

Editorial E Coosh EEWA:

(The way it is)
Letters to the Editor



"Spilyay Speaks"



This sure is an odd year, what I mean is with the drought and stuff everything seems to be all mixed up and out of schedule.

At this time I'll blame the drought for several things that are unusually early. Take the water shortage for one thing that has created a big change in the whole trend of daily activities. Everything has dried up sooner than usual causing fruit to ripen earlier this year. Like everything is about a month ahead of schedule.

Take for instance the Huckleberry Feast, which took place on July 12, 1992, where on a normal year it would have been held a month later. "Yep!" in all my born day, all 39 years, I've never seen anything like it. I never seen a Huckleberry Feast held in July, let alone the first part of the month as it was this year. Reports are the berries are well ahead of schedule. Never have gone Huckleberry picking this early in the past.

Well anyway the Huckleberry Feast went on as usual with the sacred ceremonies, giving thanks to the Great Creator through songs of the seven drum religion hoping for a bountiful berry season. Drum beats echoed through the forest as tribesmen gathered for the sacred occasion. The location was at the HeHe Longhouse located on the beautiful banks of the Warm Springs River some 18 miles west of Warm Springs along highway 26.

After the Feast was completed some fun things started to happen, like a kids fun rodeo where all the kids were the stars. A few adults got into some of the action. During the nights there was Indian dancing. While the dancing was going on, some fellas was out "CHOSH-WI-SHA-ING the women's."

Well getting back to the drought 'N' stuff; everything all happened a little earlier than usual and with all the ceremonies completed people can feel at ease as they go into the berry fields to gather berries.

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Well the Presidential campaigns are gearing up for the big show down on election day this fall. The Democratic Party having their big bash in Madison Square Garden, in New York City, N.Y., nominated Bill Clinton for President. It's time for a change and hopefully Clinton will be our man.

We go by Democracy here in the U.S., in which the power is by the people, people of the entire nation. It seems like each election year as we go to the polls to vote on the President, we here in the Northwest don't seem to count because in the east they seem to have everything all sewed up and settled before the western states have completed their voting. The celebrating has already started and sort of makes a person feel like, "Why should I go to the polls, it's all settled already." Many people take this attitude and don't even bother to vote. But like they say, "Your vote counts," and we here in the west should get out and vote. I will even tell you who to vote for, okay! "You go to the polls and vote for the one who you feel will do the best for our nation!" Now that wasn't so bad, huh?

There are all sorts of issues facing the next President. Many campaign speeches from the past have never been fulfilled. Promises, promises, anything to get a vote and all forgotten. We have the big deficit to contend with, homeless issues, women's problems, abortion issue, veteran's benefits, and you name it. We could go on and on of what was promised yet nothing has been done on them after the election. We the Native Americans don't seem to exist. The only time we are noticed is when we try to exercise our rights such as fishing in areas where it's closed to others. We have several rights that were reserved during the treaty signing, but now days no one wants to honor them. And many people still think the U.S. gave lands to the Indians, when it is just the other way around where the Indians gave millions of acres of lands to the U.S. and they guaranteed many promises to the Indian tribes. Today many non-Indians feel we are trespassing when we leave the reservation to do our hunting and fishing in our accustomed places. Or to gather fruits and vegetation.

The Native Americans may just be a teensy weensy fraction in the election polls but still our vote counts. No one ever mentions the Native American or what they will do for us. We are like swept into a corner and forgotten. Let's hope we are not swept out completely. In closing I'll remind you to, "Hug your kid today." Better yet, hug your Spilyay. Ayyee!! Ahh-Nah-Chi-Toon.

Toe Ness

There was this not so bright guy, a football player, heard the coach was cutting players that day...so he brought along some iodine just in case the coach cut him. YIKES

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There was this moron who said he didn't need an agent, he said he signed a two million dollar contract with the Trailblazers. Two bucks a year for a million years. YIKES

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This guy came home after his first day of golf. His wife asked, "Did you win?" I don't know...I hit the ball more than anyone else." YIKES

EDITOR'S NOTE

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Children and young adults have good time at Huckleberry Feast rodeo

To the editor,

First I want to thank the Tribal Council for sponsoring this event for our kids and young adults.

Rodeo and livestock have been a part of our heritage for many generations. With the turn out of our young people, Warm Springs has a lot of capable young people to excel in the sport of rodeo.

The stock was a good herd of bucking animals but could not run off the young riders. The kids had a rough Saturday afternoon but came back Sunday to try again.

Our facilities are getting worn out but we got by without any major injuries. Had a little bloody spots, bruises, few tears but one heck of a good time.

For improvement of kids rodeo we should form a committee to put

on more kids rodeo's or make the Huckleberry Feast a better rodeo for all youth. Interested parents contact Buzz Scott.

The results of the rodeo are: Saturday—Peewee Calf Riding: Bruce Berry and Stewart Napyer were the only ones to make a ride.

Jr. Calf Riding: April Scott was the only one to qualify.

Senior Calf Riding: The stock was bucking good and won out.

