

# Editorial E Coosh EEWA:

(The way it is)  
Letters to the Editor



## "Spilyay Speaks"



### The Forgotten War

Who can remember back to June 25, 1950, when at dawn on a Sunday morning big guns echoed through the valley's as North Korea invaded South Korea, engaging in a full scale un-declared war.

As the communist forces crossed the 38th Parrallel, President Harry S. Truman, ordered the U.S. air and ground forces to aid the South Korean forces, in what was termed at that time, a minor police action.

Korea, a country about the size of the state of Minnesota, maybe a little larger but considered a country that has the most mountains than any other country. As the North Korean troops crossed the 38th Parrallel on that day, in three days

Seoul fell on the 28th, by the 30th they were crossing the Han River.

A little police action, well the U.S. Troops met the North Koreans for the first time just below Suwon and found out that the North Korean Army was no push over as they were making their push south. It was fight and fall back, fight and fall back for the U.S. Troops which made veterans out of their men in no time at all. Just outside of Pusan they made their stand where fierce battles raged. The turning point came when the Marines and the 7th Infantry made their landing at Inchon. Taking the Communists completely by surprise, cutting them off from their main force. From there it was forward once again for the U.S. troops. By November they were on the banks of the Yalu River in northern Korea. It was Thanksgiving and all the troops enjoyed a hearty meal just before another enemy entered the war. Chinese troops came down across the Yalu River and long with the North Korean army made another drive south cutting some troops off completely at Changjin Reservoir. From there the U.S. Troops had to battle their way to the coast of Hungnam. Winter was pretty cold in the hills of Korea and fighting in sub-zero weather made things more uncomfortable. It was better to take turns sleeping during the day because it was too cold at night. The weather took its toll on the troops from frost bite and freezing to death. The weather caused more casualties than the enemy at times being so cold.

Some of the bitter battles that made the news and will linger in the minds of the fighting men of that era were those of Heartbreak Ridge, Bunker Hill, Bloody Ridge, Pork Chop, T-Bone, Punch-bowl, the Hook, Old Baldy.

Korea was where the Helicopter made its appearance as marines took the top of a hill without taking a step upward. From there the helicopter became a much used method of moving men in combat zones throughout the Vietnam war. Well, those were just another page of what the troops had to face.

### Tom winner of Moses raffle

A fund raising raffle sponsored by William Moses of Warm Springs held the drawing on Sunday, June 26 at the salmon bake sponsored by the Shaker Church.

Winner of the grand prize a 1982 Chevy pickup was Marie Tom of Warm Springs. Anita Jackson, Warm Springs won the Canadian knitted vest; a Cowichan knitted small sweater was won by Anita's sister Debbie Jackson of Warm

Spring; Kenny Billie of Taholah, Washington was the winner of a painting of Jesus Christ; Edison Yazzie of Warm Springs won a original painting by W.C. Moses and Mary Sando of Warm Springs won a pair of knitted slippers.

Moses said it was an experience putting on a raffle. He went on to say he was grateful to all of the people who supported his raffle and bought tickets.

### Toe Ness

A county agent, a person who knows enough to tell others how to farm, but he is too smart to try it himself. YIKES

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There was this drunk who got lost going home one night and ended up sleeping in the cemetery. He said, "If I'm alive why am I lying among these tombstones. If I'm dead why do I have to go to the bathroom?" YIKES

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There is one thing to be said for long hair and beards, they're a boon to people with ugly faces. 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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## Rat Pac t-ball team victorious

For the second time in six years, the "Rat Pac T-Ball" team went undefeated. They were very aggressive and willing to learn. All we could do was show them and turn them loose in the game. Kids are special people, too. Not only are they what dreams are made of, but they are our future.

We not only taught them the fundamentals of the game, but discipline, as well. They're Indian first, and should be proud of it. To respect and listen to their parents, teachers, elders, coaches and sup-

port each other on and off the field. This could not have been done without the parents' support. We'd like to say "thanks a lot." It makes our job a lot easier when we have full control of the ball players without any interference.

I believe our kids have to be tough, mentally and physically, in this world. That's why I never baby my ball players. I believe they get enough of that at home. Towards the middle of the season you can see and feel a great change in attitude and knowledge of the game!

teach them to never question disciplinary action, especially when they've done wrong. Hopefully, most of the parents can see the change, too. Not all players, but most do grow up more by the end of the season.

