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AMERICAN INDIANS-UNITED MEETS IN SAN FRANCISCO FOR SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION

The 2nd Annual convention of American Indians-United was held in San Francisco on October 24, 25, and 26th, hosted by the American Indian Center, Earl Livermore, director.

Over 200 delegates representing about 60 organizations from all over the United States and Alaska were welcomed by Vice-Chairman Pearl Warren. Tim Wapato, Chairman, was unable to attend the first days activities.

The meeting started with a report by Executive Director, Jesse Sixkiller, outlining the program and budget for the past year.

Considerable discussion followed on the bylaws with the delegates working in time-zone groups to make recommendations for changes and deletions; reconvening later to consider all of the recommendations. Since the entire amended bylaws could not be properly prepared for distribution in the limited time, adoption procedures were tabled until next year's convention.

Some of the main points of discussion were: giving equal representation in each time zone (2 delegates and 2 alternates) and adding a youth representative from each time zone; a request for 4 board

meetings a year; clarification of membership (limited to organizations and allowing board members to choose convention sites.

Poor communication in the past has apparently caused mis-understandings of board members as to priorities, audit, and board meetings. Delegates requested copies of minutes of all board meetings, to keep them better informed.

A banquet on Saturday night had Browing Pipestem, Indian attorney and advocate of Indian Rights as guest speaker.

On Friday night the American Indian Center hosted a pow-wow for the visitors. One of the highlights was watching a six-year old boy hoop dance, using 6 hoops. Several teen-age Indian girls did a ballet to Indian songs.

The over-all recommendations were accepted with the feeling that the organization would continue to grow and be a real source of help to urban Indians.

Attending from the Seattle Indian Center were Dorothy Lombard, Mary Jo Butterfield, Zena DeLorm, Linda DeLorm and Pearl Warren. Kinatchitapi representatives were Lee

Piper, Robert Lupson, Suzie Pittman, Mildred Marios and Bob Satiacum. The San Francisco Center began in 1956 and has since grown many times with full control under the American Indian Council.

Pearl Warren is temporary Chairman of American Indians-United, agreeing to the responsibility until a board meeting after the first of the year when a new president, vice-chairman, secretary and treasurer will be elected. Contributions of money and supplies are greatly needed. Money contributions may be sent to:

American Indian Center Building Fund
Bank of California - Mission Branch
3016 16th Street
San Francisco, Ca. 94103

SAN FRANCISCO INDIAN CENTER
LOST IN FIRE

Early on the morning of October 27 the American Indian Center, 3015 16th Street, in San Francisco, was gutted by fire, ruining it beyond repair. The fire started by a mysterious explosion at the corner of 16th, a radio and TV store. Firemen hacked their way upstairs to the Center to rescue three men who were sleeping there. It took 120 firemen over an hour to bring the fire under control.

The American Indians-United had just ended a three-day convention at the Center.

The American Indian Council, Inc., governing body of the Center, is conducting a drive for funds and supplies to help establish another center to carry on their programs. They have 2000 dues-paying members throughout the Bay area and serve many other Indian people in the community. Indians use the center for employment counseling, referrals, medical and legal assistance, housing, educational as well as recreational activities. San Francisco is a relocation town, with Indians coming from remote areas, and the center helps ease the transition to urban living. They have an organized program for counseling new arrivals.

Acknowledgement will be sent and your contribution is tax deductible. Anyone wishing to assist may call San Francisco 626-7955; Don Patterson, President, American Indian Council, Inc.

NCAI ELECTS OFFICERS

Earl Old Person, Chairman of the Blackfeet Tribe, Browning, Montana, was elected President of the National Congress of American Indians October 10 during the NCAI Annual Convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Bruce Wilkie, Executive Director of the Makah Tribe, Neah Bay, Washington, was appointed NCAI Executive Director.

Other officers elected were; John C. Rainier, Taos Pueblo, New Mexico, First Vice President; Dorothy Davids, Stockbridge-Munsee, Madison, Wisconsin, Treasurer; and Peggy Acoya, Sac and Fox, Tucson, Arizona, Recording Secretary.

The Executive Director and Treasurer will take office January 1, 1970. All other officers assumed their duties immediately following their election.

