

### Raymond Shike, Sr. winner of Harley Davidson July 25



The big winner parks next to the Harley.

Indian Head Casino gave away a Harley Davidson to lucky winner, Raymond Shike, Sr., July 25, 1998.

He enjoys playing cards in the poker room and the black jack tables, where he was able to enter over 100 tickets in the drawing for the Harley Davidson.

He says, "I sold it back to the company because I can't ride it. I don't trust my grandkids with it, it's too dangerous."

Congratulations Ray!

### Elders attend oral history meeting

The tribal governmental affairs and legislative office received a special grant to assist elders for accommodations and travel expenses to attend a meeting at Rock Creek, Washington on March 12 and 13, 1998. They met with senior program staff to help with contacting interested elders and making travel arrangements.

The Rock Creek meeting was coordinated by Wanapa-koot-koot, a group with members of Yakama, Nez Perce, Umatilla and Warm Springs tribes. The meeting was about oral history awareness and how elders are important in helping with oral history for tribal benefit. With Tribal Council approval, there will be more oral history Elders Gathering meetings in the future at different locations up and down the Columbia River Gorge, to ask elders where and how to protect sensitive cultural re-

sources and sites.

Tribal staff that helped make the trip possible are Louie Pitt, Jr., Colleen Roba, Olivia Wallulatum, Elton Greeley, Lucille Schuster, Lawrence Squiempfen and Melissa Johnson.

After the meeting there was a social gathering. Each tribe was asked to have someone do a cultural activity and represent their tribe. For Warm Springs, the following volunteered to sing and drum: Fred and Olivia Wallulatum, Geraldine and Wilford Jim. The emcee was Nathan Jim, Sr. Songs were for the skip, owl, eel, butterfly, you-pi and shuffle dances. Gerald brought Olivia to the front of the floor and together they did the shuffle dance. The following day, Geraldine received special recognition for first place dancer, Johnson Mennick gave her a calendar.

We would like to thank the following elders who showed interest

and attended the meeting:

Chief Nelson Wallulatum, Jacob Frank, Sr., Winona Frank, Claude Smith, Sr., Bernice Mitchell, Delbert Frank, Adeline Miller, Silas Williams, Irene Towe, Gladys Thompson, Madeline McInturff, George Aguilar, Sr., Viola Kalama, Wilson Wewa, Sr., Margaret Boise, Wilkins Leonard, Esther Lamb, Lucy Oscar, Hilda Culpus, Josephina Crow, Jeanette Meanus, Fannie Waheneka, Faye Waheneka, Ruth Tewee, Freda Wallulatum, Nettie Shawaway, Elizabeth Rhoan, Effie Culpus, Julia Barney, Dorothy Simtustus, Louise Hellon, Viola Governor, Ursula Little, Lydia Murphy, Joyce Quinn, Rose Mitchell, Elton Greeley, Earl and Rita Squiempfen, Fern and Tom Begay, Nathan and Ella Jim, Dan Brisbois, Wilford and Geraldine Jim, Mary Danzuka, Nancy Johnson, Olney Patt, Sr. and Richard Biss.

### World Christian Gathering of Indigenous People to be held in Rapid City

Some 40 indigenous Christian pastors and leaders head the planning committee for 1998's World Christian Gathering of Indigenous People (WCGIP). The Gathering captures the vision of many indigenous people for new ways to reach their own people for Christ.

Founders and honorary chairs, Monte and Linda Oha, Maori from New Zealand, envisioned the WCGIP as a means of bringing the world's indigenous people together in the celebration of unity and diversity under Jesus Christ.

People from Canada, New Zealand and the U.S. have worked on the planning for the 1998 Gathering, since the close of the inaugural event in New Zealand in 1996. Early inquiries have organizers expecting to far surpass the first conferences' success, hosted by the Maori, that brought more than 2,000 people together from 32 countries. "Upwards of 7-10,000 participants could descend on Rapid City, S.D. for WCGIP's second world conference planned for September 5-13, 1998!" says U.S. Co-Chair Richard Twiss, a Lakota Sioux from

Rosebud. Indigenous people from Canada and the U.S. are hosting this year's conference.

