

Editorial

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Letters to the Editor:

Hang gliders test reservation sites

President of the Oregon Hang Gliders Association phoned Spillyay Tymoo with the following information. It is the association's desire to hang glide from various points on the reservation.

In January I had a discussion with Eugene Greene and Amos Simtustus about the possibility of flying on the reservation.

During the rodeo at Root Feast time two regional competitors put on an exhibition. Pilot of the first glider, Reed Gleason, is safety officer and flight director for the Oregon Hang Gliders Association. The second pilot is Klus Savier, who has flown gliders in Canada, Europe and the United States.

On arrival in Warm Springs we talked with Spud who arranged for us to have an escort to a take-off point. We made contact with tribal rangers to find out which roads for access were available.

We launched from Tenino Point where there were broken granite cliffs. All hang glider pilots have altimeters and gauges to tell whether the air is

moving up or down. We also watched some hawks that were flying.

By the time the first glider launched the wind had died down. He made a pass above a new development and landed at the tribal administration building with no problems.

The second pilot came across about 300 feet above the rodeo grounds. A thermal wind came in enabling him to fly over and around the rodeo grounds. The announcer arranged it so the arena would be clear. After 15 minutes he did land in the arena near the fence. One of the passes for certification is to be able to clear obstacles and land in a small area.

We attempted to find other locations to launch that evening. We went to the rim south of the rodeo grounds where there are large meadows. If thermal winds developed a pilot could get 3,000 feet above for several hours. We tried for half an hour but the winds were not suitable.

We went near Kah-Nee-Ta, also, and checked out some launch locations there. Nearly every bluff is soarable in winds

of ten miles an hour. It wouldn't require anyone with measurable skill. However if our association a Hang 3 Certification would be necessary to fly these cliffs.

We found one ridge that was fliaible that day and the two pilots flew it and landed together. This was a cliff up a road about one-fourth mile from Eagle Butte near the golf course.

Our objective is trying out these launching sites was to see if the area was fliaible. We have about 70 flying sites already in the state of Oregon, but very few pilots have flown the Warm Springs area.

We will make a report to the Tribal Council concerning the potential to fly. This may turn out to be an added attraction to Kah-Nee-Ta as well, because there exist a few potential sites there.

If the association were permitted to hang glide on the reservation the members would contact the police department on their arrival and show an identification card with the pilot's rating. A level 3 would be permitted to fly and a level 2 if accompanied by a pilot with a level 3 certification who would take responsibility for that person.

I am not unfamiliar with Warm Springs. I've seen thunderheads and wind activity there. Normally, I am over there four or five times a year, being involved with the Indian Health Service out of Portland. I am also a member of the Colville Confederated Tribes.

The association would be interested in being able to launch from the reservation. We would like to be sanctioned by the Tribal Council. Membership is between 125 and 140 members. Those with individual skill levels that would be flying the Warm Springs area would number about 40. It would not be considered a high use area.

Thank you for taking this information.

Vic LaCourse



South End to have phones

Pacific Northwest Bell plans to spend some \$737,600 on various telephone construction projects in the Madras/Warm Springs area this year, according to Glenn Kennedy, manager.

The company's biggest project, costing some \$150,000, will involve placing nearly 19 miles of telephone cable along the Deschutes River to serve several rural homesites south of Warm Springs. PNB plans to bury the cable to protect the natural beauty along the river. Kennedy says work will begin on one portion of the project next month with service on the new route expected this fall.

In Madras, the phone company manager says PNB has scheduled a \$108,700 project for this September which will add room for about 400 more customers in the Madras telephone switching machine.

A number of "medium sized" cable jobs are planned in the Madras area this year, Kennedy says. One of them, a \$60,000 project to place nearly four miles of new cable on Belmont Lane and Prineville Highway, is slated to begin this month and be in service by July. Growth in the area created the need for the work, the PNB manager says.

Two poodles lost

One light brown male answers to the name, of "Cholo," and one brown female that answers to the name of, "Meeah."

These animals belong to Thomas McLurkey in Portland. He lost them on Monday April 7th, approximately 14 miles up stream from Maupin, Oregon, near a place called Dant, Oregon. Six or seven miles down stream from Hardy, near the northern boundry of the Reservation, along the Deschutes River.

Mr. McLarkey is offering a reward for the return of these poodles, if you see and find them, you can call him collect. Phone 1 (503) 227-4862.

Facility needed

To the Editor:

Referring to the last article in the Spillyay Tymoo. I would like to say I don't like to be threatened to cast my vote as a "yes" vote.

The article says we might lose our law and justice system to the federal government or they could close down our present facility. I don't believe we have another alternative but to pass it. If this article came out before the vote we wouldn't

be taking a second vote costing us \$3,000.

Our present facility has been condemned for over two years. What happened to our comprehensive plan? How much money could we have saved voting on the criminal justice center three years ago?

I hope our new council has a better look at the future than our past.

Tribal Member
Levi Bobb

Arbor Day successful

Dear Sir:

The following is a letter to the Editor:

We at Madras Junior High extend a big thank you to the

students, parents, staff and community people who helped to make our Arbor Day planting a success. As Bill Houts, school board chairman stated, "These seventy-five participants gave something special, they gave of themselves."

Sincerely,

Janet Dobry
Assistant Principal

Baby Sitter

7 a.m to 5 p.m. Infants to preschool, Ginni Martinez, on campus location 553-1655.

Thanks Mom

Hey Mom, Remember....
Holding my hand,
Tying my shoes,
Holding me close,
When my feeling were bruised?
Dressing me up,
To send me to school
Setting me down
For breaking a rule?
Encouraging me,
When I got depressed,
Keeping up with me,
When you needed a rest?
Talking with me,
When I wanted to cry,
Laughing with me,
Asking me why?
Being the friend,
Who was always there,
Teaching me,
To respect and to care.
Hey Mom, I Remember
So much I've needed you,
And you were always there
How can I return
All the love and the care,
Those priceless things
That you always share?
No matter how far away
I am from you.
Many times a day,
I think of you.
I'm hoping you're happy,
I'm hoping life is good.
You've had so many hardships
You never deserved.
This is so little,
But I want you to know....
Mom, always remember,
I Love you so.

Thank You
Pam