'INDIAN HERITAGE' TEAMS PLAN NOVEMBER PROGRAM

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November dates already lined up for 'Indian Heritage' teams to bring free programs to public and parochial schools (funded through a National Endowment for the Humanities grant to Seattle Indian Center and coordinated by Lee Piper (E. Cherokee), president of the American Indian Women's Service League) include the following:

- Nov. 4 - Laurelhurst Elem. School, Seattle, (all day)
- Nov. 10 Auburn Elem. School (half day)
- Nov. 24 Maywood Elem. School, Bothell
- Nov. 26 Cottage Lake Elem. School

Visits already have been made by various "Indian Heritage" teams to the following schools:

- Sept. 30 - Leschi Elem. School, Seattle
- Oct. 9 - Lake Washington High School, Kirkland
- Oct. 11 - West Seattle YWCA - family program
- Oct. 14 - Fairmount Park Elem. School, Seattle, in-service teacher-training
- Oct. 16 - Fauntleroy Elem. School Seattle, in-service teacher-training
- Oct. 14 - Lockwood Elementary School, Bothell
- Oct. 17 - West Seattle High School student body assembly
- Oct. 22 - Auburn Public Schools (all day)

- Nov. 8: Pow-wow, American Legion Hall, 150th and 10th S. W. Burien, with dinner at 5 p.m., dancing starting at 7 p.m. Free to all Indians.
- 13: American Indian Women's Service League, 7:30 p.m.
- 17: Advisory Board quarterly meeting, noon luncheon.
- 27: Holiday - Thanksgiving
- 7: Sunday Dinner, 1-4 p.m. (Support this project of the AIWSL. There's nowhere in town that you can get a better Sunday dinner for these moderate prices. \$1.25 for adults, 75¢ for children)

Every Wednesday is family night - Indian singing and dancing. Remember, the last Wednesday of each month is dress-up night. Come in your Indian costume

Every Thursday is clothing day, 10 to 3.

Every Saturday, school clothing - 11 to 1.

Seattle Indian Center

Executive Director: Pearl Warren

Staff: Dorothy Lombard, Helen

White Eagle.

Hours: Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Those taking part, to date, have included Lee Piper, Jeanne Halliday, Telephone: MA 2 4980 (Warm Springs), Lena Dunstan (Interior Salish), John Kauffman (Nez Perce), Frank White Buffalo Man (Sioux), Fred Lane (Muckleshoot), Don McQuade (Ojibwa) and family members Sharon White Buffalo, Jeff and Jimmy Jay Halliday.

SEE YOU WEDNESDAY NIGHT FOR FAMILY SINGING AND DANCING.

COUNSELING PROGRAM WITH UPWARD BOUND

Mrs. Cindy Doney and Miss Jean Hunt were speakers at a teacher's workshop held in La Conner on October 17. The workshop was entitled the "Relationship of Indian Culture and Education". There were 100 teachers and teachers' aides attending from the Northwest.

Miss Sharon Chase (Smith River) has been hired as an intern with the counseling program. Miss Chase is a senior at the University of Washington majoring in education.

Mr. James Somday (Colville) has been hired as a counselor. Mr. Somday will be working the Olympic Peninsula Area; at present he is being oriented to our program. Mr. Somday previously taught school in Peru for 4½ years.

Miss Jean Hunt attended the annual convention of the National Congress of American Indians in Albuquerque, New Mexico, October 6 - 10. There were 1,000 Indian representatives from various parts of the United States. Featured speakers included Vice President Spiro Agnew, Senator Edward Kennedy, Secretary of the Interior Walter Hickle and Louis Bruce, Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Miss Allane Kauffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kauffman (Nez Perce) is attending Kent Girls School in Kent, Connecticut. Miss Kauffman was awarded a full scholarship to the school, which is an exclusive college preparatory high school. Miss Hunt was instrumental in counseling Allane, whose scholarship came from United Scholarship Service. Allane wrote a letter to Jean recently, commenting that she not only likes the school but has also made the honor roll.

ARTIST WINS SECOND AWARD

Caroline L. Maas (Carol Orr)(Colville), won the second award of \$50 (Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Griffith Award) at the All American Indian Days Arts Exhibition in Sheridan Wyoming, with her Polymer painting "Origin of the Deer" (Nootka myth). The Indian Arts Exhibition is presented under the direction of the North American Indian Foundation. This foundation was incorporated in 1960 in the State of Wyoming for scientific, educational and charitable purposes. Ralph A. Levi is foundation president.

ONE HOUR PROGRAM PRESENTED

On Sept. 26 Frank White Buffalo Man, Grandson of the famous Sioux Chief Sitting Bull, and Ruby Fields were invited to the Shadow Lake Elementary School near Maple Valley where they did a one-hour program for 88 kindergarden pupels, three teachers and the principal.

Ruby gave a short talk on Indian culture and beadwork and displayed some beadwork to the group. She gave some information on the activities of the Indian Center and the Northwest Inter-tribal Club, and pow-wows.

Frank was introduced and did the Sioux Sacred Peace Pipe Ceremony, a blanket ceremony and did some rope tricks. Needless to say both children and adults were fascinated. The principal took many pictures and requested that the legend of the Sacred Peace Pipe of the Sioux be written up and signed by the performer so that it could be filed in the school library.

