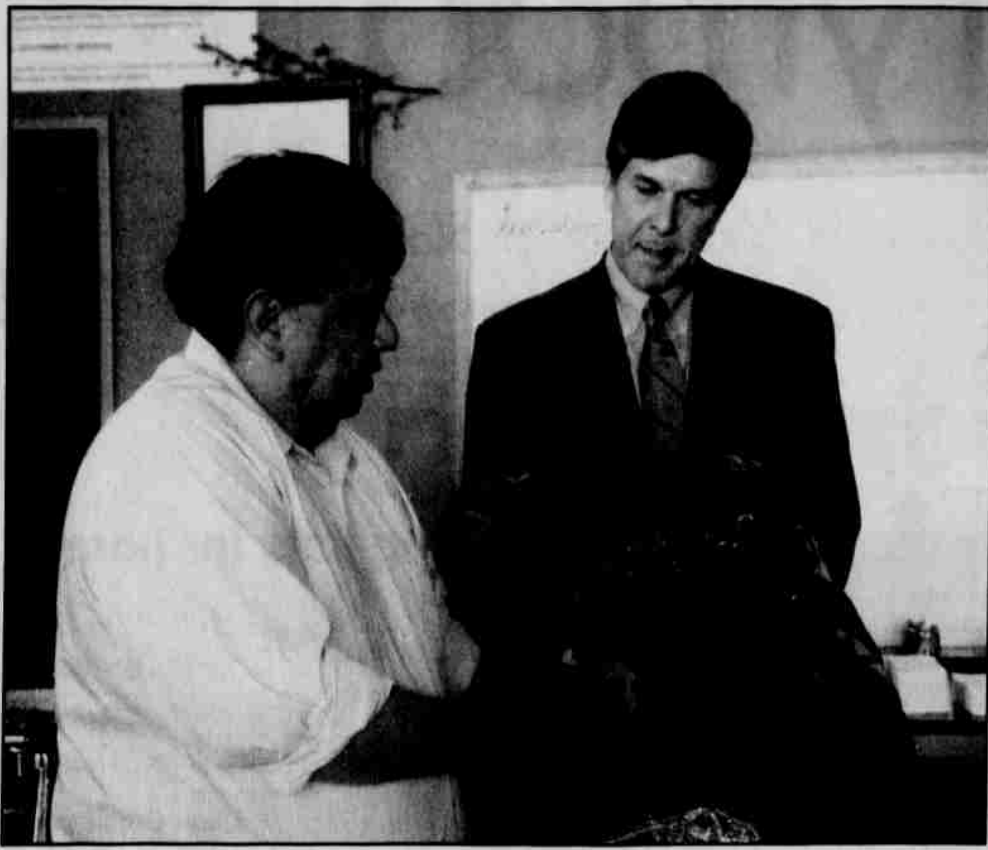


Council greets senator



Tribal Council Chairman Olney Patt Jr. presents a Pendleton blanket to Sen. Gordon Smith, who visited Warm Springs on April 4. Smith and the Tribal Council discussed issues including federal regulation of hydroelectric power, and funding of law enforcement. Smith, R-Pendleton, greatly appreciated the blanket, commenting that it came from his favorite place in Oregon.

Thurby enjoying new job

Brings financial expertise to police department

Dena Thurby is bringing nearly a decade of financial experience to the Warm Springs Police Department. Thurby worked in the Finance Branch of the Tribal government since 1993.

Recently, she became the Public Safety Branch financial officer, a new position in the branch.

At the Tribal Finance Department, Thurby often worked on contracts, grants and budgets for the Public Safety Branch. So she is already familiar with the kind of work she will be doing at Public Safety.

"This is a promotion for me," said Thurby, adding that so far she is enjoying her new job, which began April 1.

Thurby has an upstairs cor-



Police Department Finance Officer Dena Thurby

ner office in the building across the parking lot from the Warm Springs Police Department. Like her old workplace at Finance, her new office is decorated with numerous items that are purple. These include a purple CD player, stuffed

animals, a small purple waste-paper basket, among many other office items.

