

E Coosh EEWA: The way it is



SPILYAY SPEAKS

Tis the season to be Jolly, for as the script goes, as on December 25th, many, many years ago the Christ Child was born in Bethlehem, while the Shepards watched their flocks by night.

Its a time to remember all the relatives, and friends and believe me there are many. But we do take the time to think of all those we are in close ties with. All our loved ones even though sometimes we'd like to disclaim them at times, but during Christmas we all love one another.

In the Olden days just before Christmas we always rehearsed the play of Joseph and Mary in the stable with a doll as the Christ Child. Yep! it was the same ole gang in our class that made the scene. Of all those times we put on the play I never ever had a chance to play the part of Joseph even though I always wanted to. I was always one of those "Wise Guys," Ooops! one of the Wise men, or a Shepard. In the boarding school we used to put the play on the day we were excused for the Christmas break. Yep! It was a good feeling to be going home for a few days.

Times change and everything changes too. There are no more boarding schools, but Christmas is here right on schedule as always. Yep! Its tough to go Christmas shopping. The last time I bought a Christmas present, wrapped it up real pretty with ribbons and stuff. When it was opened I heard, "Oh No!" this is what I donated to the Church sale." Oh Well, Just Joking.....

But to me it's a pain in the neck to pick out things for people, and sometimes things don't fit and stuff like that. And it makes it worse if you buy things too small. Oh Well! It'll soon be all over and we can all settle down for a long Winters Nap.

Each year when a person sits down and thinks of the past the first thing comes to me is, Where in Dickens did the year go too? Seems like it just flew by. There were some good things that did happen during the year. Meeting a lot of new people while traveling around the country, and all the family outings during the summer months.

Today we have a task facing us at the present time and thats to decide if we should go into the gaming program here on the REZ or not. Yep! on Dec. 27, we will go to the poles and vote on the issue. If we do go into the gaming program it will be strictly for business and if we should choose that we don't think its working we have the option of discontinuing it in five years, but it will take a vote of the people again if we should continue or not.

If we should go into the gaming issue, this doesn't mean that all the Tribal Members have to go down there and gamble, because it could effect a person like anything else. a person could get addicted to something like this. Of course we do have th facilities for something like this as everything is all there where we dont have to start from scratch by putting waterlines electricity and roads. All we have to do is to add on. For one thing it would help our resort at Kahneta during the winter months.

Employment....Well lets see, in the past all the Tribal members were given preference at Kah-Nee-Ta, all given good jobs but at a resort a person has to work on the week-ends and holidays and thats when the Pow-Wows come off. In the past the first powwow came along all the tribal members were absent from work. So I'm not to excited about employment with Tribal members at a gaming establishment.. Yep you can't operate on a skelton crew when its peak time. Everyone has to be there everyday in order for the facilities to work as well as the Tribal members to be employed. Week-ends and Holidays are the peak times for resorts and for a gaming establishment.

Oh Well! What ever we do decide to do on the 27th of Dec. I hope we make the right choice.

So at this time no matter what comes up, and what choice we make. I'd still like to take this time to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.. AHH-NAH-CHI-UM-NEE!



Crocodile synonymous with gaming—Beware of temptation

Hello from Pastor Rick,
Once upon a time, a deer wanted to cross a river, a river that was very deep and wide. As the deer stood on the banks looking across to the promised land, a crocodile swam near to the deer. The deer jumped back with fear, the crocodile smiled and said, "Don't be afraid." The deer said, "You are a crocodile; your purpose is to eat me."

"No, no," said the crocodile. "I am different. I am new and improved. I am well thought-out and well planned. So trust me. Come stand on my back and I will take you to the promised land."

And, so the deer believed and stood on the back of the crocodile. And the crocodile turned and began to swim across the river keeping the deer nice and dry.

Suddenly, the crocodile remembered that behind being thought-out, planned and improved, he was a

crocodile and lunch was on his back. The crocodile killed the deer as crocodile's kill. He drowned the deer and stuffed the deer under a log so it would soften up enough for him to eat.

Money from one casino will be the invitation to cross the river. Everyone believes that its power is controlled. But what of casino number two in five year? Yes, why not? Someone will say if one small casino will help, then a second will give us real wealth. Ten years form now...Hey, we need a third on Lake Billy Chinook. Then, Warm Springs will be a very different place. A place of wealth, and a place of more people and more issues. A place called Warm Springs the City. It will feel like being under water....
See you in worship.

