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POW-WOW PLANNING

Following a highly successful 1994 Pow-wow, planning has already begun for the 1995 Pow-wow. On Sept. 17th, members of the long time committee met with younger tribal members who will be responsible for next years Pow-wow (under the guidance of the present members). Several of the younger people have been acting as assistants each year. Ideas were exchanged on how to best manage the event and suggestions were considered on such things as expanding games, etc. Planning will continue throughout the year.

CONGRESSMAN VISITS GAMING FACILITY

On Sept. 15th, Congressman Peter Defazio, along with staff from his Washington, D.C., Roseburg and Eugene Offices, toured the tribal gaming facility. It was the Congressman's first opportunity to see the completed facility. His words: "I'm impressed!".

HUCKLEBERRY PATCH ISSUE

Word was received from the Forest Service, (Prospect Ranger District), that their intent is to allow the mining company to drill 12 test sites. The Tribe has vigorously opposed any such intrusion on the site since 1985 and continues to do so. Many contacts have been made to assist the Tribe in their protection efforts.

CANYONVILLE WATER PROJECT

The Tribe has assisted the City of Canyonville in successfully receiving a federal grant to expand the water lines and build a storage tank to service north Canyonville. This is critical to the Tribe's business planning for the reservation property. Several business options are presently being reviewed.

GAMING FACILITY

Marketing plans are underway for 1995, including contacts with buses, tour groups, motels, billboards, as well as continuing aggressive TV advertising, for both the gaming and the R.V. park.

On Oct. 5th, the "Applegate Trail Wagon Train" will be hosted on the north parking lot, for an overnight stay. Indian drumming and dancing will begin at 3 p.m. In conjunction with that there will be a barbecue and western dance, music being provided by the Michael Fowler Band.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL DIG AT TILLER RANGER STATION

The dig, ("Passport in Time Program"), which began on August 22 and runs until September 30th, has been conducted with assigned volunteers, under the direction of Forest Service archeologist Debra Barner. The volunteers have served over 1100 hours.

Tooter Ansures has been the Cow Creek representative on site and will continue to be for the duration of the dig. Information gathered indicates the site to be at least 7,000 years old.

CHAIRPERSON ADDRESSES FIRST LADY



On July 29, 1994, the White House sponsored a Tribal Women's Meeting between First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, women tribal chairpersons and women members of the President's Cabinet.

Tribal Chairperson Sue Shaffer was selected by the White House staff to respond to the First Lady's presentation on the government-to-government relationship between the Clinton Administration and tribal governments.

The meeting included women members of the President's Cabinet, including Attorney General Janet Reno, Secretary of Energy Hazel O'Leary, Director of the Office of Management & Budget Alice Rivlin and Director of Presidential Personnel Veronica Biggins. U.S. Department of the Interior, Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Ada Deer made a strong statement for the rights of tribal governments.

This was indeed an historic meeting, the first time that any Presidential Administration has called together women tribal leaders to meet with a First Lady and cabinet level officials.

C.P.R. CLASS

There will be an infant, child and adult C.P.R. class on October 8, 1994. It will last approximately eight hours. The class begins at 9:00 am at the Administrative Offices located at 2400 Stewart Parkway, #300, Roseburg, Oregon. Bring your own lunch. R.S.V.P. required. Call Rhonda at 1-800-929-8229.

CLEARING PROJECT

Logging contractors interested in bidding on a stand of trees on the Evergreen property may contact Carol McKinney at the Tribal Office and request a bid packet. Closing date for submission of bids is Friday, October 7, 1994.

ENERGY ASSISTANCE

The tribal Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, (LIHEAP) will begin October 1, 1994, and will continue until all monies have been spent. Eligibility for the program are those people on public assistance, elderly/disabled or are low-income. The program consists of energy and crisis assistance. Energy assistance is to provide eligible applicants with assistance in purchasing gas, electricity, propane, wood or oil for the winter months. Crisis assistance requires a shut-off notice for electricity and natural gas, or empty (or near empty) fuel tanks for gas, propane or oil. For application or additional info., please contact Rhonda Malone at the Administrative Offices.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL PROGRAM

The Drug and Alcohol Program provides the following services: individual drug and alcohol counseling, family drug and alcohol counseling, marriage and family counseling and Contract Mental Health counseling up to age 25.

The tribe also provides an Outdoor Substance Abuse Education and Prevention/Aftercare Program. This program provides Cow Creek youth a therapeutic experience in an outdoor setting. The objectives of the program are to promote self-esteem, teach youth to deal with interpersonal stress and gain insight into feelings, teach responsibility to self and others, teach coping skills to deal with conflict, teach problem solving and decision making skills. A schedule of future events for this program will be posted in an upcoming tribal newsletter. If you have any questions regarding these programs, please contact Randy Anderson at the Tribal Administrative Offices.

EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The Education Programs consist of four programs geared to attainment of quality, continuing education and life-enhancing skills for tribal people. The Higher Education Program is available to all tribal members. Having no service area restrictions, it assists those wishing to obtain a college degree. The Adult Vocational/Technical Training Program offers assistance to those seeking a vocational/technical certificate or applied arts/sciences degree. Tribal members wishing to obtain a G.E.D. and other adult basic education and life-enhancing skills should apply to the Adult Education Program. The Tribal Education Program fills in the gaps for the remainder of the educational needs of the Tribe. Requests are considered on a case by case basis. If you would like to apply to any of these programs or need more information, please call Yvonne Dumont at the Administrative Office.

