

Kids First reaches out to families

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March 2001 Warm Springs Community Policing began an outreach program called "Kids First." This outreach program is a partnership with community resources for the provision of help for children and families.

Families are provided with health aids, immunizations, referrals, insurance information, counseling services, education referrals and food and clothing resources. These services are provided in cooperation with Indian Health Services Public Health Nursing, Jefferson County Adult and Family Services, Jefferson County Health and Human Services, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, Jefferson County District Court, Jefferson County Fire, Madras City Police Department, Warm Springs Fire and Safety, Warm Springs Fire Management, Warm Springs Housing Department, Warm Springs Tribal Sanitarian and other agencies.

Kids First was modeled after "Kid's Korner," a program that began in Reno, Nevada. Members of the Community Policing attended



Officials from several departments take time to visit with families in Warm Springs.

Kid's Korner door to door outreach services in Reno to see and learn the process to begin Kid's First.

With the health care needs of Warm Springs' tribal members and Indians from other tribes being met by Warm Springs Health and

Wellness Center the Kid's First program is available to those who cannot go to the wellness center for assistance.

This year Community Policing has visited three neighborhoods, West Hills, Elliott Heights and

Greeley Heights. They will continue with the Greeley Heights neighborhood until they visit every home. "Visiting each home and assisting families, is part of the projects goal to reduce child neglect and child abuse cases," said Stoncy Miller.

Tribal members show livestock

Two tribal members are showing livestock - steer and swine - this year in the Jefferson County Fair. The fair started Wednesday of this week, and runs through Saturday.

James McInturff, 18, is showing a steer at the county fair, and later this year will be showing a steer at the Oregon State Fair.

This will be his second year of competition at the state fair. McInturff also showed a steer in last year's Jefferson County Fair.

Lydell Suppah, 17, will be showing one and possibly two swine at this year's county fair. Suppah raised the animals at his residence in the Seekseequa area. He showed swine at last year's county fair, as well.

Both McInturff and Suppah have been participating in the Madras High School FFA program, taught by Kris Jones, FFA advisor and agriculture advisor.

About 30 students from the program, including McInturff and Suppah, will be showing livestock at the county fair, Jones said. About 50 kids are involved in the program.

Besides the raising and caring for livestock, the FFA program teaches everything from public speaking to tractor driving, Jones said.

McInturff and Suppah showed their animals on Wednesday.



James McInturff has steer at the Jefferson County Fair.

Arts, crafts could fill a building

Twenty or so tribal members this year are displaying traditional clothing and craft items at the Jefferson County Fair.

Along with the adults participating in the fair display, young people are also displaying items such as hand-made necklaces and key chains.

All the items made by tribal members will be on display in the Watts Building at the fairgrounds.

"We share the building with other displays, but we could fill the entire building," said Daisy Ike, coordinator of the Warm Springs Tribes arts and crafts exhibit at the county fair.

The tribal member display at the fair is always well received by the public, Ike said. "People are always very complimentary," she said.

The items on display are organized in various categories, such as traditional clothing; dresses and ribbon shirts; vests, jackets and coats; leggings and other body wear.

The entries are also categorized according to the level of skill and experience of the person who made the particular item. In this way, the person who makes crafts as a hobby or for personal enjoyment is not judged against the professional.

Awards in each of the several categories are \$4 for First Place; \$2 for Second; and \$1 for Third. A special \$25 award, sponsored by G&K Construction, will also be given.

In coordinating the exhibit, Ike is assisted by tribal members Flossie Wolfe, Arlene Boileau and Minnie Tlalakus.

Hospital district gives to museum

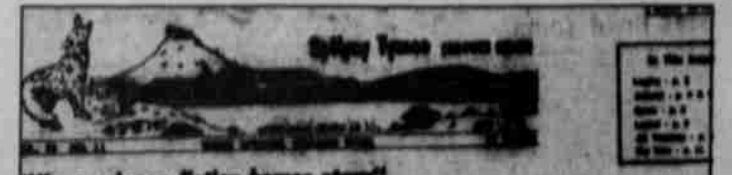
Mountain View Hospital District has contributed \$1,000 to The Museum at Warm Springs, business membership program.

The museum was happy that Mountain View Hospital District renewed its annual membership at the patron level, said Dora Goudy-Smith, museum development officer.

The museum business membership program is open to all businesses, including individual and family owned businesses. Membership proceeds are an important part of the museum's efforts to raise over 60 percent of the annual operating budget, which is needed to continue operations.

Through the business membership program, the Mountain View Hospital District board, and hospital director Susan McGough, have been avid supporters for many years of The Museum at Warm Springs, Goudy-Smith said.

Any business interested in The Museum at Warm Springs business membership program, and its benefits, should contact Goudy-Smith at 553-3331.



'Like a science fiction horror story'

Swine Flu Potential Killer

Swine flu is a deadly disease that has been spreading across the world. It is a type of influenza that is caused by a virus that is found in pigs. The virus is highly contagious and can spread from person to person. It is a potential killer because it can cause severe complications, especially in young children and the elderly.

Spilyay Visits 4-H Camp

Spilyay Tymo visited the 4-H camp in Warm Springs. The camp is a place where young people can learn about agriculture and other skills. Spilyay Tymo was accompanied by several family members and friends. They spent the week at the camp, participating in various activities and learning from the staff.

'Buy Hay Now'

The Oregon Hay Raisers Association is asking for donations of hay for the poor. The hay is needed for the winter months, when many people are unable to afford it. The association is asking for donations of hay from anyone who has extra. The hay can be donated to the association, which will then distribute it to those in need.

