



Some words from children on the environment

The Spilyay Tymoo received a drawing and several letters this spring from Juanita, Leonard, William, Raymond and Desmond.

Their message is an important one, expressed in clear, direct and simple language.

From Juanita's cover letter:

Dear Spilyay Tymoo,

Thank you so much for printing our letters in your newspaper. We wanted to let our people know how much we love and think about our land and our home.

Our students in ERC, at Warm Springs Elementary, tried to express their concern the best way they knew how in writing. They also have pictures of our environment on our bulletin board at school. Come check it out.

Let's all remember to try to clean up our land by keeping our homes and community clean. Let us all show a good example to our kids. They want to learn what is good and best for the better of our world and community.

Thank you.

From Leonard:

Dear People of Warm Springs,

I would like to clean the world. I would clean the windows, wash dishes and sweep.

Then I will pick up trash outdoors and I will clean the center and I will clean the school and I will help Dennis and I will help Wanead work and help her with class and I will clean my house with my Grandma. And I will clean cars for people. Thank you very much.

From Raymond:

Dear People of Warm Springs,

I want better air to breathe and clean land for our people. I hope everyone will read our newspaper because we need help to clean our land so we won't step on glass. Thank you very much.

From Desmond:

Dear People of Warm Springs,

Please pick up the trash! So the world can be clean, please don't throw trash on the ground. Trash goes in the garbage can. Recycle your cans and bottles!

From William:

Dear People of Warm Springs,

Clean up the world. Don't throw trash out of our car windows. Use a litter bag. Trash looks ugly. Thank you.

Letters to the editor

Heartfelt thanks

To the editor,

I want to thank those of you that made it to the funeral for my father, James Richard Starr Sr. If you did not make it and were not contacted, I am truly sorry for it was on short notice. We did not mean to exclude anyone. But my father is in a better place now and will be missed dearly. 5-16-44 to 5-10-01. Please keep good memories of him.

From his eldest son and family,
James R. Starr Jr.

Fond memories

To the editor,

As sad as I am to move away from Warm Springs I know I will always have a lot of good friends here. I want to say thank you to all the people at ECE who helped me learn and grow while we are teaching the young children of our community. To all the teachers - Winona, Snyder, Sylvia, Shari, Karla, Shirelle, Leah, Cheryl, Vivian, Phyllis, Melinda, Marcie, Marie, Althea, Nola, Joni, and Zillah. You were all teachers to me in one way or another and I will always respect you and thank you for that.

To the office staff Reona, Nancy, Versa, Denys, Charlene, Sue, Patty, and everyone who greeted me with a smile and good morning every day. To Gladys and Jane who helped me in so many ways and were always there to support me, also to the powwow and culture committee, and Indian language teachers who taught me the language, culture and heritage of the Warm Springs people.

And especially to my teaching partners over the years Cheryl, Binky, Karla and Nola, who know all the hardships and troubles we have been through together. I know some day I wouldn't have made it without your friendship and support. To the janitors Les and Billy Joe and the bus drivers Ivan and Debbie, and Moose, thanks for being good friends. And the school age and Infant Center staff who are all good friends too.

Also a big thank you to all the wonderful parents, grandparents, and families I have worked with over the past six years. It was so much fun getting to know you and your child and I hope things are going well for everyone. So, I hope that everyone in ECE and in the community will remember to love the children as much as I did while I was there, and to always help them be the best they can be.

Also to my other friends in the community at the Boys and Girls Club, 4-H Culture Camp, and Museum, it was all great fun. And to all my powwow friends and family, grandma Aurelia, Ervanna and Jason, Millie Colwash, and Liya, Lovie, Tiny and the girls, Arlita Rhoan, Krista, Kandee, Mysti, and Sara, Lovie, Raylene, and Leona, Tia, The Begay family, Charmaine and Carlos, Merle and Kiana, Nancy Tailfeathers, and Roberta Queahpama. We will see you along the powwow trail. Well, I will keep in touch and hope to see you all at Pi-Urme-Shal.

