



E Coosh EEWA: The way it is

SPILYAY SPEAKS

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At times there is talk that goes like this, "Let's do away with the B.I.A., we don't need them; They don't do anything for us. Just a waste of money." and stuff like that.

The shut down of the Federal Government on November 14, 1995, shook the whole nation as thousands and thousands of people were sent home on unexpected furloughs. It was felt right down to the B.I.A. offices here in Warm Springs. There's no way of how long the shut down would last. Most offices were closed except for a hand full of employees who were told to return to work.

Actually, they really do something and the impact of the shut-

down was felt all across the nation. The question is, how long will the shut down last? Will there be back pay to all the Federal employees? Are the Federal employees eligible for un-employment?

The close down was felt in all offices, the Social Security, Social Services, Finance and many other offices that the Federal Government operated. Yep!! Like the Ole Farmer said, "You never miss the milk until the cow is gone." That's just what the Federal Government offices were felt after they were shut down.

The question of back pay, the federal employees are instilled to un-employment compensation while they are off their jobs. If it's more than five days, chances are the Congress would not approve back pay to all the employees, because it would run into millions for back pay to all the employees across the nation. Suppose the employee gets un-employment compensation and if he received back pay, he would have to repay the un-employment benefits he received.

In the past the Federal Government shut down for a day and that costed a pretty penny to get going again with the thousands of employees, so you can just imagine what the cost would be if the shut down lasts more than five days.

The employees will feel the impact on house mortgages, house-apartment rent, car payments, living expenses and who knows what else.

Well Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan, and House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., presented a budget packet that President Clinton is not in agreement with, and so the big stand-off is on. Some say the budget packet presented would make the rich richer and real tough on the poor. Environmental changes affecting mining rights and Alaskan forests are to much for a GOP-Democratic coalition.

Focusing on sections that would increase logging in Alaska's Tongass National Forest and allow mining companies to buy the mineral rights to federal lands at below market prices. President Clinton said he would veto the bill if passed in Congress. There are several provisions the administration opposes, including the cancellation of some wildlife protection programs and cuts in federal funding for American Indian tribes.

Controversies boiled around the sections that would sharply cut spending on social programs for American Indian tribes and others that would ban taxpayer support. The Bill has been sent back for re-write by a 220-205 vote.

All measures are being debated by both parties.

The Rose Garden

The Tribes have a special section of seating in the new Rose Garden. So far selection of tribal members has been on a Lottery drawing basis of names for those who will attend the functions in the Rose Garden.

This was done as an incentive for tribal members from all walks of life here on the Reservation to take in events there. This way all tribal members will have the opportunity to a function in the Rose Garden. There are all sorts of activities that take place in the Rose Garden, like Blazer basketball, Winter Hawk Hockey, College basketball, Indoor Track meets, 4-A high school state championships, and championship rodeos and much more. In the past it has been difficult to get tickets to these functions but with special seating by the tribes, at least 18 or so people will be able to attend these activities.

Yep! Something for tribal members to look forward to. My name hasn't been drawn yet and I was thinking, "Its probably people who really don't have any interest in sports will be getting all the good ball games, and when there is a dog show come along than my name will be drawn. Just my luck! Got to thinking about it though and came up with the conclusion. "The way the Blazers have been playing lately maybe a dog show would be much more exciting. "The Who?" "Blazers?" !!!!

Toe Ness

"People who cough incessantly never seem to go to a doctor...they go to banquets, concerts, church and movies." YIKES

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When a family returns from Sunday morning services, father criticized the sermon, daughter thought the Choir singing was off-key, mother found fault in the Organist playing. The subject had to be dropped when the small boy of the family said, "But it was a good show for a nickel, don't you think Dad." yikes

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Youth team gives thanks

To the editor,

At this time the Blackhawks/Ladyhawks Youth Basketball teams would like to thank all the people and organizations who helped with the tournament held on November 3, 4, & 5 at the WS Community Center.

Thanks goes out to Austin and his help for running the concession stand on such short notice. And to the gate people, Rhonda Atencio, Falena Kentura and thanks to Roland and Verleen Kalama for doing the scorekeeping and also to Andy Stacona for helping during the week-end.

Also to the following sponsors and the individuals for donating to the tournament: Intertribal Sports for doing the awards for the tournament; Community counseling donation for tournament; Indian Head Gaming for donation for tournament; WS Power Enterprise for 3rd place t-shirts; WSFPI for 3rd & 4th place t-shirts; WS Tribal Council for donation for tournament; Edgmon Oil Co. for building use fee; Marcia Soliz for donation for tournament; Healthy Nations for donation for tournament and Tribal Printing for player passes, All-star certificates.

