



**Geo Quiz- No one correctly identified our last Geo Quiz. Correctly identify it and win a year's subscription of the Spilyay Tymoo and a nice Kah-Nee-Ta Resort T-shirt. Please, no calls before 1 p.m. Monday, November 9. Our number is 553-3274. You must be specific.**

### Volunteer program to be established

Each year millions of children are abused and neglected; their future often lies in the hands of a judge to decide if they should remain in foster care, be reunited with parents, placed with extended family, or to be adopted. Often the needs of Indian children may become lost in an overburdened child welfare system that does not have the ability to pay close attention to each child.

A team of community members from Warm Springs and Crook/Jefferson counties are working together to establish a court appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Volunteer program here on Warm Springs reservation. This team of people consists of Honorable Lola Sohapp, Chief Judge of the Warm Springs Tribal Court, Rena Adams of Victims of Crimes Services, Direlle Calica with the U.S. Attorney's Office and John Campbell of the Crook and Jefferson Counties CASA Volunteer Program. With almost half of the tribal population under the age of eighteen, their need to have advocates speaking on children's behalf when they are in proceedings within our tribal court system.

In 1976, Superior Court Judge David Soukup of Seattle, Washington recognized this continual problem in his courtroom that involved

proceedings dealing with children. He found that he did not have enough information to make the proper and appropriate decisions that would be in the best interest of each child's happiness and well-being. As a result of this problem Judge Soukup developed the ideal of community volunteers stepping in the courtroom on behalf of children. In 1977, the Court Appointed Special Advocate or CASA program was implemented as a test project. During that first year, the program provided 110 trained CASA volunteers for 498 children in 376 dependency cases.

The CASA Volunteer Program has served an important role across the country in being the voice for the needs of Indian and non-Indian children's needs within the court system. A CASA Volunteer is a community appointed to objectively advocate and represent the best needs of a child in court. The only qualifications are that the volunteer be twenty-one years of age and can take ten to fifteen hours a month to volunteer to help a child out with proceedings in Tribal Court. The qualified volunteer will be interviewed and attend thirty hours of training. The Tribal Court Judge will review each advocate before appointing them to a case.

CASA Volunteers serve three important roles. They are the fact finders for judges by researching the backgrounds of each assigned case. The volunteer also monitors and keeps updated on how the child is for the entire life of the case. CASA volunteers are very important in making sure that a judge has all the best information possible to make good decisions on children's behalf. Social Service workers often have between sixty to ninety cases they work with. A CASA Volunteer has only one or two cases they work with. The Court Appointed Special Advocate has the time, training, and ability to really help each child with their case.

CASA makes sure the needs and best interest of Indian children are met by the tribal court system. A meeting to discuss the CASA Volunteer Program will be held at the community on Monday, November 9, 1998 from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Warm Springs Tribal Courthouse in Courtroom I. Everyone is invited. For more information contact Rena Adams at 553-2293, Direlle Calica, 553-3269 or John Campbell with Crook & Jefferson counties CASA Volunteer Program.

### ONABEN selected for assistance by Union Bank of California

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This unique program works with selected economic development organizations to help low- and moderate-income borrowers with their small business. In Warm Springs Union Bank of California is working with ONABEN.

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You may be eligible for a loan from Union Bank of California. Or you may want to re-establish your credit for your business. You may be eligible for a loan for up to \$5,000.

The community relations of Union Bank of California has opened a million dollar loan pool available to two minority groups—a Women's Group in Long Beach, California and ONABEN.

ONABEN is the most successful business start up program in the country and the only one that worked in Indian Country. This program began in 1991 and goes into northern California, Oregon, Washington, and Alaska.

Your application requires a business plan and show that you will be able to pay back the loan. You will

also be required to open a checking account with Union Bank of California. You are not eligible if you have a tax lien or judgment on your credit report.

To see if you are eligible make an appointment with Mitch Conley at Small Business Administration Center in Warm Springs. You will fill out paper work and complete your business plan. There are no loan officers you will work through Mitch Conley.

"This is a pilot program, if it works it will expand. I would like to see Warm Springs Businesses get help if they need it. It sure can go a long way to help credit problems," says Mitch Conley, Small Business Administration Director.

### On Patrol



by Don Courtney  
**Halloween Weekend:**

For the most part, Halloween 98 was a safe and eventful one for the kids in the community. Over 440 kids visited the department for treats. Thanks goes out to all the police staff and other department heads that donated to the candy fund.

The dance Friday night showed two fights in the police log that officers had to deal with.

On a check of the Eagleway apartment complex, the police log indicated a party check that was code four. Based on the log, the party must have been under control.

One adult was arrested near the haunted house for disorderly conduct as he was found intoxicated in a public place. This arrest resulted in a further charge for drugs.

On a tip of an alleged house party to take place in the Wolfe Point area, officers made periodic checks in the area. No party was reported to have occurred.

