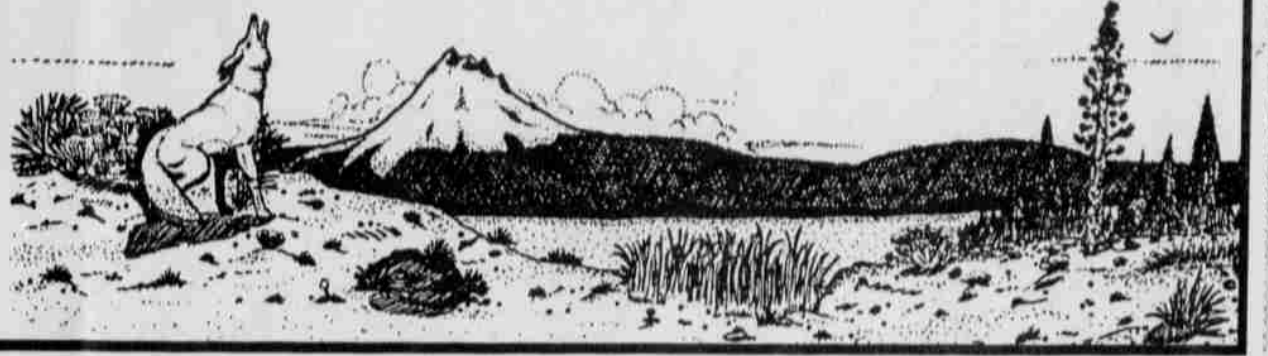


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SPILYAY SPEAKS

Well, 1994, has now slipped into the ages of the past and during the year there were some interesting things that came about.

One of the biggest issues that came up was the miss management of the timber resources by the BIA., where The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs filed a claim with the Bureau of Indian Affairs saying the BIA sold more than 15 million board feet of valuable green trees from reservation land at salvage sale prices, costing the tribes millions of dollars in lost income. A January 1990 windstorm blew down numerous trees on the McQuin Strip, and also in the Mt. Hood National Forest. According to the claim the BIA sold 18.5 million board feet of timber as wind-damaged and subject to salvage, netting the Tribes about \$4 million. But, studies of the logged area determined that only 3.2 million board feet was damaged timber and the remainder was healthy trees.

Another big issue was the Salmon harvest in the Pacific Northwest which is dramatically reduced by the construction of dams along the rivers where the spawning grounds have been destroyed. There is an effort by various departments who are trying to find ways to restore the fish runs once again, but this will take extensive studies on different ways to work this out. Yep! the salmon is the livelihood for many Indian tribes in the northwest and have been for centuries.

Water Negotiations with the state is another large issue and a very important one as there have been agreements made during the time of the treaty signing and should hold true today and not have people view this as a bunch of words from the history books because this is very important to the Tribes, and hopefully the tribes do not get beat out of what is rightfully theirs. Even in the old Indian traditions, water plays a most important role as a breath of life to all living creatures and plants on earth. A sacred event in all Indian traditional gatherings and feasts. The Indian people respect the earth, the water, and all living creatures and plants on earth today. Yep! with out water we would all dry up and blow away....

Just recently we passed by Tribal election the right to establish a gaming complex here on the reservation. This is for the economic welfare of the tribes. The voting went over big in favor of this complex as a source of an investment for the tribes. This should provide needed income to supplement out timber resources along with the other investments we have.

There were some opposition to the gaming complex from those who are not in favor of this type of an investment. Their reasons were from problems that we already have here on the reservation, and with their objections they never offered any suggestions on what the tribes could invest in for income. It was stated that the \$6 million dollars could have been used for other things like education and other programs here on the reservation, rather than investing in a gaming facility. Where would we replace these funds once they were used up and how would we continue to operate on capitol going out one way. There was the mention of drugs and alcohol coming in which we already have here. With an investment we can produce income to be able to support programs like this in the future. So far all the issues that we have been involved with have been thought out well with plenty of research to see if our moves will be the right moves to a better tomorrow. At the present time the gaming issue stands out as one of the most potentials for income. Another thing this does not mean that all the tribal members have to rush down to the complex and gamble all their money away.