Pastor Rick R. Ribeiro
Warm Springs Presbyterian Church (on the Campus)

Atchley winner of western purse



Walsey Memorial Raffle results held June 19, 1994 at White Swan, WA.

Beaded Western Purse-Beverly Atchley; Beaded Checkbook-Fannie Lomax, Arizona; Coin Purse & Key Chain-Kate Jackson, WSO; Watchband & buckle-Albert Stahi; Beaded Bracelet-Candis Seelatsce,

Wapato, WA; Macramé chair set-Jackson Mitchell, WSO; Single Macramé Chair-Gilbert Andrews, White Swan, WA; Cassette Recorder-Evaline Patt, WSO.

These results are late, the drawing was held during Eagle Spirit Pow Wow in White Swan, WA.

Be safe this holiday season

To the editor,
Safety, (life at stake). Hello, I know Warm Springs is a reservation nothing like a city but I'd like to share with you all who read the Spilyay Tymoo about safety in a city.

Cities can be very dangerous compared to a reservation like Warm Springs. You don't know everyone in a city like a res. Warm Springs.

If there is a knock on the door in your home, don't answer it until you know who it is, what they want.

It can be very dangerous to open your home door because it may be a stranger who have anger in them, may rape you, want money from you, if you don't do or give what the strangers want, that person may kill you!

Remember, you all, nothing can replace your own life.

Thank you,

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You all have a very Merry Christmas this year!

Merry Christmas and Happy Birthday Victoria Marie December 28, 1994 *5 years old* We love you, Dad, Mom, and baby John III

Happy Birthday Uncle Lunch! December 23, Love Mychal, Curtis & Kenny

Happy Birthday Dad! December 22, We love you! Mychal, Curtis, Kenny & Mom

Happy Birthday to: Maxine S.-Dec. 2 Lori Kerr-Dec. 13 Pebbles-Dec. 14 Johnni S.-Dec. 16 Susan C.-Dec. 16 Judy King-Dec. 17 Linda L.-Dec. 18 God Bless you all, Upper Dry Creek Aguilars

Perpetrator lacks respect for self, others

To the editor,
This is very disheartening but sad. The point I want to make may never reach the right person or persons "the Perpetrator".

You know who you are, you know where to hide but will you ever "THINK" or "GROWUP" to be "ACCOUNTABLE" for your ACTIONS??

I was taught "RESPECT YOUR ELDERS". "If you live by the sword, you die by the sword" "Don't wish to long, it could happen" "What goes around comes around". I throw out a challenge to you; "PERPETRATOR"; I can "BRAG" going down that I show respect to everyone in the community and I will continue to live this way. Why? Because I am PROUD of who I am. "CAN YOU??" In my work capacity, I work for the community trying to develop and promote jobs so adults and the youth can gain "self esteem" by being gainfully employed. I do it because "I

CARE". "PERPETRATOR", what kind of example are you trying to establish in your community? (We get enough "BAD PRESS" just being INDIAN). "PERPETRATOR" would you tear out your grandmother or grandfather's heart and sit back and laugh at your great deed? Well, that's what you're doing to us, when you do your dastardly deeds. I never "prowl at night to do EVIL" to anyone, (meaning you) or take liberties to destroy people's property ie: "slash tires", "break windows out of van", with my trusty baseball bat; "break out fog lights & headlights", "tear down people's fences"; "put nails under tires"; "scrape paint downside of van"; "cut gas lines to steal gas"; all cheap thrills or moments of joy but these cost property owners extra money we cannot afford; I may add. The law requires us to carry insurance, but who has extra money to cover your vandalism. Why am I the target? "PERPETRATOR" if you

have this much "HATRED" for me, please come and talk EYEBALL to EYEBALL. I will listen, I may even work out a solution. Who knows, you could end up liking me. Just give me a chance before you "STAB ME IN THE BACK". A small request.

