

# Editorial

## E Coosh EEWA:

(The way it is)  
Letters to the Editor



### "Spilyay Speaks"



The Old Growth timber seems to be one of the hottest items of discussion today. Who's to say what's right and what's wrong.

What would the most fitting solution on a situation such as this be? Both sides have legitimate arguments for survival. Should we all say, "Let's give the little Hoot-the-Boot," and let it go at that...or should we say, "Let's not lose our bowels over some small owls?"

There are thousands of families who depend on the timber industry for their livelihood. To close the timber industry would hurt all these people who depend on this for a living. What is the best solution or is there a solution for an issue such as this...should we let the spotted owl survive and save the old growth timber...or give the loggers and sawmill workers a chance to make a living for their families.

Like everything else, there is just so much of everything to go around in the world and sooner or later it will become extinct. Let's face it, in the early days men went out and slotted the buffalo for the sport of it and today it's a rare site to see a small herd of buffaloes. What about Crist of Wisconsin, who is fighting against Indian Treaty Rights to take fish. He could care less what happens to the Walleye fish just as long as the sportsmen get all the fish. He even sells beer, called Treaty Beer, with proceeds from beer sales going toward the fight against Treaty Rights.

When this country was new and homes were needed, the woodsmen cut out the timber in the Great Lakes area and they already had their eyes on the northwest timber. It's a good thing Teddy Roosevelt placed millions of acres of timber lands under the U.S. Forest Service as National Parks. If that hadn't happened, we probably would have already been out of timber today.

Let's face it, the timber lands are not what they used to be like just a few years ago. Many areas are turning to small log operation because of the depletion of timber. Some of the biggest timber producing towns are becoming less and less notable for their output of lumber. Mills are closing down in all parts of the logging areas and now who has to take it on the chin? The little Spotted Owl, or the loggers? At the present time studies are being conducted to see what the best solution to the problem is if there is any. E Coosh EEWA Ta-mun-wit.



## Elliot Palmer Post reviews meeting notes

To the Editor,

Five members of the VFW Elliot Palmer Post #1472 and Auxiliary met February 13 and discussed the VFW building and lack of interest in the VFW. However, additional members attended the February 27 meeting. Members agreed to encourage all Veterans to attend the meetings and event sponsored by the VFW. The local Post will include veterans from Viet Nam, Korea and those who gave a part of their lives in the U.S. and the Indian Veterans Association. The hope of all was to join all Vets for a more productive and harmon-

ious organization for the betterment of all who have fought for our freedom.

Discussion was held on the lease of the building and it seemed to read we were leasing from the BIA rather than the Tribe. Wording in the lease caused some worry, so Spud and Jody were to confer further before signing. Jody explained that he has been giving permission for use of our building with the understanding that those who were using the building were liable in the event of any mishap. This was done as someone had to take the responsibility and we are receiving more requests.

At the March 28 meeting, Allen Langley, Sam Danzuka, Spud Langnese, Ross Kalama, Jr., Gene Greene, Louis Aripa, Nelson Zumont, Jean Danzuka, Mary Danzuka, Nancy Johnson, Beulah Calica and Caroline Tohet were present. Guests were Gary Wahpat and Karen Broncheau. This was a potluck night so everyone had an enjoyable meal before meeting. March meetings brought encouragement from many sources. Attendance has picked up and the important February decision to consolidate forces is on the roll. Regarding the building, it was reported that since the lease was on a BIA form, it will be renegotiated to lease from the Tribe. Spud and Ross reported that they have taken upon themselves to sign up and start a VFW Babe Ruth team this year. Bingo nights and holding a Pi-Ume-Sha feed were other activities suggested. Agreement was made that a bicycle will be donated toward the Pi-Ume-Sha raffle with cost divided between the Post and Auxiliary. Mary and Nancy were appointed to seek the bike. VFW membership was discussed in regards to qualifications to be a member whether it be on foreign or native soil. The understanding that we, as an Indian tribe, honor all who left their native homeland (the reservation) to serve and train in an armed services whether it be Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Green

Berets, etc. There are over 300 servicemen on the Warm Springs reservation today and we need a complete listing for consolidation purposes.

