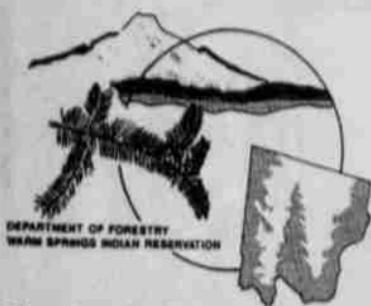


Forestry footnotes April



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 accu-

ately 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 man-

agement? 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, appetite and curiosity.

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The Fire Management Section of the Branch of Forestry is responsible for all wildland fire activities on the Reservation. Unlike the other sections within the Branch which primarily focus on the timbered areas, Fire Management is fully involved in total reservation coverage. Close coordination with Tribal Natural Resources, Tribal Public Safety, the General Tribal Public and a multitude of other departments and agencies both on and off the reservation is necessary to accomplish the section's assigned mission.

Wildland fire suppression is the number one priority of Fire Management and occupies the majority of the sections attention during the summer fire season which usually lasts from mid May through the last of October. Warm Springs averages slightly over 80 fires per year which consume an average of 16,453 acres. Lightning fires account for approximately 25% of the seasonal fire load. 75% of our fires are caused from some type of human activity with

25% of these fires directly involving children in the fire cause.

Because of these fire statistics and the increase of wildland fires in and around local housing areas, fire prevention and hazard reduction is also a high priority. Considerable effort is made to keep the fire prevention message in the focus of the Reservation Public and to involve the children of Warm Springs in the prevention of wildfires. Selected fire hazard areas within the community and subdivision common public areas also receive annual hazard reduction treatment by section personnel. Hazard reduction on fee, allotted or other privately controlled lands is only provided in and around senior citizen housing or when extenuating circumstances require immediate attention. However, Fire Management Personnel are available to consult with any interested party wishing to reduce the fire hazards around their homes or businesses.

Hazard reduction projects are also being completed outside of the

populated areas to help reduce the threat of catastrophic wildfire. Fuel breaks have been completed or are scheduled for completion in the following areas: Dry Hollow, S300 Road, Sidwalter, Whitewater, and Jefferson Creek.

In the last few years reintroduction of fire into the ecosystem has gravitated to the forefront as an equal to wildfire suppression in priority. Personnel at all levels of the fire organization have been actively involved in utilizing prescribed fire as an ecologically sound environmental tool. Warm Springs has emerged as one of the lead Agencies in the Pacific Northwest in this process.

The Fire Management Program at Warm Springs is one of the most complex in Indian Country when all phases of the program are considered. The Warm Springs Interagency Hotshot Crew, the Engine and Fuels Staff and miscellaneous overhead personnel that call Warm Springs home are well respected members of the interagency fire community at all levels.

resources, non-member trespass and livestock.

Lately, The Fish and Game division have been concentrating on Sherars Bridge, the Deschutes River and the HeHe Burn area for mushroom picking. This concentration has so far led to three different groups of alleged non-member violators cited for illegally picking mushrooms. In one particular case about 140 to 150 pounds of mushrooms were confiscated. All cases are pending disposition in Tribal Court.

As you may know the Warm Springs River and its tributaries has been closed to all fishing by resolution #9858. We have been patrolling these areas as well for potential violators.

Our future goals are to continue to improve police services to the rural communities, work closely with the Natural Resources Ranger Programs and other enforcement groups, and to work with the community in

catching potential violators.

If you know of potential violations or activity that is currently happening, there are some numbers you can call. The Department of Natural Resources has a fishing and hunting information line, which is 553-2000. The Simnasho office number is 553-2263. If I am not in the office at the time there is an answering machine that you can leave your number with. Also for any type of crime, the Agency has a hotline number, which is 553-2202. If you wish you need not leave your name. We have been very successful in processing fish and game type cases with just a tip from the community.

Later this month we will be having a grand opening at the Simnasho office. We will be announcing this opening soon and hope you all can attend. Good to you and be safe!

