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SPILYAY SPEAKS

We talk of being the healthiest Indian Nation in the country by the year 2000. We just have four more years to prove this. It can be done if the right formula is presented to the individuals around here. We may even have exclude the Wide Spot Group, but we can do it.

There are many individuals who have worked with the twelve steps to Sobriety here, and if they could let some of that rub off to some of those who need help and it might make a big difference and a big change in the attitudes of those in need.

Of course the first step is the biggest and a hard step to take and that is to "Admit we are powerless over Alcohol and our lives are Unmanageable." It is hard for people to say, "I am Powerless over Alcohol." Saying I am powerless with out meaning will not solve anything.

Yep! That first step is a very important step to take and truly meaning what is said. Once you have mastered this than the path is much easier to follow toward a better life. "Yep! Like I said, it is hard to admit you are powerless over alcohol, but when you do than things began to fall right into place to where its easier to work on. Like that old saying, "The truth shall set you free."

Some people say, "Experience is the best teacher," however I hardly agree totally with that. "Experience is the toughest way to find yourself." Being able to talk to people with understanding and a willingness to stand by your side is the best way to work out all of your problems. There is no way we can achieve our desires if we cannot manage our own lives. Just sit down and convince yourself that you are powerless to "Drugs and Alcohol," and start by setting priorities in life for the future. What's the most you want out of life for your family? What's the best route to take to better conditions for yourself and family? Set your goals and objectives in life to better your family life and a more secure home.

People do go to treatment centers where some do very well while some just go through the motions in order to get out of jail. Well, that's the way it appears. Yep! there are some who go through treatment and come home and do real well for a time and "Wham," they are right back where they started. Many say they can't beat them so they join them. That's the wrong attitude to have. A person don't have to hang out with those kind of people. Like I said when a person makes his commitment and taking that first step he has accomplished 62 percent of his problems. It's up to him to work on the rest of his problems. A person can just sit and see what he has done to his family, relatives, friends and others who are close to him and realize what he has put them through during his unforgivable ways and that he has made the right decision in trying to better himself and his future.

Of course there are those who will never admit they are Powerless over Alcohol and are always trying to drag others down to their level and that's at the very bottom as alcoholics. When they do pull someone down to their level than they laugh at them make fun of them and yet they are the ones who would really like to be free from alcohol but won't admit that they are Alcoholic's. But remember the year 2000 is just around the corner. Maybe we'll have to build a Chapel at the "Widespot and the Park." AAAH-NAH-CHI-TOON!!!

Toe Ness

There was this game warden walking through the woods one day when he came upon a hunter. He said, "Nice country for hunting, isn't it?"

The Hunter: "It sure is, yesterday I killed a real nice buck, it must have weighed at least 250 lbs.

Game Warden: You know it's out of season for hunting, and that I'm a game warden.

Hunter: "I was not aware you were a game warden. And I'll bet you didn't know that you've been talking to the biggest liar in the state," YIKES

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A minister wound up the services one morning by saying, "Next Sunday I'm going to preach on the subject of liars. And to prepare for that I would like for all of you to read the Seventeenth chapter of Mark.

Sunday came and the Preacher said, "Now all of you who have read the seventeenth chapter of Mark, please raise your hands,"

Nearly all hands in the congregation went up. Then said the preacher, "You are the people I want to talk to. There is no seventeenth chapter of Mark!" YIKES

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"And What do you do, sir?"
"I'm a criminal lawyer."
"Aren't they all!" YIKES

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County commissioner recommends support for new facility

To the Editor,
Recently you received a ballot that asked if you are willing to support a new Criminal Justice Center for Jefferson County. As a friend and your County Commissioner, I would strongly urge you to vote yes for this much needed facility.

Jefferson County is operating out of facilities that were approved by the voters in 1959. Our current jail capacity of 16 is lower than it was in the 1960's when the city of Madras also operated a jail. While Jefferson County's population and the number of serious crimes have risen dramatically since the 60's, our ability to jail people who commit crimes has been reduced. As a result of this inability to punish criminal offenders, the crime rate in Jefferson County has been going up 15 percent to 20 percent a year. In short, we are losing the war on crime.

The proposed facility will have jail capacity of 110 people. There will be three courtrooms to conduct civil and criminal cases. Occupying the new facility will be the Jefferson County Sheriff Department (including

jailers, dispatch/911 services and patrol), the juvenile department, district attorney office and the state court system. By having all law enforcement agencies in the same building, Jefferson County will be able to provide a more efficient unified operation to tackle the crime problems we, as Jefferson county residents, face.

As a life long resident of this community and a father of three kids, I'm concerned about the level of criminal activity Jefferson County is facing. The people who sell drugs in Madras are the same people who sell drugs in Warm Springs. To send these and other criminals the message that we aren't going to take it

anymore, we need to support this proposal.

