

Parents and students receive citations

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So, what do you think of this weather? The mornings are still too cold, and I could do without the fog. And did the groundhog see its shadow? I missed that one.

Spilyay Speaks

The kids at school are getting ready for spring sports, practice and competitions. The winter sports are still going a short time more. I asked Sid if he was going to the state tournament and he said, "of course."

Sid still calls and shares a few laughs with us at the Spilyay, though I miss his Spilyay Speaks sometimes. How did he do it? He managed to have something to say every time he wrote an editorial. He always told me that if people respond to what ever he said that it meant they at least read the article.

So, what issues are out there now? I know that there are people working on sharing information to the Warm Springs people regarding all the unanswered questions spreading out there. That will be a nice thing for us to look for in the future. Maybe we can put to rest some of the rumors and talk going around.

Citations given out

Did you read about the citations being served to parents whose children are not attending school? That has got to be hard on the parents with the laws the way they are these days.

My husband told me that one of his friends mentioned to his child that they needed a good whipping. His child had gone and pressed charges on him and he sat in jail. I guess it's not a good thing to mention that a whipping is needed and the child knows what to do from there.

There is discipline and there is abuse. The fine line in between is hard to find, and if you don't find it the kids have free reign to do as they please, because you can't disipline them.

What do you think?

Responsibility

I've lived in Eugene for many, many years and I love to share with everyone I can almost everything I've learned since I've lived way down this way now.

I know the most important thing is to be responsible for our actions, and the mistakes we make. I know it can be hard for some of us to be responsible for what we do, or did in the past.

I know as we each get older every year it may be easier for a few of us to be in charge of the decisions we make in our lives. I don't know how it came to be, but if I get accused of doing something I know I didn't do, I like saying, "Thank you for giving me all the credit!"

But, that's just me. Smile. Well, in other words, what can I really say? I just want you all to be cool in the new year of 2005.

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A thank you

To my people and family I would like to take this time to send a thanks to all the people who were there for us in our time of need.

We would like to thank all the people who were there for us in our time of need. We would like to thank all the people who showed up at Dad's house for prayer services, the drummers who came to the house and longhouse, Wayne Gilbert and family for the use of his pickup, the cooks for the meals, hunters, all the elders, Pastor Rick for his sermon, Auntie Hilda for the dress, Nancy Gilbert Culp for being the glue, Carol for taking care of her dish. I would like to add personal thanks to the people who really showed their support for my boys and myself. I would like to thank Johnie, Jasper, Leander Smith family, Michael Wesley Teeman and family, Dustin Suppah and family. I'm really grateful for your boys showing your support for my son Daniel. Daniel and the Smith boys and Dustin, when they

would go riding they would ride up to her house and check on her. She was happy for Daniel and the boys for doing that.

I would like to thank Pedro for the gas money and for letting Itta come home with me in my time of need, Aunt Eliza and Harvey, Neda and Jimmy Wesley, Lil Eliza Kalamá and Tyrone Itta and her family and all my aunts and uncles.

I would like to thank the person who told my boys and myself you don't need any material things to remember your auntie and sister, you have all the memories and love she gave you. This means a lot to us. Because since the day I brought my boys from the hospital she's been there for them emotionally and physically. I'm very grateful to her for helping me out with my boys. They're really going to miss her. So is our dad. We would like to encourage people to stop by if you're in his area to visit with him, and share a memory or two.

We would also like to thank the people who couldn't make it to the services. Some of them sent their prayers and love to the family, by word. Thanks to everyone else who support the family. If I forgot anyone please forgive me.

Allen Gilbert Sr., Daniel Gilbert, Elias, Douglas Gilbert and Evelyn "Plum" Gilbert.

Settlement

(From a statement made at the hearing on the McQuinn blowdown-HeHe fire settlement.)

Our tribal coffers are made up of revenue generated from various enterprises, trust funds, accounts, the rainy day fund, the annual operating budget, the mysterious general fund, or these monies from the McQuinn blowdown and HeHe fire settlement. Use of the money rests with the people, and always will. I say to you, the casino negotiating team, management team, Tribal Council, we are watching you. I expect the secretary-treasurer to act as that

check-and-balance in all of our behalf.

Tribal Council: Your job is not to spend money like it is going out of style. Those annual operating funds are all you get for the calendar year 2005. If you spend yourself broke, you will not allocate yourself another budget at the half-year. If you go broke, tough. Stay home and mind the home front. You have homeless people, children going hungry, old people who have to lock themselves up for fear at night, drug addicts stealing firewood from old folks and reselling it to keep their high going. What are you doing to take care of your people? Correct yourself.

