easily cause a child to choke.

REMOVE DOORS FROM UNUSED REFRIGERATORS
This makes it impossible for children to climb in and suffocate.

A Message From Warm Springs Early Childhood Education



Curtis Boise and Justin Boise view aerial photographs through stereoscope. Gene Keene from the Warm Springs Natural Resources department visits Warm Springs Elementary fifth grade students to introduce them to natural resources, hopefully sparking an interest and curiosity in them.

Multi Cultural Day scheduled

Warm Springs Elementary will be sponsoring a Multi-Cultural Day instead of a spring music program this spring. The day of activities scheduled for May 21 is set aside for both students and community members, according to principal Nan Willis.

In May teachers will integrate classroom lessons and activities on various cultures. Each classroom, then, will be representative of a particular culture on Multi-Cultural Day.

Students and community members

will have the opportunity to visit numerous different countries and cultures throughout the day.

The gymnasium will be the site for all to gather where songs from different countries will be performed and traditional Native American crafts and activities will take place.

Willis points out the benefit of this type of activity noting that people "learn much about their own culture by learning about other cultures."

COCC Indian Club meets

After two years of inactivity, the Native American Club has begun meeting on alternate Tuesdays in the Fireside Room of the Grandview Student Center.

Club activity was initiated by Eveline Patt, a student at COCC who felt the need for an appropriate forum to voice Native American student concerns. Objectives of the club include the following: 1) to provide an opportunity for Native American students to socialize and address relevant issues of student life; 2) to culturally enrich the campus at COCC through special events, including bringing in speakers, showing films,

and sponsoring activities; 3) to support political issues relevant to Native Americans, including issues of sovereignty, the environment, and religious freedom.

The Native American club has met three times this quarter. The last meeting was accompanied by a presentation on the "Cheyenne Stitch" by James Christopher.

Upcoming events include a presentation in April by director of the Museum in Warm Springs, Michael Hammond. He will give a slide show presentation on the Museum at Warm Springs for the COCC and local community.

Upcoming Early Childhood Education activities

- 18** — Video Lunch 12 noon at ECE Center Staff Lounge - view a video featuring skills for parents of teenagers, lunch will be provided.
- 19** — ECE mini powwow honoring our seniors. 10-11 a.m. at the Agency Longhouse - mini powwow will be part of "Honor Seniors Day" festivities!
- 22** — Doll Board Making Workshop 6:30-8 p.m. ECE Center. Materials will be provided - everyone is welcome to come and create dollboards for ECE classroom use!
- 23** — Infant Center playground installation - volunteers from Willamette University will be putting up the Infant Center playground and playhouse.
- 24** — "What's for dinner?" part 4 - Nutrition workshop, 12 noon ECE Kitchen Dining Room - this month's featured menu will focus on "stew". Lunch provided, everyone welcome.



A bingo fundraiser was held March 1, 1993 at the Community Center Social Hall for the Lil' Miss Warm Springs pageant. Watch the Spilyay for future bingo fundraisers.

Courtney to instruct

A workshop on traditional Wasco root bags will be held at the High Desert Museum from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 3, 1993.

"Sally Bags: Wasco Woven Bags" will be led by Bernyce Courtney, operations manager of Warm Springs Apparel Industries. Using cotton twine, she will instruct participants in the full-turn twining technique as they create their own miniature version of this traditional bag.

The fee for the Workshop is \$25 for members and \$29 for non-members. To register, send a check to The High Desert Museum, 59800 S. Highway 97, Bend, Oregon 97702, or call 382-4754 by Monday, March 29.

Take a break

Spring break is eagerly awaited by children of all ages and for parents it seems it's suddenly upon us and we're unprepared. Before break comes this year, make a special effort to meet with your children and plan an activity to do with them. Remember enjoy your children as well as the activity.

This message is brought to you by the Jefferson County Council on Child Abuse Prevention. "People working to keep families together."

Elementary students learn about birds of prey

The High Desert Museum presented its annual Birds-of-Prey Outreach program to Warm Springs students on February 17.

The program, led by volunteers, focuses on teaching young children to respect and appreciate birds-of-prey. The students learned about predators and their prey and about special adaptations the birds have to make to survive in the harsh conditions of the high desert.

The Birds-of-Prey program is part of a broad spectrum of educational activities offered year-round by the Museum. Other activities include school field trips to the Museum, classes, lectures, field excursions and special presentations on natural and cultural history.

The High Desert Museum is located on Highway 97, south of Bend. For more information call 382-4754.



Habits and home environment of the owl and other birds of prey were discussed at a fifth grade assembly.

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There will be no Diabetes Clinic on Thursday, April 8. The clinic has been rescheduled for Thursday, April 29. The Diabetes Clinic normally held on the 4th Thursday of the month will be held as usual on April 22.