

Editorial E Coosh EEWA:

(The way it is)
Letters to the Editor



"Spilyay Speaks"



The Oregon School Activities Association (OSAA), has decided to leave the Madras White Buffaloes where they are at the present time. And that's in the Greater Oregon League, (GOL). The only change they made at this time was to move Cottage Grove back to the 4-A status.

Had Madras been allowed to go into the Tri-Valley League, then Hood River Valley would have been put into the 4-A classification and put in the Intermountain league with Bend, Pendleton and such. Grant Union and Vale would have been elevated to 3-A status and put into the GOL. Just think if Madras would have been allowed to enter the Tri-Valley league their longest trip would have been closer than the shortest trip the Buffs have to take in the GOL. The trip to the Banks, OR would have been the longest trip. But in the GOL the Buffs automatically face a 6-8 hour bus ride to participate in athletics. These trips are to Eastern Oregon, to Baker City, Ontario, Nyssa, Mac Hi. All these trips are a long time for kids to be riding on a bus to participate in athletics. Think of the savings there would be in the school budget if the Buffs were allowed to enter the Tri-Valley league.

Take a look at LaPine, when they were put into the 3-A classification they went into the Sky-Em, league which includes schools of Cottage Grove, Creswell, Elmira, Glide, Junction City, Marist, Pleasant Hill and Sutherland. LaPine is the only school east of the Cascades in that league and it appears to be doing well so far.

With all the fuss we are having over the school budgets each year it seems like someone would wake up and see how much savings in school funds there would be if schools didn't have such great distances to travel and for lodging just to participate in sports.

Each year there is always a big hassle over the school budget. The first thing brought up to cut is Athletics. Some people feel it's a waste of money to have sports at schools. They feel that there is no means of benefits gained from participating in school sports. They feel the only thing this proves is that the "Indians are better than the Braves, or the Chiefs are better than the Warriors." The most powerful and the most feared always win. Some feel this does not help a student in life.

Do you know that most of our countries best leaders were some of the best athletes in school? They have learned leadership, learned team work and the meaning of competition which everybody faces daily in life. From being able to participate in athletics gave them the courage and strength to lead and so the best for the team, school and community. Many of the top Military leaders have great athletic backgrounds. The top CEOs across the country in all the large corporations; have athletic backgrounds from the leadership they learned in school. They learned to take charge, "Take the Bull by the Horns," so to speak and do what's best for the team and the Community. If it hadn't been for athletics some may never have learned the value of team work and leadership. Learn to make the right decisions at critical times gives them the feeling of success.

Well I'm just rambling on and on and on, with something some people are dead against, "Athletics." But I do feel athletics have a major role in life. "NUFF NOW." Better cut the gab and get on to other things. But our children do need the recognition. AHH-NAH-CHI-TOON!!!

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SPILYAY SEZ: "I don't know if we'll ever get a cure for poverty, but the way taxes and prices are going up, we've got a sure cure for wealth." YIKES

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Ole Tom said: "Americans are getting stronger. Twenty years ago it took two people to carry ten dollars worth of groceries. Today, a five year-old can do it." YIKES

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Ole Ed said: "I try to do everything to make my wife happy. She complained about housework so I bought her an electric iron, and electric dishwasher, and an electric dryer. Then she complained there were so many gadgets around the house she had no room to sit down. What else can I do?"

Ole Tom said, "Buy her an electric chair." YIKES

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Happy Birthday
Eileen Marcia Frank
17 years old
May 12th
We love you!
Your sis - Sarah, Curtis,
Josiah, & Jr.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!
To our uncle Tony
and
our cousin Curtis, Jr.
May 18, 1993
from, George, Tonya,
and Leanna



Happy 4th Birthday
to our little "rootdigger"
Tonya Leigh
-May 18, 1993-
We love you very much!
from, Mom, Dad,
George & Leanna

EDITOR'S NOTE

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Information that will help keep ancestry alive needed

To the editor,

I am in need of help and information that I am hoping you will be able to provide.

My name is Anita Mendoza, an inmate at Cedar Creek Corrections Center located in Little Rock, WA. I am a member of the Native American Circle which is the first of anything here that enables Native Americans to continue learning about their culture. This being new to CCCC we are having some difficulties expressing our needs about keeping our heritage alive.

What I am asking from you is for

anyone to please submit to us any ideas they might have that will help this small group of people who are locked up keep their ancestry alive. This is a place of misconceptions about our culture and it is extremely difficult for us to learn and practice our native traditions.

How do I know of the Spilyay? From my mother, Lolita Greeley. I am also half Warm Springs/Wasco, but unfortunately I was not raised on the reservation and didn't have the privilege of growing up with the surroundings of my heritage. Instead I was raised in the city and learned very little about my culture. I am

now 33 years old and I want to know as much as I can about my heritage and culture.

I feel like a lost spirit floating and not knowing where to go. I want to come home and I feel if I know and understand more of my heritage than my spirit could start it's long journey back to the beginning where it belongs.

For me and the others who have joined the Native American Circle,

this is the start back to where our spirits have begun. So any ideas that you can give me would be gratefully accepted.

I thank you for your time and any suggestions that you may have.

Sincerely,
Anita Mendoza
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Families invited to dance May 15

Dear community,

We are inviting you and yours to a very special dance involving the entire family on May 15, 1993. Yes, we can have tons of fun without alcohol or drugs of any kind! Yes, teenagers can have fun with their families! And, yes, the dance is open to everyone.