Next reported was that one of our own comrades, Alvin Smith, has been appointed by the Pi-Ume-Sha committee as the grand marshal of the parade this year. Congratulations, Alvin. We're all very proud of you. It was recommended that the rest of the elder comrades could ride in a truck behind Alvin and the younger servicemen march in uniform (if they have one) in the parade behind the truck. Wouldn't this be a dream! So, prepare all you vets. Another project the Post and Auxiliary is developing is hanging photographs of any and all servicemen on the walls of the VFW building. So, we are requesting prints from anyone who has a picture of someone in a uniform. Also include a photo of them as a youngster if you can. We would appreciate this very much.

The next meeting for the Post and Auxiliary is Tuesday, April 24 beginning at 7 p.m. This is potluck night, so everyone is encouraged to bring a dish to share. We really had a fun time at the last potluck dinner and so we would like to invite everyone to come to the next meeting.

Beulah Calica, Secretary  
VFW Ladies Auxiliary

## Being Indian is....

- Being Indian is—loving "frybread" and corn syrup.
- Being Indian is—being broke all summer because you try to make every powwow around.
- Being Indian is—having your non-Indian spouse dancing in full regalia at your tribal powwow.
- Being Indian is—not laughing at your children when they mispronounce words in your tribal tongue.
- Being Indian is—feeling Gray Wolf, Thunder Chief and Pretty Weasel are more beautiful names than Smith, Brown, Jones or Johnson.
- Being Indian is—paying 15 to 25 bucks each for eagle tail feathers.
- Being Indian is—cutting off your cast after two weeks because it is in the way and isn't needed anyway.
- Being Indian is—driving an "Indian car"... "tuuuffff!
- Being Indian is—making the best tasting "frybread" from commodities.
- Being Indian is—hard.
- Being Indian is—great.
- Being Indian is—beautiful.
- Being Indian is—forever.

Reprinted from the Klamath Newsletter.

## Love expressed for mother

To my Dear Mother Elvina:

I really felt it upon my heart to write an article to you because Mom, I love you. First off, "Happy one year anniversary" to your complete recovery. It has been exactly one year, on the 24th of this month, when you were raised up from your death bed.

And all the glory and credit goes to our wonderful Christ Jesus. It was "Him" who kept His hands upon you. He's such a merciful savior, and I had promised to continue serving Him, the remainder of my life, for keeping you with "us children," longer.

You are a "miracle" Mom, and hoped it would open all of our eyes as such. I know all the family is grateful for your recovery. If it wasn't for everybody's prayers, you may have been "home" in the presence of our Lord and with our father. (natural) But glory to God, you're as good as new. So give God all the glory.

I love you so very much, Mom and I'll always use you as a testimony. So, family, when you see our Mom, give her a hug and let her know you're grateful! I wished I was home to celebrate with you but

as you know we're both working now.  
"You'll always be in my daily prayers Mom."  
"May our heavenly Father keep his ever loving hands upon you, daily."  
"We, the family, love you very much Mom."

All our love to you,  
Daughter Susan  
Son-in-law Lupe,  
Grandkids—Lil Elvina, Splash,  
Gilbert of Mt. Vernon, Wash.



Elvina Switzler

## Consider others on party line

To the Editor,

I am an elder who is moving back to my home in Simnasho. The problem I am having is someone is tying up the party line on the telephone. When this person is not using the phone they play Indian and modern music on the line.

There are several of us elders who live in the area and may need to use the phone for emergency problems. As it is, I travel to the fire station and make a call if I really have to. But I shouldn't have to if I have a telephone in my home and paying for it.

So please, if you are that person doing this...consider us who might need to call the hospital or something.

