

Editorial E Coosh EEWA:

(The way it is)
Letters to the Editor



"Spilyay Speaks"



At one time I thought of Armistice Day as a day out of school and not realizing what the day stood for. As a kid it was just a day to mess around and stuff.

Well let's see, when the Armistice day was first observed was when World War I, ended in Europe, in 1917, and all the Yanks came home from the front lines. After that each year on November 11, Armistice Day has been observed. As World War I, ended which was supposed to have been the end of all wars but with the economy the way it was sort of put things in a mess. Well things began to happen and Hitler began his climb to power and in 1939, he invaded Poland, and then World War II got underway.

The United States didn't enter the war until December 7, 1941, when Pearl Harbor was bombed by the Japanese Empire. The Americans were sort of caught un-prepared at that time, as Japan swept across the South Pacific, taking Philippine Islands and many, many more south sea islands before the United States could get going on the offensive.

The Draft was put into effect where all young men were to serve their country and many enlisted on their own to get into action. Those were scary days during the World War II, where a person could imagine what could happen here in the U.S.A. if ever invaded. All the men were ready to protect what we have and were willing to fight to the end if necessary.

As the United States got into the offensive they invaded the Solomon Islands in the South Pacific, and invaded North Africa to get on the offensive in Europe. This was a long road to the end where they had to battle up the Italian mainland and finally the invasion of Normandy, which really put the U.S. on the offensive. The battles all along the way where men had fallen in the path to victory. Battle in Europe was a long hard struggle but after the Normandy invasion really put the allies on the offensive. And finally victory in Europe.

In the South Pacific it was just as hard for the fighting men, going from Island to Island, until they were nearing the mainland of Japan, but in August of 1945 the A bomb was dropped on Japan which ended the war.

Even with the war at an end there was still unrest in the Far East as the Communists became restless and North Korea invaded South Korea, which started the "Forgotten War." A little scrimish that would take a little police action to get things under control it was said. But the Communists meant business and were ready to fight. Well here we go again the draft was put into effect once again and many boys answered the call of the country to where there were some of the bloodiest battles in anymans war. The Chinese joined in the battle with the North Koreans which made it a real problem as the Allies were outnumbered almost 20-1, with the Chinese army. Well there was the big siege at Chosen Reservoir, where the men had to battle their way out to the coast to be evacuated and regroup. Many remember Pork Chop Hill, Lukes Castle, Old Boldy, Sniper Ridge where men fought at tremendous odds which were against them. Well this war finally came to an end and no glory was held out when the troops came home. Not a word of any kind.

Well then came the Vietnam Crises, where the U.S. was there to protect the innocent, until the commies started invading the U.S. Camps which put them on the defensive. The word was to protect yourself and finally it came down to where it was a search and destroy situation. This was a war that caused a lot of problems here in the United States among all the young men who protested against the draft. To go fight a war where we didn't belong. Yet the United States lost many young men doing so. Today there is still hate felt by many young men who served in that war. It was a bad situation for those who were involved in that war. Today we here in Warm Springs praise our young men who were involved in that crisis. We are proud of those who were willing to put their lives on the line for what? But they did anyway. The first landing at Cam Ranh Bay, the battle of Khe Sanh, Quang Tri, Pleiku, Chu Lai, Dong Ha, Bien Hoa, The Delta and all those battles that took many lives. Today we salute those who served in Vietnam.

Than comes the Desert Storm, when will it ever end? We had young men in that war which we are glad it never developed into something worse than what it was. Even today we have boys in the service with the world at an unrest stage. Like something is about to burst at any time.

Today Armistice Day is a day to salute all those who served their country and were willing to protect what we have today. Ahh-Nahh-Chi-Toon!!

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Mother: "Son, do you like the new maid?"
Billie: "Nope, I'd like to bite her on the neck like daddy does."
YIKES

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Little Boy: Daddy, I read a book in school where it said animals get a new fur coat every winter.
Dad: Shhh! Mommy is in the next room. YIKES

Happy Birthday dear niece tina,
Just want you to know that we are thinking of you on your special day.
Hope you have a great day!
We love n' miss you dearly.
God bless you abundantly,
Coronado's of Everett, WA

Happy Birthday Daddy!!
We love you very much dad.
Thank you for being our dad & friend.
We will always be thankful to you, Dad!
"Have a great time on your special day" (So we can too!)
Love n' Kisses to you dad.
Bina, Gilbert & Christina

Absent member expresses gratitude, thanks

To the Editor,
Enmeenaimoom! There are three different events that I wish to acknowledge with much gratitude.

I miss our family barbecues and was caught off guard when my family honored me and Bobby Jo during my vacation. I want to express my appreciation to Mom and Charlotte for preparing the food. It is a wonderful memory to look at the pictures that I took of the fun games and laughter we shared that day. We are blessed with a big family, and have suffered many pains and losses—it was refreshing to be with you for a celebration.

