

# Editorial E Coosh EEWA:

(The way it is)  
Letters to the Editor



## "Spilyay Speaks"



The 50th anniversary of the acceptance of the Wheeler-Howard Act is nearing and activities are in planning for the great event. There is an Executive Committee pulling everything together for some fine activities to take place in both longhouses—in Simnasho and in the Agency Longhouse.

This event marks another milestone for the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, on a road to a more suitable place to live for all tribal members.

When the Tribes accepted the Act June 18, 1934, it was to conserve and develop Indian lands and resources; extend the

right to form business and organizations, establish a credit system, grant certain rights of home rule to Indians; to provide vocational education to Indians and for other purposes. The Act sought to let the contemporary Indian chart his future through organizations of his own.

The organization to be run by a Tribal Council, elected by the tribal members. The Council to handle all business of the Tribes. If we had not accepted this act of self-government, today we would have to call general council meetings to make decisions of the day to day business which the council now handles.

We must be prepared to preserve all these rights and not let them be taken away. Our younger generations should be aware of these rights and be ready to protect them in the future. There will be a lot of dignitaries here for our celebration.

## NAPA conference March 17-19

A panel of Native American journalists will discuss freedom of the press issues in Indian country during the 4th Annual Native American Press Association conference. The panel will discuss the history of freedom of the press and examine current issues that relate to Indian newspapers.

The conference is scheduled March

17, 18 and 19, 1988, at the Regency Hotel in Denver, Colorado. The theme of the conference is "Journalism: A Profession for Indian People."

At the conference workshops are scheduled in the following areas: news writing, layout and design, newspaper editing, photojournal-

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## Lost and found overloaded

The lost and found at the Warm Springs Indian Health Service clinic is filled with a number of items left by people. Stop at the reception area and identify items.

Items are a comb, a pair of sunglasses, a silver heart locket, two children's watches, a ladies turquoise watch band with a Timex watch,

six sets of keys, a beaded a barret (blue), two coupons for \$1, two plain barrets, two baby plastic string beads, a child's pink satin jacket, a beaded rosary and cross, five individual keys, a toy soldier, a girl's denium purse with a toy inside and a pair of gold sewing scissors.

## Return to the ways of your grandparents

To the Editor,

Dear brothers and sisters, I'm sure by now that you're wondering

what "anyone" is going to do about all of these statements of concern and love that are being published. I'm sure that you appreciate the

## Toe Ness

Liz to visitor in the Museum. "These artifacts are 2006 years and two months old."

Visitor: "How do you know the exact age of these items?"  
Liz: "When I started to work here six years and two months ago they told me these items were 2000 years old." YIKES

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Pawnee: "A tribe that runs hock shops for Indians." YIKES

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A preacher spoke in church, he said, "Everything God made is perfect." A hunch backed man in the back of the room stood up and said, "What about me?"  
Preacher: "Why, your the most perfect hunch backed man I ever saw." 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.

## Experience of competing proved rewarding

To the Editor,

I would like to thank the following people for the support, love and belief they gave me while I was preparing to compete in the Miss Indian USA pageant in Washington, D.C. Thank you Gladys Grant, Coast to Coast, The Stag Restaurant, Mexico City Restaurant, Ahern's Stop and Shop, Grandma Hoffy's, Northwest Trading Company, Thrifty Rexall Drugs, Mickey Brunoe Company, Robert Finch, Pat and Wessie Smith and Sentry Erickson's Market.

The experience of competing in the National pageant was very rewarding. Being in the company of 29 beautiful young ladies—not only in appearances but beauty of spirit—made me feel fortunate to contribute to the atmosphere of loving and sharing of friendship and not one of competition. Each brought a part of their home and culture with them. I was selected as a semi-finalist out of 30 contestants and it left me with a feeling that whatever I want I can get. Every young lady who participated in the pageant was a winner just for being there.

Upon returning to Warm Springs I felt it only proper to share the wonderful experience with whoever would listen, especially the young ladies in Warm Springs. I shared my experience with young ladies to let them know anything is possible if you want it and are willing to

sweat a little for it. Do not put limitations on yourself, be proud of yourself, your home and your people. I also shared a video recorded at the pageant by Pat Smith. It showed different portions of the pageant. I also showed a photo display. At the end of my presentation I had a time for questions and answers.

The purpose of the presentations was to motivate young ladies to feel better about themselves and where they are from. I encouraged

them to carry pride so they could participate in the Miss Warm Springs pageant, regardless of who wins, just enter and enjoy being a part of the pageant. They should all take advantage of every opportunity that arise and when they show how proud they are of where they are from their people will be proud of them.

Again I would like to thank all the people who supported and befriended me. These are the people who gave me the opportunity to

participate in the Miss Indian USA pageant. Most of all I would like to thank my family for their love, support and hard work as they helped me to reach my goals. I thank them no matter what or where they are.

I will be more than willing to assist any young lady who is interested in representing her people and community. Feel free to contact me if you are interested.

Thank you,  
Lyda Scott

## Member concerned about road conditions

To the Editor,

I am writing this letter concerning the lack of snow removal from the roads in the Simnasho area during the weekend of Jan. 9-12. The people who were traveling to Simnasho to attend the funeral found the roads very difficult to drive. There were several cars that had slid off the road but luckily there were some young men with four wheelers assisting those who were stuck.

Telephone calls were made to the responsible people and here are their actions: Superintendent (twice) Sunday a.m.— said "I'll check into it." Cecil Seyler, Sunday noon—said "I'll call someone", Warm Springs Police (twice), Sunday evening—dispatched two officers with

four wheelers and two tow trucks. Dick Souers, Sunday evening—"I'll call Pete or Terry." After the phone call to Mr. Souers the roads were finally plowed one way from highway 26 to Simnasho at 2 a.m. Monday morning.

