

Miller competes at Willamette University



Carina Miller with her grandmother Faye Waheneka and great grandmother Fannie Waheneka.

Carina Miller, a seventh grade student at Jefferson County Middle School, was awarded a third place medal at the Oregon National History Day competition held at Willamette University in Salem last Saturday, April 15.

Students from across Oregon submitted entries in a number of categories. This year's contest had the theme "Turning Points in History: People, Ideas, Events."

Carina's entry was in the individual exhibit category. She chose World War I as her topic and focused on the introduction of new technology in the fighting her entry consisted of a display board of pictures from the war, a model of "trench warfare" and a 450 word paper on the topic.

History Day is an enrichment activity offered in the 509-J School District. More than a dozen students from JCMS and MHS participated in the state finals.

Carina is the daughter of Kenman Miller and Sue Matters, the granddaughter of Sid Miller and Faye Waheneka and the great granddaughter of Fannie Waheneka and the late Grant Waheneka.

Language Program fundraising to attend The Stabilizing Indigenous Languages Conference



From left to right, Patricia Miller, Jeanne Thomas, Elaine Clements, Valerie Aguilar, Susie Stockish, and Dallas Winishut Jr. Language Program Team pose around donated items that will be used for a raffle.

Starting in 1995, the Warm Springs Tri-Language Staff went to various resources to find out "what to do" to advance their skills in curriculum and teaching experiences. They have researched, studied and practiced many ways to create lessons to teach Tribal Languages. They have 253 elementary students and about 50 adults and family go to community classes. Students learn through songs, games, dances, writing and helping each other to remember sounds to say words. The Tri-Language staff uses effective methods to teach our tribe's language. Now some students are prepared to start speaking short statements and reply to questions.

The teachers want more training to advance curriculum levels. Seven staff members want to attend the Stabilize Indigenous Languages Conference from May 11-14 at the Colony Hotel, in Toronto, Canada.

The theme for the conference is "Language Across the Community". The staff has offered to raise funds to pay for six teachers and the Culture and Heritage Committee is paying for the

seventh teacher's expense. The Warm Springs Tri-Language Staff have raised \$2,300 from yard sales, concessions, raffles and donations. Three more fundraisers are scheduled: April 14/ BBQ burgers and hot dogs plus Easter Baskets; April 26/Pit Smoked Salmon Dinner and Bingo; May 2/Silent Auction Highest Bidders Announced. What is a Silent Auction you ask? You do not raise your hand to bid, nor do you yell out to an auctioneer. Here's what you do:

You write down on a bid sheet what you are willing to bid on a prize you can not live without. You always wanted a necklace that Harry made...or perhaps a cutbead item that Maxine made...or maybe you just want to help the Language teachers attend the Stabilizing Indigenous Language Conference and won a cool item in the process...Here's your chance!!! See Patches at the Administration Building switch board, or Bo Ortiz at IHS to write down your bids. Don't let your friends outbid you by \$1 because they have until May 2, to keep trying to outbid you.

Please don't wait until May 2, to

bid. Drop by every chance you get to see if you are the highest bidder. Most of the items are started at less than half of it's actual worth...so take a chance, BID-BID-BID. These items are available for viewing at the Warm Springs Administration Building.

Can you help us? We are having sales to pay expenses for airline tickets, registration, lodging, meals, and shuttle that can be paid by the fund raising projects. Our Director, Head Teacher and Secretary are not going to the conference but they are helping the Tri-Languages Staff to raise funds. The staff that will be attending the conference are: A Language Coordinator, 3 fluent speakers, 3 semi-fluent speakers, and one semi-fluent speaker who is also a Computer Curriculum Programmer.

For donations or more information, please contact the Fund Raising Chairperson, Patricia Miller, or Valerie Aguilar @ 553-3393 or the Language Coordinator, Jeanne Thomas @ 553-2200.

Forestry Footnotes: Weaving the future of Forestry



Weaving the Future of Forestry

After a one-year hiatus, Forestry Footnotes is back by popular demand! The first issue of each month in Spilyay Tymoo, you will, once again, see our informational articles.

As a reminder, the intent of the articles is two-fold: 1. Communicate with our community on what the Branch of Forestry does and why we do it, and 2. Ensure we are accurately capturing our community's thoughts, ideas and philosophies in our management actions. In order for us to be in tune with the community, it is critical that we have your feedback.

