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SPILYAY SPEAKS

'Tis' the season to be Jolly, a time to look back over the past year that was...well, So-So. Nothing real great, or nothing real bad happened.

Yep! A time to reflect back and say it was a very interesting year. Working with nothing but friendly, considerate people. As the happy holiday season rolls around makes me feel fortunate to know all you wonderful people here in Warm Springs, and all you others who have put up with me during the year. Just hope the great relationship will spill into the coming year and always.

This kinda gives me an idea that it's a good time to wish you all a, "Merry Christmas and a Most Prosperous New Year."

"Whew! Did it." I really do mean it. Sometimes I do a lot of B.S.'ing, around so much and when I try to be sincere people think I'm just kidding around. But this is "No Bull," I really do mean it, that's to wish everyone a Merry Christmas, and you know all that stuff. Sort a like a Holiday Greeting.

It really is the holiday season as all the Malls are very crowded with people doing their Christmas shopping hustling around wondering what kind of a present to buy for their favorite or special person. As for myself, I'm all done Christmas shopping, "All I needed was some socks!"

Rambo - Native Americans

Wuz watching the movie, "First Blood II," Where Stallone, playing "Rambo," who at the beginning was in prison at the time, and was let out to do a special mission. The mission was to go into Vietnam, Cambodia, well in that area to try to find POW's.

It was an impossible mission and anyone who went into that area was not likely to return and the Government officials thought this up to satisfy so many inquiries of POW's from the Vietnam war. The plan was to send someone in there and thought survival was impossible. The scheme was, the government officials thought this would quiet down those who had missing sons, husbands or other relatives there, this would get them off their backs and let them know they sent someone there to check this out. Got to thinking about it for a while and a thought came to mind. Just recently the Corp of Engineers had a ground breaking ceremony at Bonneville Dam. The occasion was to improve the In Lieu fishing sites along the Columbia River for the Indians. This was a promise the government made at least 50 or 60 years ago when they built the Bonnaville Dam. They promised to improve the fishing sites and replace those fishing sites that were flooded after they built the dam.

"Well, these were just my thoughts," Like the Rambo situation, the government finally came through with the promise they made to the Indians many years ago, to replace those fishing sites that were flooded, and also say they kept their word to the Indians. They would take a few thousand dollars and improve these fishing sites, for what? Well to keep the Indians off their backs.

Now that the Salmon are pretty near on the endangered species list, what good will these improved fishing sites for the Indians? The Government can say they kept their promise they made in order to get the dam built. Yep! They should have done it when fishing was prosperous for the Indian people.

"Bid Deal." Now they can write off a few thousand dollars and tell the nation of the great deed they done for the Indians and everyone will believe that they are doing the Indian people good.

Now the nations big budget process is the order of the day where high officials are trying to find ways to balance the budget. Well the first Americans are always at the bottom of the totem pole, and get the scraps, so to speak, and most of the time even the scraps slip through the hands of the Indians. All reservations are poverty stricken and there are no hope for some reservations to make on their own. Maybe we should call on, "Rambo," to help the Native Americans. "Just thoughts."!!! Ahh-Nah-Chi-Toon!!!

Toe Ness

Excuse me, said the Mrs. to the sales person, "I'd like to try on the dress in the window."

"I'm sorry," said the clerk, "but you'll have to use the dressing room like everyone else." YIKES

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A little 7 year old girl went home and said, "Mom!" Mr. Franklin told us how to make Babies today!"

The Mom liked up from her magazine, the color drained from her face, "How?" she asked, tentatively.

"Well first you drop the y..." YIKES

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A guy figured out the difference between a long form and a short form while figuring taxes. When you use a short form the Government gets your money. When you use the long form the Accountant gets it. YIKES

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He is the reason for the season

To the editor,

Advent. The word means the "coming." To the Christians the Gospel story is the coming and giving from God to His Creation.

Christmas is the time to think upon the coming of God. God has been around for a long time. From the beginning of time there is God. Yet, we believe in a God who for reasons of love did not sit on his hands in heaven but was and is an active God. So active as to become a human being born of a virgin; laid in a feed box for a bed.