Take care,

Julie Johnson and family
P.O. Box 234, Burns, OR 97720

God still moving

To the editor,

"Afterward he appeared to the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.

And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them, they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover."
Mark 16:14-18

As we sat at a recent meeting, I marveled at the preacher that was speaking on how they've been serving the Lord since 1956, how God used to move, do miracles etc. And how they were waiting for God to move

Hello from Pastor Rick,

I just had a great truth come to me. After eating a great meal at Senior Lunch, I realized that my large size is due to the great cooks at the Senior Center, at the Longhouses, and at church. Also, my wife is a great cook. And, Hey, my mom is a great cook. So, you see it is a great conspiracy of cooks who keep me plump. Wow, how was that for denial?

One program that I cannot deny is the work going on at the Boys and Girls Club at the center. There are a lot of kids down at the center. Have you as an adult gone down

again like He did 40 years ago. For people who say these things I don't know where they've been the last 40 years but the God I know is still alive. In the meetings we've attended so far this year, cancer has fallen off of a child's face, angels were seen ministering among the congregation, angels were heard singing with the saints, gold dust was seen flying off of God's anointed as they walked in through the door and many other God related testimonies were given.

How children can see the very realm of angelic hosts all around. In my lifetime how the dead are raised to life again. How that in a meeting with 6,000 Native Americans, the first night at an altar call, 2,000 came forward to receive Jesus Christ, the next night 3,000 came. How God moved in that meeting! The sick recovered their health, the blind to see, demons coming out, alcoholics and drug addicts set free. *"And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of man, but in the power of the God" 1 Cor. 2:4,5*

Our God is not dead but is alive and still working miracles as He was back then.

Maranatha,
Easton & Tina Aguilar

T-ball team was great

To the editor,

I would like to take this time to publicly say thank you to the kids of the Rat Pac/Tigers T-ball team for your diligent effort in making it to practice and games. You have all been very good listeners and those few players who got plugged by the ball, or learned that while holding the bat and you do have to swing at the same time, or missed the ball, you have to go get the ball and throw it home (remember?) or dropped the ball when you thought you caught it, discovered when you threw your bat you are really out, that it wasn't a joke when you were told you're out, and found out you really have to run all the bases, all learned what T-ball is all about! Yeah. Thank you. Thank you!!!

Also, with all the fanfare of the children paying their fees, in addition to late fees, just to play. It was a disappointing to learn that our uniforms did not have the Rat Pac name on the hats or shirts. We ended up with some left over jerseys and hats. The kids and myself appreciated being the Tigers since we didn't have much of a choice anyway. I did receive some complaints from parents about the shirts being ripped in the sleeve and neck area. ("We paid our fees and late fees to have my child receive some cheap shirt.") Anyhow, moving right along.

There are just three T-ball teams in Warm Springs National T-ball Association. We had fun playing the ECE Club and Rocky Slammers. Thanks to Sue Matters and Sky and Soap Katchia for being a coach and supporting our youth. During games, coaches all got surprised by some players and just had a good laugh at some of the crazy scenes. But on my behalf, I really did see fundamentals improvement and that the kids learned to laugh at themselves and that it really is just a game for fun and learning.

The following kids are the Tigers/Rat Pac Team: Rosey Suppah, Kapri Moody, Arlene David, Sal Robinson, Sasha Robinson, Chanda Robinson, Kecia Florendo, Pickles Crawford, Trent Heath, Hamley Danzuka, Matt Clements, April Rose Berry, Billy Berry, Ada Lopez, Aaron Colwash, and Leah Bates.

Sarahlee McCormack, Tashina George, and Charmayne Billey even came out and tried their luck.

They did a good job and I hope all of you continue to play sports.

Best of luck in your next sport season.
Respectfully submitted,
Coach Lucy Suppah

Museum raffle winners

To the editor,

The Museum At Warm Springs is pleased to announce the winner's of the Arts & Crafts raffle.

