

Editorial E Coosh EEWA:

(The way it is)
Letters to the Editor



"Spilyay Speaks"



Everyone must feel like they've been in a cocoon now that the height of winter has past and spring is here. It looks like the world around here has come to life, like a bear after its long winters nap. We are all busy and buzzing around with everyone in a big hurry trying to get someplace.



Easter has come and gone. Now we are looking for good crops from the earth. Each year at this time all the tribes gather and give thanks to the Great Spirit above for a bountiful root crop. As each season changes we all look towards the Great Spirit giving thanks for the roots, the salmon and the berries.

It is a tradition that is handed down for generations and will continue in the future. As they say, "As long as the mountains stand and the rivers run."

With such a low snow fall this year a drought is expected. The lack of snow in the higher mountains will limit the amount of water flow during the summer. With the water level appearing to be far below normal, a dry season is expected which is a sign for high fire danger. Last season we had more than our share of fires here in the Northwest and the way things look it will be just as bad this year again. Sometimes conditions like this cause logging to be cut down to a minimum or closed completely which puts a hardship on the loggers and mill workers. The low water level puts a hardship on several things, not enough water or irrigation, or for fish to migrate to the spawning ground. This even puts hardship on water use in communities for lawns, washing cars and even laundry—makes the Te-La-Ta-Le kinda She-Shoo. YIKES...But what the heck, summer is coming and the living is easy.

Arts/Crafts show May 14

The Warm Springs Arts and Crafts Show will be held May 14, 1988 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Warm Springs Community Center. The purpose is so the Tribal people and residents of Warm Springs can show their Art and Craft work. It's open to all ages five to 100 years old.

space for this event. Please register for table space as soon as possible at the Community Center before May 4, 1988. We need to know the amount of exhibit space needed and type of items to be shown, traded or sold. For more information call (503) 553-1161, ext. 243 or 553-1361.

Donors appreciated

Dear Parents and Guardians:

The morning kindergarten classes at Warm Springs Elementary would like to thank all parents who donated to their "snack fund" each month. Because of the long bus rides most of these youngsters endure, their tummies really appreciated the nou-

ishment. A big thank you to the parent/guardians and for the teachers help! Also, thank you to Jim and Luana Macy, Ahern's and Dale Spencer, WSE Custodian, for donated cups.

Sincerely,
Shirley Sanders

Toe Ness

Spilyay Sez: "The worst penalty for bigamy is, you have two mother-in-laws."

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A guy said to his friend, "My wife just ran off with another man. I can hardly control myself. His friend: Go ahead and let it go Paul. You'll feel a whole lot better after a good laugh. YIKES

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This guy goes into the cafe and orders two eggs cooked real hard, two pieces of toast burnt black and a cup of cold coffee. The Waitress: "I can't do that for you." Customer: "The heck you can't, you did it to me yesterday. YIKES

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The BIA today fails to prosper because of Custer, when he rode away he said, "Don't do anything until I return." 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.

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Family extends thanks for help

To the Editor,

We would like to take the time to extend a warm Thank you to all the relatives and friends who helped us with actions, kind thoughts and prayer during the recent loss of Elizabeth Thompson Pitt, Mohalla. We also want to thank everyone who helped us through the years of her life, including the families of people who have passed on.

There were many years of happiness for Elizabeth. She recalled her years of growing up at Kah-Nee-Ta with her grandmother. She also recalled the days of celebration and thanksgiving. She loved to see her people, and everyone should feel good that they could be a part of her happiness. There are stories of the times at Hollywood, and we should never forget the feeling of community that was there at that time. We should always feel our community in that way.

My Grandmother loved the land, the animals and family. There are many people who live without the security of having a family, or a place to call a homeland. We are indeed fortunate to have each of these things. Elizabeth Pitt made her place a home for many people during her younger days. She took care of each of us through her days with great responsibility and guidance. Her prayers and teachings carried us through difficulties.