**Budget Hearings 99:** During the agency district meeting; Don Courtney gave an account of the new initiatives being proposed by the police department and the reasoning behind these requests. Courtney also addressed some of the concerns that were made public in a document that was provided at the meeting.

Courtney reported following the meeting, several members of the community have since stopped by the police department to visit more about

the general concerns and proposals being made.

Courtney invites community members to please stop by the department if further clarification is needed.

**Crime Stopper Hotline:** The community now has an avenue to leave vital anonymous information with regards to previous cases, present cases, or pending future cases.

**The number to call is 553-2202.**

**McGruff Speaks:** Howdy, Thanksgiving around the corner means snow is soon to arrive. Those of you who transport my young friends are encouraged to have your vehicle winterized before a problem occurs.

Make sure you have the proper emergency necessities on board before taking a trip. This might include a spare tire with the proper tools, traction devices, a flashlight, a warm blanket, road flares, extra gloves and hat, etc.

To my friends calling into the police hotline, thank you.

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### Warm Springs Community Wellness Fall Schedule

Nov. 5 -26	Reading for Information (Ages 7 and up)	6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Thurs.		
November 2-23	Art Thru the Scriptures	6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Mon., Wed.	Teens and Adults	
Daily/Ongoing	After School Program	3:30 to 6 p.m.
Mon. thru Fri.		

### The Anatomy of a Smoker

When cigarette smoke is inhaled it immediately comes in contact with the entire respiratory system. Many harmful elements enter the bloodstream and spread to other parts of the body. Many areas of our body are affected.

**Throat:** The throat can become irritated and sore from smoke.

**Cilia:** Are the tiny hairlike structures that sweep irritants from air passages in the lungs start to slow down. These cilia are eventually damaged when exposed to smoke, thus increasing the risk of irritation and infection.

**Bronchi:** Are the air tubes that can become irritated by cigarette smoke.

**Eyes:** Become irritated by smoke in the air.

**Heart:** Has to beat faster as it has to work harder in order to deliver more oxygen to the body. This causes blood pressure to rise temporarily.

**Alveoli:** Are the tiny air sacs in the lungs that allow the harmful elements in smoke to enter the bloodstream.

**Arteries:** In a smoker carry less oxygen and more carbon monoxide to the body tissues of a smoker.

Cigarette smoke is a complex mixture of tars and chemicals that are produced when tobacco, paper and additives are burned. Many of these by-products have been proven to cause cancer in laboratory animals.

### Spilyay I'nawa Mishk'aau

(Spilyay asks "What's Up?")

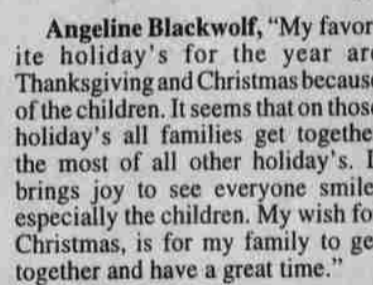
Which holiday out of the year is your favorite and why?



**Butch David,** "I would have to say Christmas because that's when we exchange gifts and give thanks that our creator was born. Christmas is a time to be with family opening gifts by the tree. This year I'm wishing for a new car."



**Sarah Bennett,** "My favorite holiday has to be Thanksgiving. Because Thanksgiving is a time to be together with your family and friends. There are no expectations other than having a good time and taking care of each other by sharing, talking and eating."



**Angeline Blackwolf,** "My favorite holiday's for the year are Thanksgiving and Christmas because of the children. It seems that on those holiday's all families get together the most of all other holiday's. It brings joy to see everyone smile, especially the children. My wish for Christmas, is for my family to get together and have a great time."



**Muriel Thompson,** "My favorite holiday is Thanksgiving. The reason I prefer Thanksgiving is because we have so much to be thankful for. Especially for our culture when all our families get together to worship and spent time with each other. We're all so busy in this modern age that sometimes we can't find time for social family gatherings. This holiday helps to keep in contact with our relatives."



**Monica Leonard,** "My favorite holiday out of the year I would have to say is Christmas, because I have a one-year-old daughter now and she has made it more fun and special. It has changed the meaning of Christmas now that she's here because Christmas is for children. Christmas is for adults too because all the families get together and have fun spending the day together eating 2 or 3 meals and opening gifts. This Christmas, the only thing I'm wishing for is for my daughter to enjoy this very special holiday."



**Thomas Strong,** "My favorite holiday, I would have to say is Christmas. Christmas is the perfect time for the kids. Christmas is a time of giving and sharing and spending time with the family."



**Dean Johnson,** "Of all the holiday's, I would have to say Easter is my favorite. Because as a Christian, it lets me know how much I was loved and what I can expect from my God. Easter has also showed me the price that was paid for my salvation and that I can expect to have eternal life."



**Pattie Brunoe,** "Of all the holiday's through out the year my favorite is Christmas. That's when all the family get together a lot more than any other holiday out of the year."

### Tutoring offered by appointment only

Mondays from 4 to 7 p.m.

Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Tribal Education Center

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