Sincerely,  
Inez Calica

## Happy Birthday to



Robert McKinley

who is 12 years old!  
Love from your aunts  
Iva, Joyce, Madeline and Ester  
Nanas Rosa, Jessica and Debbie  
Yayas Toot, Aaron, Buzzy and Waldon  
Grandmothers Stella and April  
And Parents Teddy Bear and Inez

The family would like to invite friends and family to the Warm Springs Shaker Church for cake and ice cream April 29 at noon.

## Warm Springs Elementary Calendar

April 30	Awards Assembly begins at 9 a.m.
May 15	Second Grade Natural Resource Tour—Bear Springs
May 16	Third Grade Natural Resource Tour—Stevenson's Ponds
May 17	Fourth Grade Natural Resource Tour—HeHe Butte
May 28	Memorial Day Holiday—No School

## Toe Ness

Dr. Jones: "Young Woman, I'd like to give you a thorough examination."  
Jane: "But Dr. Tom found me perfect in every way last week."  
Dr. "So he told me." YIKES

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"How is it I find you kissing the cook?" asked the wife  
Husband: "Ah!...I don't know, unless it's because you're wearing sneakers." YIKES

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Clyde complained to another farm hand that he couldn't get to sleep at night.  
His friend: "Whyncha try counting sheep!"  
That night Clyde decided to take his friend's advice and began counting, "One, two, three, four, sweetheart, six, seven..." YIKES

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Judge: "This court finds you not guilty of rustling."  
Rustler: "Oh, thank you, your honor. Does this mean I get to keep the horse." YIKES

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## EDITOR'S NOTE

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## FOCO focuses on preserving resources

A citizen's group concerned with uncontrolled growth and its affect on the quality of life in Central Oregon has been formed under the name of Friends Of Central Oregon (FOCO). At a March 28 meeting, officers were elected, a mission statement was drafted, and three projects were cited for immediate concern.

FOCO's mission statement reads: "The intent of this grass roots organization is to preserve the natural resources, beauty and quality of living Central Oregonians enjoy. We acknowledge the trend toward economic diversification but believe in controlled, environmentally responsible growth."

Projects targeted for immediate attention are: the 800 acre proposed industrial site northeast of Bend; the Parkway highway diversion and the Cascades Highlands destination resort west of Bend.

Citizen groups from Sisters and LaPine brought up issues concerning their communities and it was

agreed that FOCO is not solely a Bend organization but a group with county-wide concerns.

Ann Barth was elected chairman

of the organization. For more information, you can call 388-9710 or write PO Box 7494, Bend, OR 97708.

## Tribal Council Agenda

- Monday, April 23—Tribal Council Meeting**
  - 9 a.m.—Business
  - 10 a.m.—Indian Health Service Quarterly Report
  - 1:30 p.m.—Mark Phillips/Conference Call
  - 2 p.m.—To Be Scheduled Items
- Tuesday, April 24—Tribal Council Meeting**
  - 9 a.m.—Business
  - 9:30 a.m.—Warm Springs Apparel Industry Board Report
  - 1:30 p.m.—Enrollments
  - 2 p.m.—Adoptions
- Wednesday, April 25—Tribal Council Meeting**
  - 9 a.m.—Business
  - 9:30 a.m.—Goodwill Games Update
  - 11 a.m.—Appellate Judge/Committee/Board Selections
  - 1:30 p.m.—Columbia Rivewr Gorge Management Plan
  - 3 p.m.—Culture and Heritage Documentation
- Thursday, April 26—Geothermal Workshop in Portland**
- Monday, April 30—Tribal Council Meeting**
  - 9 a.m.—Business
  - 9:30 a.m.—Sherars Bridge Briefing
  - 1:30 p.m.—Mark Phillips/Conference Call
  - 2 p.m.—Financial Forecast

## Happy Birthday Waldon!

Your wife and family loves you dearly