

Editorial

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(The way it is)

Letters to the Editor



"Spilyay Speaks"



Sometimes the laws are hard to understand. If you say one thing in your own opinion it could be incriminating to yourself. Lawyers hear only what they want to hear. A person swears to tell the truth but never has the chance to do so. A person tries to tell the truth but a lawyer objects and the person never gets his say.

Well lets look at things, say, take the battered housewives for instances. Here recently there was a documentary about women being in prison. When asked why they were in prison, many were there for murder. Was it really their fault? There are women who suffered from jealous husbands who beat them up all the time, sometimes because some other guy said hi to them. Some guys beat their wives up for no reason at all, maybe because the supper was not ready when he got home or because she was on the phone to long, or some other silly reason. They get beat up so much to where they go to the law for protection. A restraining order may be placed on the guy but he ignores it and goes and beats her up anyway and it seems like nothing is done about it. He reminds her if she tries to run and hide he would track her down and beat her up anyway. Sometimes the law can't help because of certain restrictions so the women stand up for themselves when he is trying to beat her up and she kills him. Well she ends up in prison, then the children have to suffer by being placed in foster homes, and usually they are all separated and placed in different homes which makes it twice as tough on them. So, who really wins?



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The traffic sure is getting to be a problem here in Central Oregon now days, especially now that it's the holiday season. Yep! Highway 26 is more busy with traffic to and from Portland. And the traffic is getting heavier all the time as the population is on a rapid increase here in Central Oregon. Each year the highway department is busy trying to keep up with the heavy flow of traffic. They widen the roadways here and there but just as soon as they complete one project they have to make studies to keep up with all that heavy traffic.

The only way to handle the entire traffic flow through Central Oregon is to build a freeway through Central Oregon, from west of Warm Springs clear beyond Bend, Or., to the south. They spend more money on studies on how to handle the present situations here on the roadways to handle the present traffic flows. They should look down the road for the next 20 to 30 years because a freeway is the only answer to the whole thing. Yep! in the year 2021 or so the traffic will really be something else. If they would do this they would solve many problems for everyone.

Take the project they had last summer, as it was said that the roadway was to be improved through Warm Springs, but there is yet to be a turn out land on the East Tenino turn off near the Mill Office. It's pretty dangerous for people who use the East Tenino road because of the lighting and the heavy traffic with no turn-out lane. Someday somebody is going to get bashed from the rear because there is no turn out lane there. It could even use some lighting at the junction also. AHH-NAH-CHI-TOON!!!

TOE NESS

Do you know why the Not-So-Bright guy sold his Water Skis? Because he couldn't find a lake on the hill side. YIKES

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A mother asked her son, "How did your test go in school today?"
Son: Pretty good, I almost got a 100."
What did you get, 98?"
Nope, I got two zeros. YIKES

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Merry Christmas from Presbyterian Church

To the editor,
Long ago people found that some animals could be controlled and used for food, clothes, and travel... Long ago people found that some plants could be grown from the ground year after year with their help. Long ago people watched the sun, moon, and stars and saw that at times there was great periods of light and warmth. They also saw great periods of dark and cold. What can we do? Die... We die!! So they prayed that the power of many gods would hold the sun so as to keep the light and warmth. They prayed, chanted, sang songs, gave offerings to the gods, yet the sun moved on. Their praying turned to crying and shouting and cursing the gods who would not give to them what their hearts desired. The sun moved on. All that they asked for in life. Over time people began to ask, "What's wrong with those gods? If we die who will worship them?" Over time light and warmth came and went and came again. Some people prayed to their gods—hoping. Some stopped praying and said let us build a power dam and build a green house and build towns and cities and make our

own light and warmth. They built and built and there came a time when someone told a story about praying to gods. They were asked "What's a God?"

The truth in this story is that long ago the prayers to many gods for life was heard. But not by gods of fire and earth, but by the Lord God Almighty. The answer to prayer was not light and warmth for clothes on our backs and food in our belly. You see Christmas is to make sure that dark and cold will move on. Not from the sky but from our hearts. Light and warmth is here, it is not in the sky it is inside our hearts. A flame that gives life.

May the gift of life burn within your hearts. May you feel the warmth of God on this time of Christmas. The Messiah has come, the Messiah is already here.

Merry Christmas from the Warm Springs Presbyterian Church.

