HAABLA strives to lessen racial tension within communities

According to HAABLA (Hispanic, American Indian, Anglo Bureau for Love and Advancement) president Jessie Macias of Madras and HAABLA members, the mission, as positive, concerned people, "is to work together to teach and support unity with pa-tience and understanding. The commitment is to build bridges of respect and love for people of all cultures

From this point on, we will all be color blind," said Macias at an HAABLA luncheon October 24. "As a group, we will respond to everyone as human beings instead of what nationality we are." An October 24 luncheon at The

Stag, brought together Warm Springs and Madras police offic-ers, Madras pastors, a Circuit Court judge and people from the Jefferson County School district as well as other interested Warm Springs and Madras residents. On Monday, October 27, the HAABLA group met with school officials at the Jefferson County Middle School. "Our children are our future," says Macias. "We, as parents, want what's best for them. As a group, one of the mis-sions is to work closely with the school district and try to find every possible way to keep our children in school. Education

plays an important roll in all our lives. We also need to find differ-ent ways or ideas to include not just the children but their parents

as well," says Macias.

The responsibility of a parent does not end when their children leave the house and go into the school classrooms. Parent involvement is needed not only during school hours, but after school as well to assist with school assignments, sports or other ac-

According to HAABLA mem-ber Rob Fuller, the group met with the Warm Springs Tribal Council members in October. The meeting consisted of a presentation by the HAABLA group to inform the Council on the mission, goals and objectives of this very new organization, now being created as a private charitable Oregon corporation. Macias has also presented and shared his vision and hopes for the organization. He described the many situations in our communities where we have problem areas such as racial unrest in our school system, drug dealing, drug abuse, child abuse, domestic violence, and neglect of the elderly. He went on to explain that people need not depend on government and law enforcement to tackle these tough issues in our



At an October, 24 Juncheon at The Stag Restaurant, Jessie Macias, (standing) explains to visitors about HAABLA's mission.

communities. "We can only be stronger and more successful by working together as a unified voice to send the message to parents that they must be more re-sponsible for their children, and

Simnasho District

Meeting

Monday, November 10

6 p.m. dinner

7 p.m. meeting

Agenda: 1998 Budget

and Water Agreement

to the school district, that they must be more responsive to the issues at hand. We, HAABLA, can be a resource for them to use - we can help as a group," said Macias. He invited the Tribal leaders to

participate in any way possible in the organization, and asked them for their ideas, opinions, guidance and participation. Tribal Council members were very receptive to the entire presentation. In par-

ticular, council member Zane Jackson stated that this has been needed for the past 25 years. Another councilor suggested that perhaps we have all become too sophisticated in our approach to these issues, and that an organization such as this, working at the grass roots level, is exactly what is needed. The need to meet in Warm Springs from time to time was also discussed at the Tribal Council meeting. The Council would like to have the meeting location rotate on occasion. At a luncheon meeting on October 17, Museum At Warm Springs director and HAABLA member Michael Hammond offered to have one of the luncheon meetings at the Museum sometime soon. HAABLA is now meeting regularly in Madras at noon each Friday in the Stag Restaurant, where attendees may buy lunch. "We need every-one we can get," said Macias. "Anyone is invited to attend these weekly meetings.

> Next HAABLA meeting Friday, November 7 12 noon at The Stag

The Confederated Tribes, the State of Oregon and the United States have completed a historic agreement defining the scope and attributes of the Tribes' Reservation water rights. The agreement signing ceremony is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m., Monday, November 17, 1997 at

Kah-Nee-Ta Lodge. Traditional services will be featured during the ceremonies. Community members are invited to attend a Salmon and Beef Buffet at 5 p.m. on Sunday, November 16. A celebration, with all three tribes performing their dances, will occur at 7 p.m. If interested in obtaining a copy of the agreement, call (503) 378-8455, ext. 292 or pick up a copy at

the ceremonies. Retiree to raise funds for Crazy Horse

Williamson, a former executive for Citibank South Dakota, has been hired to help raise money for the Crazy Horse Memorial in the Black

Williamson, 55, who retired in July as Citibank's top administrator, is serving as a part-time resource development and business adviser, according to an announcement Sunday by the Crazy Horse Memorial Foundation.

He will help plan events for the 50th anniversary in 1998 of the first blast at the mountain carving. He also will help raise money for short-term and long-term projects.

Ruth Ziolkowski, head of the Crazy Horse Foundation, said Williamson will be in charge of seeking corporate donations nationwide.

