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Coyote News In Brief

ONABEN classes held
ONABEN classes are being held at the Small Business Development Department.

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Spilyay I'nawa mish'kaau
Question: "As a community member, what are your feelings as what should be done to people breaking in, stealing and vandalizing public or private property?"

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22nd Annual Lincoln's Powwow
Photos and results of the powwow.

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Nicaragua visitor visits Warm Springs
Indigenous lady visits to learn development of natural resources to help her people.

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Language Lessons
Sahaptin and Wasco language lessons are offered. Classes are also being offered.

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Senior Outlook
Amanda Tom and John Kalama are highlighted for the Senior outlook.

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ECE adds two rooms
Two new baby rooms are added at ECE.

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Lady Buffs win
The Lady Buffs win against The Dalles Indians 40-35. The Dalles is ranked #7.

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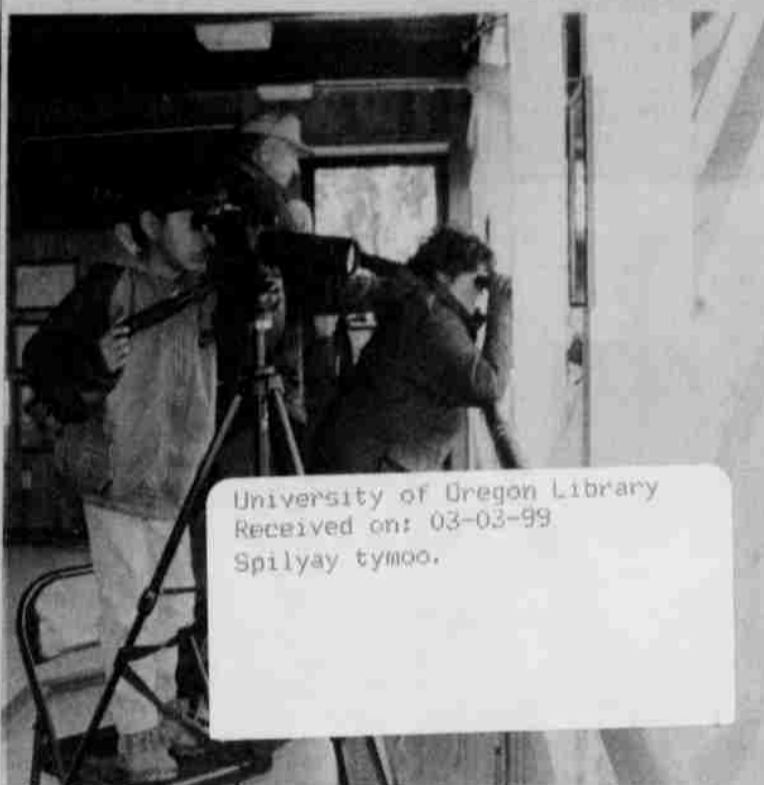
Deadline for the next issue of Spilyay Tymoo is March 5, 12:00 Noon

Spilyay Tymoo once again has Date Logs. Call 553-3274 to get yours!

Please inform Spilyay if your address changes-we have to pay for returned papers.

Birthday wishes (no more than 35 words) are \$.50 and \$1.00 with a photo.

Events surrounding Eagle Watch '99 kept viewers fascinated



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Viewers used telescopes as well as binoculars to see the eagles.

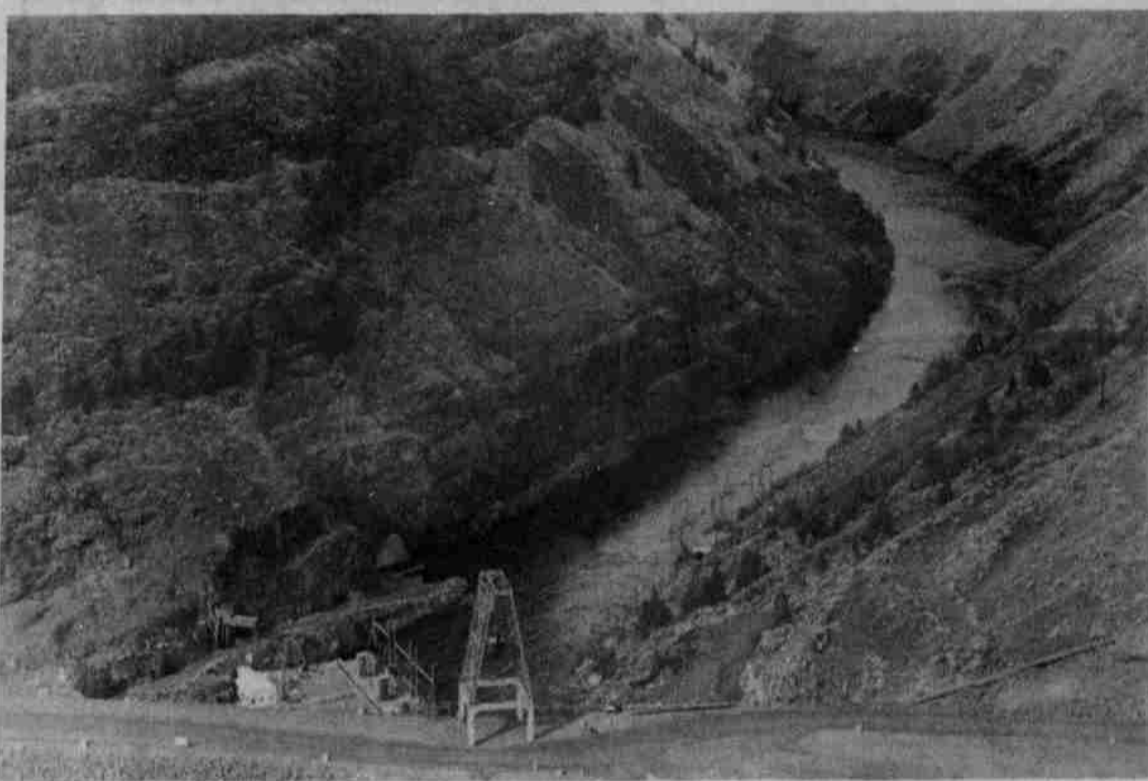
Viewers were entertained with "Birds of Prey" presented by High Desert Museum, stories and legends by Rudy Clements, Eagle Dance performed by Joe Tuckta with Keno Tuckta performing traditional dance, plus other activities.