One evening an "intoxicated" person came to me with a story. A "sad story". Explained "I just mashed in the side of your 'parked car'. I am "intoxicated", don't call the police, I will end up in jail, it's all my fault, I will pay for all the damage I caused, please give me a break." Guess what, I fell for it hook, line & sinker. Took this person's "WORD". (It seems I am the sucker of the century because I feel for "ALL" the sad stories) Now this person will ignore me, look at their shoes or the ground. Cross to the other side of the street, never wave.

That's why I say this is very disheartening, but SAD.

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Youth organization upset at lack of sponsorship

To the editor,
The We B.A.A.A.D. (We battle against all alcohol-drugs) organization has been in existence for six years. It's a boys/girls group from ages 9-18 who compete in basketball tournaments. They're a great bunch of young athletes, who are keeping themselves occupied and off the streets. Many were angered when they were informed tribal council didn't consider their organization worth receiving support and sponsorship.

This was the first time their organization ever approached council, so its not like they're at their door every year asking for support. You always hear talk about having more activities for the youth of the reservation. And cleaning the reservation in the year 2000. Like everything else, its just talk and something on paper. I explained to my girl, due to a past denial 15 years ago, where a group of us tribal members went in for a request (and was) denied, right after us an individual, who's parent was on council, got approved for a request, twice the amount we as a group asked for, to attend an activity.

That she'd be wasting her time asking tribal council for support. Being a Tribal member she tried to do so anyway. She wrote Council a letter explaining her request for Sponsorship. After now response, my wife and I wrote a letter to council, supporting her request, wasn't good enough. She was being put down, as not being a tribal member, so as not to assist her, on the request.

For I felt, as many as the other parents do, that our children are worth

fighting for. I spent five wasted days trying to get audience with Council, on my daughters request, "I explained to the We BAAAD organization, if its not their Pow-Wow, Rodeo, or family activity, not to waste their time, approaching Council, for support." For if you don't have the right last name, or know or hang with the right people, it's best to do things on your own....

An outsider has better chance to be heard and believed what's being asked or said by Tribal Council. They always believe an outsider knows what's best for the tribe. I'd like to say thanks to Ray Calica, Joe Moses and Vernon Henry for hearing me out, on my daughter's request. During their breaks, for the annual Co-Ed 12-Under Tourney, which seven of the eight teams were local. I feel as others do that an account should be set up, for the youth groups, with a limit, so as to not waste the Council's valuable time. "It's to bad people change once they receive power of authority." For I know it happened to me a short while 19 years ago when first employed in the law field.

Council is like law enforcement, its not an easy job, for no matter what is done, there'll always be complaints, which are never heard, only in General Council, then forgotten as the doors close again. "It might be just be us, probably other groups had better luck for their requests." Thanks for this short time, to be heard on my opinions and feelings.

Respectfully Tribal Member,
Coach-We BAAAD organization
Tony "Big Rat" Suppah



Kyle Queahpama, son of Calvin and Roberta Queahpama, was starting right tackle for Marshall High School District fifth and sixth grade Pop Warner football team. He was selected captain on two different occasions. He also received two "hard hit" awards. Marshall had a 4 & 4 season.

Happy belated Birthday Daddyfox!

Happy belated birthday Uncle Jug! December 15, Love, Mychal, Curtis & Kenny

Memorial planned for father, sister

To all family & friends:
I am writing to you in concern of a memorial & dinner service. I am wanting to get underway for my father Floyd Tewee Sr., and also my sister Felicia Tewee, who has been gone now for 13-14 years. I am inviting all family and friends to attend the service.

The memorial and dinner service will be at the Simnasho Longhouse, January 7, at 1 p.m. 1995.

With a lot of respect,
Floyd Tewee Jr.
WS Tribal jail

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TOE NESS

There was this Moron who noticed a student walking up and down the street, wearing a sandwich board that read, "Free Big Mac!" Strolling over with a look of concern, the Moron asked, "Why? What'd he do?" YIKES

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There was the Moron who wouldn't sleep with his wife, because she was married. YIKES

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After years of gambling, Ole Maxie finally figured out how to win a small fortune in Las Vegas: Go there with a large one. YIKES

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A Politition making his campaign speech: "If re-elected I will promise to fulfill the promises I made in the last campaign." YIKES

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Did you hear of that Not-So-Bright guy who wrapped himself in barbedwire and went to Olympic try-outs. He wanted to try out for Fencing. YIKES

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