

**First "Family Math Night" presented at WSE**



Melinda Tohet plays fun dice game with her fourth grade daughter, November 3, 1997.

Family Math Night is a time for parents or guardians to explore fun math concepts with their students. There might be games, puzzles, measuring, estimating, weighing, balancing, . . . who knows? Many of the activities can be reproduced and even expanded at home.

All Family Math Nights are from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. The schedule for the different grade levels is as follows:

- November 6 (Thursday)—First Grade
- November 13 (Thursday)—Third Grade

Kindergarten, Fourth and Second grade students have had their Family Math Nights.

When you arrive for Family Math Night at Warm Springs Elementary go to your student's classroom. If it is not being held there, a sign will be posted to let you know where to go.

Please attend with your child (children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian). This is a great chance to learn and have fun. You will also be showing them how important it is to learn and work hard in school. The school requests that only you and your child from that classroom attend.

**Warm Springs Elementary School awards October outstanding students**

Warm Springs Elementary held their monthly awards assembly. Students were awarded for being "Student of the Month" or an "All-Star Award."

All-Star recipients are Leidy Caldera, Charnelle Danzuka, Simean Kalama, Ateitty Begay, Jacoba Best, Ryan Smith, K-Lei Smith-Strong, Natasha Herkshan, Brett Yahtin, Aldwin Keo, Jeremy Badoni, Wilma Tufti, Mary Hoptowit, Candra Lawrence, Jessica Longknife, Tara Tufti, Aaron Hart, Jr., Destry Begay, Rachelle Herkshan, Deanna Williams, Sophia Williams, Sasha Caldera, Teri Jo Squiemphen-Yazzie, Jenna Johnson, Alfredo Orozco, Catherine Tulee, Nicole Herkshan and Mary Culps.

Students receiving Student of the Month awards are: Robert Main, Ellery LeClaire, Rosetta Danzuka, Addie Estimo, Shanell Kalama, Caroline Ascencio, Traci Suppah, Sisiley Scott, Ryan Thomas, Bobby Thurby, Nicolas Katchia, Alvin Moore, Douglas Hagadorn, Raymond Torres, Callie Howtopat, Elliott Cooper, Tony VanPelt, Richard Wolfe, Jennifer Orozco, Stephen Vaeth, Sean Cook, Vern Heath, Teryl Florendo, Maranda Blueback, Aaron Thompson, Clarissa Wolfe, Eileen McGill, Michael Teeman, Justine Wallulatum, Warner Williams, Sheldon Leonard, Clara Arthur, Alicia Lopez-Pedraza, Carlos Reynoso, Laurissa Bellanger, Curtis



Kindergarten students received their "Student of the Month" awards, November 3, 1997.

Thompson, Sasha Winishut, Darrin Brisbois, Kirstie Morrison, Orlando Tewee, Tianna Herkshan, Tonya Boise, Cameron Smith-Lucero, Levi Kalama, Michael McConville, Victor Switzler, Jr., Davina Lucei, Farrelyn Bellanger, LaTonia Smith, Rhett Johnson, Rodney Kenyon, Sally

Selam, Verna Mitchell, Dorian Miller, Jessie Reaney-Greenwood, Orlando Johnson, Elizabeth Orozco, Michaela Camas, Brook Warner, Paul Miller, Natasha Lucei, Nancy Charley, Katie Smith, Roosevelt Heath, Jr., Shayla Smith, Perry Greene, Charles Wolfe, Devin

Winishut, Leanna Boise, Merima Made, Tanaya Hunt, Riana Phar, Darleen Hoptowit, Wesley Spino, III, Lucas Yahtin, Galey Lawrence, III, Jimmy Flores, Bronte Caldera, Britten Lumpmouth and Allegra Robinson.

**Kennewick Man site to be examined**

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP)—A Washington State University researcher and an Indian tribe will be allowed to examine the site where the 9,300-year-old skeleton known as Kennewick Man was found, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers says.

But the type of archaeological work that researcher Gary Huckleberry and the Umatilla Tribe can conduct hinges on the outcome of talks between the parties, said Dutch Meier, a spokesman for the corps' Walla Walla office.

The tribe has said it prefers that no digging be conducted. But it has indicated it would consider supporting some excavation, possibly by its own scientists, if steps are taken to limit disturbance of the site, where other remains

may be buried.