World Christian Gathering of Indigenous People principals chose Rapid City because of its historical significance to many northern Native American tribes, including the Lakota Sioux nation. The Paha Sapa (Blackhills) that belonged undisputedly to the Lakota Sioux nation, until the 1890's remain an unresolved land rights issue. It is only one of many unsettled land rights issues among indigenous people worldwide that WCGIP officials expect to address in various ways at the Gathering.

"Our vision is for indigenous people throughout the world to come to and grow in Christian faith and to worship the one and only Creator of the universe through legitimate expressions of their own culture," said Canadian Co-chair Terry LeBlanc, a Mikmaq/Acadian from Canada and Manager for Aboriginal Programs for World Vision Canada. "When less than 5 percent of the world's indigenous population have come to know Christ, it is important

to ask, 'Why?' We feel, in part, encouraging indigenous groups to express Christian faith through their own historical culture and customs will make it truly their own."

World Christian Gathering of Indigenous People organizers believe that indigenous people can collectively explore cultural and linguistic formats to bridge the gaps between Jesus Christ and their people without the loss of orthodox Christian faith and doctrine.

The nine-day event will be filled with formal welcome ceremonies from Native American tribes of North America, traditional songs, speeches and workshops on issues that affect indigenous people, daily entertainment, traditional food, and special guest appearances of well-known people from throughout the world.

Further information can be obtained from either of the Co-chairs (Richard Twiss-360-546-1867; Terry LeBlanc-204-826-2689), the WCGIP office in Rapid City, S.D. (605-348-1859; e-mail at cpetkau@portage.net) or at our website-www.chazm.com/wcgip.

### Call CCC for help

In the first six months of 1998, Consumer Credit Counseling has helped Central Oregonians pay off over \$800,000 in debt. Consumer Credit Counseling is a non-profit, United Way agency dedicated to helping people find a better way to pay their bills. Consultations are confidential and FREE. For information, call 389-6181.

### Powwow seeking candidates

The Annual powwow held at Celilo, Oregon is seeking royalty candidates and has the following categories: Sr. Queen (13 & older), Jr. Queen (12 & younger), Lil Brave (no age limit).

The Mid-Columbia River Powwow is held October 23, 24, 25, 1998.

Winner is determined by most big raffle tickets sold. Winners in each category will receive a traveling crown (except lil brave), a jacket, a banner, a 20% payback on total raffle ticket sales, plus other prizes. Runners-up will receive a 20% payback, & other prizes.

Interested candidates and raffle tickets sellers can contact Gloria Jim (509) 848-3461 or (541) 296-8816.

### Community Health and Education news



Children placed at high risk in pickup trucks. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) warns that kids don't belong in the cargo areas of pickup trucks. A number of states already have laws or restrictions on carrying passengers in the cargo area of the pickup truck.

Trucks are becoming popular form of transportation for family travel. Unfortunately, occupant protection inside the cab is limited by space,

number of safety belts and the fact that pickup trucks are not required to meet all passenger car safety standards. Space limitation often lead parents to allow children to ride in the cargo area. Each year more than 200 people die as a result of riding in the cargo area of the pickup trucks. More than half of these deaths are children & teenagers.

The Facts: The cargo area of a pickup truck has proven to be a source of injuries and death to children and adults. In addition to the possibility of being ejected, passengers riding in covered cargo beds are exposed to carbon monoxide from exhaust fumes.

\*Ejection from the cargo area during a collision was the major cause of injury and death for pickup truck passengers.

\*Most non collision deaths were caused by falls due to swerving, breaking or rough roads. In one third of these cases, the victim was standing up, sitting on the tailgate, or "horsing around".

\*Child safety seats must not be

used on side-facing jump seats.

\*Child safety seats must have at least 80 percent of the safety seat base on the bench seat. Installing a tether strap to the vehicle frame may prevent the safety seat from moving too far forward and the child from hitting his or her head on the front seat in a crash.

\*A rear-facing child seat must be secured in either the center or right front seat, if a pickup is equipped with a passenger air bag and does not have an air bag on-off switch.