Practicing forest management activities that enhance the productivity and growth of our working forests is a theme that we in forestry endorse and hopefully captures philosophies

from throughout Warm Springs' colorful history. Our forest resources' strategy targets a commitment to conserve the broad resource values associated with forested ecosystems—water, soil, air, flora, wildlife and fish habitat. This strategy is based not only on principles of sustainable forest management, but also the basic environmental beliefs of our people.

What is sustainable forest management? Sustainable forest management is the management of forests to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. This is accomplished by practicing a land stewardship ethic that integrates the growing, nurturing and harvesting of trees for useful products with the conservation of other resources—once again the water, soil, air, flora, wildlife and fish habitat.

The Branch of Forestry has a long-term interest in the health of our people's forests and ecosystems. In addition to providing beauty and recreation, our forests supply raw materials to help meet society's needs for housing, paper, containers and thousands of products used by consumers every day.

Our Branch's challenge is to identify the threads that will weave the future and to manage these to preserve healthy natural resources and sustainable economies. The course for accomplishing this is to identify the issues and develop strategies based on an active interchange of ideas. Forestry invites your participation in improving this collaborative exchange.

We invite you to read more about our specific areas of focus as we outline some of our programs underway and also programs for the future. It is critical that we capture the community's ideas and concerns for the successful management of our forest resources. We would like to raise our community's level of educational awareness when it comes to taking our resources into account for future generations; exercise your voice for your grandchildren's children.

We look forward to meeting more of the community during the upcoming months. Feel free to stop by our offices or give us a call at 553-2416. Also, please mark your calendar for this year's Forestry Open House that will be held April 27th. Please stop by and bring your family,

COCC offers workshop

Have you spent time planning for the role you might play in your parents aging process? This one day workshop scheduled for Saturday, April 29 will feature local experts discussing a variety of topics for senior citizens, families and caregivers of seniors, or anyone preparing for a future care giving role.

You & Your Aging Parent will include information regarding planning before a crisis, housing options for seniors, financial, insurance, and legal issues as well as death and dying. Speakers and Disabled Services, Mountain View Hospital, local assisted living facilities and attorneys will give short presentations an allow open group discussion. This is a day dedicated to giving caregivers a chance to gather information to help make the best decision with their loved ones as the aging process happens.

Cost for You & Your Aging Parent is \$15. The class meets from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with an hour lunch break. Continuing Education Units are available for adult foster care providers through Sr. and Disabled Services. Sponsors for this event include Central Oregon Council on Aging, Mountain View Hospital District and Central Oregon Community College. Registration deadline is April 25. To register, call COCC Madras at (541) 475-2136.

Orientation set for April 28

You are invited to the Client Employed Provider Orientation at the Senior & Disabled Services, 678 N. Hwy. 97, Madras, Oregon. Please call (541) 475-6773 to confirm your attendance.

The next orientation is on Friday, April 28, 2000 at 2 p.m.

Come and meet case managers and agency personnel. Learn valuable information about providing care for senior and persons with disabilities. Find out how to prevent the spread of disease and how to practice Universal Precautions. Get instructions on how to fill out agency paperwork (which is helpful if you would like to be paid for your hard work). Educational enhancement through various medical related professional. Guest speaker topic is Diabetes. (note: guest speakers & topics will change monthly.)

Mother's Day Revival

May 11 through May 14, 2000
Thursday to Sunday
at the Warm Springs Full Gospel Church
Ministering will be Sisters in Christ from the Northwest and the middle regions of North American Indian Reservations.
May 11 & 12 evening services begin at 7 p.m.
May 13 & 14 services are 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
For further information call the contact person:
Onte Lumpmouth (541) 553-2553 (evening)
553-1196 (day)
or write to: Pastor Ernest Hunt; PO Box 1068; Warm Springs, OR 97761 (541)553-6316.

Fellowship deadline is Sept. 1, 2000

The Oregon Arts Commission serves to honor and support professional Oregon artists. All Warm Springs artists involved in any form of art including literature and the performing arts are eligible to apply for fellowships of \$3,000 from the Commission. Applications must be postmarked by September 1. You may pick up details on how to obtain an application at The Museum At Warm Springs office from Mary at 553-3331 or check out the Oregon Arts Commission web site at <http://art.econ.state.or.us>.

