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(The way it is)
Letters to the Editor



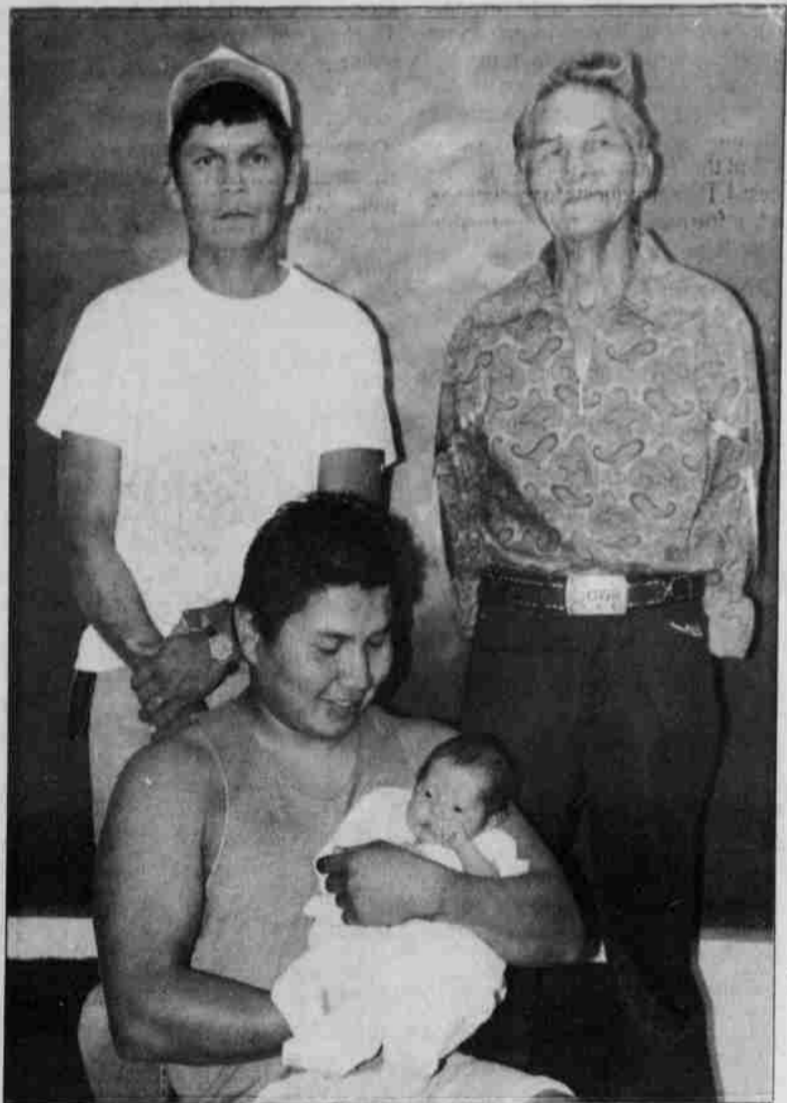
"Spilyay Speaks"



What's going to happen in November? The elections are just around the corner and Bush and Clinton are starting to shift into higher gears, each trying to out do his opponent. Bush trying to sway people to his direction. Clinton with confidence ready to challenge Bush to debates. So far Bush is trying very hard to avoid these public debates.

Bush is even trying to use the draft record of Clinton during the Vietnam War. Bush continually mentions the Vietnam War, where to many people was not a just war at all. Some say it was just a big political cover up for the big businessmen, to retain the trade in the Far East. Just like the Persian Gulf War, that was over the oil fields in that country benefiting the big oil producers. So I don't think Clintons draft record will have any effect on the out come. There were hundreds of thousands of young men also didn't make the draft for that war. Canada's population increased from that.

"Ooops!! What's this?" Ross Perot to re-enter the Presidential race. I just hope that if Perot enters the race it will not have too much effect on the other candidates chances. Perot may divide up the votes and we could end up with 3ush again. To all eligible voters, better register and vote because you do out. Vote one way or the other...but vote. Aah-Nah-Chi-Toon.



There's a Fourth!
Alvis Smith IV joined three other Alvises on Labor Day, Septembr 7 at Mt. View Hospital. The Fourth is the son of Alvis III and Jaunita White Elk. He is of Wasco/Oglalla Sioux descent. Alvis, Jr. and Alvis, Sr. are Fourth's grandpa and great-grandpa, respectively.

