

## Police patrol cars get new look



New patrol car hits the streets

A few weeks ago the Police Department placed a new patrol car into service on the streets of Warm Springs, a green one. The 1999 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor patrol car is the first car with the department's new color scheme and striping.

Officer Glenn Fluhr, who oversees the Police Department's vehicle fleet, struggled for almost a year and a half to get the change approved and

finalized. In 1997 Officer Fluhr built a model and presented it to Police Administrator's and the patrol staff. The model received very positive feedback from the officer's and a proposal was drafted. A few bumps were met along the way in the process due to some resistance to change, however, Officer Fluhr raised several points in favor of the change.

Points presented included, the new color scheme and striping would

match the Police Department's uniforms. The best point was that the change did not cost the Police Department or Tribes any money. The green cars and the new striping cost exactly the same as the white cars with the blue striping, not one extra penny was spent in the changeover. Especially since several people donated their time to install all of the police equipment into the vehicle, saving the Tribes a lot of money. Officer Fluhr wanted to thank, Sergeant John Barrett, Officer Nancy Morehouse, Dispatcher William Sam, and last of all his wife, Lynn.

The Police Department plans to phase out the old style white cars with blue striping for the new design. "We hope to purchase four more cars in the next year, due to six of our cars being well over 100,000 miles", said Officer Fluhr. Most police patrol vehicles are replaced between 60,000 & 80,000 miles, however, due to cutbacks in the budget replacement had not been an option.

In the near future community members can expect to see a Jeep Cherokee with the same design patrolling our streets.

## Officer's hobby comes in handy

Officer Glenn Fluhr, a five year veteran of the Warm Springs Police Department and the Department's only Traffic Accident Reconstructionist, recently received a commendation for combining his work with his hobby.

Officer Fluhr has been building scale models for the last ten years starting with train models. Officer Fluhr has built several models including entire cities. Recently after a tanker truck accident on Highway 26, Officer Fluhr put his hobby to use making a scale model of the accident scene. The model helps investigator's and administrator's who were not at the accident scene to see the scene in

a three dimensional way. Usually those who are not at a particular accident scene can only view photographs of a scene getting a two dimensional view.

Using off duty time and his own money Officer Fluhr constructed the model in about 15 hours. Officer Fluhr hopes to use his talents in the future making models of high profile cases which will help with the investigation of the incident.

Officer Fluhr received a written commendation from Director of Public Safety, R. David Malkin for his work on the model. Officer Fluhr is married to Warm Springs local Lynn Graybael and is a resident of Warm Springs.



Model-Officer Fluhr explains model to Chief Don Courtney

## On Patrol



by Don Courtney  
**Juvenile Trends & Statistics:**

Over the last 8-years, the overall statistical data for juveniles show a considerable drop in the total number of incidents being committed. It was however noted that while the number of arrests were reduced, the make-up of these incidents has changed dramatically where more serious incidents of violence is being seen.

### Juvenile Arrests

576 arrests / 44 crimes / 2 incidents of violence

897 arrests / 94 crimes / 9 incidents of violence

820 arrests / 81 crimes / 25 incidents of violence

726 arrests / 66 crimes / 17 incidents of violence

542 arrests / 85 crimes / 26 incidents of violence

429 arrests / 54 crimes / 11 incidents of violence

511 arrests / 80 crimes / 19 incidents of violence

387 arrests / 117 crimes / 33 incidents of violence

**Community Policing:**

Clean-up in the High Looksee area was termed a roaring success according to Community Policing Officer Dawn Kirk. Twenty concerned citizens sacrificed their spring break

to pick up garbage around the Senior Center and along High Looksee.

The volunteers tore down a high fence in preparation for the new Senior Citizen building. Over seven bags of debris was picked up. The clean-up lasted three grueling hours and was followed by having roasted chicken at the senior lunch.

A big thank you goes out to the following volunteers, including the traffic safety volunteers: Stuart Smith, Melvin Scott, Shirley Hoptowit, Robert Boise, Robert Bailey Jr., Gunner Bailey, Bryce Bailey, Jaren Bailey, Terril Bailey, Myron Northrup, Kobe Tewee, Reva Johnson, Angelica Maki, Joni Wallulatun-Bailey, Herb Graybael, Valdemere Jefferson, Cody Lesina, Jim Felix, Melissa Wolfe, Lucille Schuster, Ruby Torrez, Officer Dawn

Kirk, Dorothy Simtustus, Thomas Medina, and Carshal Bruno.