Sgt. Gregory A. Stinson
Simnasho/Fish & Game Enforcement

Greetings from Simnasho officers

Greetings from the Simnasho Officer. As you may know the Simnasho Schools modular trailer is now being utilized as an office for the Police Department. This office is to be utilized to provide better police services to the Simnasho Community.

As of late, I have been covering shifts in the Agency area as well as the Simnasho area. Recently I was relieved from covering those shifts and am now working full time in the Simnasho area as my main priority.

I am also the supervisor for the Fish and Game division. I have decided to also utilize the Simnasho office for the Fish and Game division to improve services to the wooded areas as well as the other rural communities of Sidwalter, Seekseekqua and South Junction.

In 1999, The Fish and Game Division prioritized it's enforcement responsibilities. Our main focus points are fish and big game enforcement, woodcutting, cultural

pipe and was cited to appear in Tribal Court on a charge of Drug Paraphernalia.

On May 3, 2000 Detectives of the Warm Springs Police Department assigned to the Central Oregon Drug Enforcement Team with the assistance of Officers of the Warm Springs Police Department conducted a narcotics investigation with the arrest of Robert Holliday of Warm Springs. Mr. Holliday was arrested for dealing narcotics including marijuana and crack cocaine out of his vehicle throughout the Warm Springs area.

During a search of Mr. Holliday's vehicle, 42.3 gross grams of marijuana, 5.8 gross grams of crack cocaine, \$82.00 in cash, and an Intratec 9mm machine pistol were seized. Mr. Holliday was transported to the Warm Springs Corrections Facility where he was booked on six counts of Narcotics, Dangerous Drugs, Hallucinogens and Delirants for possession of marijuana, distributions of marijuana, transportation of marijuana, possession of cocaine, and distribution of cocaine, transportation of cocaine and Drug Paraphernalia. Mr. Holliday's vehicle was also seized as a result of the investigation.

31st Annual Pi-Ume-Sha Treaty Days Powwow

Warm Springs, OR, June 23, 24, 25, 2000

Home of the

Individual & Team Dance Championship

Over \$18,000 in contest pay out

Registration books open Friday, June 23

7-11 year old boys and girls open dance contest

Kussa Round Dance and O' Warriors War Dance

Boys and Girls, 12-16 years, 1st-5th place awards

Open Women and Men Team Dance, 3 per team, 1st-4th awards

Men War Dance, Fancy Dance, Grass Dance, 17 years & older, 1st-5th place awards

Women War Dance, Fancy Dance, Jingle Dance, 17 years & older, 1st-5th place awards



Grand Entry:

Friday at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday at 1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

For powwow information call Isaac Mitchell, Committee Chair at his cell # 541-410-8826.

For vendor information call Cassie Katchia at 541-553-2128.

No alcohol beverages or drugs allowed. Pi-Ume-Sha Treaty Days committee is not responsible for damages, injuries or thefts.

Women's Health Night Out

Just for the health of it!

Treat yourself to a night out with the girls while learning and sharing about concerns unique to women!

Tuesday, May 23:

Multi-generation living experience by panel of local women

Thursday, May 25:

Menopause and Hormone Replacement Therapy by Rachel Locker, M.D.

Tuesday, May 30: Cancer Survivor Panel by panel of local women survivors

Thursday, June 1: Health Care Empowerment by Lolly Champion, Women's Health, Coalition of Central and Eastern Oregon

Start at 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Health and Wellness Center in the Atrium.

Healthy snacks provided.

Sponsored by: Community Health Education Team, Indian Health Service and OSU Extension Office.

Free to all interested

Suppah invites all to Treaty Days celebration

Reigning Queen Miss Pi-Ume-Sha, Val Suppah, encourages all her people, the community, family and friends to buy raffle tickets from the following girls vying for the Millennium Miss Pi-Ume-Sha. Senior court candidates are Blanche Mitchell, Tia Bean, and Pearl Jack. Junior girl candidates are Michele Charley, Sadie Johnson, Sasha Robinson, and Teryl Florendo.

Best of luck girls! Whatever you do, sell and sell and sell some more.

Everyone is invited to participate in all activities during Treaty Days, June 23, 24, 25, 2000. Where? Behind the community wellness center in downtown Warm Springs.