I am asked a lot to play the role of Santa Claus. I guess because of my size, laugh, and beard I would make a good Santa. And you know what, I

really would like to be a Santa; to make kids smile and people feel good about life for a moment. Yet I say no to playing the role. The American version of Santa is not Christmas - Jesus our God becoming active again with His creation is the story of Christmas.

So, to everyone who is looking at life with the dark glasses of pain, anger, greed, envy, lust, fear; to everyone who is looking down with their body wrapped in the chains of addiction - He is coming. Freedom. He is coming. He is here. . .

See you in church (Warm Springs Presbyterian Church on Campus).
Pastor Rick R. Ribeiro

Thank you for hospitality

To the editor,

Back in Germany we wanted to write a letter of thanks.

Thanks to the people of the Warm Springs Indian Nation who let us be part of their Pi-Ume-Sha Treaty Days.

We greatly enjoyed our honor dance among a group of Chinese tourists. It showed us once again that people feel alike all over the world...for they were afraid, like us, that they wouldn't be able to do the

steps! Finally we found we all could and their eyes and ours said: "how nice, we can do it!" ...being shown the steps by some of your friendly people made it a lot easier.

Being so very far away from home sometimes makes you feel a little insecure whether you do say the "right things", so forgive us if we overstepped anywhere.

We took back with us in our heart and mind wonderful pictures of your culture. We took back the sounds of the wind, the smell of the junipers and the sage and the feelings of warmth and laughter all around us at the powwow.

So thank you again and we hope to be able to return to your beautiful land.

Christa & Walter Grubl
Germany

Parent expresses concerns

To the editor,

I am writing this letter in regards to the Girl's JV and Varsity coaches at the Madras Senior High School. I was very angry and disappointed that my daughter did not make either JV or Varsity this year.

I know that my girl is talented and expresses ambition in the game of basketball and I am not the only one who recognizes her talents. Many other people also identify her talents. This is why I was so upset when she was not selected for either team. There are also a few other parents whose children were not selected and who just as upset as we are!

Mr. Peterson, the head coach, said that he picked the best players from the girls that tried out, which, in my opinion is not true. He told her that she has the skills, but made some bad

passes.

And as far as Mr. Reedinger, the JV Coach, is concerned, he chose almost all sophomore girls for the JV team. NOTE: Mr. Reedinger was the girl's freshman coach last year. He held two positions for two sophomore girls who did not even make it to the try outs. Now this is definitely not fair. He also chose three freshman girls, while the freshman coach said they are looking for girls for the freshman team.

If decisions cannot be made on fairness of all participating students maybe Madras 509-J School District should consider adding an additional team to play in the same league and to be considered as team two.

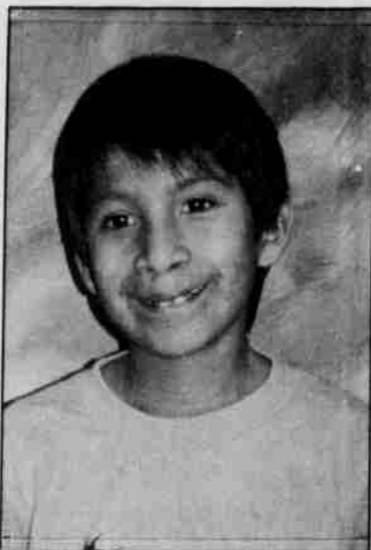
How long is our Tribe going to invest in the Madras High School sporting events and our youth's talents continue to be overlooked?! This is a discouragement and a disappointment to our youth. Many of them don't even want to try out for sports for this reason. Because our Tribe invests money for our children's education, support for school activities and functions, this should be seriously considered to continue establishing a relationship between our two communities.

Sincerely,
J'Dean Kalama
Parent

Church services, AA offered

Simmnasho Faith Outreach Services will begin every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. Sunday School, 11 a.m. Worship Services, & 6 p.m. on Wednesday.

Pastor Aurelia Stacona welcomes everyone to come and have fellowship. We also have Overcomers Outreach, AA and Support Group at 7 p.m. on Fridays.