**1999 Public Safety Fair:**

Don't forget to stop by the Mt. View Mall this weekend to see your local officers of the police department as we participate in this year's public safety fair.

**Officers prepare for Academy training:**

During the next few months, several officers are preparing to attend formal training at the Oregon Police Academy.

Officer's Dixon Polk Sr. and Larry Holliday are scheduled to attend the two week refresher course; Officers Earlene Tufti, Charles Tailfeathers, and Dawn Kirk, are pending the full ten week course; and Communications officers, William Sam and Lee Ann Tufti are scheduled for their respective telecommunications course.

## Spilyay I'nawa Mishk'aau— (Spilyay asks "What's Up?")

### How should empty buildings such as the old Clinic or Apparel shop be utilized?



Michael Hammond, "There are a number of local people here on the reservation who have started their own business and could use the building space. The buildings could be utilized by having them available for people who have a business. The buildings could be rented by them at a low charge. Some other idea's that come to mind would be to turn the old IHS building into office space's, studio space, cooperative shops, (bead Shop) etc. It was good enough for IHS back then, it should be good enough today for a small business center."

Birney Greene Boise, "The old clinic could be used for a transition home, staffed with counselor's or therapists specializing in giving our people tools to further their knowledge in becoming self-reliant. We have individuals that seek treatment for Alcohol and Drugs. They attend a three week inpatient facility and return to a home environment that has not changed and may be setting the individual up for failure. Three weeks in a controlled atmosphere works while you are in the environment, but is not sufficient time for long-term addiction and/or a home environment that is not alcohol and substance free. We have victims of accidents that require therapy and re-learn basic skills. The old IHS building would be an ideal location that meets these needs. Record storage in one of the buildings would be another idea."



Karla Tias-Bagley, "I wish the buildings would not sit so long waiting for someone to decide what to do with them. I think the old IHS Clinic would make a good detox center, that could be medically staffed. The drunk tank at the police department does not seem to be the right place for someone who is severely intoxicated. The apparel factory would make a perfect fire station with the addition of a few doors. It would be close to Vehicle Pool and Fire Management. Just think, all of our emergency service vehicle's could be under one roof. There would be no more time wasted cleaning snow off the Ambulances or waiting for them to warm up."



Charles Tailfeathers, "I think the empty buildings should be utilized for disruptive, suspended, expelled, and drop out students. The use of the empty buildings could be used to educate these students, parents, and families and bring traditional and culture values into the program. This way, they can best identify who they are and what they stand for. Last but not least, if our youths are the future, we must help them to the best of our ability. Let's reserve these empty buildings for the future."



Dora Goudy, "The vacant buildings should be used according to what the Comprehensive Planning process identified as priorities for the community. Each element of the Comp Plan identified challenges, needs, possible solutions...and no doubt some of those solutions require a building. The vacant buildings could be a resource, or asset rather than a liability if we choose to look at them that way."



Rudy Paul Sr., "Empty buildings like the Burger Inn, should be made into a 24-hour coffee/donut shop for local working people as well as travelers that pass by on Highway 26. The old IHS Clinic building could have been used as an elderly or senior day care. The Apparel Shop building could be rented out to people who have a business and are seeking building space."

Benson Heath, "Vacant buildings that are Federally-owned, like the BIA, or IHS, must follow Federal regulations, whatever they may be. My understanding is these buildings are outside of Tribal purview. I do not have suggestions for future use of vacant Tribal buildings, such as WSAI, Burger Inn, etc. I do know, that the cost of doing business increases. Future tenants that do not evolve through the annual Tribal budget process, should budget fixed rents on such buildings, as part of their business plan. Vacant buildings are an expense on the ledger books, for CTWS."



Phil Johnston, "The old IHS building would be neat to have it turned into some sort of a medical detox facility for people that need to be monitored while they come down off an alcoholic episode. The Apparel Factory building would be nice if we could convert that into a fire station where all of our apparatus (Fire Equipment) could be kept indoors and in one building. Currently we have to scrap off the snow and ice during the Winter months which slows down our response time. The old Burger Inn building could be utilized for another video store or some sort of a fast food chain that would benefit the community."



## National Timber Symposium scheduled April 12-15

The 23rd annual National Indian Timber Symposium, sponsored by the Intertribal Timber Council (ITC), will be held at Kah-Nee-Ta Resort April 12-15. Representatives from 72 tribes are expected to attend the four-day event, which will cover a broad range of topics related to natural resources management. The theme of this year's symposium is "Natural Resources Management: Merging Tradition and Technology."