Please mark your ballot yes and make sure the ballot is returned to the County by March 12 at 8 p.m.

Sincerely,
Dan J. Ahern
Chairman, Board of County Commissioners

Grateful for all dedicated people

To the editor,

On behalf of the Indian Health Service and myself, I would like to commend the people who planned, coordinated and implemented the relief efforts during the flood of 1996.

The establishment of a command center and the coordinated efforts of the community, the employees of the Tribal Government, BIA, IHS, Red Cross, Oregon Department of Transportation, Tribal Enterprises and others paid off in keeping people safe and personnel loss to a minimum.

The Warm Springs community really pulled together in this crisis and I am extremely grateful to work with such a concerned, dedicated and hard working group of people.

Thank you,
Russ Alger

Memorial set for March 23

To family, relatives and friends of Elena T. Gonzalez,

As our tradition, we have a memorial ceremony and a headmarker unveiling ceremony. I have chosen Saturday, March 23, 1996 to have these ceremonies.

The ceremonies will be held in Warm Springs at the Agency Longhouse and at the Dry Creek Cemetery.

Although it has been almost one year since Elena's death, we want you to know we appreciate all you have done to make Elena's life easier.

Thank you so much for your friendship, comfort and generosity you have shared with us before and after Elena's death.

We invite you to join us on this day of remembrance for our beloved daughter Elena.

Sincerely,
Jose Louis and Sarah (Greene) Gonzalez and family

Thanks for wood

To the editor,

We would like to take this advantage to thank the Work Experience and Development Department under Marcia Soliz and Eunice Esquiro for receiving one cord of wood this winter with no questions asked. We don't have Sr. Citizens advantages yet, therefore, we are very grateful for the wood. We are happy to see the young men and women doing their best and to you for believing in them. We would like to congratulate them for their new work rig too.

Neda Wesley
Charlotte Shike
Eliza Brown

Thanks for everything

To the editor,

I want you all to know what a wonderful thing that you did for my family. I know that you all care very much and the Christmas gifts for Lakin and I was such a nice token of friendship and love from all who donated.

I want to give special thanks to the Utilities dept. for the ongoing friendship and concern for my family.

Thank you very much, I will never forget what you have done.

Sincerely,
Beth Grout & family

Grateful for help

To the editor,

Thank you Warm Springs Police Department & paramedics in response to my automobile accident. You waited for the Madras ambulance to show and took care of my dog, for this I thank you.

I'm doing real good and am beginning to walk and sit up. I also will be going to therapy soon. The disc in my back was damaged.

Thank you Dr. Donnell for being such a wonderful doctor. And to the church members for bringing me meals and all the people that visited me and prayed for me.

Sincerely,
Shirley C. Smith

Special thanks

To the editor,

From the surviving children, grandchildren and relatives

Edna DelRose, Eric DelRose, Patrick Culp, Jerome Culp Sr., Virgil Culp and Jack Gay of 16 years with the family, special thanks to the elders & drummers. We loved her very much!!

Sincerely yours,
Eric & Jerri DelRose
Patrick Culp

Family grateful for love & support

To the editor,

The family of Raymond E. Grout, Jr. would like to thank everyone for their love & support in our time of sorrow.

It was greatly appreciated by all:
Beth & Lakin Grout
Rose Holliday
Raymond Grout, Sr.
DW & Nicole Hudson
Charles Hudson
Sherman & Velma Holliday
Irvin & Mary Raines
Aunts, Uncles & cousins

Happy Birthday OJ Mares love from Mom

AA meetings set

There will be on-going AA meetings on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Counseling Center. For further information contact Pastor Rick Riebero.

Tribal member expresses concerns

To the editor,

Because I care of the direction our tribe is going, I am alarmed to the point of addressing my concerns. I am appalled of the neighbors in Madras, Prineville, Redmond and Bend,



Emmitt "Sidwalter" Smith was born at 3:35 p.m. on February 10, 1996 to proud parents, Dennis L. Smith Sr. and Denise G. Picard. Emmitt weighed in at 8 pounds 10 ounces and was 21 inches long.

He joins three brothers, Daniel, Dennis Jr. and Roosevelt and one sister, Cheryl Smith. Maternal grandparents are Wilma A. and George W. Picard, Sr., great-grandparents are Iris Smith and the late Woodrow Smith Sr. Paternal grandparents are Rosemary Smith and the late Roscoe D. Smith, great-grandparents are the late Lucinda and Alfred Smith, Sr.

blaming Indian Casinos for their so-called income losses over less tickets and Keno plays at their businesses. In my own opinion, and I am a player with scratch-offs, weekly Oregon Mega and Powerball, that I am a big time loser. I still go back and buy more, more, more.