Happy 10th Birthday
George Boise
on December 14

We love you and wish you the best
Dad, Mom, Tonya, & Leanna

Happy Birthday
Lil Irene

Love, Uncle Tony and family

Happy December Birthdays

14-Pebbles George
16-Johnni Smith
16-Susan Coronado
17-Judy Kalama King
18-Linda Langley

God bless you all and lotsa love
always,
Tina, Easton & Kids

Car for sale

1984 Toyota Celica, rebuilt engine, high miles, \$2,000 or best offer. Call and leave a message. (503) 293-6029.

Volunteers needed

During the winter months, when the snow flies, many Seniors in our community are in need of someone that can shovel snow in their driveways and walkways to allow them to get out safely. Many are in need of low cost services, and in some cases cannot afford to pay for any services. Central Oregon Council on Aging would like to know if there are people throughout the local communities that can offer their services on a regular or emergency basis. Also needed are drivers with 4 wheel drive vehicles, that can offer their services to deliver Meals on Wheels during heavy snow. Please call our main COCOA office in Redmond, at 548-8817, or contact your local Senior Center and ask for the Site Coordinator. Thank you for your help.

December 6

Happy Birthday to the man that loves me! Tim Littleboy I love you more, Paulette!

December 9

Happy Birthday Gerald Frank-3 yrs old From, Tim, Paulette, the girls, the boys & Uncle Rudy

Congratulations to Redda & John on your wedding. ("Don't worry, be happy") Love from, Bobbi James, Marvin, Michelle & Mileena

December 7

Happy Birthday 11 yrs old Charisse Rose Haskins Love, Mom Paulette

Happy Birthday George on December 14

from: Grandma, Grandpa, Laneda and Uncle Tony

New Years powwow on tap

The Bright and Morning Star New Years Powwow in Seattle, Washington is scheduled for December 29-31, 1995 at the Nathan Hale High School, 10750 30th N.E. Activities include a dance contest, team dancing, drum contest, and owl dancing.

There will be a men's traditional special sponsored by the Pennecoose family in memory of Melvin Pennecoose, \$1,000 prize money.

A boys all around will be sponsored by Lil Warrior Bron Tomeo.

More specials will be announced later. No drugs or alcohol will be allowed. Not responsible for short funded travelers.

For more information contact Ervanna Little Eagle at (206) 762-6774; Mike Collins at (206) 712-9197; Aurelia Stacona at (541) 553-6504; or Arlene Redelk at (206) 723-8505.

Turkeys appreciated

Dear Cheryl Lee:

I would like to take this time to give a big thank you to the Mariah Construction for the gift of three large turkeys for our Thanksgiving dinner. The yams were also great. Thank you for these too.

I asked around to find where these turkeys come from and who paid for them. I found all the turkeys were not paid by the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, but were gifts of our construction company.

I could not find your address in the telephone book, so I thought this was a good way to express the gratitude for all of us of the Simnasho Longhouse.

Thank You.
Pierson Mitchell and the entire crew of the Simnasho Longhouse

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Madras

(Across from Pepes)
475-4225
Dick Montee
owner/operator

Deadline extended

The deadline for receiving comments on the proposed amended rules for the Upper Deschutes River Scenic Waterway has been extended to January 27, 1996. Previous notices stated December 15, 1995 as comment deadline. The extension conforms with the Deschutes National Forest deadline for comment on the multi-agency management plan for the Upper Deschutes Wild & Scenic River.

Any questions, please call the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department at 541-388-6073.

Happy Anniversary Irene and Jack December 14 From Tony, Selena and kids

Happy Birthday Nicole from: Tony, Laneda and Shillie

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.

Gallery offers many items

The Oregon Trail Gallery & Trading Post is offering brain tanned and commercial leather, deer, moose, elk, ermine, otter, shells, authentic trade beads. They also offer dresses, moccasins and accessories in stock and made to order.

They are located at Ivan's 2nd Hand and Flea Market, Main Street, Umatilla, Oregon. They are open seven days a week, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Call Jim Carrico for an appointment at 503-922-5567 or 503-922-3013.

To Bronsco & Ella Jim, Sr. In Goldendale, WA

Happy Anniversary Dad & Mom, we wish you both many more years together. God bless you both each day. We all love you.

From your children,
Lisa & family, Joni & family,
Tina & family, Teresa & family,
Susie & family, Lorna, Elsie and BJ, Rosie & kids.

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