

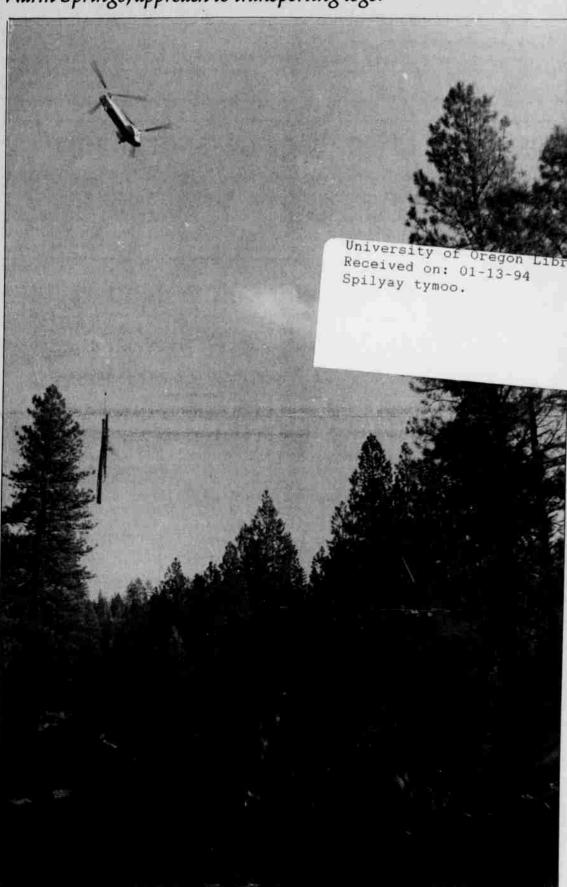
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## Helicopters hoist timber from HeHe Butte

A quick trip to the woods this week reveals an unusual, at least in Warm Springs, approach to transporting logs.



Columbia Helicopters, of Portland, was contracted to remove 160,000 board feet of merchantable timber from HeHe Butte. A "show-me" project, the company may be brought back to do further logging in the future.



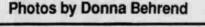
Members of the tribal timber committee, fire control personnel and others gathered at the HeHe Longhouse area to view the logging operation.

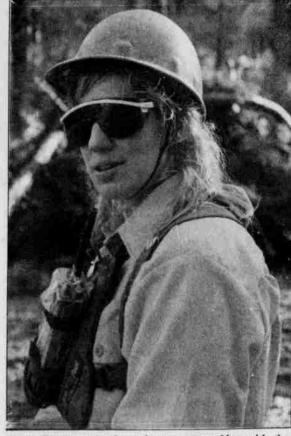


A twin-rotor helicopter made short work of the logging project, making one trip every 20 minutes to the east and west sides of HeHe Butte.

For nearly three days earlier this week, the constant drone of a helicopter could be heard above HeHe Butte. Looking up, one could see a twin-rotor chopper flying about. Closer inspection revealed logs suspended, seemingly in mid-air, beneath the helicopter.

Columbia Helicopters helped transport 160,000 board feet of merchantable timber to decks near the Butte for later hauling when weather allows. Because of the cultural significance and delicate nature of the Butte, a helicopter was used for the removal; there is less ground disturbance when helicopters are used. The timber sale was two years in the planning and many BIA and Tribal entities were involved ensuring all-around protection.





Gloria Stevens was the only woman working with the Columbia crew while in Warm Springs. As a "chaser" she is responsible for removing cables from logs once they are on the ground.

## Tribe awarded grant to study substance abuse

It was announced recently that fifteen Native American organizations and tribal entities serving Indian and Native people across the United States, including the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, have received over \$2.2 million in grant support from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The grant monies will be used to address substance abuse among Indian people. The grant awared to the Confederated Tribes totalled \$150,000 and will be used, in part, to hire a program coordinator and a part-time secretary.

These grants represent the beginning of the first phase of a \$13.5 million initiative, Healthy Nations: Reducing Substance Abuse Among Native Americans. In this phase the selected tribal governments and organizations will plan a public awareness campaign, prevention and early intervention programs and additional treatment initiatives.

"The unique part of the Healthy Nations Program is that grantees will develop strategies that are based on Native American values and traditions to garner community-wide support in confronting the issues and healing the wounds that substance abuse has caused," said Steven Schroeder, MD, president of the Foundation. "Through traditional ceremonies and activities, Native

Americans enforce their beliefs that sharing, generosity, reciprocity and mutual respect among tribal members are key to a strong, healthy community."

Jeff Sanders, chairman of the Warm Springs Alcohol and Drug Council, through which the grant was applied, said a coordinator will be hired to accumulate data which will be used to "help develop a plan for dealing with the substance abuse-related problems" faced by Warm Springs people. Sanders estimated the coordinator will spend the next year-and-a-half gathering the data at public meetings among community Continued on page 2

## "People in Peril" exhibit curator to make presentation

Susie "Qimmiqsak" Bevins, curator of "Artists Respond: A People in Peril", will give two presentations at The Museum at Warm Springs in conjunction with the show's opening January 14. Bevins will give her presentations on Thursday, January 13, from 7 to 8 p.m., and on Saturday, January 15, from 1 to 2 p.m., both in The Museum's education/conference room.

Bevins was instrumental in the creation of the traveling exhibition by Native Alaskan artists following the publication of "A People in Peril" in the <u>Anchorage Daily News</u> in 1988. (See the fourth series installment on pages 5 and 6 in this issue of <u>Spilyay Tymoo</u>). Although initial reaction to the series was largely negative, Bevins said, the long-term impact has been positive. Bevins' slide presentation and lecture will center on the process of assembling the show and the results it has yielded.

In an interview with the <u>Albuquerque Journal</u>, Bevins said the articles forced the Native community to face the problem and discuss it openly. The result has been an upswing in the number of Native Alaskan alcohol treatment programs and in the number of Native Alaskans seeking treatment.

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"Artists Respond: A People in Peril," sponsored by the Visual Arts Center of Alaska and toured by Exhibit Touring Service of Eastern Washington University, will open to the public January 15. Presentation of the exhibit is co-sponsored by the Warm Springs Tribal Human Resources Branch, Community Counseling Center, Early Childhood Education and the Warm Springs Indian Health Service.

The opening reception will be on January 14 from 7 to 9 p.m. All tribal members and tribal employees are invited to attend. The show will run through March 11.

## Coyote News in Brief

COCC offers winter term classes
The Warm Springs COCC office is
offering a wide variety of classes
this winter term. Check them out
and give them a try.

Redmond airport receive contribution

Kah-Nee-Ta and the Confederated Tribes presented monetary contributions to the Redmond Airport expansion project.

1993 reviewed through photographs 1993 was one for the books, with changes, necessary adaptation and some of the usual.

Idea Fair coming up
The eighth annual event will be
held January 22 at the Crook
County Middle School in Prineville.

Bowlers and ball players

Page 3 If bowling or basketball were your games, Warm Springs was the place to be over the New Year's

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Remember your lovedones with a special "Heart-to-Heart" message in the February 4 issue of Spilyay. Deadline will be January 28.