

# Editorial E Coosh EEWA:

(The way it is)



## Letters to the editor Smith recognized for superior actions

### Thank you for sharing

Sir,

I've been living here on your reservation for slightly over a year and a half. Although not all my experiences with tribal members have been successful, due greatly to my lack of understanding as well as to the understandable distrust of outsiders here, many of my contacts with the culture have been warm and caring.

I am a runner and have enjoyed running on your many beautiful roads throughout the reservation. In my brief stay I've learned to love this land perhaps as much as many of the original inhabitants. I have also learned to care about the people and the culture with which I come into contact every day.

There is much of great value here in Warm Springs and, as I am to leave your midst in a short while, I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the people of this area for experiences I will carry with me for the rest of my life.

I thank all of the people of Warm Springs and Simnasho for extending their kindness and hospitality to me and allowing me to grow into a fuller understanding of myself in relation to another set of values, another way of looking at things.

Sincerely,

Jim Kernaghan

*This letter was sent to R. Gene Smith, a member of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. He has been serving as Captain of Police on the Bois Forte Reservation.*

**Captain Smith:**

This is to personally convey my deep appreciation for the superior manner in which you fulfilled your responsibilities as Captain of Police for the Bureau of Indian Affairs at Minnesota Agency, with a duty station on the Bois Forte Indian Reservation.

Your voluntary acceptance of reassignment from Red Lake Agency and entry on duty at Boise Forte on December 18, 1980 occurred during a period of considerable confusion and hectic efforts on our part to reestablish the Law Enforcement program following retrocession by the tribal government

and reassignment by the Bureau of formerly contracted activities. From the beginning you exhibited a keen desire to do a good job and your enthusiasm, leadership and dedication to duty made a difficult task considerably lighter for myself and other supervisory management personnel.

The first few months of your assignment, you, as we, had to contend with severe budgetary and personnel constraints and a need to "make-do" with untrained, unskilled personnel who were temporarily appointed on a short-term basis as funding permitted. In spite of the obvious programmatic difficulties presented during your assignment with this Agency, your technical knowledge and skill enabled effective, efficient performance of all duties and was a source of personal reassurance for me. Finally, the

thoroughly professional manner in which you directed and led the Law Enforcement operational response to the serious civil disturbance occurring in Nett Lake in June, 1981, was highly commendable and effectively curbed the potential for even greater public danger and damage to property.

Our Law Enforcement personnel and the job they do is a source of great pride to this Agency and the Bois Forte Band of Chippewa. It is to your personal credit that we now have a fully staffed and highly skilled and efficiently operating Law Enforcement Program.

R.N. Mayotte  
Superintendent

*Editors note: Smith is now working with the police force on the Rosebud Indian reservation in South Dakota.*

## Lloyd Smith named to committee

To the Editor,

*To: Educators and Persons Interested in Educational Equity*

During the past year, the State Board of Education has been reviewing existing rules and policies of the Department of Education dealing with equal educational opportunity to make certain they are functioning in the best interests of all students in Oregon schools and community colleges.

To help assure that the Department's administrative rules and policies best serve the needs of students, I have appointed an ad hoc equal educational opportunity review committee to make

recommendations to my office. The members of the committee are: Rev. John Garlington, Portland; Mr. Lloyd Smith, Warm Springs; Ms. Ardyth Christianson, Independence; Mr. Bob Gutierrez, Corvallis, and Ms. Jewell Bell, Eugene.

The committee has scheduled two hearings in order to obtain public input on these issues, the dates are as follows:

April 27, Portland  
7-9:30 p.m.  
Martin Luther King Community Center  
4906 NE 6th Avenue

May 5, Eugene  
7-9 p.m.  
Lane ESD  
1200 Highway 99N

If you have any concerns, ideas or suggestions and would like the committee to hear them, please mark these dates on your calendar. If you cannot attend but would like to make your views known, you may submit written comments to the committee in care of this office. All letters will be considered if they are received prior to May 10. If you would like copies of the Department's current rules and policies dealing with nondiscrimination and equity, please contact Mr. Larry Mylnechuk at 378-8532, who will be happy to answer any questions you might have.