If you are a past Miss Pi-Ume-Sha, please call Lucy at Printing, 553-3222 and let her know your name and year of your reign. Pleezeze.

I am looking for this important information, thanks for your help.



Valerie Suppah
1999 Miss Pi-Ume-Sha

WSPD continues drug enforcement

On May 1, 2000 Officers with the Warm Springs Police Department arrested Victor Becerra Sr. on an Exclusion Violation. After receiving a report of a reckless driver in the Oitz Loop area, officers responded and found the vehicle at 2365 Oitz Loop. After making contact with Mr. Becerra it was determined that he was highly intoxicated and was the driver of the vehicle. Mr. Becerra was arrested and brought to the Warm Springs Corrections Facility where a tube was used to inhale methamphetamine was found in his pants pocket.

It was later determined that Mr. Becerra was on felony probation out of Jefferson County. Mr. Becerra was turned over to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and currently faces charges of Probation Violation and Possession of a Controlled Substance, Methamphetamine.

On May 2, 2000 Officers and Detectives with the Warm Springs Police Department conducted a consensual search of a vehicle owned by Tiffany Smith of Warm Springs. During the search, a marijuana pipe was discovered near the driver's seat. Ms. Smith claimed ownership of the

pipe and was cited to appear in Tribal Court on a charge of Drug Paraphernalia.

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Spilyay Tymoo now has an e-mail address

You can e-mail us at:
spilyay@hotmail.com

On Patrol

by Don Courtney

Seatbelt grace period over:

Officers of the department began ticketing motorists found not complying to the new seatbelt ordinance that went into effect April 11, 2000. For the most part, community members were found to be in compliance, as officers reported, during the "grace" month period. Failing to use a seatbelt/safety restraint system is a class "D" traffic infraction that could result in a \$50 fine.

On the Streets:

A few minor incidents followed the Honor Senior Citizen day activities as a couple of younger adult individuals were reported intoxicated around the area. Those individuals were subsequently located and removed from the area.

Community members are reminded to refrain from going to any public event in an intoxicated state. A violation of Tribal law occurs if found intoxicated. On an annual basis, most violations occur during the Pi-ume-sha Celebration.

On a report out of the Lebanon area, a runaway was said to have stolen a van and was headed to Warm Springs to attend the Litefoot concert last Friday. The van and runaway female was located. She apparently wrecked the van just on top of East Tenino road off of US Highway 26.

Local ambulance and a nurse removed the female from the vehicle who was then transported to Mt. View Hospital in Madras. The female juvenile was treated and kept overnight for observations. She was retrieved by authorities after discharge who faces charges of Theft of

a Motor Vehicle.

In other activities over the weekend, there was one individual arrested who now faces drug charges, several individual were issued citations for liquor violations, one drunk driver was arrested, and numerous individuals were hauled in for detoxification.

Fly fishing for Kids:

No participants showed for the first class that was to be held this past Saturday at Kah-nee-ta Resort. In an effort to improve youth/community relations, the police department sponsored a first in a series of classes for youth interested in learning how to fly fish. The next class will be scheduled soon. More details to follow.

Police Youth Grant:

Last winter, the police department applied for, and received a small grant to assist in building our community partnership with the youth. To that end, part of the \$7,000 grant was used to sponsored a coloring contest over Christmas holiday for parents to win a bike for their kids. About ten bicycles were given away to those talented parent's who still remembered how to color.

Another part of the grant was given to the VOCS program so that they could supply the shelter with toys and equipment.

A third part of the grant will go to the Tribal education committee programs to be administered to those youth who did well in academics and attendance.

Other areas yet to be administered by the department include a traveling basketball clinic & competition, and continued fly fishing classes.

Annual Craft Fair

Native American Crafts-Foods

Door Prizes-Raffles

Free Admissions to Fair

Great picnic areas on site

May 27-29, includes the Holiday,

Monday, May 29, 9 a.m to 4 p.m.

sponsored by

The Museum At Warm Springs

2189 Hwy 26 - across from The Plaza

all proceeds benefit the Museum's

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