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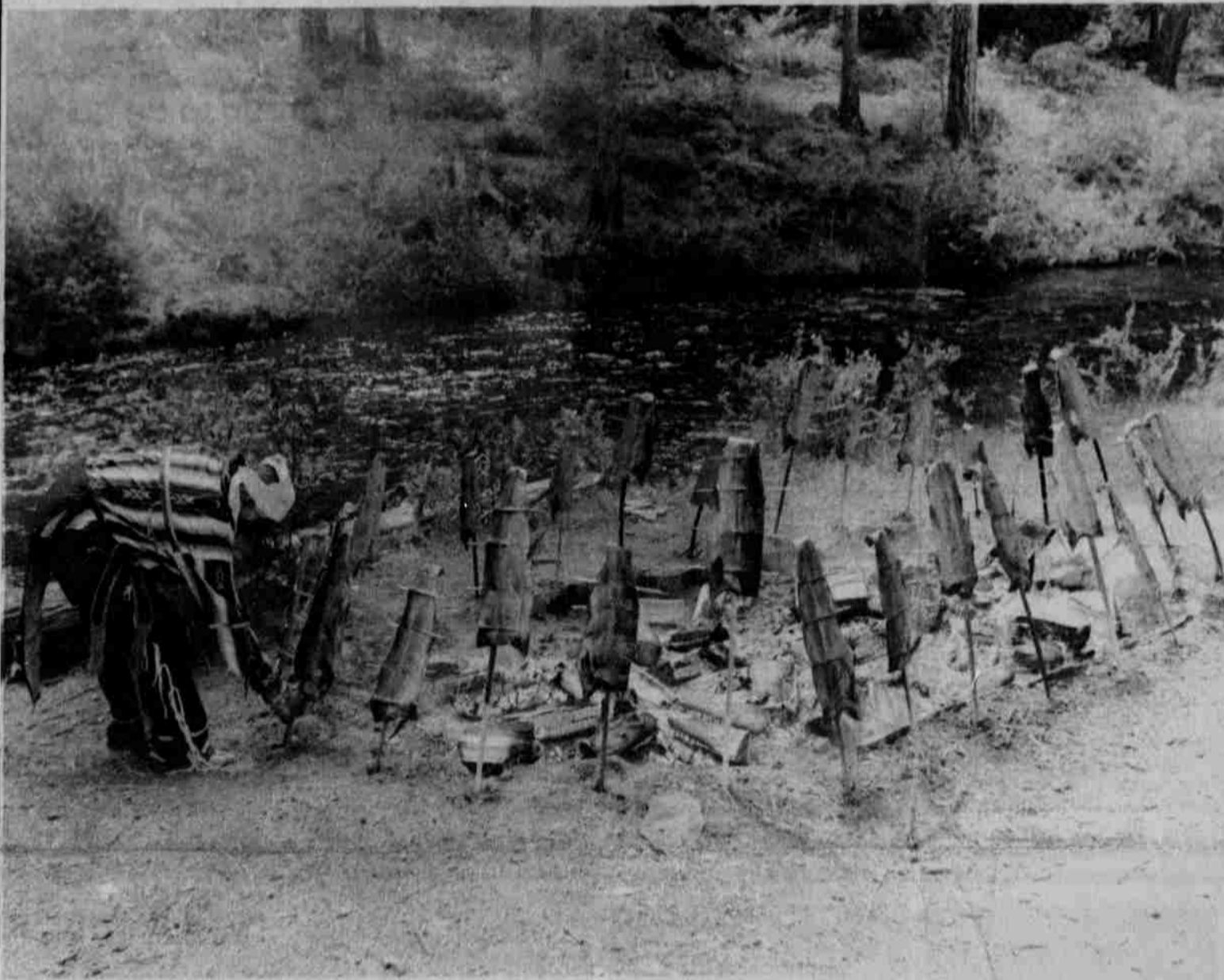
# Spilyay Tymoo

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## Annual Huckleberry Feast held August 15 at the He He Longhouse



Benson Heath checks the salmon being cooked over an open pit.



Shirley Heath prepares salmon for baking.



Ursula Little was on demand for her fried bread.

