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It's easy to remember how Warm Springs reacted to the idea of a casino on the reservation. After all the pros and cons had been heard, Warm Springs voters were overwhelmingly in favor of a casino. The results of the December —, 1994 vote proved that point.

Now, hoping for increased revenues from a second casino, the Tribe is investigating the idea of building another gambling hall, possibly near I-84 in Hood River. The idea, at least on the surface, is not sitting very well with the more vocal folks of that small town.

What is being proposed is merely that; a proposal. A second casino is contingent on one thing only—approval, through referendum, of the tribal voters. The Confederated Tribes cannot build another facility without tribal member consent. Development of a second casino is intended to allow the Tribes to achieve several goals: diversify income resources, increase employment opportunities for tribal members and Hood River residents and relieve demands on natural resources.

Opponents were asked at the September 28 meeting to listen with open ears and to be patient. They did neither. Their minds were made up before they entered that crowded Valley Christian Church. They wanted one thing only—to tell the Tribe they wanted no part of a casino, to hell with what such a facility could do for their depressed economy, unemployment rate and overall well-being.

Opponents do not want a casino in their back yard, just like certain communities in Oregon do not want a prison in their back yards. They fear that the ambiance of their community will suffer, that the moral fiber of Hood River County will crumble, that existing businesses will fail because gamblers won't stop to eat, gas up or stay overnight. The perceived impact, according to opponents, is negative. No one, not Hood River, not Warm Springs, not the Governor nor the Secretary of the Interior, can foresee the future and tell what the real impact will be. Hood River residents can rest assured that Warm Springs will develop, if they choose to move forward, a tasteful, classy facility very carefully. Warm Springs is not known for hasty decisions, nor decisions that will offend their neighbors too terribly. The Tribe believes in a workable good neighbor policy.

I think before anyone in Hood River gets too excited about this whole thing they should wait until a formal proposal has been thrown on the table. Residents' premature negative reaction only muddies the water. To develop a "No Casino" web page is a bit much. Susan Crowley, at the September 28 meeting, cited several factoids about the negative impact the Siletz casino has had on Lincoln City. About how gambling impacted Atlantic City. Has she contacted Roseburg, Madras, Pendleton or other Oregon towns where there are nearby Indian casinos? Is the impact negative everywhere? I think not.

It will take more than clichés and cute slogans to deter Warm Springs. First and foremost, the tribal voters have the authority to nix the idea. The Governor will have a say as will the Secretary of the Interior. Hood River residents are borrowing trouble by becoming so adamantly anti-casino. Much has to be done before the final plans are drawn up.

One final point. Does the word sovereignty mean anything to Hood River residents? The Tribe's sovereignty guarantees them the right to seek economic stability. A casino in Hood River, or wherever, will reduce reliance on an already weakened natural resources base and will assure the Tribe's ability to continue to provide the basic services to its ever-growing membership.

This could be a win-win deal for everyone. Those Hood River residents so against a casino need to take a step backwards, take a deep breath and chill out. Only then will they have the open ears and patience the Tribe has requested from them.

Toe Ness

The weary judge looked across the bench to see arepeat traffic offender who had been before the court on charges of speeding, reckless driving, drunken driving, illegal parking and diving with bad brakes.

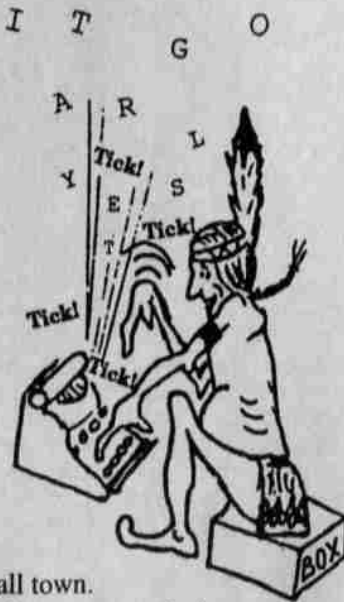
"It's you again," said the judge, "Last time you were here, it seems to me I revoked your license. What's the charge this time?"

The defendant, finally liiking up to the judge, answered, "Jaywalking, your honor." YIKES

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"my health insurance is a HMO," one patient in a doctor's office was overheard saying. "That stands for Hand your Money Over." YIKES

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To the editor,
Enough is Enough! I spend a considerable amount of time in our outdoors here on the reservation. First of all I work in the Forestry department and secondly I love fishing and hunting. This hunting season I have become increasingly disturbed from the serious poaching problem here on the reservation. These past few years poaching has seemed to be on the rise and is now way out of hand. Last September, during work, I came across a bull elk, near the headwaters of Badger Creek and all that was taken were the teeth and antlers (the rest lay rotting).