This year's roster consisted of: Shasta "Snoopy" Smith, Isreal "Whopper" Scott, Canku "Goose" Smith, Lori "Bashful" Suppah, Taralee "Tigger" Suppah, Lil Bull Owl "Lil Rat" Suppah, Raymond

"Pigmic" Anderson, Jessie "Aliffa" Gilbert, Glendon "Woose" Smith, Jacob "Thumper" Harding, Arron "Elfie" Macy, Edna "Butchie" David, Jerimiah "Toad" Johnson, Foster "BamBam" Sahme, Timothy "Chipmunk" Kalama, Jesse "Woodstock" Reese, Raymond "Peanuts" Jones, Lionel "Chops" Smith, John "Jumbo" Jefferson and Mario "Garfield" Smith.

A very special thanks to the sponsorship received to assist the team. God bless you all for your consideration of the players. I encourage the parents to have their kids participate in any sports activity. It's very helpful to them to be able to hang around friends their own age, getting to know their people better. None of us are born athletes, it's something we must learn as we grow up, you never get too old to learn. That's part of life.

Thanks again to all who helped and thanks to Alley, Dave and Bob for the assistance, and to the others for transportation assistance.

Tony "Big Rat" Suppah  
Mercedes M. Suppah  
Coaches, Rat Pac T-Ball

## Questions about fish answered

Open letter to Warm Springs Elementary (especially Aaron, Shadrack, Dabid and Room 11)

Thank you all for your letters, we appreciate your concern. You were excellent listeners and questioners when we came to your class to talk about fish. In your letters you asked some questions, since school is out we will answer you through this letter.

What is it like working at the Fish Hatchery?

The tribal fish people keep in close contact with the people at the hatchery but generally we work there two or three weeks out of a year. We supervise fish clippers who clip a fin from the fish to assist in identification (wild chinook will be handled differently from the hatchery spring chinook) and the rest of the time we work around the reservation to protect streams and work in the stream to help the fish survive better (if you watch the Shitike Creek this summer you will see us working in and around the Creek). We may have to ask you to swim somewhere else for a couple of days so be ready.

Is your work hard? We like fish, they are very important to our people. Over the years of working with fish, we have gained a special respect for this incredible wild creature. They are real fighters in making sure their young will survive but they need our help. They need clean, cool water with adequate depth. We work with the

Bureau of Indian Affairs Forestry to protect the needs of the fish. Sometimes the work is hard but it is worth it.

Do you have more fish that what you brought to the classrooms?

The Warm Springs Reservation has many streams and rivers with various kinds of fish in them. Spring Chinook, Rainbow Trout, Steelhead and other various trout, as well as Sculpin, Whitefish, Suckers are just some of the fish we have in the streams and rivers. These fish

belong to the Tribe and if we take care of the water in the stream and the green areas next to the streams it will help the fish survive into the future.

The Natural Resources Department thanks you for your questions and hope you have a safe and enjoyable summer. Remember don't litter.

Thank you,  
Orvie, Carmella, Fritz, Bob  
and Louie

## Funds to be donated to program

To the Editor,

With high regard to the public who attended the 1988 Pi-Ume-Sha powwow and who supported the fundraiser stand to help our son, Gerald G. Sampson, Jr., participate in the International Sports Exchange (ISE) Program, we are sad to say that due to circumstances beyond our control, the ISE Program has cancelled the trip due to the lack of participating high school students to attend the exchange program. We are certainly grateful for the overwhelming public support we received and to encourage such existing programs like the International Sports Exchange to provide opportunities for high school age students the opportunity to travel abroad. Since our son is unable to utilize

the funds raised, we are currently searching for a program to invest the money we have raised and, perhaps, we may want to develop such a program and use the money we have made as a beginning for such a program.

It's a grand opportunity for our young people to broaden their horizons and become educated of other people and cultures in foreign countries. If there are funds available to assist children to reach their destination aboard it would certainly be encouraging for the children to pursue their chance of a lifetime and to help families who would love to see their children attend trips abroad. Yet, there is the cost to bear, and speaking from the experience of the grueling work to raise such funds, it would certainly be nice for our children to feel

supported. So, if anyone knows of such a program or is willing to help develop such a program, ideas and suggestions are welcome.

