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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES RELOCATED

The Cow Creek Tribal Administrative offices relocated to a larger complex on September 12, 1990.

According to the Tribal Administrator, Sherri Shaffer, "larger space has been needed to expand our Indian Health Services Program. We will also be hiring a Community Health Nurse and a Community Health Representative."

The new office complex has a conference room which will enable the Board of Directors, tribal staff, and the community to hold meetings in the Administrative offices.

The new tribal Administrative offices are located at:

2400 Stewart Parkway
Suite #300
Roseburg, OR 97470

The telephone number remains the same:

(503) 672-9405

FALL ADULT VOCATIONAL TRAINING OFFERED

Applications for the Adult Vocational Training Program are being accepted by Mike Rondeau in the Education Department of the tribal offices.

The Adult Vocational Program is designed to assist tribe members in acquiring the job skills necessary for full-time employment. The program provides for institutional training in any vocational or trade school approved by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Students are required to attend school full-time and maintain no less than a 2 pt. grade average and must be "job ready" at the end of their program, which may last no longer than 24 months. This program is not meant to serve as a preliminary to immediate further education.

Eligibility requirements include the following: Applicants must reside in the seven county service area, must be 18 years or older, must willingly declare intent to accept full-time employment as soon as possible after completion of training.

September 24, 1990

If you are interested in the Adult Vocational Training program and would like to make an appointment to discuss your options, please call Mike at the tribal office. (503) 672-9405

OPENINGS IN HIGHER ED PROGRAM

Applications are being accepted in the Education Department of the tribal offices for assistance in entering an institute of higher education, beginning winter term. Since the grants are very competitive, the earlier applications are submitted, the better.

The Higher Education program is designed to assist tribe members in acquiring a four year degree. Students are required to apply for alternate sources of financial aid, maintain no less than a 2 pt. grade average, and attend school full-time. You do not have to live in the seven county service area to be eligible for the Higher Education program.

Thirteen tribe members were awarded Higher Education grants and started the 1990/1991 school year this fall.

EDUCATION LIBRARY EXPANDED

Audio/video equipment is now installed in the Education Library in the tribal offices to be used with the various educational VCR and cassettes available. New tapes are purchased regularly for use by tribe members. These tapes range in interest from self-help, health, finance, psychology, and speed reading. Students with poor grades and study habits are encouraged to check-out "Where There's a Will, There's an A." Subliminal tapes in the areas of stop-smoking, weight loss, and self-confidence are also available, and can be checked out from the tribal office.

If you are in need of your GED, classes are held at the Wooley Center on Harvard in Roseburg. Books for the class are free and can be picked up at the tribal office. The Adult Education program will also pay for the state testing fees.

If you are interested in joining a water color class to be held Oct. 5, 1990, or in joining the on-going ceramics class, please contact Yvonne at 672-9405.

NEW HEALTH AND SOCIAL
SERVICES DIRECTOR NAMED

Bobby Dumont, previously the tribe's Social Services Coordinator, has been named as the new Tribal Health and Social Services Director, effective immediately.

During her time on staff, Bobby has been actively involved in re-establishing the tribe's Child Protection Team, has worked on the state and local level to educate agencies on tribal sovereignty regarding Indian Child Welfare cases, has written the Tribes's State Tribal Agreement, and has prepared the tribe's proposal for self-administration of the Health Program.

COW CREEK YOUTH TO PERFORM

The Cow Creek Improvisational Theater group "Visions" was chosen from over 50 applicants to perform at this years Oregon Prevention Conference in Sun River, Oregon on October 20 - 23, 1990.

Improvisational Theater was initiated in February of 1988 to help tribal youth obtain leadership skills and drug and alcohol abuse education. The youth write and perform their own skits about substance abuse, teen pregnancy, child abuse, teen suicide, self-esteem, etc.

Since its inception, the group has presented their program at the Health Promotion Disease Prevention Conference in Spokane, Washington, the National Indian Health Board Conference in Sun River, Oregon, as well as tribal pow-wows and other tribal functions.

Performers are Carlos Ortegon, Pam Culbertson, Alicia Barney, Cam Campman, and Aaron Barney.

NEW TRIBAL HEALTH
PROGRAM DEVELOPED

The Tribal office will submit its proposal to contract our own Indian Health Care Program in early October. This is a federally funded program under public law 638.

Payments will be made for approved medical and dental services. All services must be pre-authorized by the Contract Health Services Program, based upon available funds and medical priorities.

In order to be eligible for the Tribal Contract Health Care Program, you must:

- 1) Be an enrolled member of the Cow Creek Tribe.
- 2) Live in the seven county service area, which consists of Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath, Coos, Deschutes, and Lane counties.
- 3) Use alternate resources when available.

Applications for the new health care program are available at the tribal office. If you or any eligible members of your family have not completed an application, please do so as soon as possible.

You will be notified well in advance of the start-up date of the health care program. Until that time, continue to process your billings as you have in the past.

WANTED: ITEMS FOR EXHIBIT

The Cow Creek Tribal Administrative offices will be displaying artifacts in our display cases during "Indian Heritage Month" in November. We would like to display articles from each family along with brief descriptions of the items. Anyone interested in participating, call the office and ask for June.