Cow Riding: 13 years & older and young riders made a bunch of good rides.

Jr. Calf Race: The Berry Boys were winners - Bobby, Billy, Sonny.

Sr. Calf Race: The Spino team were winners - Casper, Mona, Jessie, Jr.

T-shirt winners were: Peewee Calf, Stewart Napyer, Jr. Calf Riding,

George Spino; Sr. Calf Riding, Cliff Pamperien; Cow Riding, Lila Hernandez; Sr. Calf Race, Spino team - Mona, Jessie, Casper, Jr. Calf Race, Spino team - Russell, Frenchie, Jermaine; All-Around Girl, Angel Berry; All-Around Boy, Jessie Gilbert.

In my opinion all the kids were winners.

Added Events: The winner of the

Fat Man Race was Marcus Sooksoit; The winner of the Fat Woman Race was Monica Wahnetah; and the winner of the Cow Pie Toss was Vernon Smith, Jr.

Biggest thanks goes to the crew behind the chutes that helped separate the stock and kept the chutes full.

See you next year.

Buzz Scott



Ellen Squiemphen Memorial and Stonesetting

10:00 a.m., August 15, 1992

at HeHe Longhouse

There will be dinner served and a giveaway after.

Apology for misunderstandings

To the editor,

Due to the sudden announcement of Huckleberry Feast being the 12th.

I just couldn't bring myself to have my mother's memorial on such a short notice of the memorial. I apologize for the misunderstandings people have had. But I wanted to wait for the full year of my mother's passing before I brought all of her

treasures out.

On the advice of my aunts who were close to my mother this is what we decided on. I'm inviting all of the close friends and relatives (you know who you are) to this dinner in August.

Thanks,
Suzie Stockish and all the rest of the family of Ellen Squiemphen

Take life "One day at a time"

To the editor,

Hello you all once more on the res. Warm Springs.

This is just one more note to let you all know that we all down here on earth should accept how our life is going for ourselves.

I know we can all go a long way if we can accept everything that is going on in our life.

God works in very mysterious ways. Don't ask me how God's mysterious ways are though.

We all should learn to have patience, and take our life, "one day at a time," and wait for God's time not our own time.

Thank you,
Evette Patt
650 South 44th St.
Springfield, OR 97478

Apology given

To the editor,

I would like to express my apology for being intoxicated at the Pi-Ume-Sha grounds. There is no excuse for my actions so again accept my apology.

Sincerely,
Edward Seaman

Sorry for actions

To the editor,

I'm sorry for my behavior and my intoxicated condition but I really had a good time at your powwow. It will never happen again at your people's Pi-Ume-Sha powwow.

Yours truly,
Ricky O. Sampson

Happy 50th
Juanita Quibal
"Dee Dee"
fr. Dee Rainwater

Committee to meet

The Warm Springs Arts & Craft Committee will be holding a meeting in July to begin planning for the 5th Annual All Warm Springs Arts & Crafts Show that will be held October 10, 1992 (Saturday) at the Warm Springs Community Center.

Any Warm Springs Tribal member or Warm Springs community member may participate in this volunteer committee. The committee welcomes all comers and welcome any and all ideas the community may have for a successful show in October.

This is the first notice for people to start to prepare their arts and crafts. Items may be displayed, sold or traded.

All youngsters are invited to participate as well, as all ages have hidden talent here in Warm Springs.

Watch for posters for an upcoming meeting.

Library open for summertime reading

The Warm Springs Elementary School Library will be open this summer on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from noon to 4:00 p.m.. Children who are not of school age must be accompanied by an adult or a babysitter over 12 years of age. They can color, read magazines or books, or use the computer.

writing and signing the declaration, towards expressing your legal rights and power.

I know that other Indian nations will follow your lead. And I will continue to pay attention to, learn from, and support your efforts. I will also encourage other non-Indians to do the same. I hope to work directly with the people of Warm Springs again.

Sincerely,
Laurel Rubin
Enterprise, OR

Sovereignty statement is important for tribes

To the editor,

I am very moved and encouraged by the Warm Springs Tribal Sovereignty Declaration. I have long envisioned the time when the sovereignty of Indian Nations of the United States will be fully recognized.

Not long ago, I worked with and for the Warm Springs Confederated Tribes as an elementary school teacher and also Natural Resources Department Technician. I am honored to have spent time with the children and on the land of the tribe who took this significant step, namely

Sanders family makes plans for memorial July 25

To the Warm Springs and Madras community on behalf of Robert M. Sanders during his illness:

It has been almost a year, and we the family would like to take this time to thank the people who called, came to visit, brought food, sent cards, and those who gave their support and comfort to family members during hard times.

