

Health and Education

NANITCH SAHALLIE

Indian Youth Residential Treatment Center
Keizer, Oregon

Employee News:

New staff:

Charlotte Pitt Counselor Technician
Mary Thomas Counselor Technician

Susan Klein moved from part-time to full time Counselor Technician.

Susan AuCoin Visits Treatment Center:

Oregon Congressman Les AuCoin's wife, Susan, and daughter Stacy toured Nanitch Sahallie on April 28, 1992.

Mrs. AuCoin was very interested in the Tribe's dedication in helping Native Americans afflicted with the disease of chemical dependency and stated that she will pass on what she learned to Congressman Les AuCoin.

Nanitch Receives Donations:

Nanitch Sahallie received a donation of 30 bedspreads, 50 flat sheets and 10 pillows from Best Western, Sunnyside Inn of Clackamas, Oregon! The donation was promoted by Ms. Althea Fouse in appreciation. Ms. Fouse permits us to say that family member's changed life style, health and family life since treatment at Nanitch made them both very grateful.

There are more linen items than Nanitch Sahallie can use at this time and we have Sunnyside Inn's permission to pass these on to the Grand Ronde assistance programs.

See you next month!
The Staff at Nanitch Sahallie

STUDY FINDS MOST OUTGROW DYSLEXIA

A large study of Connecticut schoolchildren has found that dyslexia, a reading problem in children, is not an unalterable disability, as psychologists, educators and parents had assumed.

Instead, the study found, most of the children who were considered dyslexic in the first grade no longer were dyslexic a few years later.

Dyslexia experts said they expected the findings to make a fundamental change in the way dyslexia is viewed by researchers and the way it is diagnosed. They said the study showed that a diagnosis of dyslexia in kindergarten was not necessarily a prognosis of doom.

"It's a good sign for those families, a good sign for those kids," said David Gray, a psychologist and dyslexia expert at the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. "Even for kids who remain in the dyslexia group, it gives hope that they may get out of it."

Dyslexia is defined by the World Federation of Neurology as a "difficulty in learning to read despite conventional instruction, adequate intelligence and sociocultural opportunity."

Researchers have found that children with dyslexia have trouble breaking

words into their constituent sounds and that they benefit from tutoring that focuses on this skill.

The problem affects an estimated 10 percent of American children and has long been assumed to have a biological basis.

But the investigators who made the latest study were surprised to find that many children, particularly those on the boundaries of the dyslexia group, moved in and out of it. The nine-year study, which followed 414 children who began kindergarten in 1983, showed that most children who were dyslexic in the first grade were not in later grades.

Dr. Sally E. Shaywitz, a pediatrician at the Yale University School of Medicine who directed the study said the results showed that dyslexia is like high blood pressure or obesity: The cutoff points between normal and abnormal are arbitrary, the severity of the disorder varies continuously and children move in and out of the abnormal group.

By Gina Kolata, from the Oregonian.

SUMMER SCHOOL

This summer, beginning July 21, 1992, the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Education Department will hold a three day summer school program for all enrolled members from kindergarten through fifth grade. The program hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon, at the Tribal Community Center. A graduation ceremony for participants and a potluck will be held Friday, July 24th beginning at 10 a.m.

On Wednesday, July 29th, the graduates will be taken on a field trip to the new Oregon Coast Aquarium in Newport.

Several classes are planned for the summer school, including craft classes on mask and shield making. Flyers with more information on the program will be forthcoming. If you have further questions, contact the Education Department at 879-5211.

GRADUATES

The Tribal Education Program would like to recognize those tribal members who are graduating from high school and middle school (8th grade) this year. Please submit the following so we may recognize your achievement.

- Name
- Any honors you have received
- Activities you have participated in such as (sports, newsletter, drama club, etc.)
- A picture of yourself
- The school from which you are graduating

Please mail them to:
Attn: Shawn Hostler
Education Program
9615 Grand Ronde Rd
Grand Ronde, OR 97347

Congratulations to Jeff Davidson

Tribal member Jeff Davidson is graduating from Yamhill-Carlton Union High School this year. He plans to attend college and study Wildlife Management.

While in high school, Jeff received the 1990-91 Blazer Scholastic Improvement Segment award in Biology. He also received two varsity letters in football and an Honorable Mention

with a G.P.A. of 3.167.

Jeff likes to go hunting, fishing, and downhill ski.

He is interested in the field of Wildlife Management because he has always enjoyed nature and he would like to pick a field that would allow him to help the tribe once he has finished college.

A special thank you to everyone who sent cards, flowers and provided food and services for our family at Arnold's funeral. We appreciate your kindness and sympathy.

Sincerely,
Marge Holmes and
the Holmes family

Moving...Let us know

If you have recently moved or are planning on moving, let us know so you won't have to miss a single copy of your favorite newsletter. Just fill out this form with your new address and mail it back to Smoke Signals at 9615 Grand Ronde Rd., Grand Ronde, OR 97347

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Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State/Zip: _____

