



### E Coosh EEWA: The way it is

## SPILYAY SPEAKS

I've always said we should always watch out for our treaty rights. All along each day there is someone out there trying to find a loop hole to break our treaty that was signed between the Middle Oregon Tribes and the United States Government.

There are certain promises made and are binding that stands today with that treaty. The treaty of 1855, is our treaty that we go by and still stands today. We must stick with that treaty no matter what because any kind of alteration could mean distraction. Today there is the mention of the treaty of 1865, a document falsely explained to some of our people who couldn't read, write or speak the English language. The trickery was to try to keep the Indians from hunting, fishing and gathering foods in accustomed places, and that when ever an Indian left the reservation he would have to have a permission slip stating when he was leaving and when he was to return. Today there is the mention of the 1865, treaty which in so many minds never existed. Everything in that document was falsified to fit the white mans wishes which has been followed by the state all these years.

Senator Mark Hatfield was on the right track to abolish the treaty of 1865. A document full of lies and trickery to undo the treaty of 1855. Since Hatfield made his intentions clear, this really upset legislatures because of the wording that goes with the fraudulent treaty of 1865.

Well, we know where Gov. John Kitzhaber stands, because of the action Hatfield intended to do. This really upset the Governor and instead of backing Hatfield to make things right, things that have been going on so long, he wanted to let things go as it is because of the wording that is in the 1855, treaty. This would jeopardize all efforts by the state on trying to reach a settlement on water rights with the Tribes. Kitzhaber thought all their efforts would go out the window.

Yep! Ole, Kitzhaber wanted to stick with the false treaty, full of lies that have been going on for years and years. So if that's his position, what will he be doing with all the Indians in the state of Oregon in the future? There are definitely some doubt in his actions now. The word Sovereignty causes a lot of attention in today's world.

When the treaty of 1855, was signed between the Tribes of middle Oregon and the united States Government after all the agreements were made the Indians agreed to live on a reservation and they also ceded 10 million acres of land to the Government, however the Middle Oregon Tribes had retained the right to hunt, fish, gather foods and graze livestock on unclaimed lands off the reservation.

And now Gov. John Kitzhaber wants to go along with a false treaty of 1865. Now can we ever believe him in the future on issues pertaining to the Oregon Indians today? Will he be truthful or not? I still say if Kitzhaber would work along with Hatfield and do away with the treaty of 1865, there could still be hope of a fair settlement in the water negotiations between the state and The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. But we must not alter nay wording in the original treaty, we must stick right with the 1855, treaty all the way. AHH-NAH-CHI-TOON!!!

#### A Bad Fire!

The Simnasho fire burned nearly 120 thousand acres of prime range and forest lands in the northeast section of the reservation. Some top livestock grazing areas. Stockmen in that area are now in need of stock feed. This even effects wildlife in that area. Deer, Elk and other animals will have to migrate to other areas to find feed.

There was a lot of Prime Timber stands that was in that area on the Mutton Mountains. Logging Companies will have to go in and salvage what they can in that area.

Not only the range and timber lands took its toll, there were several individuals who lost their homes with all their belongings and several structures went up in flame also. This was a bad year for disastrous happenings as last winter there was the big flood and this summer the big fire. Well lets hope we wont face another year like we just did in the future.

#### Toe Ness

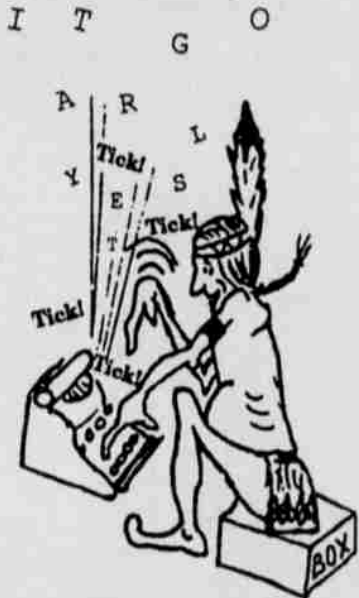
There was this guy walking through the cemetery and noticed a gravestone that said, "Here lies a Lawyer and a good Man."

"Imagine that," said the man to himself. "Two men buried in the same grave." YIKES

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Bill said, "When I was a kid I used to spend a Buck to see a couple of movies." Today I have a \$1,200.00, TV set, and I see the same movies. YIKES

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## Bagleys an asset to our community

To the editor, The adoption election is drawing nearer. A lot of us are trying to decide how we're going to vote and what criteria we're going to use to make this decision. There are a lot of issues you have probably thought about as this is an important decision for everyone involved. Some of the different things I've been trying to decide between are as follows (not in any particular order): What is their blood degree?; Do they live on the reservation?; Are they relatives?; Are they friends?; Who are their parents & grandparents?; Are they married to Tribal members?; Do they participate in community and traditional events?; Have they contributed to our people & community?