It was a treat to have elk steaks because they don't exist in Minnesota. Thank you, Benny, for the elk steaks, and the exquisite Cameron shield. Thanks to the following who showed their love and generosity: Marena Miller for the beautiful beaded clutch purses, Aunt Liz for the KNT souvenirs and unique turquoise and silver pen, Teddie Tanewasha for the purpose yarn necklace and earrings, Olsen Meanus for the eagle fluff, Kathleen Heath for the antler necklace, Levi and Pearl VanPelt for the turquoise feather earrings, Amelia and Carla Tewece for the fan, Norma Smith for the summer outfit, Ursula Little for the beaded earrings, Lamont and Pat Brown for the feather antler necklace, Roger and Winona Stwyer for the earrings, Chet and Becky Van Pelt for the turquoise feather earrings, Eliza Greene for the necklace, Antoinette Pamperin for the crystal crosses and the following relatives

and their families who were supportive and thoughtful: Debbie Scott, Orthelia Miller, Charlotte and Enos Herkshan, Evaline Patt, Thelma and Eagle Greene, Davis Stwyer, Robert and Marella Sam, Helena Jones, Sandra Danzuka, Lawrence Shike, Jr. Shike, Iita Van Pelt, Hilda Culpus, Effie Culpus and Grandma Louise Hellon and Popeye. I am truly blessed.

Violet Heath showed her sweet disposition and traditional upbringing when she presented me with her first-making yarn clutch purse. I will treasure it and use it as a reminder of the Warm Springs values of patience, sacrifice and generosity.

I want to extend a special thank you to Eight Ball and Ella Jane Jim for the keepsake from my dear cousin, Liz Cross. It will ease my healing process when I wear her turquoise and silver belt. A special thank you to aunt Daisy Ike, Orthelia Miller and Clifford Washines for the honor song and prayer song at the NANACoA conference in Minneapolis and the beaded medallion from Daisy. Your expressed support goes a long way during times of rough waters.

I have bittersweet memories of the Huckleberry Feast: Grandpa Herb's camp next to the river, the rodeo and cultural festivity. The spiritual renewal of welcoming the fall season was needed after living in the fast lane in Minneapolis where we only know two seasons—long winters and short summers!

My son, Ty Eagle Speaker had the privilege to be a part of the dance

initiation of his relative, Ryan Windy Boy. Thank you Geraldine and Wilford Jim for this special honor, the fine woven powwow chair and Warm Springs style doll. I am happy that my son has the opportunity to know his traditions in the midst of an ever changing world. My son and I contributed our \$50 winnings back for next year's powwow and contributed \$50 to the Simnasho Northender singers in memory of Grandpa Herb who served as the treasurer for the powwow for many decades and participated in the Huckleberry feast services.

I am pleased that my Simnasho Tribal Council representatives are doing a god job. Uncle Delvis Heath has kept in contact with me and was instrumental in bringing the Tribal Council to my place of employment at Mystic Lake Casino. I thoroughly enjoyed their visit. It was fun rolling out the red carpet and doing business with my people! Thank you for taking the time to check out a premier casino in Indian country: Delvis Heath, Sr., Bernice Mitchell, Kathleen Heath, Jacob Frank, Joe Moses, Wilson Wewa and Doris Miller.

I have my bouts of loneliness living far from home an it's nice to be thought of by friends and relatives who came through Minneapolis on business. Thanks for calling on me: Ma and Pa, Jolene Estimo and AJ, Lucinda Green, Charlotte Shike, Daisy Ike, Orthelia Miller, Carol Parra, Lenora Doney, Mary Ann Sando-Emhoolah, Andrea Smith, Eliza Greene, Lisa Sundheroy Roy

Dick, Dana Miller, Lawrence SpottedBird, Charlie Parton, Loretta and Richard Thompson, Rosita Jim, Louise and Kenny Scabby Robe and the Black Lodge singers.

Sincerely,
Na-Kish-ayat (Aurolyn Stwyer)

Loss is great

To our readers,
The remaining staff of Spilyay Tymoo would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the many people who helped us through our recent loss.

We especially want to thank the Shakers for working on us. The services helped relieve our pain and helped us through a most trying time.

We know the pain of our loss will subside with time, but for now, we are merely existing. We lost a true friend, excellent co-worker and comrade. Like many departments within the tribal organization, we were not just individuals coming to work at the same office, we were a family working together, striving to meet the ever-present, non-stop two-week deadline. Marsha's death was like losing a much-loved sister.

Again, we thank you for your support and concern.

Sid Miller, Donna Behrend, Saphronia Katchia, Selena Boise

Thank you

To the editor,
The family and friends of Marsha Shewczyk would like to thank both the Madras and Warm Springs communities for the tremendous outpouring of support following her recent tragic death. We are truly fortunate to have so many friends willing to give their time and energy to help us through this crisis. Marsha would be proud.

Don, Joey, and Cole Ratliff,
Joshua Currey

Help appreciated

To the editor,
The family members of Stanley Wahsise Frank and Imagene Author Frank, Michael and Gena Frank Wahsise wish to express our gratitude to the Warm Springs tribe for the use of the Simnasho Longhouse. Also the Warm Springs tribe for providing the salmon and deer meat for the people. The services provided by the drummers. Special thanks to the people that attended the service for the stone settings. Thanks also to the people who helped serve the food and to those that helped clean the kitchen and dining area.

