

# Editorial E Coosh EEWA:

(The way it is)  
Letters to the Editor



## "Spilyay Speaks"



What happens to stories that are incomplete? A good question. There are several projects going on here within the reservation and just a few who have complete knowledge of what's taking place.

Here at the Spilyay Tymoo office during deadline time, news articles are hard to complete if the right person is not available and the right information is lacking. We know at time such as this where there is so much alleged disruption and many controversial issues highlighting the BIA scene today that it is difficult to get the right information for our readers.

The main purpose of this comment points towards obtaining information on certain issues

of importance to the Tribal Membership. Almost all the programs in the BIA today are in turmoil; the trust status proposals by the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, has everyone in doubt and is one of the big concerns to the Indian people today. Where are we bound? What does our future look like? What about the education of the Indian children, housing on the reservations, the employment situation and medical services? These are critical issues the Indian People face today.

Spilyay Tymoo staff members make every effort to obtain the correct information on these issues or projects but the main source of information is not always available. Information is too often obtained by someone lower in command and the information is usually not conclusive or accurate and creates doubt on the subject matter. Spilyay Tymoo staff members make calls to various departments heads, or those in authority on these issues, only to find them out of the office and they never respond to messages to return calls. The main point here is if a person called knows the information needed to complete the article but does not want to be quoted on any matter, he should at least call and say that he does not wish to make any comment on the subject and not leave us dangling, wondering what's going on. It is hard to be put on the spot, making comments but these are issues that need to get out to the Indian People. It would be polite to answer calls.

## 1910 Shaker Church host annual convention

The Warm Springs 1910 Shaker Church will hold a fall convention September 10-13, 1987 in Warm Springs. In conjunction with the convention the church will hold a raffle. The drawing for the raffle will be on Thursday, September 10 at 5 p.m. just before the evening supper.

Tickets are being sold by church members. Tickets are on sale for a \$1 per ticket.

Prizes for the raffle are: four piece set of luggage, pendleton shawl, five piece bowl set, green and yellow shawl, homemade pillow, four piece canister set, fringed shawl, pillow,

red fringed shawl, curling iron, cosmetic organizer three piece mirror, white basket, two piece jar set with towel and potholder, four piece tupperware, yarn bag, purse with sewing kit, jewelry box with earring, brown box with horseshoe pin and earrings, green box with butterfly pin, white feathered earrings, necklace, beaded medallion, two piece blue butterfly pins, flowered pin with white earrings, cross earrings, baby blanket, clock radio, handmade yarn baby blanket, glass picture of Indian, beaded hair pin and seven piece wooden toy set.

## Toe Ness

Confucius Say: "Trouble with most women is their trouble with most men!" YIKES

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The Boss: One who's late when you're early and early when you're late. YIKES

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Little Girl: "Mommy, I think daddy doesn't like the new maid."

Mother: Why is that?

Little Girl: I saw him sneak up behind her and bite her on the neck. YIKES

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She wanted a formal wedding. . . so her father painted the gun white. YIKES

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### EDITOR'S NOTE

Spilyay Tymoo welcomes articles and letters from its readers. All letters, preferably 300 words or less, must include the author's signature and address. Thank you letters and poetry will be published at the editor's discretion.

All letters are the opinion of the author and do not reflect in any way the opinion of Spilyay Tymoo. Spilyay Tymoo reserves the right to edit all copy OR refuse publication of any material that may contain libelous statements.

## Accident victim thanks crew for assistance

To Warm Springs Fire and Safety

I have been meaning to write this letter for the past two months, and really, although I have been busy, I really have no excuse for not doing so.

I want to thank you for your prompt response to our car accident up on Mt. Hood on 3/14/87. I appreciated your encouragement and concise explanations whenever I surfaced to consciousness briefly during my extraction out of the vehicle, and my transport to the Redmond Hospital.

Even more, I appreciated what my sons told me of their ride with you down the mountain to the hospital and how comfortable mentally and emotionally you made them feel.

I wish I'd known of the award plaque you gave to Aaron at his school assembly. I would have liked to be present to thank you in person.

You were prompt, professional, and your charges for your services were reasonable. I hope to God we never need an ambulance again, but if we do. I hope we are near where the Warm Springs crew can help us.

Thanks again,  
Mary Fields

**Editor's note:** Mary Fields and her two sons, Aaron, 7, and Brian, 3, were in a single car accident March 14. The car skidded 20 feet off of highway 26 at milepost 82.8. Ms. Fields was pinned in the car, Aaron was thrown out. Aaron freed his brother Brian from the backseat and attempted to release his mother. When he discovered he could not free her, he went to the highway and flagged a passing motorist for help. Aaron received an award for his heroic deed from Warm Springs Fire and Safety department.

## Drummers say thank you

To the Editor,

Just a short note to say Thank You to some people who assisted us in making the trip to Arlee, Montana possible. The drum didn't place in the drumming contest this year but the trip was enjoyed by all and some of us hope to go back. The following people contributed toward our trip and we would like to thank them for their donations; Mr. and Mrs. Silas Williams; Miss Tin-Ow-wit, Danielle Gabriel; Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Gabriel and Shawn Rae Gabriel; George Schneider; Anita Davis; Ken Man of KWSO (caps); Don Courtney of Kah-Nee-Ta (caps & t-shirts).

We would also like to say thanks to our families who traveled a long

way to support us; Jacob and Winona, Art and Bernice; Enie and Charlotte; Ella Jane and family; Nonie and Charlene. P.S. thanks Nathan for the use of your P.H. system.

The Pine Grove Jr.'s

## Correction

Second place in the open category of the Fourth of July parade was awarded to Rose Lynn Scott and former Miss Warm Springs 1982 Lyda Scott. It was incorrectly reported in the last issue of Spilyay Tymoo that the award went to Rosella Scott and Lyda Scott.