Toe Ness

School days: A teacher asked old tom: "What is a synonym?"
Tom: "Ahh! It's a word you use when you can't spell the other one." YIKES

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Bill: "Did Bush's speech have a happy ending?"
Tom: "Yep! Everybody was happy it ended." YIKES

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There was this guy who did a lot of reading. One day he read where smoking was bad for your health. He immediately gave up reading. YIKES

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This lady asked this man: "Would you like to chew my gum?"
"Nope, because it's been in your mouth."
The lady: "Well sir, I don't like to breathe the smoke from your cigarette." YIKES

EDITOR'S NOTE

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Member with masters degree questions additional training

To the editor,

Many of you know that I recently completed my master's degree in business at the University of Minnesota. I appreciate all the kind words of encouragement and prayers you've given during the two years of studies. It sure went a long way when things became rough. All it takes to get educated is average intelligence and stick to it-iveness when the waters get stormy. A well known church leader, Dr. Chuck Swindol, says you must experience pain before you know what joy is. After the stress and strains of college, I know that is true. Education must be the tribes' top priority beyond mere rhetoric.

I am the first recipient of a fellowship from First Nations Development Institute of Falmouth, Virginia and the University of Minnesota, which is established to support Indian management. I have an agreement that I would work for an Indian tribe or

organization upon completion of my studies. The fellowship provided approximately \$40,000 for my master's program, which was mostly tuition and fees. Four or five Indian students will enter this program for an MBA degree every year.

I received a number of job offers across the country because of my educational qualifications, my 12 years of experience with the Tribes' Finance Department and a summer stint with 3M main headquarters, a world-class corporation here in the Twin Cities. My goal was to work for my tribe in a general management capacity. I figured that I have years of experience and knowledge of our system, so I could hit the ground running. Tribal management offered a position at the same salary step as when I left two years ago! I was also requested to go into more training of the reservation. I felt insulted because the current managers weren't required to take training. Besides, I have more education than most all our managers, so why should I continue training?

The Minneapolis Star Tribune did a business profile on me, which I think the Madras Pioneer reprinted. I think highly of our tribal organization and never say anything degrading about my people. I think we are one of the most progressive tribes in the country. I am proud to be a full-blooded member of the Warm Springs-Wasco tribes and my wish is to work for my people. I accepted a general management-caliber job with Little Six, Inc. here in Minnesota, which is owned by the Mdewakanton Dakota Tribe. My position involves work that I was interested in doing for my tribe.

One of our tribal managers approached me and commented that it

is too bad that the tribes didn't have enough money to pay me. I am writing this letter to make a point that money is not the issue.

The fact that I was asked to continue with training concerned me. I made a big sacrifice taking my son, Ty Eaglespeaker, seven states away so I can go to college. My studies took my time from being a parent to him and from having time to spend with friends and family; we were alone in a very foreign environment (large university of 55,000 students, dangers of city, high cost of living, racism, cold weather, etc.) without family to help us out; we had limited income in comparison to what we were used to when I had a job. At one point my health was questionable—there was a possibility of cancer. My mother had an Indian medicine gathering in her home to pray for me, and fortunately it turned out that no cancer existed. It is scary to be so far from home facing this type of ordeal. I lost my stepfather, Harold Greene, while I was here and didn't have funds to go home to be with my sister and brothers; I also lost my dear grandfather, Herbert Stwyer. I made a loan to pay for plane tickets for me and Ty's trip back to school after grandpa's funeral. It was difficult to cope with the deep seated grief and finish my final year of studies. All of this to return to a new position at the same salary step? I certainly paid my dues. I don't think it is fair for tribal management to ask me to continue in a training program either. Gee whiz, I worked in the Finance Department long enough to know that we are overly dependent on expensive outside consultants. My observation and presumption is that there is a lack of confidence in women for top management positions at this time.

My main message is for tribal council and particularly tribal management to give attention to the courageous tribal members who are furthering their education. Offer fair and equal financial support and set up a career plan for those who will graduate soon. We can't afford the brain drain on our reservation. I pray for each of you because your jobs are most important to the future of my people. When you are in the Twin Cities, or even at the airport briefly, look me up. I love to see familiar people.

I never believed I had the backbone to be a manager. My grandfather believed I did. He encouraged me to continue my education and gave many messages of how we should use the best of our own, including women. At this year's Lincoln's Birthday Powwow (which he is a founding member) he spoke of my educational endeavors and the fact that my fellowship is saving money for our tribe. An elder, religious leader, and former councilman, I am humbled and challenged with the legacy he left. I do my best to balance business with the traditions I've learned from him and from my mother.

Grandpa's generation made tremendous sacrifices so that I can become educated. I want to give back to my community what I have learned. I am going to be 35 years young very soon and I intend to work a few more decades. I'll be back before long...to my home, family and friends, and a job serving my people!

Aurolyn Renee Stwyer
(Na-kish-ayat)



Happy 12th Birthday
Elsie Marie Sam!
Love, Dad, Mom, Tracy, Sadie, Jr., Neda, Jeleah and Thomas Sam and Grandma Eliza!