Other programs are now planned by Frank and Ruby during his Seattle visit.

FROM THE TEEPEES

From Southern California we had Mis-THANK YOU to Glenn Eagle Speaker
sion Indian visitors to the North- for the nice repair job on the Youth
west. They were Mr. and Mrs. Vin- drum and for the eagle he painted
cent Ibanez of Temecula, California on its side. He has also painted an
and their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Har-eagle on the big drum.
ry S. Van Oss of Bremerton.

It was nice to see our friends, Lyd-in attendance at the last League
ia and Isadore Johnson of Wapato whomeeting and we were glad to have
were in town over night, along with them, and we want to say Thanks to
Isadore's nephew, Adrian.

Jane E. Goforth of Washington,
D. C. read about our proposed
longhouse and sent along her
contribution.

Levi Swan, brother of Joy
Smythe and Dicie Kauffman has
been in the hospital and we
hope he is recovered by now.

Our sympathies to Jay and
Alma Chastain at the loss
of his father.

Some members of the
Northwest Intertribal
dance club traveled to McNeil Island ready for an official opening later
to put on a program there. They al- this year.
so performed at the Firland Sanitar-
ium.

ATTENTION PLEASE: Watch for the
December issue of Sunset Magazine
(Western edition). They will show
pictures of crafts at the Indian
Center as suggestions for Christmas.

Earl George has returned to work
after vacationing in California,
Mexico and Arizona.

CORRECTION: We have been informed
that we have had another three-gen-
eration family who joined the Amer-
ican Indian Women's Service League
two years ago. They are Tillie
Cavanaugh (Sioux), her daughter,
Carol Parry, and Carol's daughter,
Vivian Jones.

Several ladies from Neah Bay were
in attendance at the last League
meeting and we were glad to have
all of them for paying their dues.
They were: Julia Rodebush, Barbara
Patterson, Virginia Holden, Ione
Bowe chop, Nora Barker and Mabel
Robertson.

A first-time visitor to the
Indian Center was Alfred Jo-
seph(Carrier) of New Hazel-
ton, B. C., a carver who
was in Seattle for a month
working with Duane Pasco.
He instructs in silver
as well as carving and
has been working at
Ksan Village where a
series of 5 long

houses are being refurbished getting
ready for an official opening later
this year.

We had guests from Bucharest, Rou-
mania brought here by Collin E.
Ostrander, U. S. Information Agency,
Washington, D. C. Petru Balean,
Television film director, and Mir-
cea Gherghinescu, cameraman, who
were looking for some ideas for
pictures on Indians.. They decided
to film the Upward Bound Counseling
staff walking to the Indian Center
to work. Participating were Jean
Hunt, Sharon Chase, Cindy Doney,
and Jim Somday. As a result of this
the scholarship fund is \$40 richer,
thanks to secretary Adeline Garcia's
suggestion.

MORE TEEPEES

A double baby shower was given for Girlie McClurg and Mrs. Jull, at the Center, and attended by members of the League and Indian program.

Modelle Mudd was a recent patient at University Hospital. She and her husband will soon be moving to Canada to live.

Ada Deer (Menominee) of Wisconsin recently paid the Center a visit, and talked to Jean Hunt and Pearl Warren. Ada is currently the director of the Upward Bound program at Wisconsin State University, Stevens Point, Wisconsin. She was in Seattle attending the Girl Scout convention and is one of two Indian women who has been asked to serve on the National Advisory Board of Girl Scouts. The other is Ladonna Harris.

REPORT ON FIRST POTLUCK OF THE YEAR: Marirose Morris (Sioux) would like to thank the following helpers who worked with her on the first Pot luck dinner of the year, Ramona Bennett (Puyallup), her mother, Gertrude Church, Liz Saludo (Shuswap), Ida Dahl (Steilacoom), and Gloria Huntington, associate member. Thanks also go to the men who helped, Ernest Jones (Haida), George Kushnik (Thlin), Johnny Moses (Eskimo), Walter Simon, (Eskimo), Walter was down here from Nome, Alaska where he is a foreman for ACE (Alaska Communication Engineers).

Garnet Hefner, daughter of LaVerne Hefner, will be married on November 1 to Phil Charles, Jr., the ceremony to be held at Lower Elwha near Port Angeles.

ATTENTION: ALL MEMBERS OF THE LUMMI TRIBE

Registration for the Lummi Indian

Reservation election which will be held on December 6, must be completed very shortly. Lummis can register by sending their registration to:

Kenneth Placid
Box 54
Marietta, Washington 98268

Absentee ballots will also be available by sending to Mr. Placid.