We'd like to thank also Ronnie Suppah and Janice Gilbert-Gunshous for bringing their younger teams down to play in a couple of exhibition games, hope they had a good time.

Also I'd like to thank my wife Marjorie for helping at the gym and also to Falena and Francis in helping with the cleanup of the gym. If we've forgotten anyone, I'd like to thank you.

All the help is appreciated. Samuel J. Kentura "Blackhawks/Ladyhawks"

Reward offered

Lost: A white beaded headband approximately 1 1/2 inches wide. Designs are red and yellow geometric alternating with light turquoise green designs. Attached to headband is an approximate 3 1/2 inch round medallion with the red and yellow design and there are ribbons hanging down. Left on Friday night at the Agency Longhouse during the Veteran's powwow. Headband belongs to a six year old boy who was given the design by his great grandma. No questions asked; reward offered. Any info call 553-5133.

Thanks for everything

To the editor & WS community:

I am writing this letter to express my heartfelt sense of loss and also say, "Congratulations" to Mr. Wilson Wewa, Jr. You have been such an asset to the Senior Program, in all the time you have contributed it will be different now that you'll be gone, but you will still be a teacher to others and surely appreciated.

I have gained so much respect for you through listening and learning, your gift of songs and the love you give by offering so much of yourself. The elders truly must know that you are very special and will also miss you at the Sr. building.

I write this letter for my mom, Louise, for she thinks of you as a son and greatly appreciates you for your help to her. You've done so much for my family during times of loss, I thank you for being a teacher to my boy, Dallas Ray. For mom, she really had a fun time at Hawaii and is glad you took her somewhere before you left. The many times you've taken trips with the seniors, mom has great memories to hold onto.

I say all this as if you are leaving home, but I only want to recognize you for the many things you've contributed to our seniors. I will miss your voice when I call the Senior Building for mom, and she'll miss the visits during her Tuesday and Thursdays meals, also I appreciate your help to my father/grandpa "Popeye" when he needed it.

Thank you, Cheryl L. Starr on behalf of Louise S. Hellon

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Appreciation given to our veterans; help

To our people,

We want to give our heartfelt thanks to you for being supportive to the Veteran's Day Powwow this weekend. To Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Jim for their special they sponsored, the Head Man Dancer Ken-Man Miller, Head Woman Dancer Tamera Coffee, both respected veterans in their right. The Head Cook Neda Wesley for her beautiful fried bread Indian tacos, Luk-a-meen, deer meat Chunmen (she made for the Srs.) stew and menudo. Special thanks for the donation from the Tribes, very much appreciated and used to pay-outs.

Many, many thanks to the young helpers, Lucinda, Martina (Stywer), Dawn Ike, Felicia Ike, Raylene Thomas, Natasha Edwards who helped to keep the customer's served and satisfied.

Special Thank you to Mr. & Mr. Alex Tohet, Harvianne Tohet for their help, even though it was a hard commitment.

There isn't enough words to express the gratitude to Mary Danzuka and Nancy Johnson for cooking for the Veterans dinner. Thank you for Veterans for the special Grand Entries you performed for the whole week-end, the parade that took place on Saturday morning. It makes a proud sight to see the veterans keep themselves available for the public to be proud of you, for all the sacrifices you have given without a complaint. Indeed you are well worth the effort of the weekend and the activi-

ties that take place in your honor, for that is the purpose of the whole powwow. God bless you, take care of yourselves for you are very IMPOR-TANT PEOPLE to us.

Special thank you to Mr. Marvin Meanus, Sr. for performing the opening prayers for this special event.

Thank you Kirby Heath for arranging all the Veterans procedures for this event.

Charlotte & Ennie Herkshan, Captain Moody, thank all of you for your participation and help this weekend.

Oliver Kirk, your help this past six years has always been very much noticeable being a veteran makes it even more special, we can never thank you enough.

To all people that came to watch, participate, a heartfelt thank you for you make all the work worthwhile.

To the Utilities department, heaps of thanks for keeping the Longhouse in good condition for all the people, James Wesley, Carshell Brunoe (and his car alarm and music box), Marvin Meanus, Sr. and Patrick Boyd.

Last but not least, thank my children for honoring the memory of my dad, Benjamin Dick, Sr. for all the headaches, worrying if we were going to make it through the commitments, Dewie, Dorian, Leona, Lovie, Lena, Fred, Luke, Tyrone for the fund raising.

Heartfelt thanks to my dad's families for their support, my mom's families for their support.

Special thanks to my stepdad for

all his teachings and his support.

Again, thank all who spoke at the veteran's event.