These times are very difficult to deal with and the conditions of the road should not be added to the family's burden. The roads to Sim-

nasho should always be safe to drive for we have many senior citizens who live there. It was very upsetting that nothing was being done by the Roads department.

I would like to thank Kelly Beymer and his helper for coming to the cemetery and plowing the roads both Sunday and Monday.

Captain Moody

## Congratulations extended to plant manager

The following letter is reprinted at the request of Russ Winslow, WSAI Project Manager.

Attn: Berynce Courtney, Manager Warm Springs Apparel Industries

We want to offer our congratulations and appreciation that you are starting to produce 800 shorts and 500 tights per week.

You are proving that your factory can produce a high quality garment with good value on time.

This type of performance will assure your success and we hope that we can continue to be partner in that success.

Sincerely,  
Ronald Johnson

## We need people helping people

To the People,

I would like to share my feelings about the addiction of alcoholism and drugs. I am currently here at Serenity Lane learning about myself and alcohol and drugs. I have learned about addiction and how it can control your life. I look back and see how many lives it has taken. It seems nobody likes to reach out to help a person with the problem of alcohol and drugs. What we need is people helping other people with the problem so we can solve the problem. It's taking our loved ones away from us and we don't need the hurt and the pain that it is inflicting upon us.

It hurts me to see people pass on because of alcohol and drugs. I realize, after being here, that you're not only hurting yourself but the people who love and care for you. I just hope people will start to reach out and help their loved ones, friends and themselves so they don't have to go through the pain and hurt of losing a loved one.

I would also like to say that I consider the people here at Seren-

ity Lane as a second family because of all the love and care they show to the people who come here. If I didn't come here I would still be hurting myself and the people who care and love me alot. It was a big step to take but I couldn't see myself hurting anymore.

I just hope some of the teenagers will learn about alcohol and drugs and how it can destroy a life. We can avoid that by teaching them early because they can have a future to look forward to. So please help them who help themselves and we will have a brighter future to look forward to. I am glad to be here at Serenity Lane today.

Thank you,  
Waldon Winshut

## Child care needed

Wanted reliable child care for three children, ages 8, 3 and 1, at your house or ours, Thursday through Monday, salary negotiable. Call 475-6572 after 6 p.m.

To the Editor,

We would like to extend our thanks to all of our friends and relatives who have helped us during our time of sorrow in the loss of our loved one.

Our thanks given to: Officiators, drummers, outfit maker, cooks, hunters, denominations, servers, people who have donated items and helped clean house. And special thanks for all of the prayers. We greatly appreciated all of the help and kind words.

Sincerely,  
Elvis Frank,  
Carol Simtustus  
Ellona Frank & family  
Eldred Frank & family  
Foster and J'Dean Kalama & family  
Sara Frank Wallulatam  
Floyd Frank Sr. & family

David and Flora Lucei & son Rachel, Cyril and Eileen Frank

## Information wanted

To the Editor,

The family would like to know if there is any information about the loss of the electric guitar that belonged to our loved one. It has been missing (presumed stolen) since December 27, 1987. Any information to the whereabouts of this guitar is greatly appreciated! Call Flora at 553-1830 if you have any information. (Also missing is a sony electric typewriter).

Sara J. Wallulatam Frank

## Thanks for contributions

To the Editor,

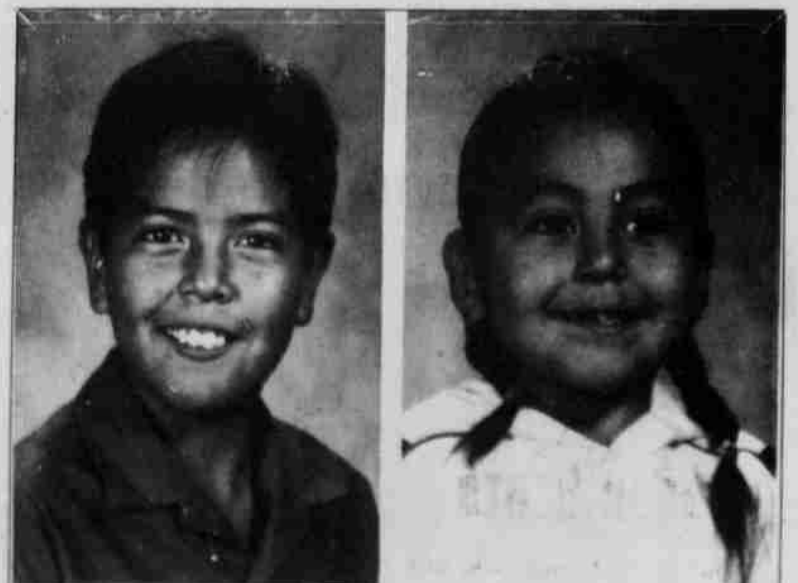
The Community Christmas Basket Program was a success again.

Thanks to the following people for their contribution of foods, clothing, toys and/or time: Tribal Health and Welfare committee, Pat Speakthunder, Jewell Minnick, Gwen Leonard, Noree Kalama, Christine Tom, Perthina White, Geraldine Blodgett, Mrs. Lloyd Smith, Sr., Florene Scott, Irene Wells, Irene Towe, Madeline Queahpama, Dr. Dexter family, Orthelia Miller, Mrs. Soliz 2nd grade class, members of the Presbyterian Church.

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Special thanks to the Extension office for the use of the 4-H Center as storage and work area. And for having the patience with us in getting the place cleared out. May God Bless you All. Again, with sincere thanks.

Antoinette Pamperien  
Kate Jackson



Albert Bryant

David Crowe, Jr.

Happy Birthday David Crowe, Jr. and Albert Bryant from your Mom, brothers, sister, uncle and grandpa.