Coyote News In Brief

Construction work begins at Resort

The Flood of '96 took its toll on Warm Springs' popular resort. Major renovation and refurbishing is scheduled.

Gaming offers lots of fun stuff

Elvis at Indian Head? That's right! The King's double will appear Monday, May 27.

Seeds offers insight District 509-J fourth graders visited The Museum for the Seeds of Discovery Program May 14.

Warm Springs and Wasco lessons continue Become more familiar

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Criteria set

The popular youth work program has already begun to make plans for summer workers.

Smith hits dream

A dozen amateur boxers will make it to the Olympics this summer with the help of team manager Gerald Smith

Card required

All food handlers must have a card that certifies them as being capable and healthy food handlers.

Alcohol abuse causes ripple affect Not only is an alcoholic affected by drinking, but entire families are stricken with the disease.

Community meetings scheduled

Seekseequa District: **Tuesday May 28** Simnasho District: Wednesday, May 29 **Agency District:** Thursday, May 30 Agenda: Elder Care **Facility Location** Dinner at 6 Meeting at 7

Deadline for the next Spilyay Tymoo is Friday, May 31, 1996



A Eugene balloonist displayed his aircraft to Warm Springs Elementary students before Collage.

Wallulatum: "Indian blood" needs clarification

Long-time Council member questions adoption issues; calls for clarification before another election

"There are a few questions I'd like to ask the people," says Wasco Chief Nelson Wallulatum, His questions concern Section 3 of Article III of the tribal Constitution and By-Laws. Adoptions are on his mind.

The doctrine governing the Confederated Tribes was approved February 14, 1938. Just over two years later, Section 3 of Article III was amended. Tribal leaders apparently felt the original wording of the docu-ment was too vague. Following is Article III in its entirety.

'Article III-Membership Section 1. Membership of Allottees-Every living person whose name appears on the allotment roll of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, shall be entitled to membership in the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon: PROVIDED That the Tribal Council shall have authority, subject to approval of the Secretary of the Interior, within one year from the approval of this Constitution, to make corrections in said roll to the end that it may be an accurate

Sec. 2. MEMBERSHIP OF DE-SCENDANTS-(a) Every child of one-fourth or more Indian blood born heretofore or hereafter to any member of the Confederated Tribes who maintains a residence upon the Warm

record of the membership of the

Springs Reservation at the time of member of any other tribe of Indisuch birth shall automatically be

Grant Clements performs a hoop dance during Collage.

entitled to membership. (b) Children born heretofore or hereafter to a member or former member of any of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation may be adopted as provided in Section 3 of this Article, upon application by self, parent or guardian.

Sec. 3. ADOPTION-The members of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation, may by a majority vote, adopt as a member of the Tribe, any person of 1/8 or more Indian blood who is a descendant of a member or former member of the Confederated Tribes: PRO-VIDED, That any person adopted into membership must have resided at least three years upon the Warm Springs Reservation, and shall not be a member of any other tribe of Indians. (The preceding paragraph is the original version of Section 3. Following is the amended version of Section 3.)"

Amendment 1. That section 3, Article III of the Constitution be

amended to read: The members of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation, may by a majority vote of the qualified voters of the Confederated Tribes voting at an election called for that purpose by the Secretary of the Interior, provided at least 50 percent of those entitled to vote shall vote in such election, adopt as a member of the Tribe any person of 1/8 or more Indian blood who is a descendant of a member or former member of the Confederated Tribes: PROVIDED. That any person adopted into membership must have resided at least three years upon the Warm Springs Reservation immediately prior to the date of his application for adoption and shall not be a

ans." (The amendment is dated May 15, 1940.)

University of Oregon Librar

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Rick Trevino was a true crowd please during Collage festivities.

The third annual Collage of Culture was a huge

success despite the cold and rain. Hundreds of

visitors enjoyed a full complement of activities

including music, arts, crafts and food.

Sec. 4 LOSS OF MEMBER-SHIP-In no case shall a member lose his membership other than by personal request in writing to the Tribal Council."

Wallulatum questions the "1/8 or more Indian blood" portion of Section 3. It is Wallulatum's opinion that it should be stipulated "Indian blood" be Confederated Tribes blood, not just any Indian blood. "There should be an amendment," says Wallulatum, or "no adoption election until Section 3 has been clari-

Another issue is residency. Wallulatum feels it should be stipulated that the three-year residency clause should be three consecutive years, not parts of three years "here and there.

So that voters are assured that information concerning potential adoptees is accurate, "each person getting on the adoption list must pass scrutiny by Tribal Council or a special committee to make sure they have the" required blood quantum and meet other criteria. Additionally, Wallulatum feels that once applicants have been rejected in an adoption election, they should not be allowed to reapply for adoption. "It is the law of the land....Once rejected in a Secretarial election, that should be it." However, Wallulatum feels that Tribal Council should have the final say when individuals are reapplying for membership and Council should have a "grace period" after an adoption election to "scrutinize re-

Vital Statistics director Madeline Queahpama will be presenting the adoption issue to Tribal Council May 28 for discussion.



Road work continues

roads in Reservation forests impassable or rough to drive over. The recent rain has not helped in the effort to repair them. Some roads, which were closed by snow or blown down trees, have just recently been looked at and problem areas identified.

The combined efforts of BIA Branch of Roads, WSFPI, Tribal Construction and the Forestry Department are slowly taking care of

The February flood has made some the problems. The primary access routes and roads into active timber sales are being dealt with first (some temporary measures have been taken) to provide open access to the majority of the forested area. Work on secondary roads will be performed later as funding becomes available.

Branch of Roads has reported that Trout Lake Road and the road to Indian park have been bladed and are

Housing Department says....

1. The Housing Department has suffered damage to three HUD units and a storage building in West Hills during the weekend of May 11 and 12. Each of these places had graffiti spray painted across the exterior walls. These units are part of the CIAP project that is trying to remodel and improve the living conditions of our community. The Housing Department would like to encourage anyone that has information on who our "painters" were to please contact the Housing Department at 553-3250 or the Warm Springs Police Department. HUD rules and regulations CFR part 950 (950.340) explicitly states that the housing lease will "Provide that any criminal activity that threatens the health, safety or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other tenants, or any drug-related criminal activity on or near the premises, engaged in by an Indian housing tenant, any member of the tenant' household, or any guest or other person under the tenant's control, shall be cause for termination of tenancy.

2. Abandoned cars-We are getting close to moving vehicles. The cars in the Warm Springs Police department's impound yard are targeted to be removed first and then we will concentrate on those vehicles in and around the Housing rental units. It is the Housing Department's intention that this will be an ongoing project that will continually remove vehicles that pose a threat to the safety of our tenants.

3. The Housing Department would like to thank those tenants and individuals who have made payments on their accounts. We would also like to encourage those who haven't made payment to do so. For information's sake, the last issue of the Yakama Nation Review posted the list of tenants' accounts receivable as a public notice listing names and amounts

owed to the Housing Authority. 4. The Home Improvement Program (HIP) is moving forward. The Housing Department's working group prioritized the 14 completed applications. It is the Housing Department's intention to start at number one on the list and complete as many projects as the budget al-

5. The Mutual Health Counselor Morningstar Spino would like to remind all the new Mutual Help Homeowners that they will need to attend the required classes once they