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Coyote News In Brief

WSFPI presents check

The Museum at Warm Springs recently received a \$5,000 benefactor membership check from WSPFI.

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Elder abuse topic of workshop

The Warm Springs Senior Citizen Program will sponsor its first annual elder abuse conference at Kah-Nee-Ta December 6 and 7.

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Veterans honored with events

Local veterans were honored during Veterans Day activities at the Agency Longhouse.

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ECE offers advice

When a child appears to be hyper-active, what does a parent do? Don't fret, ECE has advice to calm a weary parent's nerves.

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Language lessons continue

Now that students have the Sahaptin basics down, it's time to form simple sentences and phrases.

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Recreation hires new wellness coordinator

Shauna Queahpama-Mehlberg was recently hired to oversee wellness activities at the Community Center.

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White Buffs begin basketball season

The first game of the season for the boys will be November 28. The girls begin their season the same evening.

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Handle the turkey with care

OSU Extension offers tips on how to safely care for your turkey before and after cooking.

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Fire fighters featured

Engine crew members present information on themselves.

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Deadline for the next
Spilyay Tymoo is
Friday,
December 1, 1995

Promise fulfilled; ground broken for first Columbia River in-lieu fishing site



Helping break ground for the first of 31 in-lieu fishing sites was Fred Ike, Yakama; William Burke, Umatilla; Tonya Garcia, Nez Perce; BIA Area Director Stan Speaks; Wilford Yallup, Yakima; Colonel Tom Wood, Army Corps of Engineers; and Wasco Chief Nelson Wallulatum.

It was a time for celebration. A 50-year-old promise was fulfilled. Ground was dug to begin construction. It was a bittersweet ceremony.

Members of the Warm Springs, Yakama, Umatilla and Nez Perce tribes gathered at Bonneville Dam on the Columbia River November 17 to break ground for the construction of the first of 31 in-lieu fishing sites along the river.

In the late 1930s, the US government set in motion the plan for constructing dams to harness the formidable power of the Columbia River. In the construction's wake was the inundation of the Indian way of life along the River—fishing, a livelihood for hundreds of Indian people, disappeared with the falls.

The US Army Corps of Engineers was to acquire replacement sites totaling 400 acres on the Bonneville pool and to replace drying sheds, dwellings and fishing platforms destroyed by the rising water. By the mid- to late-1950s, the falls were gone. Years of delay caused the acquisition program to fade away and it wasn't until 1988, when Congress passed Public Law 100-581, that work began again on the acquisition program. The November 17

groundbreaking ceremony was the re-beginning of work to fulfill promises made 55 years ago.

Colonel Tim Wood, district engineer with the Corps said during opening remarks that "we're finally beginning to see the result of the government's promise. We should not dwell on the past, but celebrate what is happening today."

In his statement to guests attending the ceremonies, BIA Portland Area Director Stan Speaks quoted Delbert Frank, Sr. on the importance of the in-lieu sites and what they mean to Indian people.

"These in-lieu sites are not gifts, they are a recognition of promises made by the US government in 1939 based on the Treaty of 1855....We fished at these sites for generations, not for sport but for survival. We have never asked for more than our share. We ask the public to understand our ways."

Wasco Chief Nelson Wallulatum remembers accompanying his grandmother to the river in 1934 when "things were beginning to churn up....She named fishing sites up and down the river." Without the assistance of attorneys, tribes lost much in the battle for Treaty rights on the River. "Now we must restore and enhance what once was" and will be again.



The Yakama Warriors Association presented the colors during ceremonies.



Have a
happy, healthy
and safe
Thanksgiving

Everyone is welcome to the Museum At Warm Springs Open House on December 6, 1995 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free admission! Refreshments! Volunteer Recognition Awards! Membership raffle for quilt made by Eraina Palmer and Silver bracelet by Willie Stacona plus many other beautiful items! 20% off in gift shop if you join/renew membership on same day!

Uncorralled and on the loose. . . Livestock invade public, and residential areas

In recent months there have been complaints about the horses roaming in the residential areas of the community. Many residents feel there are no efforts being made to solve this seemingly endless problem. Efforts are being made to keep the fences up around residential zones, but during the fall and winter months horses are more noticeable because this is when they find it easier to roam and grass is more plentiful than on the range.

Areas considered residential are around Greeley Heights, Trailer courts, Tenino Apartments, West Hills, Simnasho and public areas. Kah-Nee-Ta Resort is also considered a residential area and has a fence around it. The Sunnyside, Wolfe Point, and Upper Dry Creek housing areas are considered open range. In the future, these areas may be zoned to residential and a fence will surround them. At this time there is

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Horses roam in public areas such as the park, baseball fields and around public office buildings. Leaving unsanitary feces on grassy areas.