\*If there is no other seating available, children over one year of age must be properly secured in a forward-facing child restraint or vehicle lap and shoulder belt positioned as far back from the dash board as possible.

\*All children should ride in properly installed child safety seats or lap and shoulder belts appropriate for their size.

These safety tips from NHTSA and Community Health and Education Team aimed at making your next ride in a pickup safer.



Sheylene M. Greene-Boise and Darrell R. Black

### Dental news



Randall Wallulatum

Good news! Warm Springs' children no longer need to be referred to Hood river for dental treatment. We are pleased to welcome aboard our new Pediatric Dentist, Dr. Frank Mendoza from the Navajo area. He has been with IHS for sixteen years and brings a lot of experience and enthusiasm to our dental clinic. Dr. Mendoza has already started treating children here and at St. Charles Hospital. Furthermore, he is looking forward to becoming involved in this community.

This month our Healthy Smile Poster of the Month was made from the following picture of Randall Wallulatum. Congratulations Randall!

### Nerf bars for sale

Chrome Nerf Bars for 1987-96 Ford Ex Cab pickups. Made by Smittybuilt. \$280. Call 553-3274 ask for Selena.

### Reunion in progress

Hey Smith Loggers (oldies but goodies) Softball Team! There is plans being made for a Reunion, hopefully during the Labor Day weekend in September.

How many of you-all remember of days gone by?!

Anyone that is interested can call Cindy Bobb at (541) 553-1372 or Colleen (Smith) Roba at (541) 553-3214.

### Thank you mom

To the editor, To Mary Danzuka (mom), thank you for staying right by my side when I needed you.

For staying at the hospital while I was in there. You were there day and night. I woke up to your face and fell asleep on you. You don't know how much I needed you there. It made me feel so good. I don't think I could have made it home this fast without you and your support. You mean a lot to me. Thank you for being there for me. I love you.

Love,  
Jennifer Smith

### Fire Crews Contain two fires

Local fire crews are busy mopping up on a couple of fires started by lightning recently in the higher elevations. Fire No. 57, near Shiitike Butte was in steep and rough terrain and covered approximately three acres of land. A trail has been put around it and the crew is mopping up now.

Fore No. 63, which is near Blue Lake is pretty well contained and the mopping up is on there. A lightning strike in that area glanced from place to place and started several spot fires in number near 25 little fires all with in a five acre area. All the fires are under control and the mop up is on there.

All local fire crews were busy and several Forestry personnel were on hand to assist because the Local Hot-Shot crew has been sent to Washington to help on fires there.

The Lookout towers have spotted several strikes that have smoked but nothing has happened yet in those areas but the lookout towers are

keeping an eye on those spots because some times a strike can lay dormant for several days and suddenly become active. They did say there was smoke in those areas for a while and faded away but you can't tell when a fire can become alive after days of smoldering.

Most of the crews have been busy on both fires and the Hot-Shot crew away on fires in other areas. The Helicopter has been busy assisting on other fires dipping and hauling supplies to the fire fighters in the area.

With the hot spell lingering on and on there wont be much time for ease as a fire can start at anytime. There have been several small grass fires within the area from the hot spell. There is no indication as to any let up on the hot weather in the near future, so we will just have to watch our action and not become careless with our smoking. Smoky The Bear Says, Don't Smoke In The Woods or I'll Crush Your Butt!!

### Composite Employee of the month



Dolan Waheneka, Jr.

The Warm Springs Composite Products would like to take this time to recognize our Employee of the Month. This award went out to Dolan Waheneka, Jr. Dolan has been selected for the award by the following criteria: Safety in the workplace, Quality of work, Production Quantity, Attendance, Personal initiative, Attitude, Cooperation with fellow employees, lead people, supervisors and management.

Warm Springs Vocational Rehabilitation Program offers hour-long orientations on the last Wednesday of each month. The orientations are intended for those interested in applying for Voc-Rehab, staff who refer clients to Voc-Rehab and anyone else interested in learning about the program. The next orientation will be held Wednesday August 26, 1998 from 4 to 5 p.m.