Eagle Watch viewers used their own binoculars to see the Eagles.



The eagle dance was performed by Joe Tuckta.



In this canyon along the river viewers could see bald eagles and golden eagles as they fish for their food.

An investment in the future

Less than 5 years ago, on December 27, 1994, Tribal voters gave a resounding vote of confidence in venturing into Indian gaming. By a vote of 606 yes to 229 no, voters passed Resolution No. 8986, authorizing the Tribe to enter into gaming for a period of 5 years. The Resolution provided for another vote to continue gaming near the end of the 5 year period.

March 10, 1999 is the date Tribal Council has selected to ask voters to reaffirm their confidence in gaming. District Meetings are to be held in late February, if they haven't already been held by the time you read this. A General Council meeting will be held on March 3rd at the Agency Longhouse.

The Referendum has nothing to do with expanding Indian gaming. A yes vote will simply allow the Tribe to continue in the gaming business. The primary motivation for the Confederated Tribes to step into gaming was to provide a new source of income for the Tribe and employment. It was also intended to assist in reducing the reliance on the Tribe's natural resources. Although there have been many challenges, investing in gaming has been a

success and it continues to grow.

The opening of Indian Head Casino has proven to be a positive and viable economic venture for the Tribe. The Tribe's investment in Indian Head Casino supports a high level of return. It is a profitable enterprise as noted by the revenue and net income charts. As of December 31, 1998, total related employment for gaming indicates 42% are tribal members. The Gaming Board of Directors and the Enterprise continue to work on improving that number.

The Tribe as a whole has solidified its position in Indian gaming and in passing Resolution No. 9657, Tribal Council stated that they believe Tribal gaming provides a significant profit to support tribal government

programs and services and that continuation and expansion of Tribal gaming is in the best interests of the Tribe and its members.

The question that will be submitted on March 10, 1999 is "Shall Tribal Council Resolution No. 9675 be approved?"

"Yes" _____
"No" _____

A "Yes" vote will mean that the Tribe will continue in the business of Indian gaming. A "no" vote will mean that Indian Head Casino will close and the Tribe will no longer be in the business of Indian gaming.

See graphs on page 2 for comparison of revenues and net income from the past to the present.

Annual Tribal Member Art Show set

The Sixth Annual Tribal Member Art Show runs April 2 through July 6, 1999 in the Museum At Warm Springs Changing Exhibit Gallery.

The public is invited to the opening reception scheduled Friday, April 6, 1999 from 6 to 8 p.m. at The

Museum. The reception will be sponsored to be announced later.

For more information on the Tribal Member Art Show, contact Eraina Palmer at The Museum 541-553-3331.

Lillie found near Shephard Lane

Police are looking into the circumstances surrounding the death of 31 year old Stacey M. Lillie who was found about 6:30 p.m. on Saturday night near Shephard Lane along West Hills drive.

The body was discovered by several local youth as they were returning to their home.

While the immediate cause of death is not known, an autopsy is

pending by the Oregon State Medical Examiners office.

Investigation into this matter is continuing by the Warm Springs Police and FBI.

Any information related to Mr. Lillie's death should be reported to the Warm Springs Police Department at 553-3272 or Anonymously at 553-2202.

Babbitt, Rubin held in contempt over Indian Funds

U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth issued a contempt order, saying Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin and Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt failed to produce documents related to a class-action lawsuit over the mishandling of 300,000 Indian accounts worth an estimated \$500 million.

The two Clinton Cabinet secretaries are in contempt today over the governments delay in producing records of Indian trust funds. The secretaries and Assistant Interior Secretary Kevin

Gover were ordered to pay legal fees and other expenses that resulted from their delay in complying with Lamberth's November 1996 order to produce documents.

The Interior's Bureau of Indian Affairs was ordered two years ago to turn over statements, checks and other documents.

"I have never seen more egregious misconduct by the federal government," Lamberth said in his order.