25 years ago in the Spilyay

Port-A-Cans Save The Day
One would scarcely have known anything was amiss in Warm Springs on a hot Thursday and Friday (July 29 and 30) had it not been for the three strategically placed portable cans around the community.

Actually, Warm Springs was without water for the better part of two days.

Residents and employees were without sanitation facilities (not counting the three port-a-cans), water, water-cooled air conditioning, and the clinic had to close for the day on Friday.

According to Cecil Seyler of facilities management, the problem started on Thursday at about 2 p.m. when there was a break in the main water line by the Shaker Church.

Newest Logging Outfit: Alfred Smith Jr. Logging Company

Spilyay Tymo will attempt to do a story on each of the logging outfits on the reservation in separate issues. Since Alfred Smith Jr. Logging Company is the newest, we thought it appropriate to begin with this one.

Alfred Smith Jr. Logging Company is the newest of the several privately owned logging outfits on the reservation. The owner, known as J.R., started officially contracting with W.S.F.P.L. May 1st of this year.

J.R. is not new to the logging business, however, as he has about 13 years experience ranging from working with crews in the woods; being a foreman for three years; to working at the mill for two years - first as a log grader, then as a sales and mill representative.

Bravettes Build Team

"We're the best kept secret in Warm Springs," says Elton Greeley about the Bravettes. Greeley is manager of the women's fast pitch softball team which has been involved in tournament play all summer. The team has a small following of really devoted fans who help out financially and morally, but for the most part the Bravettes have been lost in a sports scene dominated by males.

This hasn't been the most inspiring season for the Bravettes, according to coordinator Romona (Teddy) Tanewash whose husband Vernon is the coach. But the twelve or so girls and young women who comprise the team have stuck with it. They have past glory to look back on and some promising young rookies to look forward to.

Reporter's Life Spared

Dan Macy pardoned a reporter guilty of misrepresenting local history on the condition the facts appear in the next issue of Spilyay Tymo. There will be no hanging as planned, for the true story is now available to readers.

In last issues article about Macy's store, the history of the existin store and the neighboring building was a bit bungled. The ancestor of the current store is in fact the Mecca Trading Company, but it was built by a man named Chaloupka, not Klupke.

This store was located at Mecca on ht Deschutes River, not Shitke Creek, and was sold to H.E. Massey who brought it up to its present site around 1924.

The old See Mercantile store is the descendant of Will See's trading post which he bought from the army around 1890. This was the store that was located "under the hill" behind the site of Macy's.

See sold it to Chaloupka who sold it back to the See family in whose hands it stayed for years.

The building was abandoned (the foundation can still be seen) and rebuilt at its present site next to Macy's. In 1955 Dan Macy bought the building. Recent history was (hopefully) printed correctly the first time.

Several road projects in the works

Construction of a new road heading toward Kah-Nee-Ta, and the resurfacing of a 12-mile stretch of Tenino Road are among the summer projects of the Warm Springs Construction Department.

Design work for five new bridges, over various creeks on the reservation, is also on the summer agenda. The bridges are to be built next year.

This summer, crews are planning to re-stripe all of the roads on the reservation, something that the Construction Department would have liked to have done last year, but which was delayed.

The delay was due to a problem

at the Portland BIA office, said Dell Towell, construction department director.

The single biggest road project this summer will be the Wolf Point project, cost of which is \$3.5 million. This new road will run from Highway 3, approximately at the Wasco-Jefferson county border, nearly 7 kilometers to the northeast, near Kah-Nee-Ta. In the winter months this could serve as an alternate route to the resort.

Next year, the Construction Department is planning to put in a new bridge over the Warm Springs River near Kah-Nee-Ta. The new bridge

will complement this year's Wolf Point road project, creating improved access to the resort.

This summer, construction crews will chip-seal 12 miles of Tenino Road. The area to be improved is located past the tribal administration and housing buildings. The improvement will be from mile 6 to 18 on Tenino.

This project is needed in part because a timber sale is planned for next year on the south end of the reservation, and Tenino Road will be used as a haul route. The road should be resurfaced before the heavy truck traffic begins.

Summer Bridge program underway

Warm Springs Higher Ed Department's unique Summer Program is underway. Ten years have passed since this program was created by the Higher Ed Department and COCC Warm Springs.

Since its origin this targeted 8 week session, has assisted nearly 200 students from the Warm Springs community. They have been aided in "bridging" the gap (making the transition to) to become involved in either traditional college or vocational training after they have graduated from High School or earning a GED.

Individuals who seek to qualify for Tribal Scholarship aid are, as part of the eligibility process, given assessments (placement tests) that pro-

vide confidential, personal, feedback about their readiness to be successful at the post-secondary (college) level. This same tool issued as an indicator for the referral to the Warm Springs Higher Ed Department's Summer Bridge Program.

This year enrollment numbers are very strong with 22 students taking part. A preview "look" showed a large number perhaps the largest ever; of students from the community will be High School graduates (counting Boarding School attendees also) or GED Certificate earners. That alone speaks very highly of the community and the value it places on the education of its young people. It also means the Summer Bridge Program is operating very

nearly at maximum capacity, another very positive indicator.

Participants have the benefit of a "test drive" on their home base, in an atmosphere that corresponds, as closely as possible, to actual attendance at a post-secondary learning institution such as a college.

All instructors are COCC approved, coursework is identical to that presented in colleges throughout the state and region. Workload, grading standards and expected performance are all at college level.

An additional asset is that students earn credit for coursework that many would not encounter until they began their first Fall Term. They are in fact getting a "jump start".