

Poison proof your home.... Children act fast and so do poisons



Oregon Poison Control
1-800-452-7165

National Poison Prevention Week was March 16 through 22. Each year, thousands of children are accidentally poisoned by household chemicals, plants, prescriptions and over-the-

counter drugs. This is the week set aside each year to make sure that your home and yard are safe for your children, grandchildren, nieces or nephews. The best ways to do this are to properly store, use and dispose of all hazardous materials and to teach children to ask before putting anything in their mouths.

Some good poison prevention rules include the following:

1. Keep poisonous substances properly labeled and in their original containers. (Example: Do not put gasoline in a pop bottle).

2. Avoid taking medications in front of children; they love to imitate adults.

3. Do not refer to medication as "candy". They should know that all medication is to be taken only when needed and only when given by an adult.

4. Keep all cleaning materials and chemicals labeled and out of the reach of children and put them away immediately after use.

5. Keep the Poison Control Center phone number at the telephone and make sure all of your child's caregivers know the number as well.

6. Do not use ipecac syrup without calling Poison Control first. Some substances can cause more harm if the child is made to vomit.

7. Clean out your medicine cabinets and destroy all old medications found in your home. If you are uncomfortable destroying them, bring them in to the pharmacy and we will destroy them for you.

If you should need to contact Poison Control about an accidental poisoning, be ready to answer the following questions:

1. The name of the substance (drug, plant, chemical, etc.).

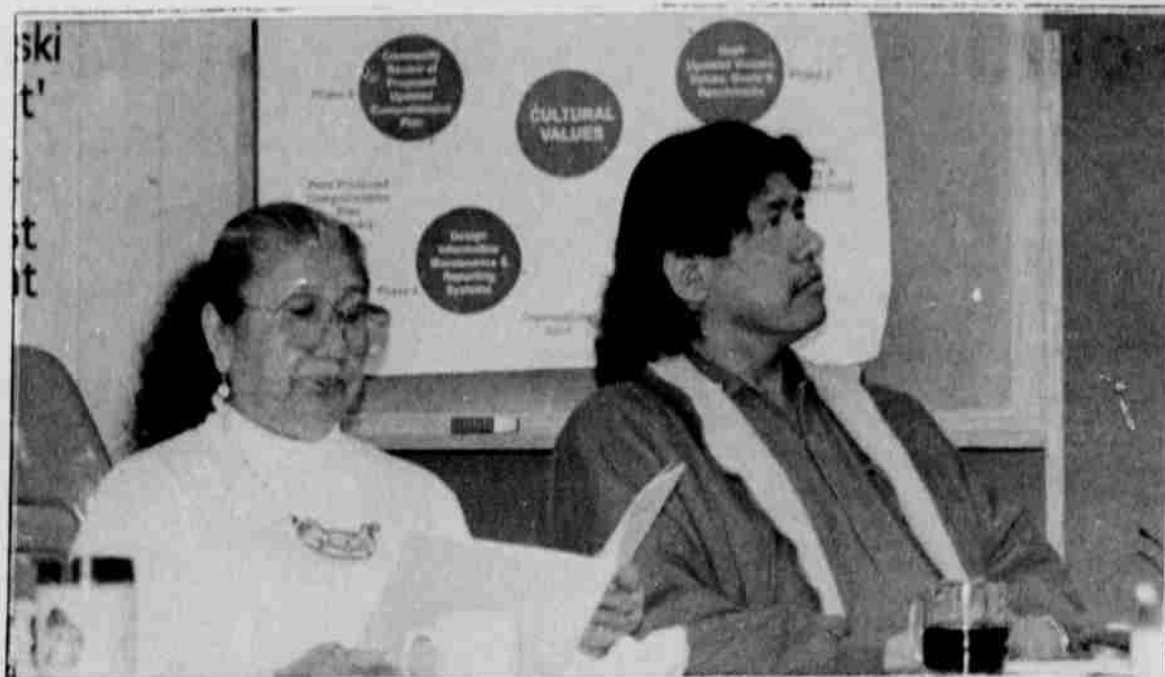
2. How the victim was exposed (through swallowing, skin contact, eye exposure or inhalation).