MESSAGE FROM GLEN EAGLE SPEAKER AND FAMILY

Mr. Glen Eagle Speaker and family wish to thank all of his friends who participated in the 'Welcome Home' party for his daughter, Mrs. Glenda L. Fleming, who has returned home after serving two years in the army as a PFC. She was stationed at West Point, N. Y. and before that in New Jersey and Alabama. She intends to enjoy just being home for a while; then plans to return to her second year of college. Her husband, Bill Fleming, is in Vietnam but hopes to be returning by next summer to join his wife.

The party was held at Haller Lake Club House on October 10, with dinner followed by songs, dances and drumming provided by the Northwest Intertribal Club.

Frank White Buffalo Man (Sioux) performed several specialty acts; the Snohomish tribe of Tulalip, a 'Welcome' dance; (Pattie Golin, daughter of Mrs. Bernie Golin with Mrs. Harriet Dover singing); feather dance by the daughters of Vivian Kaclamat (Yakima). Other acts were done by Al Bennally (Navajo) and Norton and Abel Eagle Speaker (Blood) plus a naming ceremony to give Glenda her Indian name, Pretty Star. The family says "Thank you" to guests bearing gifts.

WITH PEARL WARREN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SEATTLE INDIAN CENTER

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| | Oct. 23 -) | American Indians-United |
| | 24 -) | 2nd Annual Convention in |
| | 25 -) | San Francisco (2 days |
| | 26 -) | vacation time) |
| Oct. 1 - | | Soroptomist noon luncheon |
| 2 - | | Lunch with city officials on Longhouse project |
| | | King County committee on Law Enforcement |
| 3 - | | Parkside School to speak to students |
| | | Meeting with Janet Abrams of Stanford University |
| 6 - | | King County Comprehensive Health Planning Council |
| | | Eve. - Seattle Mental Health meeting |
| 7 - | | Janet Abrams - Stanford |
| | | Ingraham High School - speaker |
| | | Bellevue Community College - speaker |
| 8 - | | Thorndyke Elementary tour |
| 9 - | | American Indian Women's Service League meeting |
| 10 - | | Operating Committee meeting luncheon |
| 13 - | | Council on Planning Affiliates at Plymouth Congr. Church |
| 14 - | | To Olympic Peninsula with counselor |
| 15 - | | Soroptomists |
| | | - Mtg. with Therese Hanway |
| | | - Insurance Comm. Mtg. |
| 16 - | | Agency Executives mtg. for UGN |
| 17 -) | | Chicago - American Indians |
| 18 -) | | United Executive Board |
| 19 -) | | Meeting |
| 20 - | | South Mercer Island Jr. High School - 9th grade history students - speaker |
| | | Eve. - speaker, Newport Hills Church |
| 21 - | | UGN Speaker to Blue Cross employees |
| | | Eve. - Appt. with Bill Murdock |
| 22 - | | Garfield High School - speaker - 2 sessions |
- Oct. 27 - Upward Bound staff mtg.
- 27 -) Washington Association
- 28 -) Social Welfare - Annual conference - Olympia
- 28 - Advisory Board - Model Cities
- 29 - Indian Center appts.
- 31 - UGN Agency executives meeting
- Albert Chatsis, President of the Big Bear Indian and Metis Development Society of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan is interested in a cultural material exchange on a loan basis. He is putting together an Art, fashion and Handicraft show and invites inquiries from Indians with material they would be willing to loan for the exhibit. Address: 525 24th St. East, Saskatoon, Sask.
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- NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS OF THE INDIAN CENTER NEWS
- All paid-up members of the American Indian Women's Service League will have their names in the next issue of the Indian Center News.
- This is a reminder that dues for 1969-70 are due and only if paid will names remain on the News mailing list.
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- LONGHOUSE NEWS
- Joyce Reyes (Warm Springs) will act as Indian Center and AIWSL representative on the Lake Union Study Committee. Appointed at the last Service League meeting, Joyce will be part of the team planning land use for the long-term project.

ON REARING ALLISON BRIDGES OCTOBER 30, 1969

The tears and terror she shared today.
Born of Indian fishers and quietly proud.
She wept and wailed of sister and father beaten by strutting
scared fine figures of fishery men.
Numbering sixty they came to frighten a few.

Nisqually waters bear fruit of a sudden forbidden.
Old treaties rot and crumble under the stares of state's at-
attorneys.

Tribal men resolve to fight or die while the county jailer
arms himself with an ordinance ordaining him barber --
shaver of Indian heads held too high.

Sy Schwartz

PUT IT ON YOUR CALENDAR NOW
CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 12 to 3

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