### Please consider voting yes

To the editor and all our relations;

Our names are Sweetwater and Paisly Nejal and we are applying for adoption into the Confederation Tribes of Warm Springs. We would deeply appreciate recognition of our 1/4 blood (Wasco/Warm Springs). To be acknowledged members of our tribe is very important to us since our only relatives in this country are all enrolled tribal members.

We have never lived on the reservation but have been continually involved in tribal activities since birth. We attend Powwows, memorials, and name-givings and visit our family whenever we can.

Our dad, Tony Nejal (son of Inez Stacona) had a gardening business in Portland when we were born but he took us home often and taught us about the traditions of our tribe. He died in 1988 and is buried in Tenino Cemetery. We were sad that we could not inherit any of his land because we were not enrolled.

Our mom moved to Prineville to be closer to our family and has a son here who lives with his dad and who still needs her close by. Even though she is not Native American she has taught us beadwork and how to make shawls, vests and wing dresses which we contribute to memorials. She also make our dresses for dancing at Powwows. She spent some time teaching

My dear tribal members, I am

Billie Jo Bagley (McConville). Tribal

Member descended from great-

grandfather Antwine Pepino, grand-

mother Daisy Pepino Wright, Mother

Gertrude Pitt Bagley. My children,

grandchildren and brother Willie

Bagley's children are on the adop-

Medina, her children Terri Philpott,

Phoebe Larose and Thomas Medina. My son John, "Rusty" Marcum and

Willie, Karla Tias and Donnie

Bagley. We all have been in Warm

Springs, Oregon since the early 70's

with lives and careers planned around

beverage service in 1971 at Alice's,

now the Deschutes Crossing. She is

in a manager trainee program at

Kahneeta Lodge at the present. Kim

went to school in WSO, Madras and

Chemawa, Her daughter Terri is

mother of two son Covey and daugh-

ter Dvynn. Phoebe has a son Frankie,

I year old, Phoebe is working toward

I, Denise A. Smith, as writing this

letter on behalf of children, Eustolia

"Christina" Gurrola-Smith and Wil-

liam Gurrola-Smith, who are com-

ing up for adoption into the Tribes.

family and history from the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. Their

mom, Denise A. Smith, Grandmother

Pat-in-wai or Christine M. Smith,

Grandfather Henry S. Palmer are all

living tribal members. Their Indian

blood consists of Warm Springs,

Wasco, Paiute, Yakama, Pima, Hopi

and Shoshone-Bannock. On our ma-

ternal side, Elizabeth "Lizzie" Rhoan

(McBride) is our families oldest, re-

spected elder, on our paternal side

our respected elder is Viola Kalama

Greeley Smith or Lap-swai, his

mother was Eliza Brown or Pat-in-

wai (whom grandma Chris is named

after) Benjamin Palmer, James

Palmer, Charlie Frank and Sam

Wewa. Lap-swai, Benjamin, James

and Sam were all tribal council mem-

bers at some time or another. You

can see we come from a distinguished

We are descendants of James

(Wallulatum).

Both are children with a lot of

Kim began her career in food and

They are my daughter Kim

tion ballot October 16th.

To the editor,

Voters, please consider all

these skills at WS Elementary school.

I, Sweetwater am starting my sec-ond year at COCC in Bend where I am a member of the Native American club. I work part time at the Family Resource Center in Prineville and hope to transfer to a 4 year college. I am 18 years old.

I, Paisly am a junior at Jefferson High School in Portland, where I was accepted into the dance and theater program for two summers. I have been the Native American representative in a performing Arts group who traveled to India & Mexico. I am 16 years old.

We received our names in 1993 at Pi-Ume-Sha. Our Native American Heritage is very important to us and we would be proud to be enrolled members of our tribe.

Our great-grandparents were Charles and Matilda Stacona and most of our relatives live on the Warm Springs Reservation. We would especially like to thank our grandmother Elvina Switzler and aunt Beulah Calica for their teaching and encour-

Please consider voting yes for us and all the others seeking adoption.

Thank-you. Sincerely, Sweetwater & Paisly Nejal 749 E. 6th St. Prineville, OR 97754

her GED at COIC in Madras, Tho-

mas is a student at Madras High. He

also works at KNT as a bus person

and at the golf course. Terri is on

maternity leave from the deli at KNT.

many of you know as the "paper

boy" is married to tribal member

Ann Seyler Marcum. They have just

moved into a new home on Miller

Flats. Rusty has two sons from a

previous marriage, Ann has four chil-

dren, one Aubrey Hume also on the

ballot. Rusty's hobbies include kids,

bowling and fixing cars. He and Ann

went to start part of the IHS team.