3. How much was swallowed or how long was the victim exposed to the substance?

4. How long ago did the "poisoning" occur?

The number for the Oregon Poison Control Center is 1-800-452-7165.

The pharmacists from the Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center in conjunction with the Warm Springs Community Health Education Team visited the Early Childhood Education Center and the Warm Springs and Simnasho Elementary schools over the past couple of weeks to spread the message of poison prevention. Please join us in educating children about poison prevention—get your child to help you "poison proof" your home!



The Culture and Heritage Department recently participated in a Comprehensive Plan orientation. Participants discussed the community and how values contribute to the quality of life on the reservation.

Medical monitoring for Hanford downwinders

The telephones are ringing at the Hanford Health Information Network (HHIN). Many callers lived downwind or downriver from the Hanford Nuclear Reservation between 1945 and 1951 when they were age 19 or younger. People who fit this profile may be eligible for a medical monitoring program proposed by the federal Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR).

On March 20, the ATSDR announced its recommendation that the federal government fund a medical monitoring program for thousands of the people exposed to past radioactive releases from Hanford, located in southeastern Washington state.

The ATSDR is responding to questions from the public about the proposed medical monitoring program through the Atlanta office, (404)639-0501. The staff of the HHIN, a separate program sponsored by the state health agencies of Idaho, Oregon and Washington, is responding to callers who have questions

about the health effects of exposure to radiation.

Anyone who would like to know more about the health and experiences of Hanford downwinders can look at information downwinders have contributed to the Hanford Health Information Archives. The Archives, a service of HHIN, offers a data base of health information available on the World Wide Web at <http://www.foley.gonzaga.edu/hhihome.html>.

People may also call the Archives toll-free at 1-800-799-4442. The Archives' database is searchable by location, exposure information, name (where offered), or health condition. The Archives is still seeking contributions of information from downwinders.

The radioactive substance released from Hanford that is of most concern, iodine-131, concentrates in a person's thyroid gland. The greatest exposures came from drinking milk from cows or goats that grazed

on contaminated pasture downwind from Hanford during the years 1945 through 1951. Individuals who were children at that time would have received the highest doses.

The medical monitoring program ATSDR is recommending would offer medical evaluations for thyroid and parathyroid conditions to approximately 14,000 eligible people with significant radiation doses to the thyroid (10 rad or higher) during two time periods: 1945 and 1946-1951. Individuals eligible for medical monitoring would participate voluntarily; they would be self-identified by age, place and duration and time of residence in the exposure area.

Once funding is received the ATSDR estimates that it will take one year for a contractor to develop the monitoring program.

HHIN prepares and disseminates information about the health effects of radiation to health care professionals and to people who were or may have been exposed to radiation released from the Hanford Nuclear Reservation from 1944 to 1972. The Network is sponsored by the health agencies of Idaho, Oregon and Washington in concert with nine Indian nations. For information about past Hanford releases and radiation health effects please call the Hanford Health Information line for your state/service area:

In Idaho 1-800-793-6113, in Oregon 1-800-248-4446, in Washington 1-800-522-4446, from other states 1-800-959-7660, Tribal service program 1-800-798-0796, HHIN World Wide Web site <http://www.doh.wa.gov/hanford/>

Deadline near for Tribal Artists

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs artists are reminded that the deadline for submission for the Fourth Annual Tribal Member Art Show at The Museum at Warm Springs is Friday, April 18, 1997.

The show is scheduled May 9th through June 29, 1997 in The Museum's Changing Exhibit Gallery. Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs tribal member artists, 18 years of age and older, are encouraged to submit their work.