Verne A. Duncan  
State Superintendent  
of Public Instruction

## Thanks for help

To the Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW,

I'd like to take this time to express my thanks for your monetary help when my son needed his ear operation. With

only a few hours notice you made arrangements to help and were kind and did it gladly. Thank you very much.

Mr. & Mrs Doug Crane and Family

## Bags missing

Someone has stolen three beaded bags. One bag has three ducks on a stream. The second bag is heart shaped with two or three deer on it. Both of these

have blue backgrounds. The third missing bag is an older style, beaded on both sides.

If anyone is trying to sell these bags please call 553-1182.

## Know some grads?

The Education Committee is planning a third annual graduation banquet to recognize all tribal member graduates. The committee requests information concerning any tribal member who is

graduating from high school, boarding school, college or GED out of the Warm Springs or Madras areas to contact the education office at 553-1161, Ext. 252, before May 21.

## Thanks for \$\$

To Tribal Council and Members,

The amount of appreciation cannot be expressed in words to the council for supporting the Warm Springs Bravettes basketball team at the NIAA national tournament held last week. Our team is comprised of members who have numerous job responsibilities and fund raising as known in our community is demanding and time consuming.

The financial support made available has contributed to keeping the Bravettes Basketball and Softball teams together at a time when we tend to grow apart. Thank you for letting us represent our tribe.

Julie Mitchell

Julie Mitchell  
Fran Moses,  
and the Bravettes team members

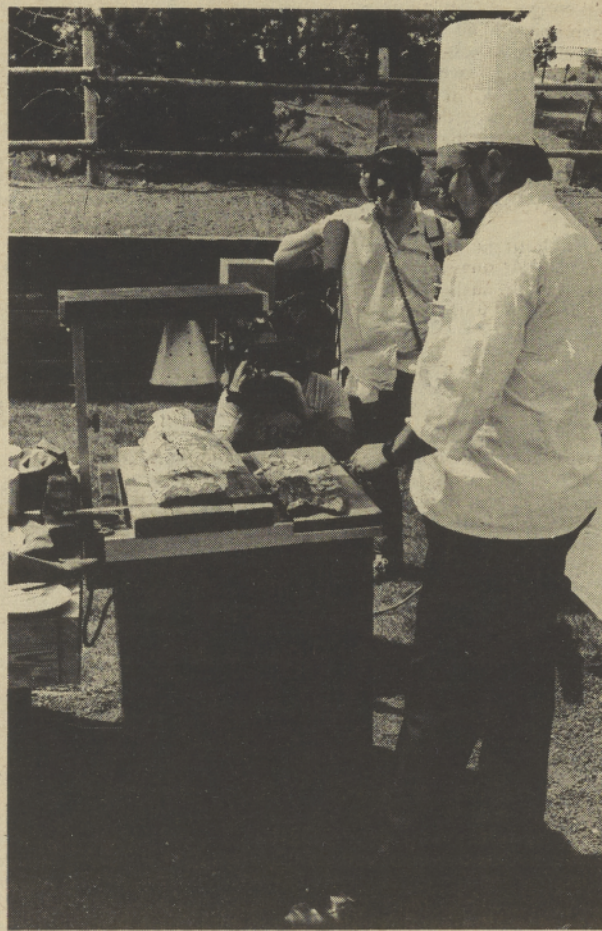
## Thank you for caring

To all who helped,

Our heartfelt thanks to all the relatives and friends who helped in every way they were able to. Thanks to the people for the words of comfort, for it helped ease the pain we felt for

the loss of our loved one, Clifford.

Sincerely,  
Laura (Crowe) Stwyer  
Esther Stewart, Ramona Starr  
and David Crowe



CAMERA PERFECT

Salmon, barbecued buffalo and fried bread were just a few of the items recently prepared for the National PM Magazine. Kah-Nee-Ta will be featured on the PM Magazine in late summer or early fall along with Timberline Lodge and the Columbia Gorge. Above, Kah-Nee-Ta chef Ivan Rebensteiger shows part of the crew salmon that was cooked around an open fire.

Spliyay Tymoo photo by Behrend