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PROGRAM UPDATES

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ADULT VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM

The Adult Vocational Training Program Is currently planning to assist six tribal members in various fields of study. The areas of training are bookkeeping, computer software, diesel mechanics, business information processing, auto mechanics and accounting technology.

These fields of study that are currently selected are Bureau approved courses. The following list will give an idea of some other approved courses:

Accounting Clerk	Business Technology
Computer Operator	Computer Programming
Data Entry	Dental Assistant
Diesel Engine Tech.	Drafting Technology
Electronics Tech.	Food Service
Horticulture Tech.	Medical Assistant
Office Professions	welding
Legal Receptionist	Clerk Typist
Stenographer	Automation Secretary
Animal Science Tech.	AND MANY MORE.....

If you, or any tribal member you may know, is interested in attending a training institution to obtain a vocational skill, please contact the tribal Office to set up an appointment to meet with the AVT Coordinator and discuss your situation. Please keep in mind that the Adult Vocational Training Program is mandated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs regulations to the the seven county service area. As a reminder, these counties are; Coos, Deschutes, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath, and Lane.

HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Higher Education Program is now being administered in our office, giving us more flexibility in meeting the educational needs of our students.

We currently have 11 students, with about 5 more in the process of gathering application information, and will be enrolled soon.

Unlike the Adult Vocational Training Program, the Higher Education Program has no service area restrictions.

Scholarship information is available in the office for high school seniors for the Oregonian Scholarship, which administers grants for up to \$10,000.00 per eligible student. These grants are awarded on the basis of need and merit. Applications are available through high school counselors throughout Oregon after November 15th, with the deadline for submission of this application being March 15, 1990.

If you are interested in obtaining a degree, contact the tribal office for more information and an application for the Higher Education Program.

#### ADULT EDUCATION

A number of new audio and video tapes are now available at the office for use by tribal members. Suggestions for new tapes are always welcome. For those who wish to check out these tapes, but due to lack of transportation or illness, are unable to come to the office, these tapes will be mailed upon request. A partial list of the tapes available:

#### VCR

National Geographic-National Parks  
National Geographic-Search for the Great White Apes  
National Geographic-The Great Whales  
The Miracle of Life

#### AUDIO/CASSETTE

Word Builders-60 minute program for building a more powerful vocabulary. Volumes 1 through 5  
Siblings without Rivalry-Faber/Mazlish  
Studying for the SAT Test  
Understanding IRA'S  
The Complete Guide to Home Loans-Rosefsky  
Weight Loss/Willpower, The Subliminal Way  
Stop Smoking-Bloomfield  
Positive Imaging-N. Peale  
Build Self-Confidence-Subliminal Reinforcement  
Tough Marriage-Paul Michey, P.H.D.  
Mary Ellen's Helpful Hints/Health and Beauty  
Erma Bombeck, Family-The Ties That Bind and Gag  
Erma Bombeck, Motherhood-The Second Oldest Profession  
The Dance of Anger  
Reading Dynamics-Evelyn Wood (Speed Reading)

A workshop will be provided to tribal members this month through the Adult Education Program:

WORKSHOP TITLE: Printing Nature's Greetings

Capture a bit of nature to send to friends during the holiday season. Learn how to print cards using relief methods including woodblock, with emphasis on natural materials. Water based inks will be used. Workshop will include demonstration with examples and hands-on experiences to design and make your own greeting cards.

Materials (woodblock, mulberry and rice papers and inks) will be provided.

Karen Ellis, the owner and graphic artist of "Aruna Arts", will lead this exciting workshop on Tuesday, November 28th, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. The workshop will take place at Umpqua Valley Arts Center, 1624 West Harvard Blvd., Roseburg, Oregon. Join Karen for this wonderful workshop and take home your own personalized greeting cards and plenty of printing ideas!

Call the Tribal Office today to reserve your place in this workshop, 672-9405.

TRIBAL FOSTER HOMES NEEDED

Along with Gene Gentry from the Klamath Tribe and Muriel Brainard from the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw, we have been meeting regularly with representatives of the Southern Region of Children's Services Division in dealing with issues concerning the welfare of Indian children.

When Indian children are unable to live with their parents and they come to the attention of our Child Protection Team or Children's Services Division, we make every effort to reunite the children with their family. If that is not possible an attempt is made to place them with relatives. If a home with relatives cannot be found, the children are placed in foster care. The preference of both the Tribe and CSD is an Indian foster home. Unfortunately there is a severe shortage of Indian foster homes.

If you are interested in becoming certified as a Tribal foster home or would like more information, contact your local branch of Children's Services, or Bobby Dumont at the Tribal Office, 672-9405.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

On October 1, 1989 the Bureau of Indian Affairs will start a General Assistance Program for eligible Native Americans. To receive this help, a person must live on or near a Reservation or Service Area in Oregon.

The General Assistance Program will provide money for those who are not receiving Public Assistance. The money is a limited amount for basic living needs. This program is intended to promote self-sufficiency.

For more information, call the Portland Area Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Social Services Program (231-6785), or the Siletz Agency (444-1029).

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Should you have any questions regarding any of the Tribal Programs, please feel free to contact the Tribal Office located at 649 West Harrison Street, Roseburg, Oregon 97470. The telephone number is (503) 672-9405.