She and all the old people, who are old now, went through some difficult times. They worked hard to keep for us what we now have. Both the men and women should be remembered as well as all the old timers, who have gone on to the land of living, eternal light. We in turn must endure and live our lives right so we can see our loved ones,

even those whom we can't remember. Especially the young people like myself, Elizabeth Woody and Jolene Pitt. We know that it is easy in this day and age to think only of today and ourselves. The history of our people is our history and is very much a part of who we are, no matter where we are, or how alone we may feel at times. It is a comfort to know that there is a force that is indestructible and eternal. This all is in our blood and the land.

The funeral services brought us comfort. While the 7 drums beat and the people sang the songs of faith we were not tired or sad. Everyone who took time to be there, please keep up this strength. We also wish to thank the people who went to church and the grave with

us. We also want to acknowledge the prayers of people far away who could not be with us.

Each and every person, who is a part of the Warm Springs tribe, we wish to thank, because we are all together in living our lives, our connection may not be apparent to you, but it is an important one.

My grandmother said to always have love in your heart, belief in God, and say a prayer. Never turn away from suffering but help in some way to ease the pain. Never give up, but live your life and do right. You can not go wrong if you have this light of the land in your heart and you will never be alone if you let God in. Even if you lay on your sick bed, God will be there and provide for you.

We also wish to Thank Edith Barton, and the Mountain View Rest Home for her care in the last few years and the years they spent taking care of the old people. The CHR's and the people who will take time to see the elders where ever they are.

Thank you and with much respect, the family of Elizabeth Thompson Pitt.

Charlotte Pitt,
Lillian Pitt,
Lewis Pitt,
Elizabeth Woody,
Jolene Pitt,
Pita Pitt
Pahtu Pitt
and all our relatives.

Uncle expresses appreciation to nieces

To the Editor,

I would like to "thank" the two people who have both contributed so much of their time in being "there for me," helping me out so very much in a great many ways—while I am now getting ready to go to the veterans hospital in Portland, Oregon, for surgery on my right hip (hip-joint) which has been caused by arthritis.

I want to offer my thanks to my two very dear nieces who have been there for me when I needed assistance before going to the hospital.

To my niece Jacqueline (Johnson) for coming over from Wapato (WA) to offer her help by cooking me some real home cooked meals for me, and just keeping me company, for taking me to town to shop, for keeping my home all

spick and span and just plain visiting, thank you "Jackie."

To Justine "Tina" Aguilar for transporting me back and forth to the Veterans Hospital for some tests before my surgery, where I will be confined for a long time in about four to six months from now, for helping me along, being my ears, interpreter, and all around helper.

For every little thing these two

people have so far done for me I will say thank you very much.

They have both treated so kindly with their loving care so that I can hereby truly say they are now a part of my family and welcome them "both-on-board."

From,
Uncle Roscoe Stacona,
Senior Citizens Home

Public meeting notice

Pacific Northwest Bell representatives will meet with community members regarding a ballot that will be sent to voters. The ballot asks if all community residents are willing to pay \$2.14 per month for 10 years to enable Culver and Metolius connection to the local telephone exchange. Meeting is scheduled for April 13 at Madras Elementary School at 7:30 p.m.

Montee clarifies previous letter

To the Editor,

After reading my own letter to the Editor in a past issue of The Spilyay, it appears I must clarify something. The participants of the "Early Bird" Aerobics exercise class are grateful to the Roads department for having the roads sanded and plowed as we trudge down to our 6:00 a.m. class and we are grateful to the Utilities dept. for having the sidewalks to the Community Center building plowed and sanded before we arrive. Through the efforts of early morning risers from both of these departments, our exercise efforts were made safer this past winter. Thanks to all of you from all us exercisers. I will do 15 extra push-ups during class for neglecting to include roads

in my note of appreciation (boy, are the class participants going to love me for the extra push-ups).

Sincerely,
Eva Montee
Wellness Director

Cigarettes for sale

Cigarettes for sale: \$8.00 a carton. Different brands available. Call 553-1783 in the evenings. Or see Earlyne Graybael at the Vending warehouse. Located in the Industrial Park warehouse #3.

Happy Birthday Eraina!

Many happy returns!