The three award categories include:

-The Judge's Choice Award: a prestigious award that is given to the most outstanding work submitted as selected by the judge. The chosen work will be used as the primary publicity piece and will be featured on the invitations to announce the show's opening reception.

-Honorable Mention Award: will be selected by the judge as outstanding work.

-The Timberline Purchase Award: Recognizing that a career in art may be difficult, Timberline Chief Executive Officer Richard L. Kohnstamm created the Timberline Lodge Purchase Awards to provide a

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Children invited to enter logo contest

Cascade Children's Festival is sponsoring a logo contest for children in 1st through 6th grades. The theme for the contest is "Kids are Special."

Deadline for the contest is April 1, 1997. Please contact Joyce at COBRA, if you have any questions, 541-382-9227.

Green to hold childrens rootfeast

Lucinda Green will hold her own children's root feast at her home April 13, 1997.

She is inviting all children to participate. The children will dig, peel and prepare the roots for feast on Sunday. Lucinda will be cooking salmon over an open pit and all other traditional foods will be prepared.

The feast will be for the benefit of the children who wish to learn more about the preparation and purpose of root feast.

They may not be chosen to gather roots for the longhouse but this is their chance to do this for the children's root feast.

Parent meeting scheduled

Attention High School Seniors! Are you planning on attending college this fall? Contact the Higher Education Office and sign up for student success strategies class to begin at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 15, 1997 at the Education Service building. If you have any questions please call at 541-553-3311.

Senior parents to meet

Parent's of Madras High School Seniors, there will be a general meeting Wednesday, April 9th at 7:30 at the Madras High School Library. This will be the last opportunity to get involved. If interested or need more information please call Judy at 475-3709.

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Retail space available

The Information/Gift Shop located at the Crossing, 2197 Highway 26, Warm Springs, Oregon has been vacated and is now available. Any Tribal Member interested in leasing this building need to submit a written business proposal outlining their business activity and how they would like to use the building. These proposals need to be received by the Warm Springs Business Development Center by the closing date of April 11, 1997. If you need additional information, please call (541)553-3592.

Public notice

Subject: Proposed Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance

When: Thursday, April 3, 1997 7-9 p.m.

Where: Agency Longhouse (tentatively)

Presenters: Land Use Committee, Water Control Board, Water & Soil Dept., Planning Dept.

Please attend and give your input. The Tribal Council will be reviewing comments about the proposed code on or about April 15, 1997.

TV-turnoff planned

This April, millions of families will leave their TV sets OFF for seven days from the 24th to 30th. What will they do instead? Create, play and will be together as a family.

To organize a TV-turnoff in your area, contact: TV-Free American at 1611 Connecticut Ave. NE, Washington, DC 20009 or phone: (202) 387-0436.

Craig chosen

The Warm Springs Composite Products would like to take this time to recognize our Employee Of The Month for February. This award went out to: Eric Craig.

Eric has been selected for the award by the following criteria: Safety in the work place; quality of work, production quantity, attendance, personal initiative, attitude and cooperation with fellow employees, lead people, supervisors and management.

Free support group offered

Cobra is starting free support groups for survivors of rape or sexual assault. Groups start Monday, April 7, from 6:30-7:30.

Sorry, no child care available. For directions, please call Cobra at 541-382-9227.



A reception was held at the Kah-Nee-Ta Lodge Wednesday March 19 for Bob Hall who served 17 years as a Kah-Nee-Ta Board member. Bob and his wife Jan will be missed by many who knew him and worked with him. Hall plans on taking two months of his retirement before starting on two other hotel projects.

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Fourth Annual Tribal Member Art Show

May 9-June 29, 1997

The last day and time to submit your Art for judging for this year's show is

April 18, 1997 at 5 PM



Timberline Chief Executive Officer Richard L. Kohnstamm

will offer prize money for:

Judge's Choice Award, Honorable Mention Awards, & Timberline Purchase Awards

Applications are available at The Museum and for more information contact The Museum at (541) 553-3331