

Editorial E Coosh EEWA:

(The way it is)
Letters to the Editor—



"Spilyay Speaks"

Member disapproves of amendment



Mother's Day, May 11, is a very special day for all family members. A day when Mom is Queen, Goddess of the family. Children will make all kinds of plans for this very special day. There should be nothing to stand in the way to make Mother's Day one for her to remember.

We all take things for granted and never realize what a job mom has. Her role in the everyday life style as we tend to carry on our daily tasks. Some going off to school, to work or whatever it is we do we never realize what we leave "mom" with at home. She has to clean, pick-up, wash the clothes, plan the family meals and just about everything else.

Celebrating events such as this can be a very joyous time, but it is always better when we celebrate this with the one we and that's "Mother." So Mother's Day is a very gratifying day as we say thanks for a "job well done."

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Today all the activities are really picking up all over the place where families will be traveling to powwows, rodeo's and other sporting events on weekends and this will continue all summer long. Posters are up all over the place of upcoming powwow's.

Powwow, celebrations, or whatever people like to prefer to them are starting all over the country. Today it's like a livelihood for the talented dancer. There are several hundreds of dollars put up for each event in different categories of Indian native dancing. So if a person is a pretty good dancer he could live pretty well from all the prize money. This involves a lot of travel from place to place, and no matter where the powwow is the followers will get there. I made a remark once when I said, a little snow, people will stay home their routine so gracefully to the rhythm of the drum-beats. will get there, even if they have to push their car halfway, nothing will stop them. Yikes, I might get tarred and feathered if I say more about powwows. It is great to see one of these dances though. The talented dancers pass through their routine so gracefully to the rhythm of the drum-beats. Reminds me of the days when no could beat me doing the fancy dance. . . Ayyeyee balls. . . The end.

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When I was a kid, I used to lick all the kids on the block except the O'Hara's. Had trouble with them, they were boys. YIKES

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Father is no heavy drinker, he weighs only 110 pounds. YIKES

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Mom likes to sit by the spinning wheel. Last night she won a hundred bucks on the red. YIKES.

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Pop was a man of broad vision. He could spot a broad a mile away. YIKES

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Historians have found the first treaty the U.S. Government signed with the Indians. It states, "The Indians can keep their lands for as long as the rivers run clear, the buffalo roam, the grass grows tall and the mountains stand proud. . . or ninety days. . . or which ever comes first." YIKES

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To the people,

I wish to speak up about the upcoming reapportionment election since I feel that I am in a unique, but common, position with many other tribal members.

When I was approached with the petition for the reapportionment question, I was under the impression that the question would be developed by the people, with options to be discussed in public meetings. I believe that I was let down on that point.

I don't believe that this situation is being handled right. The people should be the ones to decide, in advance, on changes to be proposed. It is good to have small groups bring up questions and concerns to help in overcoming apathy and confusion, but the population as a large group needs to have the ultimate voice in final development of changes.

I was surprised at some of the feelings that came out in the Agency reapportionment meeting.

I am unsure that the inten-

tions of the reapportionment pushers are good. Why should an attack be made on our people that are victims of the past government relocation orders of years ago? Is it to antagonize them just because their ancestors were not treaty-signers or is it to control the land set aside as their district for future development in something that we haven't been informed of yet?

Our treaty is the basis of every identity and existence as a people today; our contract with the Federal Government. Is this reapportionment a trick to break that contract to pave the way for forced termination?

The establishment of our chiefs stated in the treaty and are further identified in our Constitution. They are a very special part of what makes our Government unique when compared to other Federal and State agencies. So, is the reapportionment a move to be rid of our chiefs for the personal gain, politically or personally, of a very small special-interest group?

I, personally, do not want to see turmoil in my family as I have children that are intertribal: part-blood from the Wasco and Paiute tribes as well as from across the river. I have friends and relatives in all three districts. I am not about to emotionally cut up or cut off my kids, relatives, or friends because of someone else's ulterior motives.

Our districts, our chiefs, and our people have been here for a long time; working as a group for a long time. Why tear that up completely? There are other alternatives if change is really needed or wanted, but the majority of the people through out the reservation need to develop that change as a group to take to the Tribal Council and the Superintendent.

Let your voice be heard and known by taking the responsibility to gather as a reservation-wide group to decide if we do need changes and to establish options for final selection in making those changes before a petition is carried for signing.

In closing, I believe that the

wording of the ballot on the upcoming reapportionment election is too harsh and may not represent the feelings or intentions of most of our tribal people. Therefore, until the people, as a majority, have had the chance to discuss, develop, and decide on the options that can be made, I urge to vote no on the reapportionment question.

Thank you for taking the time to read and think about this situation.

Marcia A. Macy

OSU powwow set

Dear Friends,

We, the members of the Native American Student Association at Oregon State University, want to extend a special invitation to you to attend our ninth annual Powwow, May 17, 1986, 7:00 p.m. in the Memorial Union Ballroom.

This will be a traditional, rather than a competitive Powwow. The theme this year is "To Honor Our Elders."

More information about Saturday's events will be sent later in a flyer.

Sincerely,
Becky Quinn,
NASA President

Thanks for vote

I would like to thank each and everyone who took the time to vote.