A Christmas Eve Service will take place December 24 at 7:00 p.m. Coffee and fellowship will follow in the hall. Bring some goodies to share.
Pastor Rick

Team grateful to be able to re-enter basketball court

To the editor,
The time and opportunity for the retired and less competitive ball players arose. To shake their dust off the shoes, and get in some (P.T.) Playing Time. In the First Annual "Papooses," Men's Old Timers Basketball Tournament, December 10-12, 1993, at Smartlowit Center.

Like Big Rat many of the past competitors turn to coaching or become inactive, after the tourney begin, a lot of the players, wished they kept themselves in better condition, the tourney gave the teams a chance to meet old friends from past competition. Team advice is keep active and respect your body, it's the only one you have, and stay away from

alcohol and drugs. The competition was very physical and tough. A few of the teams were in good condition and quick.

We'd like to thank our sponsor for giving the team a chance to participate. After each game the players left sore, but satisfied. Finding out they still can hang in there, during the crunch time. For their first game against Puget Sound, Tacoma, Washington. They started out with iron five: Rick Minthorn, Darryl Eastman, Alfred McConville, Ron McChesney and Big Rat Suppah, which was good enough to hold off a narrow margin victory 75-70.

Many felt that was the championship game, because Tacoma, Wash-

ington came through the back door, and walked away with the tournament. After the first game the following players joined the team: Douglas Palmer, Whitey Jackson, Allen Luke and Chimunk Leslie. The team wishes each and everyone sea-

son greetings and a safe happy new year.

Mrs. Lucille F. Suppah, Mgr. & Scorekeeper
Valerie & RedSkywalker Suppah, #1 Fans

Request made to review education in W.S.

To the editor,
The Constitution and By-Laws of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon reprinted in June 1984, gives a clear indication to institute and move for this tribe to gain complete control of the above "AID!" To utilize, and

maintain for our benefits of the various range of expertise in education.

- 1.) Build our own schools.
- 2.) Train our tribal members to be teachers.
- 3.) Establish Intern-ship, co-operative education.

We tribal members of this tribe generate over two million dollars for the 509-J District. We are not respected as a human being. We need to implement action now, as we are under self determination.

This will void the intransigence, it may be, that we go forward. We'll have to work, and can do so.

This will create jobs in all forms. Other than what we listed in I-3. I request the Tribal Council to meet on this important matter, and gather there own data to make this a positive progression.

Respectfully submitted,
Martinez Charles
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Memorial set

A memorial for Martha Culpus George to be held on January 8, 1994 at the Simnasho Longhouse. Stone setting pending.

At 9:00 a.m. Shaker denomination to start service. Special speakers will be Walter, Speedis, Wilfred Yallup and Lonnie Selam. Floor opened to all denominations after speakers. One 7 Washat to follow.

For more information call 553-1581, Big Rat & Lucy Suppah; 553-5117 Brenda George.
Decided by elders of family.

Grateful for support

To the editor,
I wanted to let the 4-H Drill Team Club members know they did a "Good Job!" I would like to thank Rosa Graybael for volunteering her time to be assistant leader.

I would like to thank all the parents for showing your support by being there and for taking time to get the girls to the center.

I would like to thank Melvin and Vanessa Teevee for letting the club perform at their youth tournament September 20 & 21.

Thanks everyone and keep up the good work girls by being at every practice.

Connie Johnson

Thank you

To the editor,
Thank you to the community and all people that made it possible for helping acquire logs for our saw mill which is located at Simnasho Schoolie Flats, Timber Champ Lumber. Special thank you to Ron Recker, Ted Copher Logging — Sandy, Oregon. Special thank you to Timber Committee.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Sincerely, Timber Champ Lumber

Happy 4th Birthday Victoria Katchia



December 28
Love Always, Mom and Dad

Drive safely during winter weather

To the editor,
On my way to work this morning I felt an overwhelming sense of concern. This concern is for all that drive to Warm Springs and those that are driving to Madras.

Each morning I see a number of students that drive to school. They drive within reason. My concern is now that winter is here I wish to convey that all drive safely.

This morning the grade was full of ice patches. It seemed that people were taking this into consideration as no one passed me this morning. With all the accidents that have been happening on the dry pavement my distress for the winter is very much a reality.

Please all of you drive with cau-

tion and care. Think of those that love and care about you.

This letter is just from a Mother Hen that loves and cares for all and seems to find a need to write this letter.