Willie, Karla Tias and Donnie Bagley

all have been active as Fire & Safety

volunteers and employees, with Wil-

lie and Karla very near paramedic

level. They have also represented

WSO in sports, bringing many awards

all the enrollment adoptees for tribal

membership. Please come out and

support them on October 16th. Thank

Billie Jo Bagley (McConville)

We have alot of aunties, uncles

and cousins here in Warm Springs.

This is our family home and life.

Please vote for us and everyone else.

taught traditional values. They at-

tend the Longhouse and know its

purposes and respects all the beliefs

and teachings in and at the

Longhouse. They also have partici-

pated in name givings, memorials,

medicine singing, school and com-

knows her by her middle name "Christina". She has been a very ac-

tive community member since birth.

Her school days started at Day Care

at the old boys dorm at the age of 1 1/

2 years old till 5 years of age. Then

on to Kindergarten to the present at

Warm Springs Elementary, she is

currently a 9 year old 4th grader. She

will be 10 years old January 8, 1997.

she finishes each school year with

A's and B's and we are all very proud

of her academic skills. At home (cam-

pus) she likes to play with friends,

roller blade, ride bikes, read, draw

and listen to music and play with her

Eustolia Gurrola-Smith-Everyone

munity activities.

Eustolia and William are being

you and God bless your decision.

line of family from both sides.

Please vote for us, this is our home

I am asking all voters to consider

My son "Rusty" John Marcum,

### Bring the bloodlines back to the Tribes....

To the editor,
"Adoption" Their Future on line
to voting" "Just food for thought, something to remember when you all

All personal feelings, politics, etc. about or toward one another must be put aside. Don't blame all these children, some now adults, asking the same opportunity as we have, "Beng enrolled into the tribe."

For their all (our people) who have parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins who love them...I FEEL VOTING IS NOT NECESSARY due to teachings by our elders.

"Bloodline wasn't the concern as it is today. Now there's a big issue concern on not enough bloodline for enrollment." It's a little late for that now...majority of us that was growing up here "Warm Springs", were discouraged by our parents, guardians, and elders, when it came to boyfriends or girl friends on the res-

It was always that's your cousin on your dad's or mom's side of the family or don't talk to me if your gonna go with that person. I do agree now, its vital to the teaching of our children. To marry within the three tribes, to bring the bloodlines back to the tribes.

The interpretation of residency can often work against tribal welfare. The reservation may not have enough housing or job opportunities to sup-

Dear Tribal Members, my name

Sheryl Courtney. On October 16,

my name will be on the adoption list

up for consideration to become a

Tribal Member which has been a

dream of mine since I first moved

here June 1975. I'm married to Steve

Courtney who is a tribal member. I

have lived here for the past 21 years.

We have 4 children, Shawn, Nikiya,

Steven Jr. and Sheena Courtney, who

are all tribal members. We have a

home at the Sunnyside subdivision,

before that we lived at the Tenino

apartments. Since the time I first

moved to Warm Springs, I have been

involved in our community learning

all I could to know the different tra-

ditions of the Confederated Tribes. I

have observed the teachings of the

Longhouse and have participated

whenever I could. I have been on the

Johnson O'Malley committee help-

ing to address the needs of our stu-

dents. I have volunteered in all the

schools at one time or another. I also

volunteer with the Victims Assis-

tance Program. I've worked at the

Early Childhood Education Center

and WS Health & Wellness Center.

computer. She love to fancy shawl

and traditional dance at powwows.

This year she did her first Root Feast

at her families ranch down in Dry

Creek. (The David Ranch). she dug,

peeled and prepared roots for the

feast. She goes huckleberry picking

every year, she knows how to cut and

put away elk and deer meat for the

ently 6 years old and attends 1st grade at WSE. His school days started

at WS Day Care at the age of 6 weeks

old to 5 years old. Then on to Kinder-

garten at WSE. He enjoys his friends,

school, riding bikes, playing nintendo and watching Bruce Lee/Karate mov-

ies. A lot of you remember his long

braids and still comment on where

they went! Well, he still has them put

away! But he likes his short hair,

cause now they know he's a boy. He

is also looking forward to learning

how to fish and hunt for his family.

tine" and William Gurrola-Smith.

This is their home and family.

Please vote for Eustolia "Chris-

Thank you!

Denise A. Smith

William Gurrola-Smith is pres-

To the editor,

Please remember to vote Oct. 16

port all our members. Would it then be fair to make people forsake membership if they go elsewhere to support themselves and their families? The Tribe should also be aware that many of us, left here for schools and military services.

For whatever reasons many of us returned, married to different races or other tribes. All our children are enrolled here now. According to our constitutional by-laws, if you're a 1/ 4 blood or more its automatic enrollment. Residency or Vital Stats Department doesn't make the rules on who gets enrolled to the tribe. Tribal Council and our management needs to straighten that out in writing!