Thurby has been married to her husband Bobby for 12 years. They have three children, Dorothea, 9, and sons Chad, 2, and Bobby, 13.

Officers to step up dog control

The Warm Springs Police Department will be focusing on a more aggressive enforcement of the ordinance controlling stray dogs.

The Fish and Game Division will be primarily responsible for carrying out this enforcement, said Don Courtney, director of Warm Springs Public Safety.

There has been no change in ordinance, but due to increased complaints from tribal members regarding stray dogs,

enforcement will be stepped up, said Courtney. The Fish and Game Division of Public Safety includes four officers.

Courtney decided that these officers would share the dog-control duties, rather than assign a single officer to the job.

A big part of the problem of stray dogs involves animals in the community that are a threat to people. The rate of dog bite incidents on the reservation is considerably higher than the rate in most other

communities, according to health officials.

Another part of the problem involves isolated packs of dogs that are a danger to livestock in rural areas.

Powwow set for May 3

A powwow is set for Friday, May 3, at the Agency Longhouse. This event, promoting respect for culture and enhancement of education, is being sponsored by the Warm Springs Education Committee, the Higher Education Depart-

ment, Title IX, Johnson O'Malley Committee, and the Alcohol Prevention Program.

Supper will be at 6 p.m., and Grand Entry at 7 p.m. There will be exhibition dances and door prizes. For information, contact 553-3311.

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From the April 16, 1977 edition of the Spilyay Tymoo.

The delicious aroma of roots and salmon and the sound of drums and song attracted hundreds of local people, many visitors and rodeo fans to the Warm Springs Longhouse this past weekend.

The Annual Root Feast had much to offer to those with a variety of interests and the longhouse was the scene of bustling activity.

Of course the climax of the weekend's festivities was the feast itself, which took place Sunday afternoon.

Meanwhile, an estimated 150 people gathered at the Simnasho Longhouse for a smaller and quieter root feast.

In other news: As Spilyay staff raced to meet deadlines on Monday, April 12, an earthquake rumbled through the Tribal Office Building, as well as the whole reservation and most of north Central Oregon.

Perhaps we needed to be reminded that there are powers greater than the written word, although the paper went to press despite the forces of nature.

And elsewhere: The Water Board has had just two meetings since the last meeting with Tribal council.

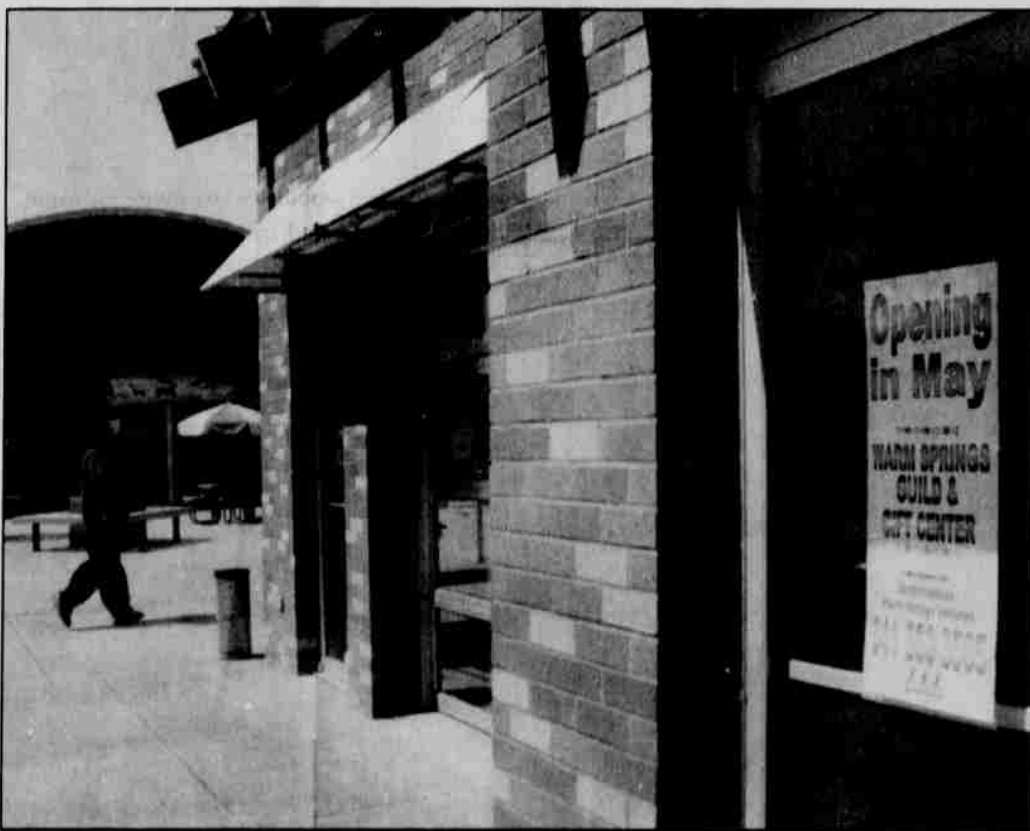
The Water Board has been working along with various engineers and hydrologists in an attempt to improve the water situation here on the reservation.