Happy Birthday Elsie!
From, Lillie, Albert, Margie, Eliza, Tony, Wolfman, Ugly and Sabel

Happy 21st Birthday
"Moosh Head"
September 30, 1992
from Kenny & Angie

Ticket for sale

Want to buy an airline ticket to anywhere in the U.S. round trip? Call Vesta Hudson at 553-3213.

Order headstones

To the editor,
Order Headstones—Monuments now for spring set-up. I now own this business, I will do my best to service you.

Lucinda Green
553-1390

Questions concerning local Boys and Girls Club answered

Hello from Pastor Rick...

Some folks have had some questions about the Boys and Girls Club of America that will be opening here in Warm Springs in the not too distant future. So, here we go.

What is it? It is a club for young people between the ages of 8 and 19. It uses the mission, principles, methods and programs of Boys and Girls Club.

Are you people taking over the Community Center? No. We will be

another help in the community for our young people. The club is to add to what is already being done with youth.

Are outsiders running it? No. The director to operate the club along with the youth will be a local tribal member who will receive training by going to other clubs in the state to see how they work.

What of the house rules? The conduct of the youth in coming to the club will be set by a list of house rules designed by the youth, director and staff. The board of directors will add general rules to these, like no smoking...

Is tribal money running it? No. We are a private group of local folks who are raising money through grant writing. No tribal money has been asked for at this time.

Are the youth involved in your planning? When we first met about five months ago, many senior high age people sat in the meetings. They talked to the Boys and Girls Club people and have told us when its running they will come to help. When the meetings came more to the business phase, the senior highs decided to wait and not be "bored with the meetings."

We hope for a spring opening of the club. If you have any questions, please contact Rick Souers, Foster Kalama or me, Pastor Rick. Grace and peace.

Nationwide organization helps youth of all kinds

The Boys and Girls Club movement is a nationwide affiliation of local, autonomous organizations and Boys and Girls Clubs of America working to help youth of all backgrounds, with special concern for those form disadvantaged circumstances, develop the qualities needed to become responsible citizens and leaders.

Boys and Girls Clubs are for boys and girls between the ages of eight and 19. The clubs have full-time professional leadership, supplements by part-time works and volunteers. No proof of good character is required. The clubs help and guide girls and boys who may be in danger of acquiring, or who already have acquired, unacceptable habits and attitudes, as well as boys and girls of good character.

Club members can received indi-

vidual assistance or work together with other club members in small or large groups. The program is based on physical, emotional, cultural and social needs and interests of girls and boys and recognizing developmental principles. Clubs offer diversified program activities in personal and education development, citizenship and leadership development, cultural enrichment, health and physical education, social recreation and outdoor and environmental education.

To accomplish their mission, the Boys and Girls Club of America practices a set of principles using three basic methods to provide a cor program based on a youth development strategy. When this strategy is fully implemented, the self-esteem of girls and boys is enhanced and an environment is created which helps them achieve their full potential.

Thanks for support of Red Nation Runners

To the editor,

Many thanks and appreciation from Lucinda and the "Red Nation Runners." On short notice the community responded with food and cash donations for the runners. Recreation Center was offered for the dinner and Powwow as well as the staff was on hand to help, people came forth voluntarily with food for the potluck and to help prepare the food. Drummers, dancers and Rudy for being the MC.

Cash donations from the Council, Hydroelectric, Joe Tuckta, Rudy, Anna Clements, Blanket Dance at Powwow, Community Counseling, Food donations—Safeway, Erickson's, Pastor Rick, Aherns, and many individuals in the community brought food for the potluck. Food

was brought in so fast that I was not able to get everybody's name, you all know who you are and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. People

donating the salmon were Jeannie Danzuka, Antionette Pamperien, Bobby Thurby, Bucky Holliday,
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Happy
(Belated)
Birthday!
to Mia Spino, 11 years old
From your family



Seniors renowned

To the editor,

Our year to be an example in a public manner went to national Indian country at a national meeting of Seniors at Green Bay Wisconsin.

Elton Greeley, surprised our seniors by entering a film of step exercise by our wellness group, pink outfits, feathers and all. The reaction to the film segment was, how do you get seniors to exercise? The conclusion was to laugh at yourself, or to have fun with everyone else, break the ice. It seems we were unique in Indian Country. Our stoic and reserved manner was not evident in the film. Thankfully, General Assembly was the day we chose to be dressed in a traditional manner.

The time is near for the 1992 wellness conference at Seaside and CHEF will be looking at our team.

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Happy 1st Birthday
Leanna Elsie Boise
October 10
We all love you very
much
Dad, Mom,
George, & Tonya