"The final study methodology, who's doing what in what order, will have to be finalized," Meier said Friday.

Huckleberry, who is trained in geology and archaeology, said he expects his talks with the Umatillas will lead to a compromise that serves his scientific interests and the tribe's interests in preserving the site.

"I certainly think we can work with them," he said.

Tribal officials did not return a message left Friday at the tribe's Pendleton, Ore., headquarters.

Huckleberry in late August asked the

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**Jefferson County Middle School calendar of events**

- November 7—High School Band Assembly at JCMS
- November 10—No School, Parent Conferences
- November 11—No School, Veteran's Day
- November 13—SMILE Field Trip, 2:50-6:30 p.m.
- November 16-22—National Geography Awareness Week
- November 17—Coffee Meeting with Mr. Kelly, 8:30 a.m.
- November 18—Fall Concert, 7th and 8th grades. Parent Club Meeting, 7-8:00 p.m. in the Library.
- November 24—Coffee Meeting with Mr. Kelly, 8:30 a.m.
- November 26—Early Release, 12:15.
- November 27-28—Thanksgiving Vacation.

**Public hearing scheduled**

A public hearing on section 8003 impact aid application for FY 99 will be held. As stated in School Board Policy 911, the District annually affords all District patrons, specifically Native American parents/guardians, the opportunity to make comments and recommendations relative to the application and use of Section 8003 Impact Aid Fund.

A public hearing has been scheduled during the regular School Board meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, November 10, 1997 in the library at Warm Springs Elementary School. The public is invited to attend and encourage to ask questions and state opinions regarding District 509-J programs and the use of funds.

Persons having a disability are requested to contact the District 509-J Office by calling Cindy Harris at 475-6192, to discuss special arrangements which may allow you to fully participate in this public hearing.

**GED test dates scheduled**

Any GED student who started state GED testing in 1995 or before but has not completed the five tests MUST have them all completed by December 31, 1997 to avoid starting the process over. If you do not finish by December 31, 1997 you will have to start testing all over at a cost of \$65.

Anyone who started their testing as early as January 1, 1996 may continue their testing through 2001.

The test dates in Madras are November 14-15, 1997 and December 12-13, 1997. Please call 475-6192 for test reservations one week before testing.

For further information see Janice Tuesday or Thursday morning at the Education Center.

**Meeting set to discuss Impact Aid funds**

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**Character education new to WSE**

Character education new to Warm Springs Elementary in 1997. Jefferson County School district is including Character Education in the curriculum beginning this year. This year all schools in the district will be

focusing on the character traits of citizenship, honesty/integrity, and courtesy. Definitions of these traits are posted throughout the school and you can learn more from the principal or your child's teacher.

**Yearbooks on sale at JCMS**

The JCMS 1997-98 year book is now into production. To ensure that enough copies are ordered, it is necessary that students pre-order their copy now. Year books may be ordered from classroom and TAP teachers. The cost is \$9.00. November 3-7 will be the last presales to order the yearbook for \$9.00. After Christmas break the yearbooks will cost \$10.00.

**Tips for parent conference day**

Try to help keep conferences on schedule by keeping within your scheduled time. You can always make an appointment to meet with the teacher to talk more about your child.

Share what works for you when it comes to helping your child succeed. The teacher will appreciate your insights.

**Readers needed at Warm Springs Elementary: Tuesdays or Thursdays 1/2 hour Read to a Kindergarten through 2nd grade student Make a special friend Questions or sign-up call 553-1128.**

**IRMP meetings scheduled**

Seven meetings have been scheduled to discuss the recently released IRMP II Draft Plan and to gather comments from the tribal public. Members of the IRMP technical team will explain the document's contents and compile public input to be used in developing the final plan.

Four meetings will be held for the tribal public on Thursday mornings in the Fire Management conference room. Those meetings are set to begin at 9:30 a.m. on November 13 & 20, December 4 & 11. Breakfast will be served prior to each meeting.

Three additional meetings will be held in the evening for local grazing groups. The meeting for Mutton Mountain and Simnasho grazing groups will be held in the Simnasho Longhouse at a date to be announced. The Sidwaller and Boulder/Miller/Webster grazing groups will meet on December 3, 6:30 p.m. at the senior center. The Metolius, Dry Hollow

and Tenino grazing groups are scheduled for December 10, 6:30 p.m. at the senior center. Refreshments and snacks will be served at all three meetings.