Just a few weeks ago, in the Dahl Pine area, my brother and I found a doe fawn head and hide. At least these people took the meat but regardless it was an illegal kill. I'm also hearing of all the elk being shot (before the season), and being left to waste with only the teeth and antlers taken. I don't know how many of these stories are true but there are

many elk and deer being shot out of season by people in search of just the "racks" or for money.

A lot of bulls are shot during deer season a lot of big bucks are being shot during elk season. People who do this aren't hunters in my mind because some of us work hard to get meat to put in the freezer, the legal way. There are rules and seasons for a purpose (to conserve our wildlife). When someone goes out and poaches, they take away from and degrade our reservation. It is no different than the people who spray paint walls, or break into the tribal buildings and vandalize. We are lucky enough to get seasons as long as we do. Off reservation you'd only get about two weeks to hunt compared to about three months here. I love hunting and I don't want this privilege taken away by those who are selfish and take game illegally.

I have taken some nice trophies home in the past but I'm starting to see our game numbers and quality

drop and I believe it's all of the poaching. Whoever is shooting elk and only taking the teeth and horns should stop and is one sick person. How would you like it if someone shot you, took your wallet and pulled out your teeth then left you to rot? Sorry if that sounds harsh but I'm just fed up with what's going on. Heck more people need to take up for our wildlife. I'm going to stop holding my tongue from now on and start turning in incidents I see or hear of and I would encourage you other "hunters" to do the same and help save our wildlife.

Sincerely,
Michael Leecy

We all deserve respect

To the Editor,
Due to the law, I respectfully decline to name names. A great injustice has been covered up. It saddens me to no end to realize people I had once admired and looked up to could stoop so low.

It is my sincerest hope for the staff at our Community Counseling Center that they come to realize just how unfair and hurtful certain words can be. Each and every one of us, whether we are in recovery or not, deserves respect. That is the least we owe each other.

So let's act like the adults and professionals I know we can be, please.

Sincerely,
Jackie Estimo

Pen pal wanted

To the editor,
Dear Sir/Madam,
I would like information and history about your reservation and different events on the reservation please. I would like to know about the Wasco, Tenino and Northern Paiute people please. I would like to write to a Native American female or male, age doesn't matter.
I hope you can help me in anyway. I look forward for your reply.

Yours faithfully,
Tracy Gerdon
15 Lowry St.
Richmond
Nelson
New Zealand

Happy Birthday to the Tribe
Joseph D. Smith-Sept. 23, 1969
Su'Yenn Lei Smith-Sept. 28, 1976
Ellie R. Picard-Sept. 29, 1979
Lois E. Smith-Sept. 29, 1965
Kennedy Smith-Oct. 1, 1957
Babe Rhoan-Oct. 1, 1960
Sally Whiz-Oct. 3, 1956
Austin Smith Sr.-Oct. 5, 1950
Andy Stacona-Oct. 10, 1972
Sarah Mitchell-Oct. 11, 1952
Edna Williams-Oct. 12, 1957
Alvis Smith, III-Oct. 15, 1968
Miriah Stacona-Oct. 17, 1996
Jasper Smith-Oct. 24, 1989
Simone Danzuka-Nov. 2, 1987
Norma Lucei-Nov. 2, 19
Anthony R. Stacona-Nov. 12, 1993

Love all of you alot!
Leta, Brandon, Simone & Rosetta

Happy Birthday to my little brother
Austin
Love, Jason



Happy 1st Birthday to our son Austin Iokeapa
October 15,
Love, Mom & Dad

Happy Birthday to Andy Stacona
October 10
From, Keiki, Marcie, Jason & Austin



Happy 11th Birthday to my Little Man, Erickson James Lucei
We love you and miss you very much! Write or call us soon! Take care of yourself & your sisters.
Love, Mom, Virgil, Tyrone & CarolAnn

Blood drive reaches goal

To the editor,
Hello from Pastor Rick. This is one of my a little bit of everything letter to the community.

Thank you Warm Springs for another great Red Cross Blood Drive. A goal of 60 was reached with the final number of 66 units. Thank you donors, volunteers and a great kitchen staff.

Remember, one beer is too much and a 100 beers not enough.