### Tribes to change land ownership status to Trust of concern to County

The Warm Springs Tribes are proposing a change in the ownership status of about 680 acres of land adjacent to and nearby the reservation.

The tribes currently own the land, but are proposing that the property become trust land, meaning the federal government would hold it in trust for the tribes.

This change would have a number of consequences. For instance, Jefferson County would see a reduction in annual property taxes of about \$21,000.

Also, if the property were brought into trust, then county and state land-use regulations would no longer apply to the land.

Louie Pitt, representing the tribes, presented the proposal to the county commission at a recent meeting. Pitt explained that the tribes acquired the property over the years as the parcels came on the market.

The land is located in various sites around the reservation. The largest parcel—about 200 acres in size—is located near the Reregulating dam on the Deschutes River.

Other, smaller parcels are on Lake Billy Chinook, and the

Metolius and Deschutes rivers. All the parcels are either immediately adjacent to the reservation, or adjacent to a body of water to which the tribes have water rights, Pitt said.

The tribal council, Pitt explained, decided recently to pursue a policy of bringing these various parcels into trust.

In the interest of maintaining a good-neighbor relationship with the county, the tribes are including the commission in the discussion.

The county would actually have no legal authority to stop the change in ownership status of the land, as the matter is one between the tribes and the federal government.

County commissioner Mike Ahern commented that he appreciates the tribes' effort to include the county in the process. He also said the tribes' proposal is one of serious concern to the county commission.

Ahern said that, as an elected official, he would find it very difficult to support reduction in the county tax base. "I don't see how any elected official of any taxing district could support it," he said.

In an interview after the meeting with the county commission, Louie Pitt commented that bringing the prop-

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### Tribes & Columbia River compact set season

The Columbia River Compact agreed with the tribes' commercial fishing season proposal.

**Season:** 6 a.m. Tuesday, August 31 to 6 p.m. Friday, September 3 and 6 a.m. Tuesday, September 7 to 6 p.m. Saturday, September 11.

**Area:** All of Zone 6 will be open (Bonneville, The Dalles, and John Day pools).

**Allowable Sales:** The allowed sales will be salmon, including steelhead, shad and walleye. Sturgeon (4 feet to 5 feet in length) may not be sold, but may be used for subsistence purposes.

**Mesh Restriction:** There will be

no mesh restriction during these commercial gillnet fishing periods.

**Sanctuaries:** All standard river mouth and dam sanctuaries remain in effect with the following exception. During the first fishing period (August 31 to September 3), the Springs Creek Hatchery Sanctuary will be reduced to a 150 foot radius around the opening of the hatchery ladder. During the second fishing period (September 7 to September 11), the standard Springs Creek Hatchery Sanctuary of 0.5 miles upstream to 1.5 miles downstream of the hatchery ladder applies.

**Scaffolds:** All scaffold remain

open. Fish (except sturgeon) caught from scaffolds during the open commercial fishery may be sold.

**Additional September dates:** Changes in these fishing periods and additional Zone 6 fishing dates will be considered at the Compact hearings on September 2 and September 10. Additional Compact hearings will occur during the month of September.

If you have any fishing enforcement problems or need assistance or information, day or night, contact the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fisheries Enforcement Office, 4270 Westcliff Drive, Hood River, OR

(541) 386-6363 or 1-(800)-487-FISH.

Note: All fishing dates for Columbia River commercial fisheries are set by the Oregon/Washington Columbia River Compact which considers proposals from the tribes as well as from the federal government, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and the public. Each tribe has regulatory authority over their own fisheries. **Please consult your tribal Fish and Wildlife Committees for details on your tribe's regulations.**

Please wear your lifejackets for safety.

### High ranking public health official to visit Warm Springs

Russ Alger, Service Unit Director for the Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center announced that Admiral Fred Paavola, Chief Professional Officer for Pharmacy for the Public Health Service, will be visiting Warm Springs, Wednesday, September 1.

Admiral Paavola is stationed at the Health and Human Services Department Center in Rockville, Maryland. He is responsible for all federal pharmacists which includes the Center for Disease Control, National Institute of Health, Bureau of Prisons, Immigration and Naturalization Program, Indian Health Service, and the U.S. Coast

Guard. Admiral Paavola represents the pharmacists that are commissioned officers in those programs.