Thanks to the vendors who help with funds for the Tiny Tots, Black Lodge, Rising Sun, You Shee and Warm Springs Inter-Tribal and Rainbow Mt. for all the beautiful singing.

Congratulations to Onte Lumpmouth for winning the camcorder. Thank all the people who bought tickets for the raffle.

Better end here. Thanks to the Creator for keeping everyone safe and the second year for no feathers dropping! Heartfelt thank you all.

Sorry about he drums that got snowed in, Blackstone and Schee-Gaa-coosh (they had an avalanche on their main highway and couldn't get through. Thank you Kahneeta for the rooms kept available.

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Happy Birthday to Special People:

- Oct. 29-Tena Williams
- Oct. 31-Michael Williams
- Nov. 1-Tony Wells-Guerin
- Nov. 4-Bootsi & Chief
- Nov. 6-Henry III
- Nov. 7-John Enick
- Nov. 8-Lori S.
- Nov. 23-Perry Jr.
- Nov. 28-Caroline C.

Love lots from, Tina, Easton & kids

Thanks to all for support

To the editor,

To my people, this is to thank one and all who had come forward to help support my family in our time of need. There are many who weren't able to come out, yet we know there were many prayers for all our family members of the Yakama, Warm Springs and Colville tribes.

Thank George Lee, Sr. & Jr., Allen Cootes, Patsy Martin and Debra Leslie for all their work and explanations as we prepared to take care of our loved one and ourselves. Thank the drummers, cooks, dancers and immediate family members for the support and help they brought. Thank the Merritt Funeral Home and Yakama Tribal programs for help of getting all arrangements done smoothly. Thank each and every one who had helped with the food, the hunters; and the relatives we not have gotten to be in touch with that brought support. Thank you Coach Sydney John and the Yakama Tribal School for your kindest support and presence. I loved my son dearly and if there is any one or anything I may have overlooked, please have a thought that each and every one will also be in my prayers.

My son left behind one son and a lot of "brothers and sisters" that will miss him dearly. He was very active in basketball, student leadership, creative author's conferences, arts and crafts for some blue ribbon awards, and was gaining a lot of understanding of life through Wellness training. He was looking forward with much enthusiasm for his son's future to be

a war dancer, to hunt & fish; to have a good way of life, free of the kinds of burdens generations had suffered before him. This is what I hope and pray people may remember of my son's lifetime, especially his bros. It is with humility, I do ask forgiveness of our people for the shortness of my son's life and over the alcohol/drug abuse that was a part of it. In our home we did our best to support and believe in one another, no matter how hard things seemed to be. There are many dreams and hopes that we had, that after a time, we will go on forward with the intentions we has as a family. There will be a memorial basketball tournament to be announced.

In closing, I wish to express to all families this strong message that our children do no go looking for heart-ache. Love one another and help one another, no matter how each may live. Allow children to grown and ask questions to be informed and more confident that life is good, if that is the way we would want. Human beings make mistakes and that is a part of the growing and learning, keep looking forward with prayer. Thank you to his father for coming forward and being here with our families. God Bless each and one.

Veronica Wesley Bobby & Gloria Charley, Jim Aaron Jackson Sherri Davis, Keith Charley, Sr. & families Keith Jr., Thomas, Reanna & Ramona Charley

Happy Birthday Auntie Relle Love, Gladys, Kitty & the whole family



PHOTO Happy "21" Birthday Babe 11/20/74 Love, Mom & Dad

Support appreciated

To the editor:

I would like to thank my sponsors Robert and Maria Macy, Buck and Suzie Smith and Sid Miller for sponsoring my Oregon High School Rodeo Association card and helping with rodeo fees. I really appreciate it.

Thank you, Jesse Reese

Happy Birthday Clinton "Bubby" Tainewasher November 21, Love Always, Auntie Pat & family



Happy 18th Birthday November 24 Robert Medina from, Your Dad and the whole family



Happy Birthday Dora Payne 8 years old November 23 From Mom & Dad & Kids.

Happy Birthday to my mom November 28 Lots of love from you seven children, The Wolfe tribe

Happy Belated Birthday Rhonda Ike November 8 From the Speakhunder family

Dog needs home

Must find a nice home for a Stafford Shire cross pitt bull male dog for sale. Want \$50 or offer. Had shots and is healthy. We're moving and cannot take with us. If interested, please call 541-576-2297

For Sale

8 foot self contained camper for full size pickup. \$2000 50 inch Big screen TV \$300. For more information call 553-6905.

Correction

Correction: In the last issue, a typographical error in the letter submitted by Blanche Walsey Williams may have been misleading to readers. The sentence should read "The Yakama Nation will not sign for me because I am not enrolled Yakama!"