"Crazy Horse is truly going to become a national treasure," said Williamson. "It's developing and growing very rapidly as something that people are very much interested

The organization hopes to raise \$750,000 for a multipurpose orientation and interpretive center. It

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP)-Ron has already raised \$150,000 for the project and will begin building once the fund reaches \$450,000, officials

> Ziolkowski said a friend helped put her in touch with Williamson, who had been working for the foundation as a volunteer since July. He began working in official capacity for the foundation last month.

> Williamson and his wife now live in Sioux Falls, but Williamson said they are considering moving to the Black Hills at some point.

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Seekseegua District Meeting

Monday, November 10 Agency Longhouse Dinner at 6 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m. Agenda: Kah-Nee-Ta Supplemental Budget

Tias gains certification



The Museum At Warm Springs Gift Shop Holiday Sale

5% off all silver 10% off Beadwork

Remember Christmas is right around the corner! Don't get caught trying to find something at the last minute! Our Holiday Sale starts November 22, 1997 and runs through Christmas Eve.

"Parfleches & Abstract Paintings" now showing in the Changing Exhibit Gallery until December 22, 1997. Don't miss it!

The Museum At Warm Springs 2189 Hwy 97 Warm Springs, OR 97761 (541) 553-3331 Hours 10 - 5, Seven days a week



November 8, 1997.

December 1997.

He will continue to go to school at

Arthur prepared a meal for the

Victoria University and graduate in

Warm Springs community before he

left at the Agency Longhouse. He

Karla Bagley Tias

I did it! About two years ago, I started a paramedic class and set a goal to be the first Indian Paramedic on this reservation. The class consisted of 9 months of classroom studies then 440 hours of internship and ride-a-long hours. Then came the dreadful testing process. I am now not only a state certified paramedic but also nationally certified. I want

to thank my husband Bear for putting up with all the time I spent away or just having to study. Also I want to thank all my co-workers for their support and enthusiasm. Special thanks to Mt. View Hospital and mercy flights of Medford for allowing me to do time and teaching me so

This certification will allow me to do so much more for my people,

Social work student, Ngapiki Arthur, returns to New Zealand

Full-time, Social Work student of will depart for New Zealand Victoria University, Willington, New Zealand, Ngapiki Arthur arrived in Warm Springs August 8, 1997, to experience and compare his own culture to Warm Springs culture. He comes from the MAori (Mah-ree) tribe of Porirua, New Zealand.

Arthur has a wife named Adele and six children in ages ranging from

While in Warm Springs Arthur worked at the Children's Protective Services on Wednesdays and the Senior Citizen Program on Tuesdays and Thursdays. He wanted to learn about how the elders here do things compared to the elders in New Zealand. Arthur says, "I wanted to hear their stories and share some of my stories and cultures.

Arthur says the cultures are similar. New Zealand has tribes, chiefs and gatherings like the Warm Springs people. In New Zealand their tribes have cultures that are similar but the values are different for each tribe. Arthur says, "They each have their own set of rules and don't tell each other how their culture will be."

While here in Warm Springs we have all gatherings and funerals in the Longhouse, the MAori have two houses. The Wharenui is a house they have council meetings, funerals and gatherings. The Wharekai is a house where they do all their eating.

Arthur left Warm Springs October 30 to live in Vancouver with his cousin Lorraine Moorehouse, and his niece, Jody Sam. They have lived in Vancouver for three years. Arthur

dug a pit, prepared the pork, beef, puddings. chicken and potatoes to put into the pit, covered it and built a fire over it. This is their traditional way of cooking food, Hangi. The food stays in the ground for about three and half hours. His cousin and nicce helped

with desserts for the meal-homemade

He says, "At home we have seafoods, eels, at New Zealand our eels are about 5-6 feet long and three or four inches in diameter. They taste different from the eels you eat here. We smoke them and eat them just

like you do here.'



Ngapiki Arthur (right), niece, Jody Sam (c), cousin Lorraine Moorehouse prepared Hangi meal for community.

Blackwolf 9th Annual Prevention 6 Foot & Under Plus 1 **Basketball Tournament** November 14, 15, & 16, 1997 at the Warm Springs Community Center Entry Fee: \$275-16 Teams

Host Team: Northwest Chiefs all other teams pay entry fee (no exceptions) \$100 deposit (non-refundable) required as soon as possible to guarantee team slot, balance due by first

game played (no exceptions) 1st to 6th Place Awards; All-star Awards; Mr. Hustle, Mr. Rebound, Top Gun, High Scorer, Most 3-Point jackets; MVP Pendleton jacket; among other awards

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