"Tribal representatives from all over the country are planning to attend" said Theron Johnson, a member of the symposium committee from Warm Springs who will moderate activities for the upcoming event. "We've scheduled Thomas Thompson from the Interior Department as our keynote speaker and poet Elizabeth Woody has agreed to read from her award winning books."

Speaker to Address Mismanagement of Funds Issue

Principal Deputy Special Trustee Thomas M. Thompson will be the keynote speaker at this year's symposium. Thompson, who works in the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians, will make his ad-

dress during the event's opening ceremonies scheduled for Kah-Nee-Ta the morning of April 13.

Thompson will speak on the current state of the Special Trustee's office and is expected to field questions regarding the government's inability to reconcile \$2.4 billion in tribal trust fund transactions.

The Clinton Administration and Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt have been under attack over Interior's mishandling of Indian trust funds. Earlier this year Babbitt and other government officials were cited for contempt by a U.S. district judge after failing to produce discovery documents in a class action lawsuit filed in 1996 by five American Indians.

The suit claims that the government lost track of billions of dollars because of mismanagement that began during the past century. The government distributes millions of dollars each year to approximately 300,000 trust accounts held by individual Indians. Most of the accounts were established years ago to keep track of revenue derived from the sale of natural resources on Indian

lands.

The plaintiffs contend that billions of dollars are now unaccounted for, but government officials who inherited the problem say they can clear things up with a records overhaul. Thompson's keynote address in Warm Springs will provide an update on government attempts to clarify the mismanagement issue.

The principal deputy special trustee was appointed to his current position in January, after holding the job of deputy special trustee with primary responsibility for organizing the Interior Department's "High Level Implementation Plan" for the Indian Trust Management Improvement Project. He has also served with the Interior Department's Office of Policy Analysis, the National Biological Service and the U.S. Geological Survey in organization and project planning, and financial management positions. He is a graduate of the University of Oregon, where he obtained a bachelor's degree in law, and the University of Colorado, where he earned a master's in public finance.

Poet to Speak at Noon

Award winning poet Elizabeth Woody will address the symposium on April 13 at noon. Woody will read from her collection of poems, which have environmental and cultural themes. She will also speak on matters concerning Ecotrust, the nonprofit environmental corporation she works for to promote ecology-conscious development.

Woody's first collection of poetry "Hand Into Stone" received the American Book Award. She has also received the William Stafford Memorial Award for Poetry, a Americans for Indian Opportunity Ambassadors Fellowship, and a Brandywine Visiting Artist Fellowship.

In addition to poetry and her work as a visual artist, Woody has published short fiction and essays. In 1994 "Luminaries of the Humble" was published by the University of Arizona Press and "Seven Hands, Seven Hearts, Prose and Poetry" was released by Eighth Mountain Press. Symposium Topics Center on Natural Resources

Registration and the opening of exhibits will take place on April 13 at 7 a.m., followed by the posting of colors and an invocation conducted

Jr., BIA Superintendent Gordon Cannon and BIA Forest Manager Bodie Shaw will welcome participants and guests, and then Thompson will speak on matters related to the Special Trustee's office.

Topics of discussion during the symposium will focus on natural resources management, endangered species, and prescribed fire.

An all-day tour of the Warm Springs Reservation is featured on Wednesday. The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs is an acknowledged leader in natural resources management, so the field trip will showcase some of the innovative projects they've implemented to enhance the forest and rangeland resources on their 650,000-acre reservation. Those attending the field tour are encouraged to wear clothing appropriate for an April outing in the forest.

On Thursday participants will return to Kah-Nee-Ta for the ITC president's report from Jaime Pinkham of the Nez Perce Tribe, a report from the Office of Trust Responsibilities, and a long-term outlook for forest products. Workshops will cover landscape-scale resource look for forest products. Workshops will cover landscape-scale resource assessments, road engineering and water quality, and integrated resources management planning. The event will conclude with an ITC annual business meeting and an awards banquet in the ballroom.

Registration for the symposium is \$250 per person. Persons wishing to participate in the event should contact the ITC office at 4370 N.E. Halsey, Portland, Oregon 97213. The office phone number is 503-282-4296 and the fax number is 503-282-1274. Registration will also be accepted at Kah-Nee-Ta on April 13 at 7 a.m.

ITC has its Roots in Warm Springs. The National Indian Timber Symposium has only been held in Warm Springs on one prior occasion (A 1986 celebration of the event's 10th anniversary), but the community has a long history of involvement with the conference and with ITC.

The idea of forming a timber council came from Ken Smith, former general manager and secretary-treasurer for the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. Smith and the former

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