

Editorial

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(The way it is)
Letters to the Editor—



Miss Warm Springs extends gratitude

To the Editor,

I really want to let all of you know that the Blanket Dance that was held for me at our He He Longhouse was greatly appreciated by me. The Blanket Dance totaled \$116.98 which bought gas to get to Sheridan, Wyoming, also the snacks to get there and which by the way, kept us awake to drive.

The money received also let me have enough money to take my family through Yellowstone Park after the Sheridan Pageant. Thank you all for helping me to afford that—it's something we all thoroughly enjoyed—the Old Faithful scene, the elk, moose and deer and the beautiful scenery. I wish I could have had all of you with me as I'll probably not have another chance to see it again.

As for the pageant for Miss Indian America, the purpose of my trip, it was a very nice experience for me. I'll probably never get another chance at that particular title again. There was a lot of real competition of talent there from the East-North Carolina, the South-Arizona-the North-Canada-the West-myself. In all, there were 19 girls competing, ages were 19-25.

For my talent (modern), I recited the poem of "Simtus" which was very well received. My traditional talent was a demonstration which I showed the cutting of men's leggings.

There were questions by the judges panels, two sessions, traditional and modern. Both of which I felt I had no problems with in my answers. Incidentally, there were twelve judges.

Also the Miss Indian America Pageant has been moved to Bismark, North Dakota for the 1985 pageant for this year was the last pageant to be held in Sheridan.

A parade was held on Saturday in the morning, I participated in the parade. We decorated my pickup as we had for the Fourth of July parade here at Warm Springs.

I had a traditional display entered in competition from which I got two, first place winners and a third place. I received a first place for a Klickitat basket that belonged to my mom's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tai-a-Wea Dick. I also received a first place ribbon for a black shell dress made by Mrs. Lilly Meanus, my grandmother's first cousin. The third place ribbon came for a pair of

moccasins I made for my nephew, Jonathan. They were my very first pair that I personally made.

However, I did have two large tables of items on display but those were the only items that placed for ribbons.

Upon completion of reign as Miss Warm Springs, I will have a display to show my accomplishments for my Tribe, for that is what this is all about, my people.

I cannot express the gratitude I felt at He He, for the \$98.16 blanket dance, the \$20 from Grandma Alice Florendo, \$5 from Jeanette Yazzie, and the shawl and two yarn belts for the gifts of exchange from Eliza Brown (which my roommates at Sheridan really enjoyed) and all the prayers, well wishes that were given on my departure. I can sure use those as I have more travels coming up, please keep those coming...

Again, thank all of you for the moral and physical and monetary support, all the love extended by all. I only hope I can do well for you.

Miss Warm Springs XI
Lena Kim Ike

Looking for pen pal

To the Editor,

My name is Nina Elisabeth Thorsen, and I'm a 18 year old Norwegian girl.

The reason why I write is that I hope you'll be able to help me so I can get contact with Indians. I've been interested in the old Indian culture and history for a long time, and always wanted to get contact with Indians, get pen-pals. I want to learn more about the culture of the various tribes, and at the same time get new friends.

Next year I'm planning to travel to the U.S. to see and

learn more about this culture I've been interested in since I was a child.

I'm an artist, doing artwork like drawing, writing and painting, most of Indians.

The place where I live is on the coast of South Norway. I really hope that you'll be able to help me so I can get Indian pen-pals, it would really make me very thankful.

Sincerely,
Nina Elisabeth Thorsen
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Support your Kah-Nee-Ta shops

by Bernyce Courtney

The Kah-Nee-Ta Village Craft Shop is inviting interested tribal members, Confederated Tribes employees, Kah-Nee-Ta employees and other interested persons to frequent and purchase from our worthwhile inventory.

The Shop has t-shirts in adult and children sizes, adult-size sweatshirts and flashdance style T's in Indian and Kah-Nee-Ta designs. Help promote our enterprise by wearing Kah-Nee-Ta proudly!

A new item is sterling silver is the teepee logo in tie-tacks,

charms and earrings. They're cute and part of the Confederated Tribes logo, too. They are great gift items.

Also available in sterling, turquoise, coral, jet and various shells is southwest-style jewelry.

Useful Degrazia artwork is available on magnets, hotpads and plaques. It's about that time to think about Christmas gifts! Beadwork is on sale along with 1/2 price Bell sterling which includes baby rings. All boys swimwear, size 3-7 is on sale for \$3.00.

Tribal Council Agenda

September 4 Tribal Council Meeting

1. 9:00 a.m. Business
2. 10:00 a.m. Budget Presentation Overview/Summary Documents

September 5 Tribal Council Meeting

1. 9:00 a.m. Business
2. 9:30 a.m. Secretary/Treasurer-Ralph
3. 1:30 p.m. Community Services Manager-Ed

September 6 Tribal Council Meeting

1. 9:30 a.m. Business
2. 9:30 a.m. Health Branch/Bob Jackson and Directors (4)
3. 1:30 p.m. Justice Services/Ray Calica (1)

September 10 Tribal Council Meeting

1. 9:00 a.m. Business
2. 10:00 a.m. Public Works/Jeff and Directors
3. 1:30 p.m. Education and Training/Jody (4)

September 11 Tribal Council Meeting

1. 9:00 a.m. Business
2. 9:30 a.m. Fiscal Services
3. 1:30 p.m. Natural Resources

September 12 Tribal Council Meeting

1. 9:00 a.m. Business
2. 9:30 a.m. Financial Services
3. 1:30 p.m. Natural Resources

September 13 Tribal Council Meeting

1. 9:00 a.m. Enterprise Manager
2. 1:30 p.m. Credit

Locals attend San Jose wedding

To the Editor,

"We would like to acknowledge the marriage of Anthony (Lil' Tony) Wilhelm for the benefit of all his relatives in Warm Springs. Tony is the son of Tribal Member, Charlotte (Negal) Wilhelm of San Jose, California.

Charlotte is the daughter of the late Inez (Stacona) Switzler, and the Great-Great Granddaughter William "Billy Chinook" Parker.

Elvina and daughter, Susan, had the opportunity of attending the wedding of Tony over the weekend of August 18th. We were assured that they were both treated like royalty by Charlotte and daughter Charmaine, and Tony's in-laws (non-Indians).

Charlotte sends her regrets that not more of her relatives



were able to attend and she was sorry that she did not send out more invitations than was possible, but we can plan on seeing her and her family next Pi-Ume-Sha 1985.