Tribal Council Agenda

- Monday, April 11 Tribal Council Meeting
 1. 9:00 a.m. Business
 2. 9:30 a.m. Management Reports
 3. 1:30 p.m. Johnson O'Malley Distribution Formula
 4. 3:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Program/Jim Smith
- Tuesday, April 12 Tribal Council Meeting
 1. 9:00 a.m. Business
 2. 10:00 a.m. Search and Rescue Update
 3. 1:30 p.m. Area Health Board Issues
- Monday-Wednesday, April 11-13 Washington D.C. Delegates
- Monday, April 18, Tribal Council Meeting
 1. 9:00 a.m. Business
 2. 9:30 a.m. Columbia River Loan Program
 3. 1:30 p.m. Pacific Salmon Workshop
- Tuesday, April 19, Tribal Council Meeting
 1. 9:00 a.m. Business
 2. 9:30 a.m. Stan Reid: BPA Representative Introduction
 3. 1:30 p.m. WSFPI Drug Program
- Wednesday, Thursday, April 20-21, Finance Workshop-Portland
- Monday, April 25, Tribal Council Meeting
 1. 9:00 a.m. Business
 2. 10:00 a.m. Indian Health Board-Dr. McBarron
 3. 1:30 p.m. Culture and Heritage Policy
- Tuesday, April 26, Tribal Council Meeting
 1. 9:00 a.m. Business
 2. 9:30 a.m. Enrollments
 3. 11:00 a.m. Ken Smith Monthly Report
 4. 1:30 p.m. Tort Claims
 5. 3:30 p.m. Alcohol and Drug Council History/Update
- Wednesday, April 27, Tribal Council Meeting
 1. 9:00 a.m. Business
 2. Shopping Center
 3. 11:00 a.m. Lake Billy Chinook—MOU
 4. 1:30 p.m. Realty/Land Sales and Leases

Innocent person could be hurt

To the Editor,

It seems sometime all that used to matter was knowing as long as you knew you weren't doing anything wrong it was okay.

I don't claim to be a saint or anything, I had my share of mess ups. I think just about once in everybodys life they tried one or the other.

You may be hanging around people who you consider friends but they are doing things like alcohol or drugs. Well you know you're not doing them but people see you with them and start to say the

wrong thing at the wrong time and rumors start. I work with a lot of people and I shouldn't be judged for their weaknesses as long as they don't do them on the job or try to involve me in their activities.

There are people out there who have done this sort of thing. It only takes one or two people to pick up on the rumor and all of sudden it gets blown out of proportion.

The sad thing about this whole deal is that a innocent person could get hurt.

James F. Surface

Thank you for help

To the Editor,

We, the family of Raymond D. Brown, would like to thank the people who helped us in our time of need. We are very thankful to all the people for their support, prayers, comforting words and concern. At times like this we don't always know who to turn to, but there was

always somebody there.

Our special thanks to: Pierson Mitchell, Richard and Vivian Macy, Wilfred and Jeri Jim, Pat Smith, Larry Dick, Percy Blackwolf, Tribal Council, Bel Air Funeral Home, and all the Church Denominations.

We thank every one from the bottom of our hearts.

Cynthia Caldera and Son
Charlie and Blondie, Wolfe,
Diane Brown and family,
Robert and Leta Comenout,
Archie Caldera,
Larry Caldera, Jr.
Ray Caldera and family

Parent meeting

The next regular meeting of Title IV, Part A, Parent Advisory Committee will be held in the library of Warm Springs Elementary School on Tuesday, April 12, 1988, at 7:00 p.m. The agenda will include reports from several conferences and committee nominations for next year.

Mobile home for sale

For sale: 1974 Builtmore 12 X 48 mobile home. See at 2493 Sunset Lane. Call 553-1430 for information.

Video to be shown

On Thursday, April 14 a video presentation, The Family, concerning adult children of alcoholics will be shown at the Community Counseling Center.

Dr. Loye Ryan, Community Center consultant will be presenting the video. Everyone is encouraged to attend. If you have any questions please call Ortheria Miller at Purchasing, 553-1161, ext. 255 or Jean Green at the Counseling Center, 553-1161, ext. 205.

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