Today we must look forward and do the best we can with the decisions we have made and if we plan everything and work at it we can succeed. "AHH-NAHH-CHI TOON!!!"



Jefferson Co. hosts 1994 Tri-County Idea Fair

Jefferson County will host the 1995 Tri-County 4-H Idea Fair on Saturday, January 21, 1995 at the Madras Junior High School in Madras. Open to all young people in grades 4-12, volunteer leaders, parents and general public. The Fair will feature a day of mini-workshops and resources on such topics as Napkin Art on Ceramics, Tricolore, National 4-H Congress, Horse Grooming, Effective Communications, 4-H Record Keeping, Kitchen Worms and compost, Clogging, Jerky Making, Sweet Breads from a Bread Machine, Touring the Warm Springs Reservation, Dream Catchers, Valentine's Button Pins, Selecting

Market Swine, Greeting Card Gift Boxes, Designer Shirts, Parasite Control & Good Nutrition for your Dogs & Cats, Birds of Prey and much, much more.

Cost is \$1.50 registration plus a small supply fee in some classes. The registration deadline is Tuesday, January 10, 1995 at Madras Extension Office. Class sizes are limited and filled on first-come first-serve basis. For more information contact your County Extension Office at Madras 475-3803 or Warm Springs 553-3238.

Bring the whole family and enjoy a day of great learning, great fun and great friends.

Honor among fathers? Ha!

To the editor,

My children are 7/32 Wasco Indian. I have endeavored to always represent a fairer picture of Indian than is media common. I purposely expose them to instances where Native Americans have been unjustly treated. I want them to empathize with the people who were overrun, herded and generalized and to appreciate they were a race of legitimacy. I am greatly appalled at the inhumane treatment of true history. I respect the people who were adept at living respectfully "off the land". I admire the family values, unless I misunderstand and have counter-balanced by misassigning an idealized version of the true "Indian way".

I fear the ancestors I imagine would grieve were they to be aware

of the disturbing facts today. Indian "braves" leave their families, not to defend and provide, but to escape responsibility. Their failure to pay child support, let alone provide emotional support, is nothing short of a shameful crime.

How, I wonder, would the ancestors have dealt with such a man/boy? Would he retain a position of favor and honor in the Tribe? Would the Tribe have "winked" at the situation, buying into his claim that he must seek first his own satisfaction? Or would he have been held accountable for his actions?

I wonder....?

Sincerely,
Cindy Sanguinetti
The mother of three precious people

Childbirth classes to begin

Comprehensive six week childbirth education courses are being planned for Madras and Warm Springs for the month of January. The childbirth education series provides an understanding of the labor and delivery process, information on breathing and relaxation techniques and support skills for mother and her partner. Newborn behavior care and feeding will also be discussed in this Mountain View Hospital District sponsored series.

International Childbirth Educator Association trained instructor Janet Bissell, RN will teach the series. Bissell is also a certified Lactation Educator.

The cost of the course which includes the workbook is \$15. The Madras classes will begin on January 11 at 7 p.m. The Warm Springs course will begin at 11:30 a.m. on January 10. Pre-registration is required. The next courses will be held in March.

To register call the Mountain View Hospital District Wellness office at 475-3882 ext. 2307 or the Warm Springs Health & Wellness Center at 553-1657.

Disability Advisory Council to meet

Senior and Disabled Services Disability Advisory Council Committee will be meeting Tuesday, January 17, 1995 from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Summit Conference Room at the State Offices Common Building, 1001 S.W. Emkay Drive, Suite C; Bend, OR.

The meeting site is wheelchair accessible. Assistive communication devices will be available for anyone with hearing impairments. If you need any other type of assistance to be able to participate in this meeting or if you would like more information, please contact MaryPat at 388-6240 voice and TDD.



Photo by Bob Medina
Junior Court Queen Marie Kalama.



Splyay Tymoo photo by Tina Aguilar
1994 Queen Mavis Kirk with escort Blue Cloud Surface.