And in other news: The students of the Madras High School Indian Club will be hosting an Indian powwow on April 29-30.

This will be the first one of this type and will include high schools from Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

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Plaza welcomes new tenants



The Plaza is welcoming three new tenants, who will join Indian Trail and Warm Springs Ventures.

Warm Springs Ventures recently announced some good news regarding the Plaza.

Three new tenants are moving into spaces at the Plaza that previously were vacant.

The new tenants are Quilts & More, the Warm Springs Community Action Team, and the Central Oregon Partnership. Quilts & More will be opening on June 1. Central Oregon Partnership opened April 1, and the Community

Action Team opened on April 15. They are joining the original Plaza tenant, Indian Trail Restaurant. Warm Springs Ventures also is located at the Plaza. Warm Springs Ventures took over management of the Plaza on April 1. Previously, the Plaza was managed by the Warm Springs Economic Development Department.

Rent from the tenants goes to the tribes. Sandra Danzuka, office manager of Warm

Springs Ventures, is putting together a waiting list for potential future tenants. Anyone interested should call Danzuka at 553-3565.

The original gift and information center building, located by the Deschutes Crossing Restaurant, is currently available. However, Warm Springs Ventures is negotiating with a potential tenant, and the building may be rented soon, said Danzuka.

Police conclude shooting investigation

Warm Springs police have completed their investigation into the shooting death on March 31 of Tommy Dickson, who was 15 at the time of his passing.

The police investigation included an autopsy performed by the State Medical Examin-

ers office in Portland.

Also, police interviewed youths who had first-hand information regarding the circumstances of the incident.

The investigation concluded that Tommy Dickson was killed by a single gunshot wound to the head, self-in-

flicted. There was an initial and inaccurate suggestion that Tommy had been shot twice in the head. The investigation and autopsy determined that he was shot one time, with the gunshot producing an entrance and exit wound. No one was arrested in this case.

Separate murder trials set for September

The trials of the two young men accused of first-degree murder in the death of Michael Saludo are scheduled to begin in September.

The suspects, Ronald L. McKinley and Angelo Fuentes, both 23, will have separate trials, as requested

by their lawyers. McKinley will be tried first, starting Sept. 17. Fuentes will be tried following the conclusion of McKinley's trial.

A third person involved in this case, Tony Gilbert Jr., 19, has pleaded guilty to a count of second-degree murder.

In his plea agreement with the U.S. Attorney's Office, Gilbert has agreed to testify in the trials of McKinley and Saludo. If convicted of first-degree murder, the two would be sentenced to life in prison without parole.

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