As you know, Kah-Nee-Ta Resort at Warm Springs is a special place full of activities. Come and enjoy the day then join us for a Pot Luck at 6:00 p.m., an AA meeting at 7:00 p.m. for those so inclined, then enjoy the

group, "Like Father Like Daughters". A mom, dad, and three daughters, ages 7, 10, & 12 who can belt out songs that will have you clapping & cheering. No way will you be able to sit still and not dance from 8:00-10:00 p.m. Then disc jockeys will play everything from Hip Hop & Rap to Country Western from 10:00 p.m. - ??

See you and your family there!

The Teen Program at Warm Springs Counseling Center
1-503-553-3205

Elston will be missed

To the editor,

Hello you all once more. I now have an apartment of my own in Eugene, Oregon and found out and heard that Mr. Allen Elston will be retiring from the First Baptist Church where he was a pastor.

I really appreciate Mr. Allen Elston for all he has taught an explained to me about the fellow upstairs, which is the lord, who can and will live forever.

Thanks to Mr. Allen Elston, I now know that the Lord up above will and can live forever. We just all should learn to wait for his time.

Hallelujah! It can be done!
Gracias Mr. Elston.

Evette Patt
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Dearest Mom, Patricia Brown
Have the
Happiest Mother's Day!!
I love you and think of you often.
Love
your daughter & grandchildren,
Mary Annette Redbone
& Damien Mose

Happy 4th Birthday
Tonya Leigh
-May 18th-
Lotsa Love
Uncle Curtis, Sarah,
Josiah & Jr.

In memory of Salena
Sahme, a stone setting,
memorial dinner and
give away will be held
May 29, 1993.
Friends and family are
invited to attend.

Happy Birthday
Gloria Mattie Charley
May 21
love, your aunt, uncle and
cousins



Happy 1st Birthday
Britten Lumpmouth

Alcoholism was white man's gift

To the editor,

The white man was very generous in the beginning and the tribes in the east were coned by their generosity. Anyone would have been but the white man was always giving. In the beginning they gave blankets, food, jewelry etc. Then they gave land. The most generous gift of all was diseases. I'm not just talking about chicken pox and the like but alcoholism.

Think about this. One time the white man gave "stupid water" to the Indians and while they were drunk killed them. Drinking can kill in more ways than one (this is for all Indians who still want the white man to win). Go ahead take another drink of stupid water for without the past there can be no future. When drunk, you don't remember well, the next day your sick or you might not make it to work on time but that isn't the only thing. It eats away at the cells in your

brain. I just met someone who drank and now this person has dementia. How would a person with this disease be able to tell children about their past?

In our family it wasn't alcohol that is to blame for why we don't know anything about our culture or how our Great Grandparents lived. In time our family was eventually dominated by white man. Because of this, they never talked about the past only what happened from that time on. They never past our heritage on to us. I don't want this to happen to anyone else.

Don't let the white man win in all things. True, we have to get along with all races but you don't have to be like them. You are one race! Make our ancestors proud, be their race.

Catherine Nelson
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A good time?

To the editor,

I'm writing this letter to apologize to the people of Warm Springs, for the crime of driving under the influence. That night I thought I was having a good time. My good time was ended by laying on a cold floor. While laying in the D-tank I thought, "I should have went home now," but too late. Now I have to pay for the crime I committed.

Given this time I would also like to apologize to my wife (Angeline), my family and officer DeBiao for being arrogant and uncooperative these past couple of weeks. Again I'm sorry.

Floyd C. Frank, Sr.

I apologize

To the editor:

To the Warm Springs community, I would like to apologize for driving under the influence of intoxicants, on February 27, 1993.

Sincerely,
Leander D. Williams

Apology extended

To the editor:

I am apologizing for driving intoxicated in Warm Springs back in September of 1992.

Signed,
Wendell H. Cook

Happy Birthday
Tony Thompson
May 18th
from your bro Curtis
& family

nothing on Fridays.

Our first two games we won-Home field advantage (maybe!) but next week we travel.

Even though I've asked a few dad's to umpire. I've only been able to drag out Agnes Wolfe and Marina Weaselhead and put them behind the plate. There's been other mom's that help maintain the team. Thanks Ecky and Lois. Any help is appreciated.

Here's our line-up for '93: Esten Culpus, Steven Govenor, Willyum Hoptowit, Sam Jackson, Ulysses Jefferson, Juan Lamebear, "AJ" Lucei, Tony Olea, Austin Smith, Jr., Pasha Smith, Elijah Squiemphen, Jess Stevens, Larry Switzer, Edward Weaselhead, III and Lecaan Wolfe.

So! Come on out, grandma's, grandpa's, aunts and uncles and give an encouraging cheer or a rousing applaud for a good play for our young ball players!

I'll keep in touch throughout our season.

Sincerely,
Tammy Hoptowit

Happy 2nd Birthday
Curtis Lee Thompson, Jr.
May 18th



We love you!
Daddy, Mommy, Josiah &
Eileen

Actions not justified--Sorry

To the editor,

I wish to make an apology for driving under the influence, under certain circumstances my situation could not be avoided. But it does not justify the fact, thank you.

Julian Scott

Happy 26th Birthday
Truman Lumpmouth



Oits Lee Johnson
May 19
Happy Birthday Oitsey-boy
love, Mom & Na Na's

Happy Birthday
"Big Guy"
from your Dad