IRMP II covers the non-forested and rural areas of the reservation. The draft plan contains 15 issues related to natural, cultural, social and economic resources. There are detailed descriptions of five alternatives, including a preferred alternative, that could be used to manage these resources.

The draft plan was developed after numerous public meetings with tribal members, and sessions with tribal council, committees and grazing district representatives. Copies of the draft plan have been distributed to heads of households, and are available through the Range and Agriculture Department.

Comments on the draft plan will be taken until December 31, 1997.

**Spirit Walker dance group touring Europe for one month**

Spirit Walker dance group has returned to Europe to perform at military bases, various schools and nightclubs. During the 1996 Tour their performances received standing ovations and requests for the group to return. Group leader, Joe Tuckta received notice from Captain Michael Mee, Circuit Manager of the Armed Forces Professional Entertainment Office, of their travel arrangements and performance itinerary.

They arrived in London, Saturday, November 6 where they performed in Alconbury, Navy London, Mildenhall.

After their first performance they leave Londone and arrive in France November 6, and will perform at Mannheim, Stuttgart, Heidelberg, Spangdahlem, Hanau, McCully Barracks, Dexheim, Grafenwoehr, Hohenfels, Schweinfurt, Bamberg, Ansbach, Bad Aibling, Augsburg, Ramstein, Kleine Broegel, Brussels, Schinnen and Rotterdam.

They will arrive in Stavenger Norway for their final show and return to Portland Sunday, November 30.

Spirit Walker returning performers are Tuckta, who will be men's traditional dancer and Eagle dancer. Sandra Sampson who will do jingle dance again, Lena Edwards will be women's traditional dancer and James T. Greene will perform the men's fancy dance.

Spirit Walker has two new performers, Siagigi Hisatake, who will be the women's fancy dancer and drummer and Tyrone Ike, who will be the men's grass dancer and drummer.

Spirit Walker dance group was cut back to six performers this year. They had hoped to take a drummer from Blacklodge Singers. Two

performers will be doing the singing and drumming for the group. Siagigi will sing and drum the social dances

and Tyrone Ike will drum and sing for the war dancing. Tuckta hopes to include some of the children into the

show with the social dancing. November is Native American Heritage Month.



Spirit Walker dance group members are left to right, back row, Joe Tuckta, Sandra Sampson, Siagigi Hisatake, Tyrone Ike. Center, front row, Lena Edwards. Not pictured is James T. Greene.

**StRUT program launched**

Local businesses, community organizations and concerned citizens can now make a significant impact on the education of students at Madras High School through StRUT (Students Recycling Used Technology).

A statewide effort, launched by Intel and the Northwest Regional Education Service District, seeks contributions of used computers and/or cash for training programs at the school.

The program is designed to allow local businesses to work with their neighboring schools to reduce barriers which prevent schools from providing students necessary training in computer use and technology, or accessing the increasingly important tools of the Internet and World Wide Web.

It also provides the basis for developing a program where high school students gain valuable technical and business management skills by repairing, assembling, testing, and installing software applications into used computers.

"This is a real win/win for our schools and business partners," said David Hicks of Madras High School. "In the business environment, a lot of computer equipment is replaced very rapidly. While it no longer is of much value to the companies, it is

invaluable to students in the learning process. Those who give cash allow us to purchase much-needed parts for the refurbishing."

"The students learn business skills as they manage inventory, organize the refurbishing process and distribute the finished products. The team-building lessons are significant."

In addition to founding partners Intel and Northwest Regional Education District, StRUT sponsors include Eastern Oregon Fast Freight, Piper Jaffray, Portland General Electric and U.S. West.

"These fine companies helped bring StRUT to our community. Now, we are asking our business and community leaders to help the program grow and prosper in our schools." From its beginning in 1995 at Tigard and Forest Grove High Schools, StRUT has now grown to 39 sites across the state. Over 8,000 computers have been donated to the program statewide.

Once a computer is refurbished and recycled, the need arises for more donations to keep the program growing and available to new students. Cash donations are critical as they purchase parts to complete the computers.

For more information on StRUT, please call Dee Carlson at StRUT 1-800-990-7500.