We have whites, blacks, Hispanics, Hawaiians, and other different tribes enrolled now! So what's the big difference, vote all the people in this round only, for membership. One vital importance "If' voted in your membership starts now, not from the day you were born, "don't" request past benefits, like percapita. The ben-efits are decided by tribal council on what your eligible for when adopted into the tribe, due to bloodlines. It's time to educate all our children for future enrollments.

("After this Adoption Referen-

The people and Tribal Council need to set up significant enrollment requirements. Membership decisions are just as central to the tribe as to the

My mother, Margaret Buckland

is the oldest daughter of my grand-

mother Myrtle Monroe-Smith, a

tribal member and oldest daughter of

the late Wesley & Annie Smith, who

are tribal members. Some of my other

people include: Charlie, Zane, Max,

and the late Vernon Jackson, Claude

Sr., Alvis Sr., Zelma Smith, Catherine

Courtney and the late Mildred Tyler,

all of who are my grandmother's brothers & sisters. I come from a

very large extended family. Too many

to list, I don't mean to leave any of

my relatives out so please don't be

be an honor and a privilege, a feeling of belonging of which I have wanted

Thank you for your time and con-sideration, God Bless all of you.

Please remember to vote on October

16, or if you plan on not being here

on that day please vote absentee.

We're all counting on all of the tribal

members to come out and support us

Your vote is

I am fortunate to be on this adop-

tion list this year. As you know l

have been seeking enrollment since I

was born. But if you vote for me to be

adopted I would appreciate that very

for about 6 years the last three con-

dren who live here with me and at-

tend school in the area. I am looking

forward to becoming a tribal mem-

ber. My great-grandmother is Mable

Hening Tewee, great-grandfather

Johnny Tewee, grandmother Lena

Tewee Santos, mother is Juanita

I have resided on the reservation

I am a single parent of two chil-

important

Dear Tribal Members,

To the editor,

secutive.

Tewee Denny.

Sheryl Courtney or (Doll)

Sincerely,

as we go up for adoption.

Becoming a tribal member would

hurt if I did not list you.

individual. A tribes power over its own membership is the starting point for any discussion of Indian identity. In other words, it is by deciding who shall share responsibilities and privi-leges of membership that the tribe defines itself.

The requirements for future membership vary considerable from tribe to tribe. The term Indian Blood means the Blood of various tribes combined. Tribal Blood may thus be counted as Indian Blood to fulfill blood quantum 1/4 for our future enrollments. To bring the bloodlines back, the tribe can limit its future size, it can do so very effectively by raising the blood degree requirement that future members must meet.

This should be an encouragement for our most precious resource, our children, to really consider for their future families. God bless you all-You all got my vote "yes" for enrollment. Also, its time to deney in the future, all those who don't meet bloodline requirements.

Respectfully, Concerned Tribal member Tony "Big Rat" Suppah

Happy Birthday sis Florene From brothers & sisters mom & John

Happy Birthday Auntie Nik From Nieces & Nephews

> Happy Birthday Wiyak Reddod From Rosie & kids

Happy Birthday Son Calvin From mom, Rosie

Happy Birthday Calvin from Dee, Ed, Isha & Christine

Happy Birthday Sis Edith & Auntie From Sisters, Brothers, Nieces & Nephews

Happy Birthday Auntie Perci from nieces/nephews & families

> Happy Birthday Marie Tulee From Tulee Family

Happy Birthday Rena From Marilyn & Marilyn

Tiffiney, Happy Birthday Thank you for all your support. Sandy

Tiffiney, Happy Birthday, love, Chris, Trisha, Amanda

Happy Birthday Alice Johnson from sisters, brothers, mom & John

also, whether it is during working

hours or 3 or 4 in the morning. Willie

& Karla are also attending Paramedic

I support not only these 3 but Rusty Marcum, Kim Medina, Tho-

mas Medina, Terri Philpot & Pheobe

Larose and the others that meet the

requirements to be on the adoption

list. I support them 100%. I believe if you serve the community as much as

they have, they deserve to be recog-

nized by this tribe. They want to be

here to be recognized and represent

those who meet the requirements.

So please vote yes for them and

Your Truly,

Louella Heath-Bagley

### disagree...

To the tribal membership: This is in regards to Winter Owl Boyd, who is on the adoption list to be enrolled in to our tribe.

which I am not. Since I didn't show up for court regarding this matter (in 1991), the judge legally made him mine. This was never proven through any type of test.

but I think the tribal membership needs to be aware of this.

Respectfully submitted,

## **Husband & family serve** community

To the editor.

