

Reception planned for Woody NAJA holds annual conference



Elizabeth Woody

A reception and book signing for poet and Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs tribal member Elizabeth Woody will be held at 1 p.m. both Friday, June 23 and Saturday, June 24 1995 at The Museum At Wasm Springs.

Woody's third book, *Seven Hands, Seven Hearts* was recently published by The Eighth Mountain Press featuring poems, stories and essays that she wrote including the entirety of her first highly acclaimed book *Hand into Stone*, winner of the American Book Award.

Her second book of poems, *Luminaries of the Humble*, was published in the summer of 1994 by the University of Arizona Press. *Seven Hands, Seven Hearts*, is united by common themes: a rootedness in the Northwest landscape, the histories of her ancestors, and the ongoing struggle to define what it means to be a tribal member, an American, and a woman at the end of the twentieth century.

Native writer Joy Harjo said Woody's work is an essential part of transition, "In these times we are being forced to recognize the circular web that has always connected us, all of us, and to reconstruct it with the gift of our word-concurrently overturning the decay, and uprooting denial." She said Woody follows in the tradition of the peoples who have understood the power of the language,

and the place of a poet / singer / storyteller at the center of the world.

Woody is also an accomplished artist and pieces of her work are on display in the annual Tribal Member Art Show now featured in the Museum's Changing Exhibit Gallery.

The public is invited to the book signing and reception and for more information contact Jeanne Thomas at The Museum at 553-3331.

General Council Meeting Tuesday, June 13 Topic: Kah-Nee-Ta Annual Report



Michelle Torres, and Australian Aboriginal Journalist slated to visit Warm Springs in the near future..

by Sid Miller

Nearly 400 Native American journalists gathered at Bismarck, North Dakota, for the 11th annual Native American Journalist Association (NAJA), convention.

It doesn't seem like just eleven years ago we had the first NAJA convention here at Kah-Nee-Ta. At this years gathering there were print and broadcast reporters along with students and other personnel of the media field present. There were dozens of panel discussions and work shops covering every aspect of the media field for both print and broadcasting. Topics covering areas such as free press on Indian Coun-



Board of directors Keith Skenandore, Treasure, Karen Lincoln Michel, President and Loren Tapahe pose for the picture.

try, Tribal Governments, main stream media, photography and many more that covered just about everything that is beneficiary to reporters and broadcasters.

Several noted speakers were on hand to address the convention goers. There were several key panels covering problem areas for various groups as everybody shared their experiences with one another and hopefully benefiting each other in some way.

One of the tip speakers was Idaho's former attorney general, Larry Echohawk, others included Suzanne

Harjo, a poet and political analyst. David Gipp the United Tribes President, and novelist Sherman Alexie who is from eastern Washington. Even Health care was one of the topics covered at the convention as Lisa Tiger, an AIDS activist Spoke to the attendees.

A first time ever the students worked on assignments to cover the conference and turning out a paper of all the events that went on while at the conference. They done a great job.

Next year the NAJA conference will be held in the Northeastern part of the country in Maine.

Six young ladies compete for Miss Pi-Ume-Sha

The 26th Annual Pi-Ume-Sha Treaty Days will be held June 23-25, 1995 in Warm Springs, Oregon. The pow wow will have six young ladies seeking the title of Miss Pi-Ume-Sha. Three will run for the junior court and three will be in the senior court.

The Junior Court candidates will be Victoria Tufti, Natasha Mares and Janel Tailfeathers. The Senior Court candidates will be Sharon Katchia, Mavis Kirk and Emily Jim. The 1995 Queens will be crowned Friday night.

Eleven year old Victoria Tufti is the daughter of Lori Robinson and Jesse Argalo. She lives with her grandparents Sterling and Lucinda Green.

She is a fifth grader at Buff Elementary. She enjoys running, playing basketball and soccer. She seeks the title of Miss Pi-Ume-Sha because it is her dream to become Pi-Ume-Sha queen. Her grandmother has supported her and motivated her to seek the title. She feels the benefits of vying for Miss Pi-Ume-Sha is receiving a crown and banner if she wins and receiving a percentage of the ticket sales. Her family has contributed by taking her around to sell tickets. She is very enthused about running. "After school I go out and sell tickets with no one having to tell me to do it." She feels this experience



Victoria Tufti

gives her the chance to meet more people as well as doing something good for herself.

Natasha Mares is eleven-years-old. her grandparents are Bruce and Barbara Jim. She is a fifth grader at Warm Springs Elementary. She enjoys traveling, going to pow wows and clean-up. Her grandmother told her about the title and motivated her

to seek it. She feels she will be very happy if she wins. Benefits she will receive will be receiving a percentage of her ticket sales. In order to seek this title she mentioned she sacrificed her clean-up time. Her family has been helping her, by driving her to each house. She feels very happy to



Natasha Mares

sell tickets.

Seventeen-year-old Sharon Katchia is the daughter of Lyle Katchia and Marilyn Meanus. She just completed her Junior year at Riverside Indian School in Anardako, Oklahoma. Her interest lie in finishing school and working with computers. She is seeking this title because, "It was planned for me a long time ago." Her whole family has motivated her. She feels this experience has given her the chance to communicate with everyone. She benefits by meeting new people and receiving a percentage of the ticket sales as well as the traveling. She has made sacrifices such as having to become organized and responsible. He family contributes to the association by running Pi-Ume-Sha and by purchasing raffle tickets. She feels she has contributed to Pi-Ume-Sha by raising money for the pow wow with her ticket sales. Sharon feels this experience has been fun and suggests that more girls do it.

