

# Editorial

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(The way it is)  
Letters to the Editor



### "Spilyay Speaks"



There are always gripes of how the news is reported here in our local paper. We're damned if we do and damned if we don't. Everyone claims we are not censored on printing the news but yet there are always objections on how articles are handled.

News is general knowledge of what's taking place in the world today. The news reporters are there to report the action or events that take place and nothing has to be approved for public review. For example here in our own community we have just completed the nominations for the new set of Tribal Councilmen. The Simnasho district held their nominations in the longhouse at Simnasho. The Agency district held their nominations in the Agency longhouse and the Seekseequa district held their's in the Community Center social hall.

The general knowledge was nominations for tribal council. All the districts completed their task of nominations so its the reporters duty to get the news out to the public who was nominated. It doesn't matter if 200 nominees were named or just one, its the duty of a reporter to let the public know. If there are any discrepancies that have to be taken care of its up to the organization to worry about that. And if there are any changes to be made that can come later on whether all nominees were accepted or not. But to get the news to the people on what took place at the nominations was general knowledge and so they are entitled to know who was nominated at that time, if you go to any function or rally where the general public is participating there can be no censorship of any kind of news reporting of the events that take place there. The public has the right to know.  
AHH-NAH-CHI-TOON!!!



Happy 1st Anniversary Feb. 23, 92  
Larry and Cheryl Holliday  
from, Mom, Dad, brothers & family

### Toe Ness

There was this husband and wife in front of the Judge when the lady was saying, "That's my side of the story, now I'll tell you his!" YIKES

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There was this lady who was reading the slot of paper from the scales the husband was standing on. "It says that your handsome, intelligent, and wealthy. It even got your weight wrong, too." YIKES

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There was this boss who said, "Maybe there is something to reincarnation after all. Just look at all the people who come back to life at quitting time." YIKES

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## Community members seem to be apathetic

To the editor,

I was overwhelmed by the response to the clean up our community article that I had printed in the last Spilyay. Two phone calls are hardly a majority around here.

I am hopeful that we just have a lot of blind people living here, as I am ashamed to think there are that many of my people who don't even read their own paper or worse yet, just don't care.

As of this writing, the street sweeper has been by and while it helped the street, it really didn't do much for the rest of the community. My daughter came home from school last Thursday and informed us that there was a dead dog at her bus stop. I was curious as to what would happen if I said nothing. When we took a drive past there the following Sunday, my wife commented on the dog and sure enough, there it was,

right out in plain sight. Today, seven days later, the dog was still there and had been joined by two more. My wife called the police department (the ones responsible for enforcing our sanitation ordinance) and was met with much less than enthusiastic "Okay, I'll tell someone." What a pity it is to be so unconcerned that we don't care if our children have to stand out and wait for their school bus among dead and decaying animals. One large dog lay near the Intertribal building last summer decaying in the heat as people walked by and drove by for days. Finally, we called about it and were informed that ours had been the first and only phone call made about it. Our police department can't do anything about anything if we don't call in evidently, because they just drove right by it too. I know they passed by the three that I mentioned numerous times before our call today.

What is happening here!? Our ancestors were not filthy people! They got their food, clothing, and shelter, not mention their tools and spiritual gifts from the land and the animals, but they were clean! Not just about their persons, but about their homes and communities. When they moved their camps, they didn't leave behind a bunch of trash, garbage, and rotting flesh, much less live in it. Anything old or worn out was properly discarded or fixed and made useful again. I hear that we must teach our children about our culture. This is not our culture! We are teaching our children to live less sanitarly than our animal brothers and sisters. What about them? Their living conditions have become much less sanitary because of us. It isn't healthy for them either.

I call my home to find someone who was willing to get a year round full time clean up and maintenance project going or at least help out and all I got was either "no, it cost too much," or "that's so and so's department." Are we so concerned about the new age and money that we are willing to give up our cleanliness and our health to save a few bucks? What about our health? It seems to me that we could save more if we cleaned up this place and kept it that way, than spending all the money it costs to treat the illness' caused by the mess, not to mention the profit that could be made by the boost in our tourist trade, because they enjoy coming to a nice clean natural area. The people here are always complaining about how our non-Indian neighbors have stereotyped us. It is becoming more and more apparent that we have stereotyped ourselves and are just blaming someone else. If this seems harsh, it is supposed to be. It is time to stop beating about the bush and clean out from under it and around it.

Keith V. Charley, Sr.  
553-1936

## Apology extended

To whom it may concern,

I (Sam) was 17 when I started going out with a girl who was under the age of 18; she and I continued going out when I turned 18, and I knew it was against the law but her and I still kept going out.

We were together little over a year but had no real problems until now, the Tribes' CPS found out about us and they gave me some time in jail, probation, along with counseling.

