

Editorial

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(The way it is)

Letters to the Editor—



Member upset by police treatment

Tribal Members,
Gerald Smith, Justice Service
Administrator,
Police Department,

They came five abreast up the hill. Their cars blocking escape from Little Oitz Loop. It was still daylight. We were caught unaware. I had the feeling they did not know how to deal with me. A sober grandmother, over fifty, at a party.

Not everyone was drinking. Dads, uncles, aunts, moms, brothers, sisters and co-workers were all sharing our happy feelings for the newlywed couple. Our sin, in the eyes of the police, was not containing the party in the couple's home. But we were never told that this overflow had caused a problem with the surrounding neighbors.

When asked what the complaint was, we were all "bawled out" for not fighting the Lower Dry Creek fire. And, we were told that the party was over, to get in our cars and leave. But, how were we to leave; were we to go right through their police cars?

Two young boys were loaded in one police car. Another, who had no car to go to, was taken down the hill and shoved over the carhood, face down, by a police officer apparently drunk on his own power. The young man was handcuffed and put in the police car. He gave no resistance.

And now, up the hill again... People who had been drinking resisted and shouted at the police. When one mother says her child is in a car and could she get her, one officer says, "No, go inside, its okay." She goes. But, it is not okay. He turns and tells his superior, "There is a child over in the car," implying that the child

had been abandoned. The child is by now scared and crying. I told him, "Leave her alone, she is my grandchild. I had been getting watermelon for her when they came."

Leaving me, the officer I think is the "Captain," yells into an open window of the house, "All older people will be taken for contributing along with the owner, if we do not stay inside the house." We still don't know what the complaint is.

It was not my first experience of police being called to a party I attended, but we always knew what the complaint was. And we were usually given a warning with courtesy. Also, if the people could not control the party themselves, then and only then, were the police called and usually only two officers arrived. But I am told that this excessive abuse of private citizens is a common occurrence.

People who are shoved are going to shove back, especially when they are drinking. And young people get more stubborn. Is it this abuse of power that our children resist? How are they treated in jail? Are they always treated with so little respect?

I'm told in writing this I will only make things worse; that there will be reprisals. It will come back on us. Had we resisted, would Little Oitz Loop be burned down as the "Move" neighborhood in that eastern city? This is Warm Springs. I never thought we needed "swat team" tactics.

Our children, our young people are our future. Our children must be shown respect if they are to respect others and the laws of our community.

Concerned Katsa,
Jeannie Danzuka

Aguilars thank many for help

To the Editor,

This letter is to thank the local people at Warm Springs for their participation and fellowship in our tent revival. Specific thanks to the tribal council and committee members for the donation of the toilet facilities and the use of the Camp Naami Tamanwit grounds. The W.S.F.P.I. for the donation of wood chips, and Jefferson County School District for the use of electricity, the Community Center and the Full Gospel Church for the use of their chairs.

Appreciation for Alice Florendo and Hilda Culpus for the food and others who prepared foods. Special thanks to those who helped put up the tent and

to take it down.

Special appreciation goes to our Evangelists Merle and Rose Williams and family and for our guests from Washington, Nevada and Portland.

My wife and I thank Jesus that there is a most High God who can bring people of all faith and religion's together for the purpose of worship.

Bobb pleased with response

To the Editor,

I was very pleased with the response I received from the community regarding my letter printed recently in the Spilyay.

Apparently, it is an issue that needed to be exposed, dealt with and eliminated for quite some time by the sound of the reports I've received.

The elimination process has already begun just by your expressing concern and speaking out. We still need your complaints documented. If you have a complaint be sure to contact me or the investigators Main and/or Kirk. I need to add your names and addresses to our list, too, for our records and future reference.

Believe me, we don't plan on letting our concerns fade away or to be filed and forgotten. Nor, do we plan on allowing this to continue in our community. Someone has to listen and intervene, we need your input.

Surely there are better alternatives to the arrest procedures now being used. Indian people are human beings no matter what condition they're under when placed under arrest and we deserve to be treated as such.

Some alternatives are: Better police interaction with the community it serves; Mandatory orientation and cultural awareness by every officer hired; thorough screening of officers for bias and or other problems at the last place of employment; alter-

Watch found

Found: Lady's watch. Call and identify. 553-1296 or stop at Elliott Heights #2221.

Thank you for your time,
a parent, a coach and an observer,
Jerry Sampson

Crane explains Karate Class success

To the Editor,

The Self-Defense Class of Friday July 19, found many of the students apprehensive. Instructor Glenn Hiatt brought and cut enough 1" boards, so each student was given three, that, we were informed, we would break in class. To show what can be accomplished in self-defense training, Hiatt broke two 2" thick bricks, using his forehead. After teaching us the proper physical and mental conditioning, each of the students, biggest to the smallest had broken their boards, many breaking two 1" boards for their first try. It was a lesson in confidence-building that all students enjoyed.