Congratulations to Dawn Smith and the teachers of the Warm Springs Elementary School. they got the year-round second language money for the school. This money is to hire more teachers, helpers, materials and upgrade of the building. I hear it is a big piece of change that 509-J District has for Warm Springs.

Rummage & bake sale set

The Warm Springs Shaker Church is having a Rummage and Bake sale Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 8, 9, & 10 from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.

This is a fund-raiser for future holiday events! Donations gladly accepted. Drop your items at the Warm Springs Shaker Church.



October 6,
Happy Birthday to Vernon Suppah, Jr. "Wolfman"

Thank for being a special part of my life! I love you always & forever!
Love, Farrell



Happy Birthday Dadda!
From your one & only Happy Baby & hero!
Love Wolf J.J. Suppah

Thanks Twink!

To the editor,
Thanks given to a very special person, Twink Picard. We express our thanks to you for the wonderful thing you did for my son/brother, Izaak Esquiro. You are honestly a true friend right down to the letter. Friends like you are hard to find. You expressed that you do not know my son as you know me and my other children, but wanted to do something special for what he has accomplished in his life and what he is doing not only for himself but for his community/people and our nation, and went out of our way to make a special meal for my son/brother and to invite all his friends and family too.

That was a wonderful thing that you did, and I know that his friends thank you too. This is a true way for our people to show how much we care and admire what they are doing. Again, THANK YOU, for all you have done.

We love you lots.

Eunice Esquiro,
Jessie Wolfe-Esquiro,
William & Izaak Esquiro,
Josie, Jenny,
Jay & James RedFox Jr. & Sharondee Mitchell

Nerf bars for sale

Smittybuilt chrome nerf bars fit Ford Ex Cab pickups between 1987-1996. Brand new, never used. Asking \$280. Call 553-3274 ask for Selena.

Also for sale, Halloween costumes. The Riddler size 10, \$10. Beast (from Beauty and the Beast), size 8, \$15. Pumpkin, size 4, \$10.

AMEN.....Forward with education.

If you gamble 40 dollars a week at the casino you spend \$2,080 dollars a year. In five years \$10,400 dollars. So to be a winner is to only leave \$1,000 dollars a year at the casino. WOW, it must be that new math.

And finally, anger, fear, greed, pride, slander, gossip, lust, etc. are the worst downer ever taken to the heart by humankind. The cure for such conditions is love, love, and love. Take your love medicine today before you die of a cold heart tomorrow.

Warm Springs Presbyterian on the campus has Worship on Sundays at 11 a.m., Youth Group at 2 p.m. Potluck at 6 p.m. and Christian Education at 7 p.m. See you in Church.

Reverend Rick R. Ribeiro

Happy Birthday Auntie Tobi
October 14,
Love, Ollie J'Von & KyeOwna

Military Update United States Marine Corps



Corporal Izaak J. Esquiro, USMC was, on the Thirty-first day of July, 1998 the subject of a Meritorious Mast conducted by the Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, Box 555493 Camp Pendleton, California 92055-5493; For outstanding service as follows:

For meritorious performance of his duties which resulted in him being chosen as the Non-Commissioned Officer of the Quarter, 2nd Battalion, 4th Marine for the third quarter of 1998. Corporal Esquiro demonstrated exceptional knowledge, bearing, and leadership during this period. His accomplishments gained him the distinction of being recognized as not only the top non-commissioned officer of his company, but in the battalion as well. Serving as a squad leader, he consistently lead and trained his Marines to a high level of readiness. He capably instructed his squad on effectively clearing trenches while employing live grenades. Corporal Esquiro's exceptional performance reflects great credit upon himself and the United States Marine Corps.

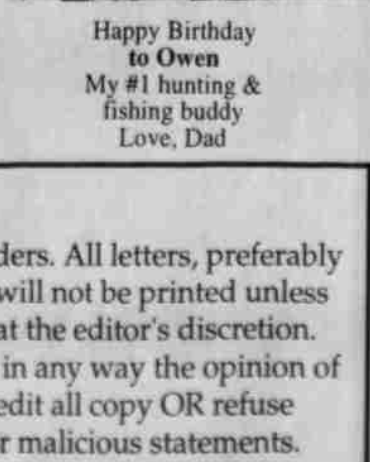
Signed: P.A. Hand,
Lieutenant Colonel,
U.S. Marine Corps,
Commanding

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Happy Birthday to Owen
My #1 hunting & fishing buddy
Love, Dad



Happy Birthday to my cousin Owen
from Alfred