



Photo courtesy of Joyce Suppah

Dena Thomas, Marissa Ahern, Jill Suppah, Bethann Longknife, Angela Bellanger, Noreen Sampson (back row, l-r); Allee Tewee, Merima Made, Kristi Olney, Lianna Jim (front row, l-r).

Girls compete in 9 tourneys

We would like to take time to congratulate our sixth-grade girls 2004 season.

It's our third year together as a team, and with each year, through hard work and dedication on the girls' part, we've seen so much improvement in each and every one of them.

As coaches and parents, we believe education comes first. So in order for the girls to travel and play, they must be in good academic standing in school, meaning passing grades.

The team did all their own fundraising, which enabled them to participate in nine tournaments this season, in which they won 22 games and lost 11, for a total of 33 games played.

Members of the team include Jill

Suppah, Kristi Olney, Merima Made, Bethann Longknife, Lianna Jim, Allee Tewee, Angela Bellanger, Marissa Ahern, Dena Thomas and Noreen Sampson.

At this time we would like to give special thanks to the parents, families and members of the community for their raffle item donations. Dan and Fran Ahern for sponsoring one tournament entrance fee. Leland Thompson Jr. for sponsorship of one tournament entrance fee. The Community Center staff for giving us gym time to practice.

A big thank-you to Bobbi Jo Berry and family for contributing the team uniforms. And last but not least, the community for its continual support of the team.

Great job girls! **Lucinda Heath and Joyce Suppah.**

Yallup, advocate of tribal fishing rights, passes away

SATUS, Wash. (AP) - Wilferd Tom Yallup, a former Yakama Nation council chairman who fought for tribal fishing rights and wildlife and land preservation, has died. He was 72.

Yallup served 17 years on the council, including 12 years on the tribe's fish and wildlife committee. He was instrumental in creating the Cle Elum Hatchery under the Yakima-Klickitat Fisheries Project and initiated a Salmon Corps project that recruited youth to clean up Columbia River banks and tributaries.

Yallup also served as ambassador for the tribe, traveling to China once for a food exposition. An image of Yallup in traditional attire adorns the tribe's apple boxes.

"I'm really thankful for him showing me the mountains and I love him and respect him, knowing he's going to have a safe journey," Yallup's oldest son, Audie Otter Yallup Sr., said last week, while family members cleaned and prepared Yallup's belongings to give away in tribal custom.

Yallup grew up fishing, hunting and breaking wild horses near Lyle, Wash., and his love for the Columbia River extends from a long lineage of leaders, said acting tribal council Chairman Jerry Meninick.

His grandmother was a child during the signing of the 1855 treaty.

"As a result, he got to hear firsthand the stories of the signing of the treaty and the religious teachings," Meninick said. "That was the history he had - the teachings, the elders, he was close to them. He understood the ties to our land."

Yallup also was known for teaching tribal history, language, dance and drum while serving as chairman of the Wapato Longhouse.

Yallup was buried last weekend. Representatives of the Umatilla, Nez Perce, Colville, Warm Springs and Lakota tribes attended services.

Center to receive new coat of paint

Sponsors are needed for this community project

The Warm Springs Community Works Program, a new employment initiative, needs sponsors for the purchase of paint for an important community project.

The project will involve painting the exterior of the Community Center. This will require 64 gallons of paint: 32

primer and 32 finish.

Anyone who wishes to help sponsor the purchase of the paint should call Marcia Soliz, Warm Springs Community Employment Liaison, phone number 553-3298.

"We haven't come together on a project like this for years," said Soliz. "Let's get involved and do something together. Let's out-do ourselves and challenge ourselves for the kids."

Soliz said she wants families and kids

to also be involved in sponsoring paint, and in helping to paint the building. For those interested, there is a sign-up sheet at the Community Employment Liaison Manager's office, at the Personnel Department.

The Community Works Program will be involved in many beneficial activities throughout the reservation. More information on this project will be in the upcoming paper.

Counties seeking economic diversity

(AP) - A few Eastern Oregon counties are buying everything from recreational facilities to railroads in hopes of boosting the economy of their remote area of the state.

With the collapse of the timber industry in the 1990s across much of Oregon, county governments have found themselves facing economic ca-

tastrophe.

As they lose population, their tax bases dwindle and county services ranging from roads to health care suffer. For a long time, county governments have tried to draw new businesses to their area, with mixed success.

Now, they're trying something new. Morrow County last year spent \$1.7

million to buy 6,200 acres of forest and meadows for an off-highway, all-terrain-vehicle park between Heppner and Spray.

Wallowa and Union counties teamed up to buy a shortline railroad to help a local lumber mill stay afloat. Lake County officials are now in the ski resort business.

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