



E Coosh EEWA: The way it is

SPILYAY SPEAKS

Was looking over the certificate of results of the recent elections from each district and noticed where a lot of wasted votes were tabulated of people voting for themselves and gotten vote.

Let's take a look at the Agency district where there were 10 candidates listed and the count was fairly close all around. Beside the regular candidates there were 22 write in names receiving 1 vote apiece with the EXception of six write in names receiving more than one vote. They must have had their family vote for them. All these write in votes are worthless. People know these write in votes won't amount to anything so why do people do these things?

If there are unsatisfactory feelings of the candidates who are running for a Tribal Council seat, there is only one thing they can do and that's to "ATTEND" the general council meetings and voice their opinion there and even nominate a person of their choice.

Well my point is there were 50 unnecessary votes where if they were applied to the regular nominees these might have made a difference in the outcome of the over all voting., who knows. This example was from the Agency district where the candidate received 1702 votes among each other with 50 write in votes.

The candidate with the most votes came in 34 votes over the no. 2 person who was 8 votes over the third person. Now take all those write-in and scatter them through all the regular nominees there might have been a big difference in the final outcome. This example came from the Agency district, so let's take a look at the Simnasho district where there were 15 nominees listed on the ballot. After all the votes were totaled and counted all the nominees received 1,118 votes along with 24 votes of people voting for themselves and getting one vote each.

Another point I would like to mention is that there could come into reality in the future and that's having a Primary election from each district and select the top five candidates from the Agency and Simnasho district for voting on during election day. I believe this would solve a lot of unsatisfied people on to vote for on election day and not wasting votes on themselves.

Take a look at the Seekseequa district where there are only 208 who voted and two write in votes. In that district there were seven nominated for the election and if there were a primary they could have selected the top 4 for the final voting on election day. By using the Primary system might eliminate all these unnecessary votes of all those who voted for themselves.

"What If!" We would elect at districts and on election day vote at large!!! "What If." We do away with our districts and nominate our best people who are qualified to operate a big business such as ours. We do need the best people in office to handle our affairs. Our business is what's the most important thing to us and we have to do the best for our selves. The way things are now days people say, "Hey! It's your turn to be on the Tribal Council no matter what the person does or if he knows anything about running a big business.. There are some nominees that don't have any ability or back ground in the business world and are un-sure of their own decisions they just go along with who ever sounds good.

I just hope someone doesn't come and give me hell for expressing my thoughts on these matters because they are things to think about. We have an open forum for anyone to write the editor to express his opinions on any matter concerning Tribal Matters. Who knows if you would make your suggestions and express your opinion someone might get a good idea on how all the people feel on matters that concern the Confederated Tribes. AHH—NAH-CHI-TOON!!!



To forgive, you must let go, then send feelings away

Hello from Pastor Rick....

Welcome to the month of May, our busy lives become ever more full of things to do. Wow!

Today, I want to talk about the word forgiveness. Did you know that there are seven words that denote the idea of forgiveness? In the Hebrew Old Testament, they are kapar, nasa and salah. Their meaning is "to cover...to bear away...and to pardon". In the Greek New Testament the words that denote forgiveness are apolyein, charizethai, aphesis and paresis. Their meaning is "to put away...disregarding...to forgive sins...and letting go, sending away".

Now, for your Bible quiz: Which of the four New Testament Greek words for forgiveness is the main meaning of the word that is used more than 55 times in the New Testament.

Time's up! It is letting go and sending away. To forgive someone or yourself requires the two-step process of letting go and then sending it away.

Forgiveness is not a yo-yo. You don't send away the hurt that someone has put into your life and still hold on to the event of hurting. Many a Christian with a noble heart takes shot after shot of pain and sin from a loved one because they think they are loving the. No...The Lord did not create us to become targets for the pain. We are to let go and send it away.

When we let go we allow forgiveness to change us. We become stronger inside knowing that we are better prepared for the next hit. Each time we forgive, we become stronger spiritually. We can speak our heart before the next hit of pain comes to us. To forgive is to change ourselves so others around us will also change.

So, go and forgive and be changed. We need a seat belt law for the children.

See you in church. (Warm Springs Presbyterian Church, on the Campus)

Rev. Rick R. Ribeiro

Inmate seeks relatives

To the editor,

I write this letter in hopes of obtaining your most honorable assistance: you see, "my problem is this", I've been in prison the last 10 years of my life with just two years remaining on my sentence. It wasn't until recently that I discovered that I may have family in or around the state of Oregon. For you see, as a child, I lost both of my parents at a very young age and as a result of this tragedy I was placed in and out of foster care until I was old enough to make it on my own.

