

Great job by team Wading 2 Exhale

Another great year has come and gone for the Portland to Coast walk relay, which was held August 28-29.

I want to applaud the ladies of the Wading 2 Exhale walking team for doing such a great job, especially when an injury occurred in our first vehicle and they all pulled together to help our walker, and complete the remaining legs before the next exchange. What great camaraderie and team work!

Our overall time was 30:03:08—great job, ladies!

I would also like to thank Earl and Rita Squimphen for the use of their truck during this event—thanks, Mom and Dad!

I can't thank and praise the entire team enough for doing such an awesome job during this walk—thank you, ladies!

Congratulations to the other teams who participated in the Hood to Coast, Portland to



Wading 2 Exhale walking team (front row, left to right): Juanita Majel, Michele Stacona, Urbana Ross, Olivia Sanchez, Cheryl Lohman and RaNeve Dowty; (back row, left to right): J'dean Kalama, Melissa Benson, Earlynne Squimphen, Sylvania Russell, Angel Daniels and Liz Sachse.

Coast and High School Challenge—I applaud everyone! Again, thank you everyone.

Earlynne Squimphen, team captain, Wading 2 Exhale walking team.

Expert on primitive bow making to demonstrate craft

The Warm Springs Community Library and the Warm Springs Community Action Team are bringing primitive bow maker Kent McAdoo to town for a talk and demonstration.

McAdoo will be in town at 6 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 18. The presentation will be held at the Warm Springs Family Resource Center, 1144 Warm Springs Street. McAdoo is a rangeland specialist with the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension, and for the past 13 years he has been making primitive bows with natural materials and field testing them for accuracy and performance.

Indigenous peoples worldwide have made simple wood bows and arrows for hunting and warfare. A skilled archer could accomplish great hunting feats. Historic literature tells of bison being pierced completely through

their bodies with a well-shot arrow.

Modern archers in North America at the turn of the Twentieth Century were influenced by the European stance that declared only a very few wood species were suited for use in a bow. The Europeans believed that the other species were below consideration as possible material for a fine bow.

McAdoo's studies indicated that the Native peoples of North America used superb skills in the manufacture of their bows, using many different trees and some shrub species.

The important part was how a bow is built, not what it is made of. When using a weaker wood, the maker compensated by making them longer or wider, or added additional reinforcement material such as sinew or rawhide.

Today's bowyers have replicated the designs used by various Native American tribes

throughout North America, and as a consequence, learned some interesting concepts.

In the manufacture of a bow, form does follow function. Early makers discovered that the back of a bow stretches when drawn, and this meant that the bowyer had to take the growth rings into account as he shaped the bow. The rings had to be left intact to preserve the strength and shape of the flexing wood.

It was also discovered that sinew, rawhide, and even whale baleen (the plankton filters in the mouth of the baleen whale) were very stretchy and made a bow extra strong.

By testing traditionally-made bows in field conditions, McAdoo confirmed his theories and gained respect for the knowledge of the Native craftsmen.

Handbills get VOCS information to community

By Mark Matthews
Victims of Crime Services

It is important for the Warm Springs community to be aware of the services that the tribal departments provide.

The Victims of Crime Services (VOCS) department is generally known in the tribal community to help crime victims, but what does VOCS do?

As set out in the last issue of the Spilyay Tymoo, VOCS helps victims of "person crimes" occurring on the reservation with:

1. Emergency services and assistance immediately after the crisis of their victimization;
2. Assistance during the legal proceedings involving Restraining Orders or the criminal prosecution of the perpetrator; and,
3. Assistance after the completion of the legal proceedings.

VOCS works in partnership with other tribal departments and non-tribal agencies in advocacy and collaboration of victim issues, such as the child abuse and elder's multi-disciplinary teams, the Court's Justice Team, and

other committees and groups.

VOCS also provides community education and awareness of victim's issues.

There are some services that VOCS provides that the average tribal member may not be aware of.

Such services include the weekly Monday night women's support group that resumes September 14, and the Legal Assistance to Victims (LAV) Grant legal aid office for qualifying crime victims.

If a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking or dating violence needs civil legal assistance, then the LAV Civil Legal Advocate, Gwen Leonard, can assist that victim.

Another VOCS service that is not widely publicized is help with claims to the state Crime Victim Compensation Program (CVCP).

The CPCP can help victims who have lost wages or incurred medical expenses due to a "person crime."

The handbills

What is the best way to inform the tribal community about VOCS victim services and community awareness education?

Getting the message out through word-of-mouth is a

good method.

Using KWSO and the Spilyay are the most effective ways of informing most of the community of VOCS services and activities.

But VOCS uses other methods of communication as well, such as emails, posters, and the distribution of VOCS handbills.

These handbills are quarter page referral forms that VOCS uses to publicize victim issues and our victim services.

A community service worker or summer youth worker will go into the bathrooms and bulletin boards on the campus, lower Agency, and tribal industrial park public buildings once a week and tape the handbills to the bathroom mirrors (hence the Bathroom Project).

The subjects of the handbills can vary from domestic violence, VOCS services, Elder Abuse, the Legal Assistance to Victims (LAV) legal aid office for qualifying crime victims, sexual assault, and the Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse.

Please contact VOCS at 553-2293 during office hours Monday through Friday if you are a "person crime" vic-

November trial date set in murder case

Trial is currently set for November for a suspect in the murder case of Lucinda Stwyer, who was killed in September of last year. She was 24 years old.

Suspect Antonio Brito last week entered a not-guilty

plea to a murder charge in the case. His trial is scheduled for Nov. 3.

Brito and another suspect, Jolena Jean Warner, could be tried together, according to the U.S. Attorney's Office in Portland. Trial for Brito is scheduled

for Nov. 3, but a delay is possible, the attorney said.

Brito and Warner are currently scheduled to be tried separately, but the U.S. Attorney's Office could request that the two be tried together.

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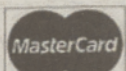
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