To those who voted your confidence in me, I thank you for your vote, it was appreciated.

I wish to congratulate and wish the best to the people who were selected for Council.

To all the nominees, it was nice to be able to spend time being a part of the election with you. It was nice to be able to spend time talking with you.

I would like to thank Neda and Charlotte for being able to put together such a nice meal for the Simnasho candidates.

Kathleen Foltz

that you can talk to him about at the office.

Remember—habits can be broken and these are some that we have been encountering. Please try very hard to resolve these and give us a break.

Thank you,
Earlynne Graybael

Looking for Vol. 3 No. 3

The Spilyay Tymoo is looking for a copy of one back issue from February, 1978, Vol. 3 No. 3.

This issue is not in our present files. This paper would be returned, after being microfilmed.

This issue is needed before May 9 at 5 p.m.

Thanks Spilyay!

Dear Spilyay Tymoo staff,

I would like to thank each of you for the special assistance given to the school district during the Tribal Mock Elections at the high school and junior high. I realize getting the extra candidates' edition for use in the classroom educational presenta-

tion was an extra task.

I also appreciate all the school news you cover. Please stop by sometime and enjoy a lunch with us.

Keep up the good work!

Thank you,
Sincerely,
Marie Calica

Spouse asks for privacy

To the People,

You've heard the saying—call the plumber when you have problems. It's so convenient to have someone always available to call on when there's a problem. But I would like to ask. Doesn't anyone have any privacy anymore? What I'm saying is that it's very impolite and selfish on your part to call on maintenance people at home.

In case you haven't noticed this has been happening so long that it's a habit that is going to be hard to break. But habits can be broken, so please try very hard to control yourselves.

What this is leading up to is that the Utilities has a call schedule which they give to the Police Department for weekends or special events.

I know my husband can say no to giving a helping hand, which he doesn't often do. But, he doesn't want any argument from anyone. But he will give

up a few hours a day to help anyone in trouble if none of his employees are around to answer the calls. So guys at Utilities, would you please do your part in helping your community with their needs first and then you can do your thing. After all, who is the boss, him or you? Besides who are you working for yourselves or the community.

Anyway, people—please try very hard to call the Police Department to check who is on Utility call or if you need their department staff during the weekends or after hours—call the Police Department and don't call our house for maintenance needs.

For the crew, if you have any problems—personal or work related—please keep them for the office and not come running to the boss to try and get them replaced that way. My husband doesn't like to be caught off guard early in the morning or late in the evening with problems

Race very successful

To the Editor,

I would like to take this time to thank all the people who helped make the 1986 Kah-Nee-Ta Mini-Marathon a very big success. Without these people the race may have been a "rat-race." I personally feel alot of credit goes out to the following people, for all the compliments I have received on a job well done. I would like to mention first names only, so you all know who you are.

Don and Chuck and the Kah-Nee-Ta staff, announcer: Satch, registration: Debbie, Judith, Orthelia, Libby, Lucinda, Starla, Stacy and Margaret. Water stations: Lyle, Joseph, Dorian and Mackie. Set-up: Andy and Fran. Refreshments: Kathleen and Lillyann. The Warm Springs Police Department, and the Fire and Safety department. K. W. S. I. radio. Tom Begay and Terry Squiemphen for sponsorship. And all the Central Oregon merchants who contributed items to our raffle.

This year's race was by far the biggest yet, compared to last year we had close to 45 runners more and we plan on still making it bigger and better. Last but

not least, you the runner, I certainly hope the race went well. Any ideas or suggestions are welcome. You make this event possible, so bring some friends next year to make it even better.

Thank alot,
Austin Greene
Race Director

Traditional foods needed for dinner

An honor dinner for 30 Indian women artists has been planned for June 23rd at the Portland Art Museum and is sponsored by the NW Native American Arts Council. The dinner will be entirely of traditional foods from the Northwest. The Arts Council is willing to purchase the roots and berries since they know how hard it is to gather them. Three quarts of huckleberries, canned or frozen are needed. Approximately four quarts of roots will be needed, (enough to feed 100 people a few tablespoonful). The berries and roots are needed as soon as possible. Please contact Vivian Holden at 11945 SW Linfield Lane, Portland, Oregon 97225, phone 644-2020.

The exhibit, "Women of Sweet-grass, Cedar and Sage," represents the personal and professional involvement of Indian women artists from all over the United States. One of the women included Lillian Pitt, from Warm Springs. The exhibit begins with an opening reception Tuesday

June 24 (everyone is welcome) and continues through July.

Several of the artists will be present for the dinner and the opening reception then will travel with Lillian Pitt to Warm Springs to give a lecture and slide presentation at the Agency Longhouse on the evening of June 25. Speaking will be Jaune Quick-to-see Smith, (Flathead/ French-Cree)

co-curator of the exhibit will speak. Also attending, are Karita Coffee, (commanche), Erin Younger, Director of Atlatl, a Native American Arts service organization, and Lillian Pitt. The public is welcome.

For more information please contact Lillian Pitt, 11528 SE Lincoln, Portland, Oregon, 97216, or phone 252-1854.

**Simnasho District Voters
Run-off Election between
Delbert Frank, Sr.
and
Janice Clements
Thursday, May 29, 1986**