Greenpeace seeks activist

Greenpeace the initial environmental organization is seeking an Indigenous activist for a Full Time one-year fellowship positions in its Ocean Ecology/Forest Campaign. GP's fisheries work focuses on eliminating over fishing and rebuilding depleted fish population. The forest work centers on British Columbia's Clayoquot Sound and Alaska's Tongass National Forests. Position will be located in the GP Seattle or Anchorage Office. Interested candidates should submit proposals for addressing fisheries and forest issues affecting Indigenous peoples in the Pacific NW/Alaska by 1/15/95 to T. Webb; Diversity/Employment Manager, Greenpeace, 1436 U St. NW; Washington, DC 20009. For more information call 202-319-2500 and leave message.

Happy Birthday,
Dad!
Love, Donna

We wish you a belated
Happy 3rd birthday
December 29,
Elias Theron Gilbert
From Grandpa, Grandma,
mom & brother

LOST/STOLEN

On 12/28/94 in the morning, my wallet was taken/misplaced at the Warm Springs Wellness Center (dental). Please, if found, return to the Dental and no questions will be asked. I need my glasses and other items that are in it. Drop it off or call the Dental and ask for Linda if you have any information. Thank you.

Happy Birthday Mom!
"Tates"
January 11, 1994
Love, Sky, Saphronia,
Toya & John III

Happy Birthday
Tre!
1 year!!!
January 13, 1994
Love, Sky, Saphronia,
Toya & John III

Happy Birthday
Bo Gene Ortiz
January 14
Saphronia

Happy 3rd Birth-
day Perry III
Love & miss you
lots,
Dad Perry & mom
Debbie

Happy Birthday to:
Perry III-Jan. 9
Georgie-Jan. 14
Latasha S.-Jan. 10
Ella A.-Jan. 21
Darrack P.-Jan. 22
Marvin E.-Jan. 29
Love you guys! From Upper
Dry Creek Aguilars

Lohman appointed as Native American Coordinator

Major General Ernest J. Harrell, Division Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, North Pacific Division, has announced the appointment of Cheryl Lohman of Madras, OR as Native American Coordinator.

Lohman's responsibilities as Special Assistant to Harrell will include serving as coordinator and liaison between the agency and the forty-three tribes within the Division's boundaries on matters affecting Native American tribal rights and trust resources. She will focus on strengthening the unique government-to-government relationships that exist between each sovereign Indian nation and the Corps, an agency of the United States government.

Special attention will be given to protecting Native American traditional cultural and religious property and freedoms, encouraging cooperative undertakings and partnerships with Tribal governments and addressing Tribal concerns pertaining to Corps activities.

"Native Americans have a special and unique legal and political relationship with the Government of

the United States defined by treaties and legislation," Lohman said. "But they frequently face a complex and confusing pattern of federal laws and regulations. I hope to insure that activities which affect the Tribes are implemented in a knowledgeable, sensitive manner, respectful of Tribal sovereignty and their right to participate."

Lohman, who most recently served as Administrative Officer for the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Warm Springs Agency, located on the Warm Springs Reservation, previously spent several years as an auditor and budget officer in the Branch of Forestry for the BIA in the Portland area office.

Enrolled as a member of the Round Valley Indian Reservation, Lohman's tribal affiliation is with the Wailaki/Nomlaki/Concow/Paiute tribes.

Note: The North Pacific Division, based in Portland, OR administers Corps work in an 880,000 square mile area in the Pacific Northwest and Alaska, including all or parts of the seven western states in the Columbia River Basin.

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A Russian was about to be sentenced to Siberia and said to his Captors. "If the United States is such a terrible place, why not send me there instead." YIKES

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A Bachelor told his friend: "I'm going to make my will out and equally divide it among the four ladies who refused my proposal of marriage."

"Why do that?" said his friend.
"Because," replied the bachelor, "I owe all my earthly happiness to them." YIKES

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1st Doctor: "Did you ever make a serious mistake in your diagnosis of a patient?"

2nd. Doctor: Yes, I once teated a patient for indigestion when he could have afforded an appendectomy." YIKES

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A Minister Preached a very short sermon: He explained, "My dog got into my office and chewed up some of my notes,"

At the close of the service a visitor asked, "If your dog ever has pups, please let my pastor have one of them." YIKES

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