During which at this time, I was told that my late mother and father were the only family I had in this world, and I was content on believing this until recently. With this in mind, I'm hopeful you can be of some assistance to me in helping me locate my family by printing my letter in your publication. It is hopeful someone may "recognize" my name and get in "contact" with me. I'm a Native American. Born of Joseph & Virginia Gaxiola on June 13, 1968 in the city of Chicago, state of Illinois.

I don't have much info to provide, as I was to young to really know anything of both of my parents. Other than my father had died in Vietnam. The reason I'm seeking your help is because within the next two years, I'll be a free man who's paroling to nothing or nobody. And if I have lost relatives out there, it sure makes my future than much brighter to look at. As there is no greater joy in this world than the joy of a family can give. And I have to believe that I may find this joy one day.

So I am hopeful that if my letter is printed in your publication that someone may recognize my name. And if anyone out there care's to write me as a pen pal or anything I will answer all those who write as well. I thank you for your time and patience and know that any assistance you can provide me will be deeply appreciated. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Joseph Gaxiola E-55789  
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Thanks WEDD program

To the editor,

I would like to take this opportunity on Earth Day to publicly thank the Warm Springs Work Experience and Development Labor Pool for all the yard work they have done and continue to do for the Warm Springs Post Office. Thank you to Marcia Soliz for helping us establish this program here. Thank you to Vincent Simustus for organizing the work crew and for his work. And a big thank you to all the individuals who help to keep the lawn and yard looking great.

Judy Fettig,  
WS Postmaster

Happy Birthday to our sister Erica Lynn Parra  
Love you lots,  
Priscilla & Tarivia

Happy Belated Birthday's for April to:  
4th-my grandson Jimmy Florez;  
16th-my niece Joanna & nephew Javier

17th-my nephew Duran, way over there in Idaho  
29th-my beautiful daughter Erica Lynn  
29th-my relation Ronald McKinley  
30th-my aunt & grandmother to my children Maxjine & in memory of my beautiful daughter Bridgette Camille, whom passed over 5/10/96, celebrated her birthday 5/18. She lives on in my heart forever.

Happy Birthday for May to:  
22nd-my niece Bianca (pretty woman); my grandson Leander Jr.  
30th-my aunt Lydia Murphy, thanks for the kind words and guidance.  
To each of you cherished by all members of our family.  
Love, Carol Parra

**DOUBLE-EAGLE CASINO**  
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June 19, 20 & 21, 1998  
Double-Eagle Casino, Chewelah, WA.  
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Contact: Marlene Cuevas, 3309 935-4400 or 935-4594.  
The name of Double Eagle Casino is used in connection with the Double Eagle Casino.

**!Congratulations!**  
**Charles Tailfeathers, Jr.**  
for graduating from  
**Riverside Indian School**  
and for all the goals you've accomplished!  
**From, Mom, Dad**  
**Joey and Family**  
**Danelle and Family**  
**Shari and Family**

Happy Birthday to our Auntie Erica Lynn Parra  
Love Lots,  
Lil Erminio & Lil Luis

Happy Mother's Day to:  
Priscilla Frank; Myrna Frank, Lillian Cuevas, Marlena Becerra, Annette Arce, Priscilla Parra, Tarivia Parra, Cecelia Frank, Graciela Estrada, Roberta Williams, Selena Bobb, Josie Williams, Jeannie Williams, Angel Wells.  
From Carol Parra & all of your lucky children.  
Thanks for all the memories good/bad; thanks for being there when I've needed you; Thank God for bringing us together. Love.

Member receives award

To the editor,

Please print the following letter: Dear Mr. Deni Leonard, It is my pleasure and privilege to inform you that you have been selected to receive one of the two National Education Association's 1998 H. Council Trenholm Memorial Awards. Congratulations!

Each year HEA presents its Human and Civil Rights Awards in an elegant dinner and program held during the Representative Assembly. At that time, we honor individuals like you for exemplary contributions in the area of human and civil rights.

The H Council Trenholm Memorial Award, for which you were selected, is presented to two nominees,

one Black and one non-Black educator, whose work has led to the eradication of racial inequities in the education community.

The 1998 Human and Civil Rights Award Dinner will take place on the evening of Friday, July 4, 1998 in the Regency Ballroom of the Hyatt Regency, New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana. One of our staff members will contact you in the near future to give you details and help you make arrangements to be presents to accept your award.

Once again, congratulations. We at NEA look forward to honoring you.

