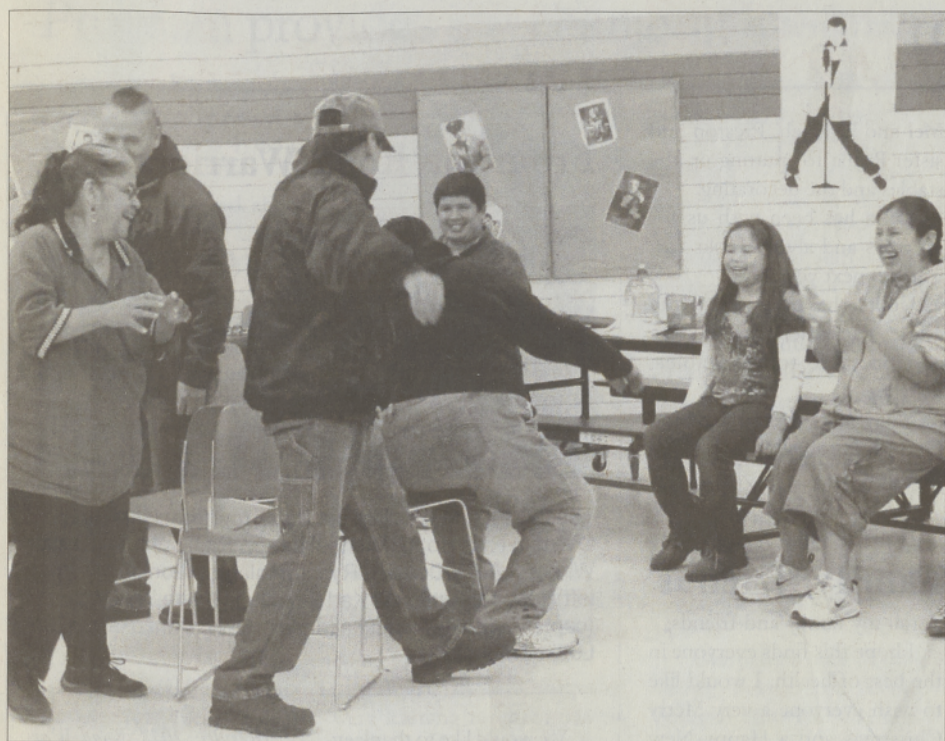


Birthday Bash for Elvis



Mary Olney and Adeline Gleason cheer as the adults battle it out in musical chairs (above). Mary Olney (top right) and Josh Olney (right) take part in the sing-alike contest.

By Yvonne Iverson
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Over 50 people participated in contests and games at the Elvis Birthday Bash this last Saturday at the Community Center.

Staff from the Nutrition Department and Community Counseling grilled peanut butter and banana sandwiches for ev-

eryone.

"Those were Elvis' favorite," announced Rosemary Lewis.

Prizes were awarded to the top three contestants in dance and sing alike contests, and top three contestants in each age group for the look alike contest. Pastor Rick Ribeiro defended his title as best Elvis sing-alike, performing "Love Me Tender."

Poncho Medina slicked his

hair back and did a Elvis shake to take home the title of best Elvis look-alike.

This alcohol and drug free event was coordinated by the Warm Springs Prevention Coalition.

"This community event gives everyone something to do on a Saturday afternoon," said emcee Bob Medina. "Look for more events like this in the future."



Tribes to host Timber Council in the spring

Warm Springs in 2012 will host the annual meeting of the Intertribal Timber Council.

The council is a nationwide consortium of Indian tribes, Native Alaska corporations, and individuals dedicated to improving the management of natural resources of importance to Native communities.

Warm Springs will host the annual meeting in May at Kah-Nee-Ta. This will be the first time the tribes have hosted the conference since the mid-1990s, said Orvie Danzuka, of tribal Natural Resources.

Staff are currently working on items that will be on the agenda during the May gathering, said Danzuka.

The Intertribal Timber Council (ITC), established in 1976, works with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, private in-

dustry, and academia.

The ITC and its partners explore issues and identify practical strategies and initiatives to promote social, economic and ecological values, while protecting and utilizing forests, soil, water, and wildlife.

Over 60 tribes and Alaska Native corporations currently belong to the ITC, which has the stated purposes of:

Promoting sound, economic management of Indian forests; facilitating communication; collaborating with the BIA and others interested in improving the management of Indian natural resources; helping establish natural resource-based business enterprises; and encouraging the training and development of Indian foresters.

Diabetes Awareness dinner, breakfast this month

The Diabetes Awareness Dinner will be from 5-6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 17.

The dinner will be at the Senior Center.

Education topic: medication safety. Menu: turkey tacos, fruit, crystal light.

There will be a **Healthy Breakfast** on Tuesday, Jan. 24 from 9-9:45 a.m. at the Health and Wellness Center kitchen conference room.

The education topic will be supplements (vitamins etc.), presented by Valerie Cooper, Pharmacy resident.

The dinner and the breakfast are presented by IHS Model Diabetes Program and Tribal Senior Program.

Telecom

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About 5,000 members and others live on the Warm Springs Reservation. Unlike most American communities, only approximately 60 percent of reservation residents have access to basic telephone service, and less than 30 percent have DSL service.

Until last year, there had been no television or cable TV services available on the reservation. Oregon Public Broadcasting recently put up a new translator on the reservation enabling residents to receive the first "off-air" television network.

Under the aegis of Warm Springs Ventures, the economic development corporation of the tribes, tribal lead-

ers has been working on this project for more than five years.

Jeff Anspach, chief executive officer Warm Springs Telecom explained, "Ventures is an 'incubator' that works to create new business opportunities for the Tribes."

After receiving planning dollars from federal agencies, Rural Utility Service and Economic Development Association, Warm Springs Telecom received \$5.6 million from the ARRA Broadband Stimulus Fund in 2010.

This enabled the years of planning to come to fruition as the new tribally owned company will soon offer services to individuals, tribal agencies and businesses.

Logo Contest

The "Let's Talk Diversity" Coalition is in need of a logo for its website and publications. They are looking for something to represent their motto: "Building Community Strength through Diversity." To find out more you can call 541-325-5001, ext. 4221. The contest is open until Feb. 29 and will award \$200 for the winning entry.

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Please keep the above words in mind while creating our logo.

The Let's Talk Diversity Coalition is a community coalition which came together to promote equality and fairness in Jefferson County and the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs

To enter into the contest please send your name, contact information, design and design explanation to Erin Tofte at erint@bestcaretreatment.org or 715 SW 4th St., Suite C, Madras, OR 97741 please email or call with questions 541-325-5001 ext. 4221. Contest is Open until February 29th. Thank you for your interest! We look forward to seeing your design!