

October campaigns to raise awareness

Red and purple will be seen frequently around Warm Springs this October as part of two campaigns for Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Several red, wooden silhouettes will be distributed throughout Warm Springs in October, according to Mark Matthews, director of Victims of Crime.

Each wooden cutout features a sheet of paper that explains domestic abuse or relates a personal account of someone from Oregon.

Matthews adopted the idea as part of the Silent Witness National Initiative.

In 1990, a group of women in Minnesota founded the program to speak out about domestic violence.

They came up with the idea to use the free-standing, life-sized wooden figures in order to commemorate the women who had lost their lives due to

domestic violence.

In addition, community members may see a lot of purple in town this month as Victims of Crime uses the purple ribbon campaign to spread awareness.

The campaign began in 1994 with the goal of eliminating interpersonal violence.

Supporters wear purple ribbons to support the end of domestic violence. The creators of the International Purple Ribbon Project believe that domestic violence eventually leads to violence outside the home.

Victims of Crime Services will also be running public service announcements on KWSO and distributing handouts in the community.

They will also participate in a domestic violence census that will identify the survivors of domestic violence during a given period.

For anyone who has been affected by domestic violence, a women's support group will be held and anyone interested can contact Sammy Bruised Head at VOCS.

In the first six months of 2007, 21 people were sheltered through VOCS and 46 restraining orders were filed—10 of which were emergency restraining orders.

According to Matthews, those instances typically include victims of domestic violence.

VOCS recently added a position for a civil legal advocate who assists victims with legal issues that may relate to domestic violence.

While domestic violence typically involves physically harming someone, it can also include threats, harassment, stalking, or even negligent wounding, Matthews said.

Bottle drive to help team travel to tournament

There is an on-going bottle drive fundraiser benefiting the Rez Express, the All-Indian high school boys basketball team representing Warm Springs.

Proceeds go toward travel expenses for the team to travel to the 2008 Native American Basketball Invitational Tournament in Phoenix.

For donations, and pickup,

please contact Sammi O'Reilly, Val Squiemphen or Rita Squiemphen.

The fund-raiser will be on-going through July of 2008.

Twenty-five years ago this week

(From the early October, 1982 edition of the Spilyay Tymoo.)

Tribal Council members and management officials breathed a long-awaited sigh of relief for two reasons. One, the \$12.4 million tribal operating budget for 1983 was finalized; and two, Portland General Electric issued a check to the tribes for the Pelton rent payment.

Tribal Council and management worked hectically to finalize the budget in order to have

it posted by the October 1, midnight deadline. Word of PGE's payment came just before noon, Friday, and the tribes received the \$4.6 million check at 12:05 p.m.

The payment somewhat relieved the budget pressure for 1983. However, tribal departments will go into 1983 with whatever cuts were made. In other news:

The Kah-Nee-Ta Golf Association won the Sahaptin Tribes

team trophy in a tournament held in Warden Wash. This annual event matches the Indian golfers of the Colville, Nez Perce, Yakama and Warm Springs tribes. Elsewhere:

The Deschutes River once flowed untamed and unspoiled through rugged canyons, past the 43 miles of reservation land on to the Columbia River. Not many people contemplated riding its rapids.

In the quest for adventure and excitement and as a way to escape the environs of the city, great numbers of people now flock to the Deschutes River. And today there are problems:

It is no longer a handful of adventurers who seek recreation on the Deschutes. The numbers have increased to the thousands.

Veterans Support Group

10:30 a.m. - 12 noon, Thursday, October 4
at High Lookee Lodge

Group leader, Matt Dowling of the Portland VA Medical Center

This support group is for PTSD and other issues related to military or war experience.

She and Me Daisy Brownie Event

Open to all girls new to Girl Scouting ages 5 years to third-grade, and their mom or other special woman.

Fun event of songs, games, crafts, snacks and more.

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Street. To contact Legal Aid Services of Oregon, write to it at Legal Aid Services of Oregon, Central Oregon Regional Office, 1029 N.W. 14th Street, Bend, Ore., 97701; or call (800) 678-6944, or (541) 385-6944.

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