Hello, my name is Louella Heath

tribes since 1986. She is currently employed with Fire & Safety and also a reserve for the WSPD. Karla is married to Oswald Tias and have two children Tianna and Justin who are all enrolled members of Warm

Tribes since 1987. He is currently employed at the Indian Head Gaming Center. And also volunteers for

made it up to the National levels in

Happy 1st birthday on October 10 Frankie!! and the whole family

My name is listed as his father,

I cannot tell anyone how to vote,

Lawrence Shike, Sr.

Medics and Fire & Safety volunteers. They respond not only to emergency medical calls but to fire calls

classes on their own.

Bagley. I am a Tribal member here in WS. I am married to William Bagley, we have two children JaimeRae, who is 7 and Elyse who is 5 1/2 months, and they are also tribal members.

My letter here is in support or my husband, his sister Karla Bagley-Tias and brother Donnie Bagley. They have lived here 20 plus years.

My husband has worked for the tribes since 1983 from Fire Mgmt to WSFPI and currently employed with Fire &

Karla has been working for the Springs.

Donnie has been working for the Fire & Safety since 1994.

They have been involved in this community in other activities such as basketball, softball fast & slow pitch and Co-ed. When playing ball they represent Warm Springs, when traveling out of state to Washington, California & Montana. They have these sports, they serve you as Fire-

from, Grandpa, Grandma

### Christmas Bazaar set Eustolia & William Gurrola-To the editor.

Sincerely,

Richard Denny

Its that time of year for Tribal Members and community members to dust off those beads, fabric, feathers, yarn and leather work to prepare for the upcoming 21st annual Warm Springs Christmas Bazaar.

According to Carol Allison, Arts & Crafts Coordinator of the WS Community Center, the 2nd Saturday of December is the annual date set over the past 20 years for this yearly event. For this 21st anniversary bazaar, it will take place on December 14, 1996 at the Warm Springs Community

The Center will be open at 8 a.m. for vendors to set up their tables/ space. The doors open to the public at 10 a.m. and the bazaar closes at 4 p.m. Admission is free. There will be a table/space fee on a first come, first serve basis. Checks to be made payable to the Recreation Department Community Center. For details, please call (541) 553-3243.

Myrna Courtney, Tribal Member is one of many of the vendors who has attended this annual event since it first started back in 1975 under the direction of Eva Montee, an employee of the center. Courtney's daughter, Tricia has always attended this even over the years, as well as Kathleen Moses, Maryann Meanus, Marvin Meanus, Faith Dick, Maxine

Switzler, Geri Jim and the Queahpama family. More recently, the WS Rodeo Association and ECE fund raising groups have participated as well as others off and on through-

Carol Allison took charge of this event in 1976, twenty years ago. She worked under the leadership of Rudy Clements, Satch Miller, Elton Greeley and the current Center director, Fran Moses-Ahern.

The first year there were approximately 15 vendors that were set up in the Social Hall of the Center. It has since grown and takes place in the gym, the social hall and the hallways of the Center. Ms. Allison stated it now averages 79-80 vendors, the majority being local people and Central Oregon crafters. Ms. Allison noted, we have vendors coming from other areas, such as Alaska, Arizona, Montana, Washington and people from Portland, Gresham, Tigard, and surrounding areas. This has become Central Oregon's largest Christmas

Please call Carol Allison at the Community Center (541)553-3243 for more information and details. Myrna Courtney, Publicity

Annual Christmas Bazaar Warm Springs, OR 97761 (541) 553-1636

Happy Birthday to our Baby Girl, Leanna You have grown so much, we can't believe you're five. We've enjoyed your laughter and your loving smile We love you very much, Mom,

Dad, George, Tonya and

Jackson

Happy Birthday to my Dad Roger Suppah 10/10 & Brother McKie 10/11 Love, Deece

> Happy Birthday October 13 **Uncle Manuel Teeman** and many more. We miss & love you. Deanna, Christina, Juan, Matthew & Rafa

A.I.G. Happy Birthday October 15 To my love way over there from me way over here. Even tho we're not together now, we will be soon. Love you lots, D.L.L.B & pups

### Youth conference begins October 18 Eastern Oregon State College will host the Oregon Indian Education

Association (OIEA) Youth Conference and Native American Higher Education Career Awareness (NA HE CA) Workshop. The conference will be held on the campus of Eastern Oregon State College, October 18-

The conference targets Native American and Alaskan Native high school students, especially those planning to pursue a post secondary education. One of the goals of the conference is to provide opportuni-ties and leadership for Native American youth, as well as to inform students about the opportunities that exist after graduating from high

The conference is sponsored by the Oregon Indian Education Association, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Confederated Tribes Umatilla Indian Reservation, Oregon Indian Coalition on Post Secondary Education and Eastern Oregon State

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