On July 26th, we did some



Randy Nathan and Glenn Hiatt

review work on lessons, for some new students it was a time to catch-up on what had been learned by the students who have attended since the beginning. The students are doing

great, you can see it in their eyes and in the confidence in their step. That they are also feeling great.

Clarice Crane

Royalty resigns

Editor's Note: In late June, Miss Warm Springs 1985 Elfreda Mitchell resigned. Lenora Starr, who held that title in 1983, was selected to fulfill the 1985 reign.

Dear Committee:

Please accept this letter as my official resignation as "Miss Warm Springs."

My reason is personal and related to future plans.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for showing confidence in me to represent The Confederated Tribes as "Miss Warm Springs."

I apologize if this may cause any inconvenience but, I believe this is the best thing to do.

Sincerely,
Elfreda Mitchell
Warm Springs, Oregon

Dear Elfreda,

The Miss Warm Springs Com-

mittee would like to Thank You for your reign as Miss Warm Springs.

Anna Clements,
Chairman
Miss Warm Springs, Oregon

Dear Elfreda,

On behalf of the Tribal Council, I would like to extend a sincere expression of appreciation for the wonderful representation you have graciously provided for The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. Your presence at the events have been truly in the manner expected of Miss Warm Springs. We wish you well in the plans you have chosen to follow. Again, thank you for being our representative to the public.

Sincerely,
Delbert Frank, Sr.,
Vice-Chairman
Tribal Council

Unhappy with coaches

To the Editor,

As an observer of this year's Jefferson County Little League All-Star team, I feel really proud that my son was selected to be on this special team. This is but a little show of gratitude that I will show for my son's summer accomplishments.

My real concern is that I have been around Little League and I do know that their is talent around Jefferson County that can compete with other counties, but some of the cream from Jefferson County never made it to the selections, and only a chosen few made it. Granted, those who did play made a very respectable showing. As for me, I didn't cherish the thought of our league being used as a welcome mat for everyone. The basis for the selection of both players and coaches needs to be upgraded! When any coach lets mistake build up on mistake without the player being scolded or shown how to correct errors is the biggest mistake of all. Then players can use this as a basis of "why should I try any harder—they won't say anything."

I have very little respect if any for this year's coaches, because in my own opinion A) no discipline; and B) never should have been there in the first place.

The manager was one who couldn't even field a team for a game, but had a position on the all-star coaching level.

This Little League program

is supposed to be a program used to help our future players, but from what I saw it took all players six weeks or longer to let someone know that they could play the game and it took a whole lot less time for the coaches to demoralize them as individuals. As my thoughts are: they may be good at teaching some things but baseball isn't one of them. My kids learned more in the minors then what they were given during all-star practice.

My feelings are that the best should be playing with the best; and not because of close ties! And coached by the best.

I've been as patient as long as I could, but this old habit is going to have to change! Even if it means for some people to step down and get out of Little League in order for the future players to benefit from the program. I've seen a bunch of good players literally quit because of being picked on or disrespectful to the coach. A coach has to earn the players' respect and not just expect it.

I have few more choice words, but my criticizing has to stop—I'm a person who won't stand for this to happen again.

My kids will participate in sports and I am very hesitant to let them play for either of these two people because I am a non-believer in the tactics used.

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Attendance during the six month period

| Name | Jan. | | Feb. | | March | | April | | May | | June | | Total P | Total A |
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| Calica, Larry | 8 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 71 | 6/D |
| Clements, Michael | 7 | 1 | 9 | 1 | 13 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 10 | 1 | 9 | 3 | 60 | 10/D |
| Frank, Delbert, Sr. | 6 | 2 | 8 | 1 | 4 | 3 | Sick L. | | 3 | 8 | 13 | 0 | 34 | 16/D |
| Frank, Jacob, Sr. | 2 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 12 | 2 | 10 | 3 | 9 | 3 | 14 | 0 | 54 | 6/D |
| Heath, Delvis | 5 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 14 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 66 | 8/D |
| Henry, Vernon | 3½ | 4½ | 8 | 2 | 7 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 8 | 3 | 10 | 1 | 44½ | 13/D |
| Jackson, Zane | 7 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 11 | 1 | 14 | 0 | 68 | 8/D |
| Johnson, Ellen | 6 | 2 | 10 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 12 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 13 | 1 | 67 | 6/D |
| Kalama, Nick | 4½ | 3½ | 10 | 0 | Sick Leave | | | | Sick L. | | Sick L. | | 14½ | Sick L. |
| Mitchell, Bernice | 5 | 3 | 10 | 0 | 12 | 2 | 8 | 5 | 9 | 1 | 14 | 0 | 58 | 7/D |
| Wallulatum, Nelson | | | 6 | 2 | 14 | 1 | 11 | 1 | 11½ | ½ | 6 | 8 | 48½ | 7/D |

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