I was wrong for being with her, and knew I was gonna get in trouble

but I kept going out with her because I cared for her a lot, I still do care about her.

I really don't think there's any age difference (then), and I still don't but I have an apology to make to the Tribal court and the community.

I'm deeply sorry, I made a wrong judgment involving a minor, there's probably gonna be a lot of you who'll hate me after this but it's my fault, my responsibility to deal with the feeling of rejection.

Sincerely,  
Sam Goodlance

## Give business a chance

To the people,

First of all I would like to take this time to thank the people of Warm Springs for sending me to Portland Community College in 1981. There I completed the full course of Auto Body Training. At the time, I was a drug addict, an alcoholic, etc., on parole and probation from the state and federal law systems. To make a long story short, I ended up in jail (PV) had to cut my education short and do some time.

The good thing about that was I had a lot of time to think about my life...I ended up giving my life over to someone who knew how to take care of it better than I did. After several suicide attempts, you know deep down you need help, after years of antabuse, self-will, etc., years of jail time, I finally found God in jail. Anyway I went back to school and

finished my Auto Body course in 1983 with a certificate.

Since 1981 I have been active in the Auto Body field, been in it now 12 years. I was always fascinated by Auto Body work since my teens. Upon coming back to the Res. the going wage for Auto Body is \$28.00 per hour to (?). I thought if I ever got into my chosen profession full-time I would have a fair price, be fair to my people, save my people some bucks. Being a preacher I can't help but be fair, my God demands it!

As uncertainties about my current job situation (WSFPI) don't know if your here today or gone tomorrow. I'm asking the people of Warm Springs to give me a chance at my profession and give me your business. Custom paint, complete paint jobs, body work, window replacement.

Easton Aguilar  
553-1960

## Marriage plans announced

*This day I will marry my friend,  
The one I laugh with, dream  
with, live for, Love.  
Monique Jae Sconawah  
and  
Arthur Brian Mitchell, Sr.  
request the honour of your  
presence at their marriage  
Saturday, the fourteenth of  
March  
Nineteen hundred and ninety-  
two at three o'clock  
Agency Longhouse, Warm  
Springs, Oregon  
Dinner to follow*



## Thank you for caring

Dear Friends,

We would like to express our gratitude for the calls, notes, prayers, songs, even unexpressed thoughts of hope and comfort that were sent our way from Warm Springs during Bud's illness and afterwards. Special thanks to those of you who were able to come to his service in Parkdale, and to Mary Ann for singing.

You all were very important to him and are to us. We have been comforted by your caring.

Mary Schlick, Katherine  
Schlick Noe and family, Joseph  
Schlick and family

## Sports show set

To the editor,

The Jefferson County Sports and Rec. Show is put on by a non-profit organization made up of local volunteers.

The show dates are April 11 & 12. These are the areas we need help in at this time:

Friday the 10th - setting up the fish casting pond.

Sunday the 12th - tearing down the fish casting pond at 6:00 p.m.

Monday the 13th - finish tearing down fish pond.

Please call Wayne Marshall at 475-6068 evenings or weekends Saturday and Sunday, the 11th & 12th manning raffle ticket booth. Please contact Jody Stewart at 475-7650.

Thank you for any help you may give.

Sports show committee

## Tribal Council Agenda

Monday, March 16, 1992

9:00 a.m. - Business  
9:30 a.m. - Endangered Species Act Update  
- Winter Season Update

1:30 p.m. - Conference Call  
2:00 p.m. - Corp of Engineers

Tuesday, March 17, 1992

9:00 a.m. - Business  
9:30 a.m. - Health & Welfare Committee & Jim Quaid  
11:00 a.m. - Committee/Board Selections  
1:30 p.m. - Malheur National Forest

Wednesday, March 18, 1992

9:00 a.m. - Business  
9:30 a.m. - Tribal Council/Management Follow up workshop (cont.)

Monday, March 23, 1992

9:00 a.m. - Business  
9:30 a.m. - Tribal Gov. Legislative Update  
1:30 p.m. - Conference Call  
2:00 p.m. - Agency Superintendent's Monthly Report  
3:30 p.m. - Realty

Tuesday, March 24, 1992

9:00 a.m. - Business  
9:30 a.m. - Timber Assessment Report  
1:30 p.m. - A.M. session continued  
3:00 p.m. - Enrollments

Monday, March 30, 1992

9:00 a.m. - Business  
9:30 a.m. - Tribal Gov. Legislative Update  
1:30 p.m. - Conference Call  
2:00 p.m. - To be scheduled

Tuesday, March 31, 1992

9:00 a.m. - Business  
9:30 a.m. - Economic Development  
1:30 p.m. - Colville Appeal

Items to be scheduled:

W.S.F.P.I. Annual General Council Meeting  
W.S.F.P.I. Progress Report (to be scheduled as needed)  
C.R.I.T.F.C.

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