Frank W. Smith & family, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Langley & family, Harrison Davis, Sr., Ron Kalama, Gary & Donna Anstett, Rosa Brown, Truman Lumpmouth, Jr., Christine Scott, Gladys Thompson, Irene Towe, Edith Danzuka, Effie Culpus, Lorraine Culpus Alonzo & family, Brenda George Badoni, Tony Suppah, Mercedes Suppah & family, Alvin J. Smith, Boss & Eva Heath, Dennis Krueger, Leta Smith & Luther Danzuka, Raynelle & Marty Martinez, Allen Elston, Maxine Switzler & family, Jimmy & Neda Wesley & family, Helen M. Elliot, Eliza & Dennis Butterfly, Ed & Urbana Manion, Mike & Yvonne Leno, Antoinette Pamperien & family, Agnes & Truman Lumpmouth, Sr., Micky & Arlene Boileau, Merris Wallulatam, Ronald Thomas & family, Grant Smith, Sr. & Family, Roger Smith, Robert Samuels, Prunice Williams, Bernice Mitchell, Alex Tohet & family, Dorian Soliz, Raymond Groat, Sr., Don Whitted, Garland & Susan Brunoe, Jim Bender, and Kanim Smith, Sr.

Along with, Randy Smith, Easton Aguilar, Raul Trevino, Mark Jackson, & family, Gene & Lori Smith, Norma Smith & Alfred Wolfe, "Nurse" Vickey, Gerald Smith & family, Arlene Graham & family, Sheila, Toot & Samantha, Connie & Lee Johnson, Sybil K. Smith, Elsie Zehreid, Gwen Smith, Buddy & Marla Hicks, School Board & staff, Peggy Carey, R.N., O.C.N., St. Charles support group, Ruby & Donna Torrez, Zelma Smith & Dorothea Barney, Ted Brunoe & Madeline McInturff, Wilma & George Picard, Sr., Gib, Shirley & Joe Gibson, Dean Seylor & Fire & Safety staff, The Management department, The Diabetic Exercise group, Warm Springs Forest Product Industries, The Credit Office staff, Sherri L. Smith, Glenn

Smith, Ronald & Joyce Krueger, Gloria Queahpama & LeAnthony, Marlana & Victor Becerra & family, Douglas & Margaret Palmer, Terry L. Goudy, Alley & Joni David, Bobby Eagleheart, Arlen Alsky, Gerald Wewa, Jim Smith, Bernadine Wahsise-Wolfe, Joe Tuckta, William Katchia, and John Katchia, Sr.

Also the following: Orlando Stevens, Hilda Meanus Culpus, Levi Van Pelt, Sister Pauline Igoe O.P., Toni Made & family, Louise Katchia Jackson, Lenna Corbaley, Elton Greely, JoAnn Smith, Faye Compo (Lapwai), Vesta Cutfinger, (Lapwai), Ron "Hot Rod" Adamson, Beulah N. Calica, Mark & Laura Johnson & family, Raymond Johnson, Jr., Rhonda Ike, Alicia Lori Alonzo, Fannie Waheneka & family, Jerry Polk, Priscilla & Marvin Ike, Pedro Alonzo, Charles Lesarley, Norman Nathan, Margie Danzuka, Roy Corbaley, Ken "Kenman" Miller, Gale Lawrence, Sr. & family, Charles Jackson (Lapwai), Michelle Cutfinger (Lapwai), Gib Cutfinger (Lapwai), Angela Kalama & family, Lee M. Saunders, Leah LeClaire, Kate Keo Jackson, Laura M. Switzler, Faye Waheneka, and Jeanette Meanus & family. Any names that we may have missed, you are gratefully thanked.

With Many thanks, The Sanders Family, Edna Sanders (mother), Jeff & Shirley Sanders (brother & sister-in-law), Ray & Irene Wells (brother-in-law & sister), Joann Bryant (sister), Mernie Polk (sister), and Bob's children: Cindy Stewart (daughter), Jim Baker Sanders (son), Robin Hawkins (daughter), Angelina Frutos (daughter), Rosanna Sanders (daughter), Fred Martin Sanders (son), and Chrisy A. Sanders (daughter)

Memorial services for Robert Martin Sanders July 25, 1992 at HeHe Longhouse. Dinner will be served at noon, give away to follow, Unveiling of headstone at the Agency cemetery at 9 a.m.

Help recover stolen items

To the editor,

I am writing this letter to ask the Warm Springs community for their help and information.

On July 2nd, a person or persons broke into our home at 2323 Ollalie and stole part of my dance outfit. Missing in this theft are the following: 1 traditional dance bustle with coyote centerpiece; 1 eagle wing fan with leather fringe handle; 1 beaded belt buckle with bear paw design; 1 belt, black with silver studs; 1 Pendleton blanket, red & green stripe.

These items are of value only to my family, are all one of a kind. They also can easily be identified and have been reported stolen to WSPD.

This Pi-Ume-Sha was the first time that I have been able to dance since the passing of my father. Now someone has stolen the chance for me to dance with my family. It will be some time before I am able to replace these things. It is sad that in our community that there are individuals that carry so much disrespect for tradition and would steal things that are sacred. It is for me and my family that I ask the community's help in retrieving what has been taken.

Please contact: John Finch at 2323 Ollalie or WSPD with any information you may have.

Sincerely,
John Finch