NICWA hires McNevins

A longtime tribal liaison and child welfare advocate is the new director of community development for the National Indian Child Welfare Association.

Mary McNevins comes to NICWA from the Oregon Department of Human Services. She was the Indian Child Welfare Act manager and tribal liaison for the State Office for Services to Children and Families.

She brings to her new role at NICWA more than 14 years of experience in child protective services, specializing in Indian child welfare issues.

The NICWA provides information and training, community development and policy related services to American Indian Tribes nationwide.

"We feel privileged to have Mary join our staff." "Her experience and expertise in child welfare from both the tribal and state perspective will

make her a great resource to the tribes we serve," said Terry L. Cross, NICWA Executive Director.

During her time with SCF, McNevins is credited for developing guidelines and interpreting the Adoption and Safe Families Act and it's relationship to the Indian Child Welfare Act.

"As child protection professionals, the decisions we make impact the lives of children and families we serve," said McNevins. "There is a continuous need for our child welfare and tribal partners to work together to strengthen Indian children and their families."

In 1999, McNevins came to DHS from Warm Springs where she was director of the Child Protective Services Department for the Confederated Tribes. McNevins started the job at NICWA on March 13. Her office is located in Portland at 3611 SW Hood Street.

WalkAmerica 10K set for April 29

Don't think you're a hero? The March of Dimes does when you participate in WalkAmerica—the walk that saves babies.

Sign up now for the 30th Annual WalkAmerica, Saturday, April 29, 2000. The 10K walk begins and ends at Pioneer Park. Registration is t 8 a.m. and the walk begins at 9 a.m.

People who join WalkAmerica really are heroes because they are helping to save innocent babies born sick or too small. Unfortunately, every 15 minutes in the United States, a mother and a father will know the anguish of losing a baby. It doesn't have to be this way. With the help of WalkAmerica participants, the March of Dimes is fighting for a day when all babies are born healthy.

Walkers raise funds by asking friends, family members and business associates to sponsor them by making a donation to the March of Dimes. The money is used to help mothers and babies right here in Central Oregon through lifesaving research, education programs and community

outreach. To register for WalkAmerica, pick up a sponsor form at Fred Mere, Kmart, Western Bank, and Albertsons or call the March of Dimes at 1-800-811-0805. You may also register on-line at www.marchofdimeswisconsin.org.

WalkAmerica is sponsored nationally by Kmart, CIGNA HealthCare, Canon U.S.A. and Florida Department of Citrus. Local sponsors include LifeWise, Z21 KTVZ, Western Bank, Fred Meyer, Cellular One, K103 Radio, KinderCare Learning Centers, Florida Department of Citrus, Albertsons, Fred Meyer, Wells Fargo Bank, Farmers Insurance, Key Bank and Regence BlueCross BlueShield of Oregon.

The March of Dimes is a national voluntary health agency whose mission is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects and infant mortality. The Lewis and Clark Chapter, March of Dimes serves Oregon and Southwest Washington.

Graduating Seniors of 2000 seeking support for trip



Here are some of the seniors that are raising money to go on a trip to southern California

To Whom It May Concern: Native 2000 is a group of Native American seniors who are on-track for graduation in the year 2000. We are planning a senior trip to southern California following graduation ceremonies June 3, 2000.

This will be the first ever trip for Native American seniors and it will be used as an incentive for future Native American seniors.

The number of Native American graduates on-track for graduation in

the year 2000 is the highest percentage in many years. The Native 2000 group takes much pride in this fact and we think that our class will set a great precedence for future classes.

There are approximately 43 potential Native American students currently on-track to graduate year. Total expenses (i.e. travel, lodging, admissions, etc.) equal approximately \$540 per person.

We are doing fund-raisers at least twice a week, but due to the lack of

time to plan for such a trip, we are seeking sponsors to help pay for extra expenses. We would appreciate any type of help you/your business/department could help us with.

Our goal is to raise enough money to support all Native American students who wish to go on the trip.

Thank you for your time and support.

Sincerely,
Reina L. Estimo, President
Renso Rodriguez, Vice-President