Sincere thanks from,
Allen "Tinker" Frank,
Leonard "Shooz" Wahsise and family, Regina Wahsise Williams and family, The children of Leslie Wahsise, Sr., aunts, friends and numerous relatives

Are you setting a good example for kids?

To the editor,
I see a lot of happy innocent little faces in this newspaper showing that it is their birthday. So many children and right along side their pictures, what do you see? Apologies for driving under the influence. Is that an example adults want to set for these children who will be the adults of tomorrow? True, it will be years

before they become adults but for them to grow up seeing this in the newspapers would not be a good influence. For when they start going to school they learn how to read.

Do these people who are driving while drinking "stupid water" think children won't look in the newspapers? Do drinkers want children to grow up and become like them?

Mom will be remembered

To the editor,
As I sit here thinking of all the times Mom and I sat here in my room talking having a teaching session. She was forever telling me of my pu'sha, and his family. Hardly ever telling me of her own side of the family. But she was a good teacher to me, and my family. One of her sayings was "Gee! you know when I come here into your home, I feel like a real life queen? All of your kids just spoil me, I have my own room, my own cup & plate. Just a real life Queen. Don't have to do anything." Now all we have is just beautiful memories. She meant the world to me and my family.

So now on behalf of myself and my family we'd like to ask all of you to excuse my sister for her actions at the Longhouse. We thought it was very uncalled for. You know mom, enjoyed visiting with all of you, no matter where she met you.

Now to give thanks to everyone where help was given. For the food, flowers, the cards or the speeches that was given on behalf of Mom.

Grateful for comfort and support

To the editor,
Our family has felt the loss of life through a recent miscarriage. We are a long way from home and were not able to return our baby to Montana for burial. We are very grateful for the comfort and support that we received from members of your tribe. We would like to acknowledge them: Sam and Jeannie Danzuka, thank you so much for allowing us to bury

Also special thanks to the following: Clifford Moses for riding with Mom out to Simnasho, at the last minute notice, Frederick Boise for hauling Mom's casket and the flowers to the cemetery. Nelson Moses and Louie Charles for officiating. The ladies Margaret Boise and Tillie Moses for dressing Mom. The Ladies Auxiliary for their part in the service. The cooks who labored so hard in the kitchen. The drummers for their all night services. To Bernice Mitchell and my yi-ya Cowhand for the speeches at the cemetery. The doctors the hospital the people at Bel-Air Funeral Chapel for fixing Mom so beautiful. Oh if we forgot anyone it isn't intentionally.

May God bless all of you.
Thanks again,
Robert & Justine Luton,
Leona Margaret Maass, Robert Leroy Luton Maass, Harlan Luton & family, Lacy Luton & girls, Duke & Sheeny Luton, Marci & Gibson Moody, Valena Sargeant & family

How would people who drink like this, like for their Chief's to drink this way? I'm not talking about their personal life but while making decisions with Tribal Affairs. It would not be wise.

I know my words will fall on deaf ears, (alcoholics). As for non-alcoholics, they need to help. Like I've said before it can't be just one person. Everybody has to get involved or the adults of tomorrow will have this dreadful disease.

Alcoholism is a disease the white man gave to Indians. I say give it back to the white man. Tell him you don't want his gift anymore. Do it for yourselves and for future generations.

Don't let anything or anybody beat you.

Catherine Nelson
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Congratulations and best wishes
Angie and Azar!!
from Dane and Helena

Happy birthday, Tiger!
from Sky, Soap and Toya

Circle to be home on leave



To the editor,
Private Rain Circle left Warm Springs on July 22nd of this year to begin his tour in the U.S. Army. He will be coming home on leave this "Veteran's Day," November 11. He has completed his Basic and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Knox, Kentucky. Rain was assigned to the 2nd platoon in D Troop of the 5/15th Cavalry for his training at Fort Knox. After an early Thanksgiving, Rain is due to report back to the Army, ready for duty in Germany on Thanksgiving Day. Being a Cavalry Scout means that he is part of a

reconnaissance unit that is supposed to ride vehicles to their destination. Tactics of the Cav Scout are to "hit & run," not "slug it out" in combat, that's for the infantry, artillery and armored units. "Hit & run," an interesting concept for a Native American in the art of "modern" warfare. With the past history of our military, I'm glad Rain has had a fair amount of experience from his Search and Rescue days in hiking in and out of tough areas. It will be great to have Rain back home for a few days that he has on leave.

Bernyce Courtney

Happy Birthday to my dear hubby:

Babe, we've been thru a lot together and we're going to go thru a lot more but as long as we're together, we can go thru it together!

I give the Lord all the glory for bringing us together!! And babe, I love you very much.

"You (and God) light up my life"

Til Death Do Us Part, or til The Lord Comes After Us.
Your wife, Sue

Happy Birthday
Wishbone
November 19
Love you, R.T.