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Simnasho school reopened for area students



Ribbon cutting was part of opening ceremonies.

Photo taken by Donna Behrend



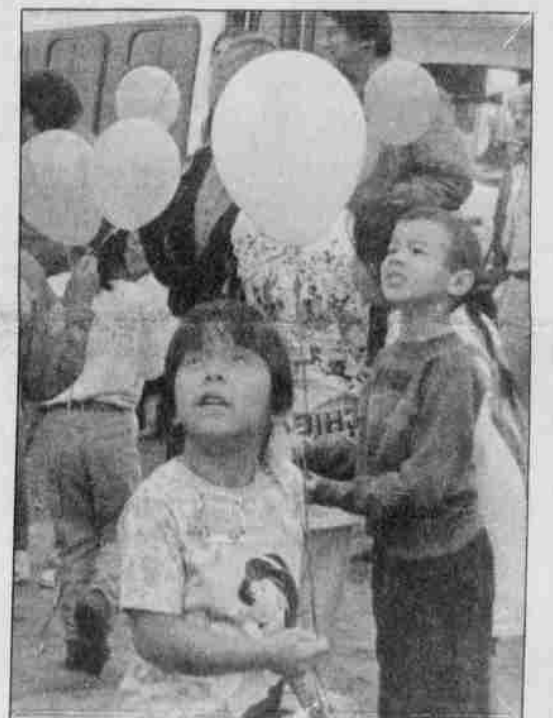
Students and staff gathered for historical photo

Photo by Hamilton Greeley

Simnasho area residents rejoiced at the reopening of their school January 24. After a 12-year absence, area children can once again attend school close to home. No longer will children be subject to three hours on a bus each day.

The new one-room school house, located directly behind the former school building, opened its doors to nearly 20 anxious children. Opening was traditional with Seven-Drum services and a blessing by Shaker Church members. Following ceremonies were lunch and speeches at the Simnasho Longhouse. Over 100 community members attended the event, including School District Superintendent Phil Riley and board member Bette Wallan.

A new school in Simnasho has long been the dream of area parents and children. Through cooperation between the Tribe and the District, that dream is now a reality.



A balloon release pleased the children.

Photo by Saphronia Katchia

Domestic violence comes in all forms

by Ramona Baez, Coordinator
Warm Springs Victim Assistance Program

What is Domestic violence? There are a lot of violent crimes that fall under the heading of Domestic Violence. It can be Assault & Battery on a spouse, Emotional Abuse, Rape, Child Sexual Abuse and Child Physical Abuse/Neglect. But, for this news piece I am talking about Assault & Battery on your spouse.

Laura Switzler, Sara Scott and I

Cantrell to do portraits of elders

Photographer Joe Cantrell will be on hand to do portraits of reservation elders during the Lincoln's Birthday Pow Wow, February 11 and 12, at the Simnasho Longhouse.

Cantrell is doing the portraits as part of a project with The Museum at Warm Springs for a planned rotation of life-size portraits in the permanent exhibit. The Museum will feature reservation elders in "Warm Springs Today," a film and photo exhibit at the end of Museum tour. No definite date has been set for the changeover.

For more information, call the Museum at Warm Springs at 553-3331.

went to a training in Las Vegas, Nevada on January 10-12, 1994. This was funded through the Family Violence Grant that the Warm Springs Victim Assistance Program wrote for last year in April.

Spouse abuse is the use or threat of physical violence by the abuser to gain control and power over the victim. Although either partner may be the victim, most victims are women. The three types of spouse abuse (physical abuse, sexual violence and psychological/emotional abuse) often occur in combination.

Physical Abuse includes kicking, hitting, biting, choking, pushing and assault with weapons. Victims may have difficulty preventing or escaping physical abuse because, very often, the factors that keep them in the relationship also keep them from reporting or documenting the abuse. Victims stay in physically abusive relationships for many reasons. Some victims stay because they blame themselves, believe the abuse will stop, are financially dependent, or fear that they or their children will be seriously injured or killed if they attempt to leave. Victims also stay because they have, or feel they have, no other place to go (Crites and Coker 1988).

Sexual Violence or "Marital Rape" is forced sexual activity. Is an act of violence and aggression in which sex is the method used to hu-

miliate, hurt, degrade and dominate the partner.