INDIAN CHILD WELFARE PROGRAM

In any state court child custody proceeding involving an Indian child who is eligible to be enrolled or is a member of a federally recognized tribe, the court must comply with the Indian Child Welfare Act. The Indian Child Welfare Act defines a child custody proceeding to mean: **Foster care placements, termination of parental rights, pre-adoptive placements, and adoptive placements.**

If your child legally is an Indian, you have certain basic rights to the custody of your child that are protected by the Indian Child Welfare Act. Remember: If you have lost your child to a state child protective services agency, make sure that the state case worker knows about your Indian ancestry and the Indian Child Welfare Act (25 U.S.C. 1901). More importantly, contact your tribe: Fran Crispin, Indian Child Welfare Specialist at the Tribal Administrative Offices.

TRIBAL HEALTH PROGRAM

The Tribal Health Program consists of three components - the Contract Health Program, the Field Health Nurse Program and the Community Health Rep. Program. Each program is designed to provide a specific service to tribal members to help meet their basic health care needs. These services are available to all tribal members living within the seven county service area.

Contract Health Program -

The Contract Health Program provides medical, dental and vision coverage for eligible tribal members. In order to be eligible you must:

1. Be an enrolled member of the Cow Creek Tribe currently living the seven county service area.
2. Pre-authorize all services. Emergencies must be called in within 72 hours of service.
3. You must use all other resources to pay for your care, such as: Medicare, Medicaid, Oregon Medical Plan and/or private insurance. C.H.S. only pays as a last resort.

You can call 1-800-929-8229 to pre-authorize your appointments with Linda or June.

Field Health Nurse Program -

The Field Health Nurse is always working towards promoting total wellness for the tribe. The general goals are improving the delivery of preventive health services, promoting health care practices which lead to overall well-being, and to assist tribal members and their families in obtaining adequate health care.

During home visits or office visits, the Field Health Nurse screens Tribal members and their families for existing or potential health problems. She then utilizes the appropriate resource agencies to assist with the problem.

Currently, the Tribe is offering free lab services for all tribal members and their non-tribal spouses. This lab work will provide a complete chemistry profile. PSA (prostate cancer screening) and HI testing are available upon request. All HIV testing is done anonymously and/or confidentially. HIV test results are generally given to the person within 24 hours, unlike the 14 day waiting period at a clinic or health department.

Smoke alarms are given to every tribal home, with an annual inspection. Bicycle helmets are available to all tribal children and their parents, as well as infant car seats and booster seats for older children.

Community Health Rep. Program -

Rhonda Malone is the Tribal C.H.R., and is currently in Alaska receiving her C.H.R. basic training.

The C.H.R. Program is designed to offer medical support to tribal members. She does blood pressure checks, assists with home health care, provides transportation to medical appointments for those needing it and provides information on health and wellness topics.

If you have questions or concerns regarding the Tribal Health Program, or the services that you have received, please feel free to call Bobby Dumont at the Health Office.

HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Housing Improvement Program (HIP) is currently accepting applications for the next funding year. Priority is given to families with the greatest need in relation to income, family size, etc.

If you believe you might not qualify for the HIP program, other options may be available.

If you currently live in the seven county service area, and are interested in applying for housing assistance, contact Carol Ferguson at the Administrative Office.

JOHNSON O'MALLEY PROGRAM

Services provided through J.O.M. include parental assistance, which helps with sports activity fees, small equipment purchases, band instrument rental, etc.; tutoring; social skills activities; and cultural activities to name a few. If your child has a certain interest, or needs help in a particular area, please call Roma Jackson at the Administrative Office.

We would like to have more parental involvement. The J.O.M. Committee meetings are open to all tribal parents. The Committee meets at 2 p.m. in the Administrative Office on the Friday before the Quarterly Board meetings unless it falls on a holiday.

If your child wishes to participate in any J.O.M. activities, please call the Administrative Offices to sign up. If nobody signs up, the activity will be canceled. If you did not receive a copy of the activities list, you can call and one will be mailed to you.

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Child Care Assistance Program, as administered by the Cow Creek Tribe, is designed to provide child care services for low income families and to improve the availability and quality of child care. This program helps low income families who are working or receiving job training or education to enable them to provide child care for their tribal children.

An application may be obtained from the Administrative office.

An eligibility determination will be made according to monthly income by the Indian Child Welfare Specialist, using the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

The Child Care Assistance Program encourages parents to choose a child care provider of their choice. As a special service to tribal parents, the Douglas County Child Care Resource and Referral

Agency will do trainings on choosing quality child care. Current legislation requires that all child care providers be registered with the state of Oregon. In addition, the homes and day care centers will be inspected by tribal staff and must meet tribal safety standards.

The Child Care Assistance Program has a seven county service area which includes Coos, Deschutes, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath and Lane counties.

ADDRESS CORRECTIONS

Please continue to keep your address current. Whenever there is a change of address, the Administrative Office needs to be advised, so you will continue to receive important tribal correspondence.

TRIBAL ENROLLMENT

It is important that all of those eligible to enroll request an enrollment application so that it may be processed. You may call the Tribal Administrative Office at 672-9405 or 1-800-929-8229.