Another responsibility for the Maryland resident is developing strategic direction for pharmacists within the U.S. Public Health Service. The Admiral works with many entities such as the American Society of Hospital Pharmacists (ASHP), and the American Pharmaceutical Association (APHA).

The Admiral will be doing some local site visits. He will tour the Warm Springs Health and Wellness Clinic before departing for Yakama, Washington.

### Tribal Council sets priorities

The 21st Tribal Council took office in May, 1998. In July, 1998, the Tribal Council began working on a set of goals and priorities to be accomplished through the Tribal Government and Enterprise organizations during its 3 year term.

These goals began with the Tribal Council goals established by the 19th Tribal Council in 1989 that remain as significant guideposts for Tribal government and enterprise activities.

These priorities were developed during the budget presentations and deliberations in 1988. They were finalized in October and adopted in January, 1999.

By setting priorities for the term, the 21st Tribal Council members wanted to accomplish a number of things. They wanted to be responsive to the needs and concerns of the Tribal membership. They wanted to achieve a consensus among Tribal Council members, officers and manager regarding the principal problems and concerns facing the Tribes in the short term. They also wanted to focus and allocate resources towards the most pressing problems and monitor progress towards resolving those problems. The Tribal Council hopes to define and secure positive results during

their term of office.

Nine priorities were identified by Tribal Council. Charles Jackson, Secretary-Treasurer, and Jody Calica, Chief Operations Officer, selected team leaders from the Organization for each priority and asked them to come up with a well thought out, realistic and achievable plan that matched specific goals with strategies for achieving those goals as well as action plans to make it happen.

The Tribal Council Priority areas are as follows:

- 1) Financial & Economic.
- 2) Social Issues, Public Safety and Personal Responsibility
- 3) Youth Development.
- 4) Sovereign Status, Legislative and Political.
- 5) Culture and Traditions.
- 6) Tribal Council (Government) Operations.
- 7) Resource Management.
- 8) Community Development - Housing.
- 9) Essential Government Services.

The Tribes' 2000 Budget will reflect the goals and priorities of Tribal Council. In up-coming issues of the Spilyay Tymoo, we will further define each of the Tribal Council priorities.

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### Did You Know?.....

from Tribal Court

If you fall behind in payments to creditors and you negotiate an out of court voluntary repossession of the purchased property, you may still be responsible for part of the debt.

Pursuant to Tribal Law, by utilizing the Informal Debtor/Creditor procedure you are "released from all further claims arising out of the contract of sale and that the debtor shall not be liable for any deficiency of the contract of sale."

Most collection agencies that do business in Central Oregon are aware of our Tribal laws and respect them. However, an ever increasing amount of collectors either attempt to ignore or are unaware of Tribal Law.

No repossession is allowed within the Tribes boundaries unless an agreement has been signed by both parties and a Tribal Judge. An order must be issued by Tribal Court requiring Tribal police to escort all collectors to repossess property.

If a collector attempts to enter land to repossess property without a police escort and order, they are subject to arrest for trespass and or theft.

If you are behind on your payments and the creditor is threatening repossession, advise them to file an Informal in Tribal Court. If a collector attempts repossession without following Tribal Law, call the police.

### Three arrested in narcotic search

On August 19, 1999 at approximately 4 p.m. the Warm Springs Police Department with assistance from the Central Oregon Drug Enforcement (C.O.D.E.) team, executed a narcotic search warrant at 1796A Tao-Shuh Street, Warm Springs.

Upon searching the residence, C.O.D.E. detectives located a small amount of marijuana, approximately 1/4 ounce of Methamphetamine, scales, packaging material, a rifle, over \$600 in US currency, and narcotic paraphernalia.

Arrested were the following: Benjamin Holliday AKA: Alonso

Colazo-Holliday 2/9/79, charged with possession and distribution of Methamphetamine and marijuana, and child neglect; Adrianna Frank, 9/16/78 arrested on an outstanding warrant; A juvenile male arrested on several outstanding warrants, who was also wanted in connection with several burglaries in the Warm Springs area.

This investigation is continuing and further arrests are expected.

For more information contact Detective Jim Cole or Detective Frank Kerr at the Warm Springs Police Department (541)553-1002.