God bless and happy holiday's
Marilyn R. Hart

Kah-lei-mai Happy Birthday 3 yrs old Dec. 21



With love, Mommy Becky & Dave

Daughter born

Antone Fuentes and Alberta Taylor would like to announce the birth of their daughter: Meleah Moran Fuentes, born on November 24, 1993, weighed 8 pounds 51/2 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Caretaker needed

The family of Matilda Mitchell are looking for a reliable, dependable, non-smoker, non-alcohol drinker, live-in caretaker and companion. This person must be single, certified, and available immediately. Family is willing to negotiate weekends and holidays. Any interested persons may call Pierson Mitchell 553-1406, Vio Vaeth 553-1734 or Darlene Foster 654-2606.



Happy Birthday Randall!
"2" Years Old
December 23, 1991
Our Christmas boy has grown so fast in one year. Last year at this time we didn't think of Christmas or your birthday but—this year is going to be special. This last year has been a trying year. But because of you and our special friends and family, this year has been very special. Thank you & we love you.
Mom and Dad

Community library?

W.S. People:
Is a community library something we want or need? We would like to know how the community feels about this subject.
Please call or tell us your thought.
Shirley Sanders-553-1769
Lois Smith
Kirby Heath
Shirley Heath-553-1715
Shirley Courtney-553-1041
Mike Gomez-553-2413
Lana Leonard

Display space available

All Warm Springs Tribal Members are welcome to display their finished pieces of art in the new Warm Springs Health and Wellness Center — Pod A. Special shelving has been built for displaying your art. Just attach your business card and price to the piece and come in and pick your spot(s). You'll never know just who will see your art and want to purchase it.

Everything you do for us you do Lovingly from your heart.
Many a sacrifice you have made Even though you're very young.
Restless are you when there's nothing to do.

Smiles and hugs come very easily To the ones you love.
Always has a prayer for others when you Know there's a need.

Simply energetic is your style. Always having to know what's going on.
Many hearts you have touched. A Perfect son in every way.
So very happy & proud you make us.
Only one Stak can there be. We can Never put into words our love for you.

Have a happy 10th birthday Waskea.
Love, Mom & Dad



Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays! for my classmates in Mrs. Hensley's class, my bus driver Dan, my teacher Mrs. Hensley, to gill, Dad, Cheryl Roderick, Leif and Bullowl & Redskywalker! Love, Valerie

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays for Val, Baby Redskywalker and Big Rat, Cheryl, Roderick, Leif, Bullowl, also my co-workers—those schemers: Joe B. and Dallas W. From, Lucy

Thanks for help

To the editor,
The 1993 powwow committee would thank the following individuals and organizations for their donations and help to make the Thanksgiving Mini Powwow possible and keeping the young people happy and dancing:

Mrs. Macy of Macy's Store, Kah-Nee-Ta Lodge, Tribal Council Round Table, Bel-Air Funeral Home, Deschutes Crossing, DMJ Automotive, Rick Souers, Guy Wallulatum, Verbena Greene, Wally Strong, Eileen Spino, Adeline Miller & Unity Dancers, Whipman Wiggie, Whipwoman Caroline, and the committee for the shawl and blanket donations for the elders dance.
Again Thank you.
1993 Thanksgiving Powwow

The ABC prayer for wholeness

Lord, grant that I may have:
Ability to see myself as you see me,
Boldness to make correct decisions in the face of opposition,
Courage to take off my mask and be myself,
Discipline to take time for silence everyday,
Ears to hear all that you have to say to me,
Faith to believe I can become all you've planned for me,
Grace to accept myself as you accept me,
Humility to let you direct the affairs to my life,
Inspiration that I may offer courage to the dejected,
Joy to uplift and strengthen those in sorrow,
Kindness to bestow upon the un-kind,
Love which is even greater than faith and hope,
Magnanimity that I may share with the needy,
Neatness that my body-temple may honor you,
Obedience that I may readily conform to your ways,
Purity of heart that I may see you in all things,
Quietness of spirit that I may commune with you,
Radiance that I may light a pathway for those in darkness,
Serenity that I may be aware of your presence,
Trustworthiness that I always may be dependable,
Understanding that I may be confident in the face of threat,
Willingness to forgive myself and those who offend me,
X-ray eyes to discern between the real and the unreal,
Zeal that I may be aglow with your spirit.

Submitted by Herbert Doring