Mavis Kirk is the daughter of Mildred Quaempts and Oliver Kirk. She is sixteen years old. Her grandparents are Oliver Leo Kirk, Sr. and Lolita Greeley. Also the late Mavis McKay and Louie Quaempts. She is currently a Junior at Madras High School. Mavis likes to draw and be creative with her mind. She also loves playing softball. She



Sharon Katchia

decided to seek this title to represent her people, Pi-Ume-Sha and her family. She received a lot of encouragement from her sister when she was Miss Warm Springs (Merle Kirk). She feels she will be experiencing something different by seeking Miss Pi-Ume-Sha. She feels the benefits of running will be receiving a percentage of her ticket



Mavis Kirk

sales and the crown if won. She feels she had to sacrifice softball practice and some extra curricular activities in order to sell tickets. Her dad contributed to the association by drawing the Pi-Ume-Sha poster. She feels she is contributing by being a role model for others who dream of running. She feels this experience has been different for her. It is something she has wanted to do since she was a little girl.

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Warm Springs July 4th Celebration

"Warm Springs Welcomes Back Family Fun & Fireworks for the 4th of July"

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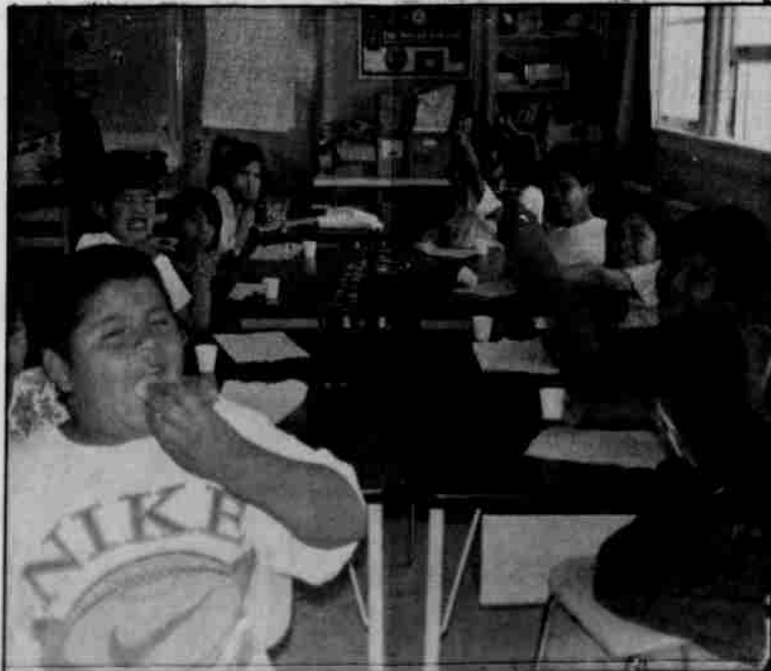
- PARADE - 10:30 a.m. (Starts at the Elementary School)
- FLAG RAISING - 11:30 a.m.
- FREE BEAR & ELK BARBECUE Noon to 3 p.m. (Community Center)
- GAMES & ACTIVITIES 1 p.m. (Community Center)
- PYRO PRESENTATIONS FIREWORKS DISPLAY At Dusk (Community Center)

For More Information Contact Public Relations at 553-1338

Fun day activities being planned for 4th of July

The Fourth of July is coming upon us very fast and this year a fun day is being planned for the whole

community. If you would like to be a part of the planning call the Public Relations Department at 553-1338.



"Warm Springs welcomes back family, friends, fun, and fireworks for the 4th of July" is the theme for 1995 4th of July fun day. Theme contest winners, Ms. Ohman's 3rd grade class won a pizza party, held Thursday, June 1.

Thoughts about how it used to be began last year during the 4th of July. A lot of people would travel out of town, or stay home until the fireworks began. Warm Springs does have one of the best fireworks displays in Central Oregon. During the activities at the Madras Sahalee Park, Warm Springs was quiet and still with a few fire crackers going off here and there. It wasn't until dark that hundreds of Warm Springs Community members drove their cars or walked to the Community Center Recreation area.

Words were spoken, and ideas were shared about how Warm Springs used to have a great "Fun Day" activity that included: a parade, games and a bear pit barbecue.

This year for the first time in a long time will be the attempt to bring back the "Fun Days" like it used to be.

The 1995 theme will be "Warm Springs welcomes back family, friends, fun, and fireworks for the 4th of July!!!" Warm Springs Elementary's Ms. Ohman's third grade class room was the winner of theme contest. The theme contest winners were awarded a pizza party. Ms. Ohman's class will be recognized

in the 4th of July parade as the winners of the theme contest.

The main attraction for this years celebration is the bear pit barbecue. Community elders shared their expertise on procedures of hunting, preparing and barbecuing the bear. There will be two bears barbecued and one elk. Traditional foods will also be prepared for those shy of tasting bear (hamburgers and hotdogs).

Games and activities will also be held during the day for children, adults and senior citizens.

The 4th of July Planning Committee is encouraging all families to come and enjoy this years 4th of July activities. Warm Springs Community members, employees of the organization, visitors, everyone is welcome. Everything will be free of charge, and help will be strictly volunteered time. This is a drug and alcohol free activity, and great day to be with family and friends.

Weekly meetings are held at the Public Relations office Fridays at 1:00 p.m. Contributions and donations are welcome.

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