

Walking is best exercise for Wee Bees

Young people at the Early Childhood Center have been walking for better health. The large group of walkers - 170 kids in all - is called the Wee Bee Walking Club.

The club recently held a celebration, having completed their first milestone.

"The idea was to get them to walk 12 and a half miles in two months," said Carolyn Harvey, Warm Springs Community Wellness Coordinator. "So it was half-a-mile each time they went out, three times a week."

Most of the kids in the Wee Bee club are in the 3-5 year range. The club is intended to get the kids to begin a walking and exercise program at an early age, said



Members of the Wee Bee Walking Club gathered for a celebration. Pictured above are some of the 170 club members.

Harvey. Her work is funded through the diabetes program and a diabetes grant.

She said the ECE kids will also be doing some fun-runs this

summer, and will begin another walking program probably later this month.

The teachers and staff at ECE help with the program, as

do people from the Warm Springs Police Department, the Community Wellness Center, and the Community Health Education Team.

Library hosting summer reading in Warm Springs

By Jane Stelle
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With the school year over, the Jefferson County Library is gearing up once again for its annual summer reading program.

Staff from the Jefferson County Library will be coming out to the Warm Springs Library every Wednesday from 2-3 p.m. to do different fun activities with children - stories, games, crafts, music, and more.

The first program will be on June 16.

Children do not have to be signed up to attend the programs, but they do need to sign up if they want to earn prizes for reading.

If the children read for about half an hour a day, they can end up earning a book, a T-shirt, and another small prize.

They will also have a chance of winning the grand prize drawing in August for a brand new backpack.

If your child did not get the registration materials in school, you can pick them up at the Jefferson County Library, print them off the library's web page at www.jcld.org or get them at one of our summer reading programs at the Warm Springs Library.

This will be the fourth year that the Jefferson County Library has held summer reading programs in Warm Springs.

Survey for lamprey, creel

Employees of the Confederated Tribes Natural Resources Branch will be at Sherars Falls from June 15 to August 31, conducting an adult lamprey survey.

The survey this summer is part of an on-going lamprey study by the tribes.

During the same time, the

Natural Resources Branch will also be conducting a creel survey.

The Natural Resources employees will be talking with tribal fisherman at the falls regarding the lamprey and creel.

They will also be collecting lamprey and marking them.

Twenty-five years ago this week

From the June 15, 1979, edition of the Spilyay Tymoo.

Reservation without power for over 8 hours

The reservation was without power for more than eight hours Wednesday night after a 69,000 volt line, serving the Warm Springs substation, came down. Lights flickered out at 7:25 p.m. and power was not restored until 3:45 a.m. the next morning.

According to Pacific Power & Light, the trouble occurred half-way between Warm Springs and Madras.

Fires claim 200 acres of forest

The first lightning of the season took its toll on the reservation forest, igniting eight different fires in the lower elevation timber. A storm on Sunday evening, June 10, sent electrical charges into stands of ponderosa pine already dry after spring's rain.

Close to 200 acres of pine, some of it thinned, were damaged or destroyed as a result of the storm. Most of the acreage was in one fire off the P-600 road north of Sidwalter Flat. But several of the fires were "spot fires" of 10 acres or less, caused by embers from burning stands that were hit directly by lightning.

Voter apathy mars election

People voted five to one for the projects on the June 5 referendum, but apparently the election was too soon after the last one to draw enough voters. Only 297 cast their ballots, about 70 short of the required number.

The Deschutes Domestic Water System received 247 yes votes to 50 no; and the housing projects collected 223 yes and 72 no.

Warm Springs hosting arts fair

The Warm Springs Community Center is putting on their First Annual Central Oregon Festival of the Arts on June 17.

There will be no charge either to come and enjoy or to display.

Tribes sure to get HUD fire grant

The Confederated Tribes have been given the go-ahead to submit their application for a \$250,000 HUD Community Block grant. It is fairly well guaranteed that Warm Springs will receive the proposed amount.

The grant will enable the tribes to construct two buildings and purchase two 350-gallon fire trucks, a 4,000-gallon tanker and an emergency vehicle.

Cashier job makes Lillie feel rich

As a relative newcomer to the working world, Lillie Johnson says firmly, "I like it." For the last three years Lillie has juggled job and family, enjoying both. It is especially gratifying to her to know that Kah-Nee-Ta values her work enough to give her the June Employee of the Month Award.

Lillie was recently promoted to Head Cashier after almost a year as a data entry operator.

Eighth-graders heading east for history trip

Five Warm Springs eighth graders are eastward-bound for an American Heritage tour of the country's historical landmarks.

Lillie VanPelt, Cheryl Sutterlee, Roman Suppah, Lucille Gilbert and Willie Bagley will take off from Portland with 35 other Oregon junior high schoolers on a two and a half week tour of the East Coast.

Of the 40 students making the trip, 17 are from the Madras-Warm Springs area. They were selected for the trip on the basis of faculty recommendations to the American Heritage Board. Although sponsored by American Heritage, the students are responsible for their own costs. Each of the tribal members received \$400 from the Tribal Council to help with expenses.

Clinton Bruno leaves security of deaf school

Fifteen years ago, when Clinton Bruno's family took him over the mountains and left him at the Oregon State School for the deaf, the frightened 4 year old cried with homesickness.

Last week Clinton "signed" the closing prayer at his graduation and faced the prospect of leaving home again. For Clinton, 18, the son of Cecil Bruno Sr., graduation means another difficult transition - this time from the school's secure environment to life in the world of hearing people.

Simnasho school lures crowd to awards program

The crowd that gathered on the windy playground of the Simnasho School on June 5 would not have appreciated knowing that the school almost didn't exist.

Two years ago budget trimming threatened the tiny school, causing speculation as to how long the district could afford to keep its doors open.

But the Simnasho School survived, and the awards program that brought dozens of students, parents and community leaders together to honor its 14 pupils was also a tribute to Simnasho and the district.

Creek tours point out erosion problem

Water quality, quantity, flood control, sediment traps and erosions are problems here on the

reservation that need immediate attention, according to local experts. A tour coordinated by Clint Jacks, the Oregon State University Extension agent, took a group through Quartz Creek drainage where they viewed two sediment dams, built in the late '20s and early '30s by the CCC crews.

Toe Ness

Toe Ness: There was this guy who looked up his family tree and found out that he was the sap. Yikes!

It is said that wisdom comes with age, but it doesn't do much good because senility tends to set in about the same time. Yikes!

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