After these factors are weighed, we will all have our own reasons for voting the way we do.

I would like to make the following appeal for Willie Bagley, Carla Bagley-Tias, and Donnie Bagley as I think they play a big part in our community.

Willie, Carla & Donnie have lived on our reservation for years, have participated in the many activities, teams, and Tribal organizations. Willie and Carla are married to Tribal members and have Tribal member

children. they have also been involved in a couple of significant events in my life. In November, my son Owen and I were in a car accident (Owen was thrown from the car as it was rolling). Willie, Carla & Donnie (along with the rest of the staff and volunteers) responded. I was relieved they were there as I didn't know my son's condition and was upset and making the situation worse. Fortunately, Owen has known them for years so they were able to put him at ease, they even had him laughing at times. This past summer during the

Simnasho fire, they were responsible for helping save our homes in Sunnyside. If they (along with the other fire fighters/volunteers) weren't there making the decisions they did, chances are our home and others would've burned. I am really glad they have been there for us and the numerous other people they have helped throughout the years. With their ties to our reservation, I'm sure they will always be a part of our community.

Thank you for your time. Sincerely, Sandra Danzuka

## Reservation life has been real learning experience



Counselor Mark Bourassa

#### To the Editor and the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs,

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for the many blessings I have received during the last two years. As many of you know, I have been working at the Community Counseling Center with some of you, your children, relatives and friends. I have heard your stories, felt pain in your lives, seen the tears of grief and of healing and laughed a lot at life. I was told that in time, I might learn what it means to be a human being. Thank you one and all for being my guides.

There are many people who

personally were very patient with me as I stumbled in my ignorance and taught me a little bit about your ways and who you are as a people. In fact, I learned from everyone I met. Each of you have a story with some wisdom which you shared with me. I would like to add that I admire the spirit which is so alive in the people of this community.

I have enjoyed my work here, especially with the children. They have given me so much joy with their smiles, laughs and teasing. ECE is definitely a place of rejuvenation for me. Warm Springs Elementary was fun with all the energy of the children. The new Middle School was a challenge that I felt so supported in by the exceptional staff. It was also neat to see the maturing of the high school kids.

I know there are significant problems that have been here for a long time with the schools and education. I also believe that the time is now for more parental involvement to assist in the maturing of the schools to be more user friendly for the Native American people. The youth are a blessing and the future. Keep them safe. Fight hard for their rights to a good education and a safe journey through this world. The children are precious and I will miss them and all the families I have worked with and the friends I have made.

Thank you, Mark A Bourassa Children and Family Specialist (and a human being) Warm Springs, OR

Happy 1st Birthday AshTon Summer! Who would think something as Perfect as you could belong to us. We're so lucky!

We love you very much! Mom & Dad Bruised Head

Happy Birthday Mr. Clem Ray Picard October 8, This bud's for you baby. From your #1 sweet loving wife Jodi Picard

Happy Birthday Clem Picard From your mother-in-law Dee, sister-in-laws, Alisia, Alison, bro-in-law Bud & the rest of your in-laws on the Colville Rez.

Happy Birthday Bryce K. Johnson!! 2 yrs old! 10/4/94 Love, Dad, Mom & sister Jenna!

## Luncheon/raffle set for Oct. 11

To the editor, In the past, Clint has represented the State of Oregon & the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs through his own pocket book. But since the birth of Clint & wife's baby daughter AshTon Summer last October 10, there has been more bills, making this years trip to the INFR a difficult one. The Bruised Heads are asking for your support through fundraisers such as Friday, October 11, luncheon to be held at the Community Center. Menu includes roast, mashed potatoes & gravy, vegetable, roll and drink for only \$4 a plate. The luncheon begins at 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with door prize drawings to be held every 1/2 hour.

Don't forget to purchase some raffle tickets. There are a lot of useful items to be drawn.

Clint has always represented the tribe in a good matter and will continue to do so.

Sincerely, The Bruised Heads

## Northwest Fellowship to begin Nov. 1

Merle Williams Ministries invites all nations, tongues and kindred The Northwest Fellowship for Christ on November 1st & 2nd, 1996, at the Seattle Center in the Shaw Room.

On November 3rd, the service will be held in Marysville, Washington at The Word Of Life Fellowship Hall at 9028-51st Ave. NE.

Services began nightly at 7 p.m. Come and be blessed by anointed singing. Special speaker from Red Lake, Ontario is Lott Thunder, a Cree Indian who has traveled nation wide in Canada and parts of the United States preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Everyone is welcome to attend. Let's join together to see a move of Christ in Seattle. Invite or bring someone who needs a change in their life.