### Selams bring native culture to Europe

If Willie and Tanya Selam have anything to say about it, hundreds of Europeans will spend their summer vacations learning about the traditions of the Northwest Indians. Willie and his daughter, Tanya, attended an international trade show in Berlin March to try to make that happen.

The Selams staffed a booth at the largest tourism showcase in the world to promote their company, called MA T'ULLA-YASH or Place of the White Fish. Willard Maldonado, whom Selam compares to a son-in-law, also joined them. The three performed traditional American Indian dances, something the father and daughter have been doing together for years.

If things go as planned MA T'ULLA-YASH will open several teepee villages in the Northwest. The Selams are working with Cornelius Braggaa, a tourism agent in Stuttgart, Germany. One such village is slated to open later this summer in Oregon.

Willie Selam has several more European trips planned to promote the project. He will participate in a tour of Germany in October and November. In December, he visits Oslo, Norway. In January, he's off to Finland, Sweden, and then to Stuttgart. It's back to Berlin in March.

"Europeans are very interested in Native Americans," explains Willie. "They recognize the historical significance of our struggle to retain

our heritage."

Already, other companies have established teepee villages in Montana, the Dakotas and Canada, Selam says. The one in Oregon, to be located on the Warm Springs reservation, will be the first in the Northwest. Selam, who lives southeast of Toppenish at Satus, would develop on in this area as well.

He presented the idea to the Yakama Nation last year and was directed to the tribe's tourism department. He is now in the process of putting his proposal together.

The Warm Springs camp will be located at Lake Chinook near the Three Sisters Wilderness Area in central Oregon. The nearest city is Madras. Other nearby cities are Bend and Redmond. The camp, with 10 teepees, is being developed in partnership with the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs.

Teepee camp visitors will have a wilderness experience, says Selam. There will be no electricity or running water. The can canoe, raft or ride horseback. Food will be provided and guests can learn to smoke salmon and dry meat.

Vacationers, who can stay from one to six weeks, also will learn about the history, traditions and philosophies of American Indians. Traditional arts and crafts, such as bead work and basketry, will be taught, and native dances will be

performed.

The entire experience need not be without some modern accouterments, however. Guests can take an excursion to the Kah-Ne-Ta Resort, 35 miles south of the proposed teepee village. The resort has a golf course, swimming pool and casino.

The resort already has hosted 50,000 guest this year and expects a total of 150,000 visitors by the year's end, says Ron Malfara, general manager.

Selam sees this venture as simply part of a lifetime of trying to preserve the Indian way. Now 43, Selam grew up at the end of the boarding school era - when Indian children were taken away from their families by the U.S. government and forced to live in boarding schools. Selam and his four brothers and one sister were sent to a boarding school in Oregon.

"We experienced the constricting pressure to take away our language and the understanding of our traditional way of life," he says. "If we referred to our culture or spoke our Indian language, we were punished."

Despite this, Selam and his family not only have retained the traditional, they have become leaders in passing them on to the next generation. Willie has been cultural director of the nationally known Wapato Indian club for 12 years. His sister, Loretta, and father, James, also have been involved with the club.

Daughter Tanya was a lead dancer in the club for many years. Willie and Tanya have performed together at events throughout the nation and world.

Also, the Selam Family Drum group, consisting of Willie, James, Lonnie and Howard Selam, participates in ceremonies at longhouses, in competitions and educational sessions for schoolchildren. They sing in what is called the "Wash-shat" style and all are drum-makers.

"I can go into a longhouse anywhere and sing the old songs," Selam says. "I can sit at a big drum or stop onto the floor and dance. I can go to the feasts - the times of sorrow, the happy times, the childhood initiations. I speak, sing, dance and teach. I hunt, fish, make drums."

Willie has passed on the traditional teachings to Tanya. She, in turn, is passing them on to her children, 6-year-old Aja and 5-year-old Anthony. At the same time, she is pursuing a degree business management at Heritage College, planning to graduate in December.

"It's hard to be a true Indian," says Selam. "You must be able to walk in both worlds - the Indian world and the white man's world. Tanya is a prime example of the best of both worlds," he adds proudly.

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