Psychological/Emotional Abuse is more than verbal arguments; it is the systematic destruction of an individual's self-esteem. Perpetrators of psychological/emotional abuse may be involved in the following practices:

Economic Domination. Frequently, men who abuse attempt to control their partners by having complete power over the household finances.

Using Children. Often, abusers use the children to maintain power and control their partners.

Intimidation. Frighten their victims by using looks, actions, gestures, or loud voices; by smashing things; or by destroying their victims' property.

Threats. Threaten to take the children away from their spouse, to harm the children, or to commit suicide. Such threats add to the anxiety and fear experienced by victims and children.

Extreme Controlling Behavior. Men who abuse may control their partners' activities, companions and friends and whereabouts.

Isolation. Abusers often control what their victims do, whom they see, and where they go. Many abusers feel very threatened by anyone with whom their victims have contact.

Spouse abuse is a complex problem with so many variations that it cannot be explained by one theory or one underlying cause. Among the many factors that may contribute to its occurrence are learned behavior, trial-and-error learning, and substance abuse.

Family violence can harm anyone, from the unborn child to the elderly adult. Research findings underscore the seriousness and complexity of the problem. It affects many thousands of people, takes many forms, has multiple cause, and is not easily solved. The damaging effects of family violence are found to contribute to other individual, family and social problems.

Family violence is everyone's concern. Everyone can help. By helping you can call the police department and report the abuse. You can contact the Victim Assistance Program at 553-3357 or come to see them at the Tribal Court House located upstairs with the Tribal Prosecutor's office. You can talk to a volunteer of the Victim Assistance Program by calling the program or calling the police department asking to speak to a volunteer of the Victim Assistance Program. There is help available for everyone who is a victim of crime such as Domestic violence, rape, child sexual abuse, child physical abuse and neglect and assault & battery.

Family strengths & spirituality gathering

The Indian Shaker Church is holding a Family Strengths & Spirituality Gathering February 4-6, 1994 at the Warm Springs Shaker Church (Shiike Creek road).

Schedule:

- Friday** 8:45 a.m. First bell, second bell and third bell.
9:00 a.m. Opening song and prayer, and opening the table.
Introduction will be given by Art McConville, Keynote Speaker is Peggy Poitra, Grief Cycle — Charlotte Herkshan.
 - LUNCH**
 - Women's panel (selected there), Men's panel (selected there), Group discussion (everyone), Individuals who want to speak.
 - SUPPER**
 - Shaker meeting (everyone)
 - Saturday** 8:45 a.m. First bell, second, bell and third bell
9:00 a.m. Opening song and prayer, opening the table.
Introduction by Art McConville, Keynote Speaker 1910 Shaker Church Bishop—Clifford Tulee, Group discussion and speakers, talking circle.
 - LUNCH**
 - Identifying resource people in our community and making commitments to help each other.
 - SUPPER**
 - Shaker meeting (everyone)
 - Sunday** 9:45 a.m. First bell, second bell, third bell.
10:00 a.m. Sunday Garment Service
 - LUNCH**
 - Shaker meeting (everyone)
- All donations are gladly accepted to support this gathering of Brothers and Sisters. Thank you.
There are no video or any type of cameras or recorders allowed at any time.

Coyote News in Brief

IHS announces Forum
IHS will sponsor a forum Wednesday, February 9 at the Community Center to discuss service use and community concerns.
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Watch your driving!
The State of Oregon enacted new bail schedule for traffic infractions. The increase is noticeable.
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Lincoln's royalty introduced
Three young ladies are running for the Lincoln's Birthday queen title. The weekend will be busy come February 11, 12 and 13.
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Labels collected
Warm Springs Elementary students are collecting Campbell's products labels to purchase additional playground equipment.
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Celebrate the Family
President Clinton has declared 1994 the International Year of the Family. Much is planned by OSU to

draw attention to families.
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Run for sweethearts
The Sweetheart Fun Run is scheduled for Saturday, February 12. Runners will leave from the Simnasho Fire Hall for the journey.
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Check out the Valentine messages

Response to the annual Heart to Heart was overwhelming, to say the least. This issue features three, yes three, full pages of wishes.
Pages 7, 8 and 9

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