Parents of Gerald Sampson, Jr.,  
Rosalind Sampson,  
Gerald Sampson, Sr.

Pat Smith:  
Happy Birthday, sister!  
from,  
Pat and Kids  
Tommy and family  
Mark  
Maryann

## Family extends thanks for help

To the Editor,

We would like to thank everyone who attended our dinner honoring Dorothy Wally. It was truly a memorable event—to see all the branches from the Polk family tree.

### Stickgame results

"I have stood here and watched the games for quite a while and still I can't figure out who is winning or if anyone is winning." was a comment made by a visitor to Pi-Ume-Sha at the stickgames. The thirteenth annual stickgame tournament drew 21 teams consisting of two to five players. The teams vied for the \$2,000 prize monies.

Winning top honors and monies was the Luke Wahpat team from Yakima, Washington. Second place went to the Sybil Quachpama team of Warm Springs. The Vera Hernandez team of Yakima took third. Ramona Starr of Warm Springs and her team took fourth.

Each year the game draw the attention of teams as well as spectators and for those who watch the game for the first time it mystifies them.

### Return books

A reminder to parents of Madras Jr. High students: If your child has failed to turn in library books and/or textbooks checked out to them throughout the school year or has lost or damaged school property, they will not receive their report card. Report cards were mailed June 17.

We really appreciate everyone coming to help us honor Aunt Dorothy.

A special thanks to the people who helped out by bringing food: Evelyn Dick, Phyllis Tohet, Madeline McInturff, Maria Soliz, Caroline Tohet, Carroll Dick and Lucille Mitchell. And to the people working in the kitchen: Lucille Mitchell, Janice Wainanwit Gunshow, Sandra Brunoe George, Estelle and Essie Lawson and Evelyn Dick and her grandchildren.

Although gifts weren't expected, much appreciation to those who brought them—they'll come in handy in Dorothy's home. Also a special thanks to Tribal Council for allowing us to use the Longhouse on such short notice and for the salmon. Thanks also to Caroline Tohet for being our emcee and giving us direction.

Melinda Polk and family  
Winona Strong and family

### Leggings for sale Camper for sale

Bushwacker leather leggings in all colors are available in fur or fleece from Timberline Taxidermy, 1209 West Dry Creek Rd., Ellensburg, Washington 98926. The price is \$30.00 for adults, \$25.00 for children. Please allow six weeks for delivery.

For Sale: Kit Camper/Trailer, 15 foot, sleeps six, refrigerator, stove, new tires. Very good condition, asking \$1,050. Call 553-1077

### Yard sale

Yard Sale: Saturday, July 9 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at 2223 Elliott Heights, the Starr residence. The blue house south of the Community Center, watch for signs. Maternity clothes, baby clothes and household items.

### Corrections

The last issue of Spilyay had a few errors that need to be corrected. The photo on page 6, identified as Stan Kneeland, is not Kneeland. Eliza Brown was identified as Eliza Greene and Milan Smith spoke at the Bates/Heath wedding, not Woody Smith, Sr. We apologize for any inconvenience that these errors may have caused.

### Stereo for sale

For Sale: Stereo unit, AM-FM receiver with eight-track player. Car sunroof with accessories, fits import and domestic cars. Asking \$200 for both of best offer. Call Jim Scott anytime, 553-1043.



Happy 25th birthday  
Luke

Love,  
Mom, Keith, Pivie  
and Grandma Leno

### Birth announced

Dorothy M. Yahtin and Kenneth Whitehair Smith would like to announce the birth of their son, Sonny Jay Yahtin. He was born June 9, 1988 at Mt. View Hospital in Madras. He weighed 8 lbs. and 4.5 oz. and was 21 inches long. His grandparents are Chesley and Amelia Yahtin of Warm Springs.

### The Ultimate Head Trip

Would YOU dive off a three-story building head first? That's what it feels like if you hit a stationary object when you're driving a car at 30 miles per hour and not wearing a safety belt. Your head hits the windshield with the same force that you would feel if you dove into hard cement from a rooftop. A safety belt prevents that human collision.