For more information contact: (360) 658-1215 or (360) 659-1777 or write PO Box 1424; Marysville, WA 98270

Tiffany T. Henry "Happy Birthday" October 5th, My heart to yours Always & forever, Mom

Tiffany Happy birthday Love Paul Happy Birthday MAIRE TULEE From Rosie, Calvin, Dee & Ed

Happy Birthday Nana Satuya From Rosie Johnson

NaNa, I love you Happy B-day Jeremiah

Happy Birthday Rosie From Tulee Family

Dad Since AshTon was born on your birthday last year (Oct. 10) that day is no longer just special, it is extra special. We want to wish you a Happy birthday and remind you that we still love you even though you're starting to be such a damn grouch! Clint & Sammy Allen-Bruised Head

Happy Birthday Lisa Slickpoo From Calvin, Dee & Ed

Nana Happy birthday Love Trevern & Tanner

Mom, Happy Birthday! I love you very, very much! Hugs & Kiss your baby, Theyliah

To my Grandpa Kenny I love you & Happy Birthday. You're the best grandpa in the whole world! From me! the best little granddaughter in the whole world! AshTon Summer Bruised Head

## More shared info on adoptee candidates

To the editor,

I am writing to share some information regarding my two sons who are on the upcoming adoption ballot. Their names are Tyson (I-Laax-Shat) Adams, who is 8 years old and Keevin (I-Lumpsh) Adams, who is 6 years old. Both boys have fulfilled the residency requirement that is required by the Constitution and By-Laws that govern our Sovereign Nation. Tyson and Keevin were born and raised here in Warm Springs by myself, my mother (Myrtle (Wa-Keemas) Adams and great-grandmother Beatrice Scott. To these two boys, home is being at "Gramma Bea's" here in Warm Springs. They both attend school here at the Elementary and take part in various activities in the community. Tyson and Keevin actively participate in cultural and sports activities associated with school. They learn valuable traditional customs from their great-grandmother Beatrice Scott by participating in the activities she sponsors or takes part in.

I would like to share the family history with everyone and remind our people who we come from. Our ancestor's are the late Caleb Adams, Sam Adams, Daisy Kuckup, Wallace Scott, Joe Scott, Si-ya-it (Grace George), Myrtle Queahpama, Jackson Queahpama and Julia Poyett.

Our family would be very appreciative if you would vote to adopt my boys into the Tribal membership.

Thank you, Gayleen (Yeslms) Adams

## Please vote for me, I'm here to stay

To the editor, Hi. My name is Miss Lakin Alexis Grout. I am three years old. I am one of the little people up for adoption. I



Lakin Alexis Grout

would like it very much if you would vote for me on October 16. My Indian name is "Moo-ops" (fawn). Little Fawn. My late father Raymond E. Grout, Jr. gave me that name when I was born. my mom is Beth Grout. She works for the Wells Fargo Bank in Madras.

I am learning Ichiskiitn and Kiksh languages from my grandmother Tootsie Holliday, a retired Headstart teacher, and great-grandmother Velma (G.G.). My great-grandfather is Sherman Holliday. My great-great grandparents are Lena Smith Holliday Picard and Benjamin Holliday, Sr. (Skilla). He was a Shaker Church minister. My grandparents on my mom's side are Mary and Ervin Raines from Madras. Ervin has worked at the Warm Springs mill for many years and Mary works for State Farm Insurance and is a Red Cross volunteer.

I hope this letter finds all you people happy. Please cherish life for it is too short.

I will always be living on this

reservation to stay where my dad is.

So, my relatives and friends, please vote for me. I won't kill all the deer or catch all the salmon or cut all the wood. God provides for everyone's needs, if only we ask Him. I've always believed that good people help the fatherless. I thank you for the time to read this letter.

On behalf of my grandchild and all the 166 people on the adoption ballot, vote for them, because one day your children's children will be there.

Thank you for the good people, whoever vote. What goes around comes around. God knows the heart. Thank you for your time. On behalf of Lakin Alexis Grout Grandma Tootsie Holliday Aly

Happy Birthday Satuya from dad, mom, brothers, sisters & Kuthla

#### Costumes for sale

Halloween costumes for sale: 3 Power Ranger (full helmets): Pink, size: Medium; Yellow, size: Small; Blue, size: Small; Blue Genie size: Large; Jasmine size: Medium; Aladdin size: Small; to see or want more info call 553-3274 weekdays 553-1960 after 5:30 and on weekends. Winnie the Pooh size 3-4 \$15 1- 12 pound bowling ball & 1- 11 pound bowling ball. Call 553-3362 weekdays 553-6236 evenings.

Happy belated 4th Birthday Little Azar on Sept. 24, From Dad, Mom, Joseph, Ronnie, Shelly & Bryson

Happy 2nd Birthday Bryson Cole From Dad, Mom, Joseph, Shelly, Ronnie, Lil' Azar

#### EDITOR'S NOTE

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