Sincerely,  
Bob Chase, President

Thank you Nancy

To the editor,

On this Earth Day, 1998, I would like to publicly thank all the postal patrons in Warm Springs who utilize the recycle bins here at the Post Office. I especially wish to thank Nancy Collins from the Health & Wellness Center for establishing the program and for her efforts in collecting the recycled material.

Judy Fettig,  
WS Postmaster

Happy Anniversary to my SweetPea husband Frankie Suppah. Thank you for two wonderful years of my life.

From Bobbie (1-4-3)

Member disappointed

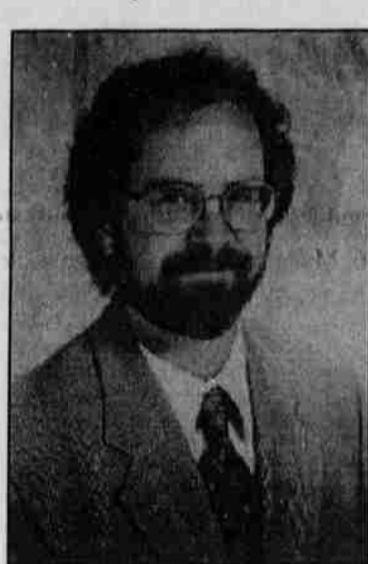
To the editor & Board of Directors:

My family enjoys staying at Kah-Nee-Ta when we return home several times during the year. I was disappointed to learn that the tribal member room discount has been discontinued. This change we never communicated to us.

You generously grant free nights to board members and personal guests. Why not consider at least 20% discount for tribal members.

Thank you for your consideration.  
Sincerely,  
Aurolyn Watlamet  
Na-Kish-ayat

Dunlap seeks commissioner position



those which do not fall in line with the emerging needs of its citizens. Once this has been accomplished, the County needs to bring current all maps and records and then improve access to public records connected to individual parcels of land.

We must improve our roads. Repair and maintenance of highways and roads has not been able to stay abreast of the needs of the rapidly increasing population. I will work to ensure that all Jefferson County residents have safe roads to travel over. I am currently a supervisory forest engineer with the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. I have 18 years' experience in transportation system planning and construction. I work effectively with tribal, federal and private representatives.

I served on the Metolius City County from 1992 to 1998 and served as the city's mayor from 1995 to 1997. I am a member of the COIC board of directors and for the past 10 years have worked on the COCC forestry advisory committee.

I served in the US Navy from 1968 to 1973 as an aviation electronics technician on anti-submarine patrol aircraft in the US and Iceland.

I graduated from Myrtle Point High School in 1968, attained an AS forest technology degree from Southwestern Oregon Community College in 1975. I attained my BS in Forest Engineering from Oregon State University in 1980.

I encourage you to vote for me in the May 19 election.

Thank you,  
Doug Dunlap

Doug Dunlap is a candidate for Jefferson County Commissioner position #2

To the Editor,

I am a candidate for the Jefferson County Commission position #2.

I am committed to attaining to provide equal representation for all. The diversity of culture combine with the spatial distribution of Jefferson County residents has created a special challenge to elected officials. I will work hard to develop a system which makes it easier for citizens to be heard within the county commissioner's office.

I feel we must improve the community development department. I believe the County needs to review the land use regulations and to modify

Vendors wanted

Artists and crafter interested in showing their works at this year's Collage of Culture, May 16, can pick up a prospectus entry form at one of the following locations: any Central Oregon chamber of commerce, Art Adventure Gallery in Madras, Mirror Pond Gallery in downtown Bend and the Museum At Warm Springs.

Deadline for entry is April 17 and additional details are listed on the prospectus.  
Contact Coralee Popp 475-6317 or Camille Green 475-2864 for further information.

Alexis Lauraina Hintsala



Happy Birthday Big Girl, 2 years old (5/8/98). You've made all of us proud to be with you. I love you honey.

Forever yours,  
Mommy & Na-Na

**TOE NESS**

"Before I take your case," said the counselor, "you'll have to give me a \$50 retainer."  
"All right, here's \$50," agreed the Client, handing over the money.  
"Thank You," the lawyer retorted. "This entitles you to two questions!"  
"What! Fifty dollars for just two questions! Isn't that awfully high?"  
"Yes, I suppose it is," said the lawyer.  
"Now what's your second question?" YIKES

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This guy asked to be excused from jury duty.  
"I owe a man \$100 that I borrowed," he explained, "and since he's leavin' town today for some years, I wanna catch him before he gets to the plain and pay him the money."  
You are excused," announced the judge. "I don't want anybody on the jury who can lie like you." YIKES

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