I do get tired of not winning but that's the name of the game, that's why we refer it to gambling. Many people, both Indian and non-Indians tell me they quit buying or playing Keno because their chances of winning is so small. I was extremely concerned of the articles that appeared in the Bend Bulletin which clearly quoted Ahern's 7-11 Convenience store as one of the businesses that were losing sales because of Indian gaming. I don't feel secure of our Gaming's future because we have a non-Indian Dan Ahern on our Indian Head Gaming Board of Directors. Some of those people have absolutely nothing to lose and that's what is so scary.

I'd like to quote the sayings of the late Charley Jackson, whom I dearly loved and respected, he always said, "One of the greatest wishes of the white man is to see the Indians turn against one another." "We are setting ourselves up to fail." Charley Jackson had excellent foresight and now I am seeing what he was trying to tell us. I am proud of our gaming facility. I see people working there who have never worked before and I am happy for them.

All I can hope for is for anyone that is working with the gaming to try real hard to get along with one another. I am happy for our tribe to have a Tribal member knowledgeable in the Indian Gaming industry and we should try to be supportive of her. I would like to encourage Aurolyn to keep on with a positive "openness" because I respect her better judgment. I have a lot of faith in her but I can't help remembering what her step-father said when she came home. He was worried for her because he thought our Tribe would

Gratitude expressed to all

To the editor,

I would like to express my gratitude to the people of the Warm Springs community, and especially to the staff and patients of the Health & Wellness Center. I have spent the last six months training at the Health & Wellness Center, and have been living on campus during that time. It has been a very educational and wonderful time for me. I will always remember the friendly, happy, proud people of Warm Springs. And how I have been made to feel at home while I've been away from my own home. Thank you all!!

Emily Maldonado
Physician Assistant Student
(the woman who walks from campus to the clinic every morning)

Sincere thanks for the bonus

To the editor,

An open letter to the Tribal Council.

Dear Tribal Council,
This is better late than never. I want to sincerely thank you for the money we received before Christmas, commonly called "Bonus". We may have taken a bigger bite than we should have, but it was greatly appreciated.

Thank you,
Neda Wesley & family

Heartfelt thanks given

To the editor,

This is something that should have been done right after we received our 1992 crew cab work pick-up. We, the Labor pool/adult corps would like to thank first of all, Marcia Soliz, who is our Supervisor and the rest of the Work Experience & Development department for all their efforts in helping us get to where we are today. We have our work cut out for us in keeping up our part of the deal but knowing we have their full support, we just do our work to the best of our abilities and all else just falls into place.

So what we do is take pride in that crew cab pick-up by keeping it looking presentable inside and out. Good things take time and it took a lot of patience on our part waiting for this pickup but we sure do appreciate it now that we have it for our everyday use.

The other person we would like to thank is our Control Operations Officer, Mike Clements. He listened to us more than once and knew that we were in need of a work vehicle and now we will show that we are worthy of this pick-up and do whatever it takes to keep and uphold it. THANK YOU MIKE!!

Our Secretary-Treasurer, Raymond Calica also lent us his ears a time or two. Sure do appreciate all you have done, it will play a major part in our now empty wood lot. With this crew cab pick-up we can



Happy 1st Birthday Treyvon Lee
3-12-96
With all our love, Mom & Dad

House for rent

Four bedroom unfurnished house for rent. Wolf Point area. Asking \$600 per month plus \$500 deposit.

Only serious inquires please. If interested please call 541-302-9881.

take our whole crew and get wood so we can be better prepared for the wood demands for the seniors, who we donate our wood to. Plus our wood sales to the general public. Just feels good to know we don't have to worry about a pick-up any more. THANK YOU RAYMOND!!

Can't forget Mickey Brunoe and the rest of the tribal council. Yep, ole Mickey listened to us too and we would like to let him know that whatever he heard about this labor pool/adult corps is just now hearsay, we are!! So Tribal Council members, THANKS!!! With this pickup now in our possession, we can better represent who we are and what we do.

Terry Squiempfen and the rest of the vehicle pool crew for making sure that everything was in good shape before we actually got to take it out of the vehicle pool area.

Then last of all, the people here in Warm Springs. We try to help everyone as best as we can. So with this 1992 crew cab pick-up, the present and future Labor Pool/Adult Corps crew can stick together in whatever we may be doing in the community or out in the woods. We greatly appreciate everything and the support we have received. Can go on and on but have to work too so enough "THANKS".

From the Labor Pool/Adult Corps,
Sarah Chee, Wilbur Merrifield,
Davis Stwyer and Emerson Squiempfen

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