

Clinic celebration draws big turnout

By Ashley Aguilar
Spilyay correspondent

The 10-Year Anniversary of the Indian Health Service building was a great success, as many people gathered to learn of the background of the many programs IHS now provides.

Last Wednesday tribal members, doctors, nurses, students and assistants all congregated in the A pod of the clinic, where the women's health and administrative programs are located.

At nine o'clock the event started off with traditional singer Fred Wallulatum. The crowd stood during the songs of prayer. Later they sat to hear guest speakers Russell Alger, clinic director; Garland Brunoe, Tribal Council chairman; and Janice Clements, chairwoman of the Health and Welfare Committee.

Alger spoke about the old clinic building and its programs, comparing them to the new IHS building and the additions made.

"Indian Health Service serves all Native Americans, but here we make Warm Springs our first priority," Alger said. He also noted that the staff has



There were many informative booths at the clinic open house.

grown extensively since the time of the old clinic, because IHS and the Confederated Tribes are both providing funding.

Council Chairman Brunoe started off with the history of the health services, and recognized the people who fought for programs. Following Brunoe, Janice Clements shared a few words of wisdom about the committee she works with, and the benefits now shared with the Indian people.

Wrapping up the presentations was Maryanne Meanus with a few words about the spiri-

tual healing of prayer, as well as herbs. She then sang a prayer song.

After ten o'clock the visitors toured the 25 booths, each representing a service that IHS provides. At the front doors were greeters handing out a guide to the various tables and booths.

The tables included brief messages to the community about health, and encouraged people to learn more about the services given to them.

Many of the tables were well prepared and informative. One of the booths, run by Dr. Rachel

Locker, presented a well-organized display of information on domestic violence.

When the doors opened that morning, each participant was entered into a raffle. Prizes included baskets made up by the seven main offices: medical, facility management, administration, wellness, dental, pharmacy and lab paired up, and medical records, the business office, patient care component and data entry, plus managed care were together. Winners were Dallas Winishut, Suyenn Walker, Carolyn McKay, William Spino, Robert Samuels, Wilbert Waninwit and Joyce Quinn.

This anniversary was in recognition of Chief Delvis Heath, Chief Vernon Henry, Chief Nelson Wallulatum, Rita Squimphen, Pierson Mitchell, Karen Wallulatum, Jacob Frank Sr., Bernice Mitchell, Delbert Frank Sr., Zane Jackson, Brenda Scott, the 101st Congress of the United States; Ken Smith, Sal Sahme, Ed Manion, Kaplan McLaughlin, Doug Drake, and Tom Seidle.

Dental program available

Here is advice, plus some good news, for new mothers of the Warm Springs community.

Cavities in your child's teeth start as infections passed from your mouth to your baby's, because of the close contact you have with your baby.

Your health care center is treating new moms with a new dental coating to try to prevent your mouth germs from infecting the baby, and to try to

avoid cavities in your child. Call Lila Martinez to learn more about this program, 553-2462.

Costs will be paid for those participating. Reimbursement will be made after finishing the first phase.

All appointments will be scheduled at a time convenient to you.

This is a message of the Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center.

Title VII meeting Feb. 17

The Title VII Parent Advisory Committee will meet Tuesday, Feb. 17 at 5:30 p.m. at the Warm Springs Elementary

Library. Title VII meetings are open to the public. If you have a disability, please call Georgia Sosa at 475-6192.

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Some budget items passed; others on hold

Most of the budget items held in abeyance by Tribal Council since September were given the go-ahead as a result of special Council sessions in January. None of the seven deleted items were reconsidered, however.

Still on hold are four police department positions, the salaries of three judges, half the funding of the employee development program, and the merit increase for the female activity coordinator at the community center.

Employees enjoy annual awards banquet

Kah-Nee-Ta Lodge was the spot for the "social event" of the year, as the Confederated Tribes staged their third annual Employee Awards Banquet, Jan. 26.

Fried bread, a variety of salads, ham, salmon and roast beef were on the menu for the 350 employees and guests who attended the affair. The crowd was so large that people had to eat in shifts.

Auction gets powwow off to a good start

Dollars flowed freely at the fund-raising auction held at the Simnasho Longhouse Jan. 25, and the Lincoln's Birthday Powwow Committee now has over \$1,000 to its credit.

Auctioneer Rudy Clements gently coaxed the small gathering to trade their cash for wing-dresses, quilts, beaded moccasins, household items, and even pine nuts. Simple generosity brought in over \$300 in donations.

You have 3 years to look into your roots

The Tribal Council took action this week to extend the base roll deadline to Feb. 1, 1982, which will give all tribal members an opportunity to determine the accuracy of their bloodlines. Council has also appointed a committee to help you investigate your background, and help you through the procedure of making any corrections.

Powerhouse should generate a profit

Energy generated from a powerhouse at the Pelton Reregulating Dam will be expen-

sive, engineering consultant Jerry Dibble told Tribal Council, but there will be a market for it in 1982, when the proposed project would be completed.

The reservation's energy needs are a third of the powerhouse's potential output, if the tribes choose to form a public utility district, said Dibble.

The Bottom Line (Editorial)

If there was one overriding message that Tribal Council sent to management during this year's lengthy budget preparation, it was "Justify your programs."

Said one of the vice chairmen, "We were fairly stringent with the budget this year," a statement managers would readily agree with after scrambling to work up detailed justifications for programs that would have been shoe-ins in previous years.

The Council's watchdog role makes good sense. As the vice chairman explained, the tribal organization and its budget are expanding at a fantastic rate, and the growth must be monitored closely.

Young Achiever Glendon Smith

Sponsored by Christopher C. Eck, Timothy G. Elliott and Philip R. Anderson, LLP, Attorneys at Law.

Glendon Smith prefers not stand out in a crowd. He likes to quietly get the job done.

Last year he graduated from Central Oregon Community College with an AA degree. He'll know soon if his application to finish his Construction Management degree at Oregon State University has been accepted.

"My ideal job would be to come back to the reservation and work for Project Engineering," he says.

He likes the idea of working construction on the reservation because it's rural. Living in the big city isn't high on his list of priorities. While he's waiting to get back to school, he plans on staying involved in amateur



Glendon Smith

rodeo. As the header for a pair of team ropers, he competes at local events with friends and family. And that's just where he wants to be - with friends and family.

"Just try it out. Try something new. You might find you're good at it."

— Glendon Smith —

Help needed with study

The tribal Fish and Wildlife On-Reservation Committee is seeking the assistance of any and all tribal member fishermen/women. The assistance is needed in conducting the food comparison study, traditional and non-traditional foods.

Please contact Chris Gannon, tribal environment office, 553-2020, or Nancy Collins, IHS sanitation, 553-4943, to give them the following information:

Your name and contact number. Name of areas you fish, such as, mouth of the Columbia, Warm Springs River,

Sherars Bridge, etc.

Species of fish/eels that you catch, amount of fish you catch at each site, percentage eaten, regularly, seasonally.

This information will be for tribal membership only. Any types of cancer or any other illnesses caused by various foods will be a comparative factor to this study. The Fish and Wildlife On-Reservation Committee is happy to answer questions you may have. Committee meetings are the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. Contact number if 553-3257.

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