Silver Turquoise Bracelet, woven basket

and bowl—Geraldine Blodgett

Beaded "She Who Watches" Bracelet & Eagle Picture—Perthina White

Wool Blanket & Prairie Chicken Dancer's Picture (an original)—Jeanne Thomas

MAWS Travel Mug—Jeri Block

Handmade Shawl—Tom Franklin

Other winners include: Keith Moody, Eileen Spino, Molly Kubista, Margaret Buckland,

Congratulations to all winners.

Thank you for participating in this event.

Sincerely,

The Staff

Vote was a repeat

To the editor,

Over the past one and half years or so I have heard many complaints about how the tribe was being run and where we were headed. A lot of people were not happy with the Council or Secretary/Treasurer. If we were not happy with the way things were being run, why did we vote the same people into Council? Why did we choose the same Secretary/Treasurer? I do not foresee any change or changes for the better with the Council we voted in. We were not satisfied with the last three years and I do not think we will be satisfied with the next three years. We have the power to vote and all we did was vote for a repeat of the last three years, why?

Nikki Courtney

Tribal Member

Respect is source of rewards

To the editor,

There are many concerns about our reservation; unfortunately, most are misguided.

First of all, this reservation owes no one anything. We are supposed to respect all living things including the earth, rocks, and streams. This isn't true. Money is the issue, mainly. If used properly, money is a friend, but misused, it is not a friend.

Hard work is the answer. Our ancestors used all the bounties that nature had to offer and with reverence and respect. There are very few that practice the old ways and use visions that help both men and nature.

Where were all you that cry for more money, when our forest were being overharvested, our streams polluted, our streams depleted of the salmon, our countryside littered with old car bodies and garbage, where the hell were you when it really counted?

Respect this earth, protect it, and nurture it, this is where the rewards come from.

Terry Courtney Jr.

Thanks for support

To the editor,

The Victims of Crime Services staff would like to take this time to thank all those who helped in the success of this year's domestic violence walk and barbecue in honor of the national crime victims rights week, April 22-28, 2001. A special heart-felt thank you to:

1. Kennedy Smith for all his hard work in setting up and preparation for the meal. Thank you to those who made the signs, the potato salad, and picked up the groceries.

2. The Indian Head Casino for their generous donation of the pop and spring water.

3. The Warm Springs Power Enterprise for providing the main course—Hamburgers and hotdogs.

4. The Warm Springs Tribal Police Department for providing the escort, active participation and support for VOCS; and

5. To KWSO for their on-going support via advertising and psas.

Also, a very special thank you to our chefs Pastor Rick, Tracy Graybael, and Chris Elliott.

This year's walk featured nearly 60 participants (a special thank you to each of you for your support), with several carrying signs displaying various strong messages supporting "Stop the Silence, Report the Violence." Again, thank you from the Victims of Crime Services Staff.

Marie, Toni, Renee and Gloria

to check it out? Are you an older youth that has time on your hands? They need more volunteers and older youth to show the way for the little guys and gals.

The Presbyterian Church has what it is called "The Book of Confessions." Here is a question. What is the chief and highest end of people? What is our purpose in life? Answer: People's chief and highest end is to glorify God, and fully to enjoy the Lord forever. So, now you know why you get out of bed in the morning.

Starting on June 3, we are moving our Worship to 10:00 a.m. Also on June 3, we

will have a potluck after church. Our prayers to all who graduated from school this year. May someone hug you. And, hey hug someone you love. Hug someone you dislike.

No alcohol or tobacco for children. One day at a time. Buckle up the kids and yourselves. Don't hit or beat on yourself. Pay your bills before gambling, then stay home. Read the Bible for its effect on your heart. Pray to God to the point of your hearing Him. Honor someone. Love yourself. Like yourself. See you in church.

Pastor Rick R. Ribiero,
Warm Springs Presbyterian Church