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# Spilyay Tymoo

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## Coyote News In Brief

**A new Miss Warm Springs**  
Twenty-two year old Agnes Wolfe was crowned Miss Warm Springs during ceremonies February 1.

**Annual powwow draws big crowd**  
Even the cold weather couldn't keep the powwow crowd down.

**Heart to Heart celebrates love, devotion**  
Hundreds of Valentine's Day wishes speak of love, romance and much more.

**Housing information given**  
The upcoming multi-million dollar housing referendum would provide for additional housing on the reservation, officials say.

**Nettie Shawaway featured elder**  
Simnasho elder speaks of the past, her youth and her dislike for gambling and alcohol.

**Potpourri offered**  
Elementary news, a new chief of police, children's dental health clinic and sports are featured.

**Control of cholesterol may elongate your life**  
Watching the amount of cholesterol you consume may add years to your life.

**Middle school on its way**  
Construction of the new Jefferson County Middle School is underway and officials say the school will be open for school next fall.

*To all of you who did not receive a special valentine, here it is! We wish you continued happiness, love and peace.*  
Spilyay Tymoo Staff

**Deadline for the next Spilyay Tymoo is Friday, February 24, 1995**



The Whiteplume brothers participated in the 3 handdrum contest during the 19th Annual Lincoln's Birthday Powwow.

## District strategy includes no-nonsense measures.... Madras High School facing serious issues

While most students at Madras High School were receiving balloons, gifts and flowers on Valentine's Day, one high school student was arrested for having a loaded weapon at the school.

Madras City police officers responded to the high school at 10:30 a.m. after being notified by school personnel that they had located a student in possession of a semi-automatic handgun. High school officials detained the student in the school office until officers arrived. They arrested the student and a .380 semi-automatic handgun was recovered. No threats were made with the weapon and no injuries were sustained. The student was transported and released to Jefferson County juvenile authorities. The youth was charged in juvenile court with carrying a concealed weapon and possession of a weapon in a public building.

The student faces an automatic year's expulsion as is required by the federal Gun Free School Zone Act. However, Madras High School vice principal Scott Marquardt said it is a "sticky issue" because Oregon law

differs from federal law in that Oregon law requires that a student be expelled for a semester. The federal law allows state laws to supersede the federal law. "We will recommend a year's expulsion," said Marquardt, "in compliance with the federal law." However, the final decision will be in the hands of District superintendent Phil Riley.

Marquardt feels the entire Jefferson County community is committed to sending a "very, very strong anti-gun message."

This latest incident occurred just one day after the 509-J School District school board decided to hire a full-time security officer to patrol the halls of the high school and junior high school. Student lockers and cars parked on campus will be subject to random searches without notice—with the aid of a drug-sniffing dog—whenever school officials establish "reasonable suspicion that illegal or unauthorized materials are contained inside."

The school honors the "due process provided for in the Constitution," said Marquardt. School officials, with "reasonable suspicion,"

can conduct "student and locker searches," he said. However, police must have probable cause. "We operate at a school level while the police must operate at the legal level," Marquardt added.

The full-time officer will be on the job sometime in March and will work "where needed." Marquardt is hopeful that the officer will emphasize an "educational role rather than just another vice principal standing in the hall," he said. The officer should have good rapport with the students and possibly have DARE experience.

A Warm Springs community member, who wished to remain anonymous, said he contacted school officials and suggested that an intervention be done for students. There may be 50 or 100 "bad kids" at the school, said the community member, but there are another "500 victims" who may not know how to handle the stress of possible violence at school.

Marquardt said he has noticed a "lot more concern more the majority, who are doing what they should, rather than" attention being focused on "those who are disruptive."



Becky VanPelt makes Valentine cards with her two sons, Kenny, and Chester at the Valentine making workshop.

## ATNI draws leaders from Northwest

The Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians Mid-Year conference covered many issues of what Tribes face in the Northwest. Among the issues discussed were Housing, Governance, Veterans Affairs, Natural Resources, Health, Education, Economic Development, Gaming to name a few of the important topics.

The change in the administration has had quite an impact on all the tribes in the Northwest. The question is, "Who can we work with?" Who understands the Indian problems today. We've got to go to the Republican Party and educate them of what the Native American problems are. If we don't, they will never know how to deal with these problems. In the past the Democratic Party dealt pretty well with the Native American problems, where as the Republican Party sort of wrote the Indians off. So today we must find someone to work with in the Republican party and will be an asset to the new Administration as the Tribes as time passes.

Another strike against the Native Americans was when the Committee on Indian Affairs was completed. Senator Mark Hatfield's name was not among those who were elected to the committee. Many leaders felt that Senator McCain of Arizona, might be the person who would have knowledge and understanding of the Indian problems and may be the person to work with.

The Task Force on the re-structure of the BIA, has been in effect for some time now. With all the studies and leg work by the Task Force, it was said that the Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs, Ada Deer, was going to come out with a plan of their own excluding all the work what the Task force has been doing. There was a lot of objection to this plan.

At this time of the year there will be the Budget hearings going on and the Leaders here from the Northwest know we need a voice in all the happenings in Washington D.C. If the Indian people have no voice in the matter they will be the ones who will take all the cuts in the budgets as it has happened all along from year to year.

In preparation for the trip to Washington D.C., the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians prepared around 31 resolutions to be submitted for consideration at the meetings back there. All the resolutions pertain to issues from the Indian Nations. As they say the Indian programs are the hardest hit with the Ax during budget processing in Washington D.C.

The Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians mid-year conference held in the Air Port Holiday Inn, concluded at noon February 9, 1995.

## Tribal Council nomination meetings

- Seekseequa District—  
February 21  
Agency Longhouse  
Dinner at 6 p.m.;  
meeting at 7 p.m.
- Agency District—  
February 22  
Agency Longhouse  
Potluck dinner at 6 p.m.;  
meeting at 7 p.m.
- Simnasho District—  
February 23  
Simnasho Longhouse  
Dinner at 6 p.m.;  
meeting at 7 p.m.

## 5th Annual Honor Seniors Day in Warm Springs

Friday, March 17, 1995 at Agency Longhouse  
Theme "Cowboys & Indians"  
prizes will be given for best dressed cowboys and Indians

**A horse drawn carriage will be available for your riding pleasure.**

8:00 a.m. .... Registration opens  
10:00 a.m. .... Early Childhood Education Powwow  
11:30 a.m. .... sack lunches  
Numerous games throughout the afternoon  
5:00 p.m. .... Dinner  
7:00 p.m. .... Evening Powwow with other fun activities mixed in.

**Emcee will be 8-ball Jim and Wilson Wewa**  
The Warm Springs Boy Scouts will be posting colors, and invocation will be given by Pastor Bruce Williams

Follow the signs as you come into Warm Springs, they will lead you to the Agency Longhouse, where all activities will take place.