## Wesley concerned about condition of yards

To the Editor,

I am very concerned about the over grown neglected yards in the rental units. It dismays me to compare the rentals to the responsibilities of a private home owner.

Private home owners, are expected to first show proof that we are employed for umpteem years and pay a substantial down payment before our home begins construction. Not to mention the \$300. We had to pay for the blue prints to proceed any further. Other related costs are roads, water lines, septic tanks, electricity, poles and lines own property, surveyor costs, and insurance. Yes, to be able to obtain good insurance, a private home owner must provide adequate landscape greens which would safeguard against grass fires. Also an inspector/adjuster pays the homeowner an annual visit to check on the homeowners compliance. I hope what I have outlined will give our rental tenants insight and the ability to appreciate what they have and not abuse it.

I would especially call these facts to the mutual help homeowners and the HUD tenants. Consider yourself lucky that you were selected to be a part of these programs. You did not have to come up with a substantial down payment, and all other related costs. It is my plea to you to not abuse your privilege and to make your payments in a timely manner.

My responsibilities are the tenino apartments, the trailer courts and all the Simnasho units. We have been directed to conduct four inspections annually, in dwelling and yard inspections. This will be effective immediately.

I will be contacting my tenants in the trailer courts on a one on one

basis to see how we can improve the yards. I will be making special visits just to collect rent.

If you are a new tenant and are waiting for your unit you must be prepared to pay your first and last months rent payments, a \$100.00 security deposit, contact the light company and pay their required deposit and put the account in your name. Only after these items are taken care of will the counselor conduct a move-in inspection.

If you are planning to move out it is your obligation to notify our department and sign the intent to vacate form. The department will keep in touch with you and schedule a move-out inspection with

your counselor.

I would like to take this advantage to welcome my newest tenants, Miss Charlene Pearl Moody daughter of Captain and Nonie Moody, Tenino apartments; Jacquelin Charle' Moody, daughter of Keith and Susan Moody of, Simnasho L/P Units; and Aaron Jerome Main, son of Robert and Sandra Main, Tenino apartments. Congratulations to the parents and a special congratulations to a lucky grandmother who became a grandmother twice, Charlotte Herksan.

I would also like to mention the tenants in my area's who have worked very hard in their areas to restore their lawns. I say hats-off to

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Davis, Sr. at 1370A Tenino Apts. and Mr. and Mrs. Travis Wells at 1370B Tenino Apts. All the Senior Citizens in the Simnasho Senior units have done extremely well in keeping their yards up. Hats off to them, in the trailer courts.

I would like to mention Perthina White has shown that it can be done. Her new lawn is quite an improvement in the trailer court. Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. White. I am looking forward to mentioning more tenants with drastic improvements next month.

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## Parade to have "say no" float

The Warm Springs Prevention Team and the Jefferson County Prevention team will have a "say no" float in the Jefferson County Fair Parade. Community members are encouraged to assist with design and building of the float. There will be two meetings regarding the float. July 27, 1987 from 12 to 1:00 p.m. and August 3, 1987, from 12 to 1:00 p.m. at the Community Counseling Center. Please bring your lunch and your ideas.

The parade theme is Rainbows n' Rainbows and will be on August 8, 1987 at 10:00 a.m. in Madras. All young people are invited to be in the parade and are encouraged to wear their "say no" t-shirts which were given to all Warm Springs Elementary students on May 15th.

Please call Caroline M. Cruz, or Jean Green at 553-1161, ext. 205, if you have any questions or suggestions.

## Alcohol/Drug classes to begin August 5

Alcohol/Drug education classes will be held for adults at the Community Counseling Center on Wednesdays starting promptly at 4:00 p.m. and ending at 5:00 p.m.

Class dates include: August 5 Alcohol/Drug Education part I. How drugs work on the brain and cell communication; August 12 Alcohol/Drug education part II, alcohol, marijuana, and cocaine; August

19, The blood alcohol level, with a film "Friday Night 5", what is B.A.L. and the effects; August 26, The family disease, part I, Alcoholism and the individual, adolescent family; September 2, The Family disease, part II, a film "My Father's son," a discussion and wrap-up.

The classes are directed by Caroline Cruz, Prevention Coordinator. If you have any questions call Caroline at 553-1161, ext. 205.

## Follow up on injuries

All supervisors are urged to follow up on their employees situations when they are injured on the job. It appears that too many supervisors leave such important items to their staff without any detailed direction. Employees are never told to report or submit a written report when they are injured on the job. Such actions leave the impression that supervisors do not know what

their employees are doing nor do they care. The Tribal Insurance office will be establishing meetings in the near future to remind supervisors how to report injuries and the importance of such reports. Injuries should be curtailed to save important employees time plus their physical health and the Tribes money in paying for the injuries through the workers compensation system.

## Accounting issues policy on lost or NSF checks

### Lost Tribal Checks

The following steps must be taken when a check is reported lost, stolen or damaged.

1. Department must notify Accounting-Cash Management.
2. Cash Management will notify the bank of the check.
3. A stop payment will be placed on the lost check.

Remember: A replacement check will not be issued for ten (10) working days.

To reprocess a check that is lost, stolen, or damaged is costly for both the Tribe and the employee because of the time involved for reprocessing and also time the employee must wait for replacement.

### NSF Checks

The Tribe is handling a large volume of NSF checks. We have a current list of the people for whom we are holding checks. The list has been distributed to those departments accepting personal checks.

If they are requested not to accept personal checks until the individuals have paid for the checks we are presently holding.

Once the check has been taken care of, the name(s) will be removed. Repeated offenders will be placed on the list for one year. If no arrangements are made to take care of the NSF check, the individual's payroll check will be held until such time that the check in question is cleared up.