Today non-Indians not even married into the tribes or any other MIT have the same rights as us. They cannot speak for us; they can only be employed by the people. Today we have non-sovereigns in key positions. This is a big no-no to people like me. Again correct yourself or we the people will.

These are not my standards: These the gold standards called by our ancient ones and our ancestors as the law of the land. Uphold these and it will carry us into many tomorrows.

I close by invoking the prayers of my ancestors who are Treaty Signers: Charley, Culp, Lahoom and Owhi. Thank you. **Frank Peters Charley, Lahomsh, Washmowit.**

Paradox

(Note: The following message is submitted by the Warm Springs Community Counseling Center. It was written by George Carlin.)

The paradox of our time in history is that we have taller buildings but shorter tempers, wider freeways, but narrower viewpoints. We spend more, but have less, we buy more, but enjoy less. We have bigger houses and smaller families, more conveniences, but less time. We have more degrees but less sense, more knowledge, but less judgment, more experts, yet more

problems, more medicine, but less wellness.

We drink too much, smoke too much, spend too recklessly, laugh too little, drive too fast, get too angry, stay up too late, get up too tired, read too little, watch TV too much, and pray too seldom. We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values. We talk too much, love too seldom, and hate too often.

We've learned how to make a living, but not a life. We've added years to life not life to years. We've been all the way to the moon and back, but have trouble crossing the street to meet a new neighbor. We conquered outer space but not inner space. We've done larger things, but not better things.

We've cleaned up the air, but polluted the soul. We've conquered the atom, but not our prejudice. We write more, but learn less. We plan more, but accomplish less. We've learned to rush, but not to wait. We build more computers to hold more information, to produce more copies than ever, but we communicate less and less. These are the times of fast foods and slow digestion, big men and small character, steep profits and shallow relationships. These are the days of two incomes but more divorce, fancier houses, but broken homes. These are the days of quick trips, disposable diapers, throwaway morality, one night stands, overweight bodies, and pills that do everything from cheer, to quiet, to kill.

It is a time when there is much in the showroom window and nothing in the stockroom. A time when technology can bring this letter to you, and a time when you can choose either to share this insight, or to just hit delete.

Remember to spend some time with your loved ones, because they are not going to be around forever. Remember to say a kind word to someone who looks up to you in awe, because that little person soon will grow up and leave your side. Remember to give a warm hug to the one next to you, because that is the only treasure you can

give with your heart and it doesn't cost a cent.

Remember to say, "I love you" to your partner and your loved ones, but most of all mean it. A kiss and an embrace will mend hurt when it comes from deep inside of you. Remember to hold hands and cherish the moment for someday that person will not be there again. Give time to love, give time to speak, and give time to share the precious thoughts in your mind.

Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.

Reaching out

Shirley Joy Hoptowit, I am reaching out to you to receive some correspondence. I want to know what is going on with my son Quinten. I am doing a nine-month sentence. I have five months left and I am hoping I can talk with you in those five months, so I can get to have contact with Quinten. You can reach me at this address: **Robert Boise, Federal Detention Center, No. 64210-065, unit FB, PO Box 13900, Seattle, WA 98198-1090.**

Your health

Everyone, young and old and in between, is invited to breakfast prepared by Sara with emphasis on tasty, delicious, healthy food. The breakfast will start at 8:45 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 22 at the pod A kitchen at the clinic. In recognition of National Health Month, I will talk about the heart. The discussion will be "a guide for selecting and preparing your food" to keep the old ticker strong and healthy. All or most of the food is from scratch and copies of the recipes will be available. So come and enjoy some delicious and healthy food. **Elsie B. Howard and Sara Thomas, Warm Springs Clinic.**

Thank you for writing to the Spilyay. When writing, please keep in mind that letters to the editor can be of no more than 350 words.

Birthday and other wishes...



To our very special granddaughter Kaili Leanne Marie Hicks-Wert, 6 months old.

Congratulations to the Hicks-Wert family, Pare, Tashna and Baby Kaili Leanne Marie. Love, Dad and Mom (Buddy and Marla), LeRoy III, Stevie, Naydra, Kenny and Jesse. Great Grandparents Olney Patt and the late Frances Patt, and the late LeRoy Sr. and Corrine Hicks. Tashna is now a corporal in the Marines.

She signed up for four more years of service in the United



States Marines. She is at Miramar, Calif. Congratulations. We love you guys and miss you.

Happy birthday to my precious grandson who is 5 years old. I only wish the best for you every single day. Jake Frank, I love you and want you to be a good boy for Anna and Rudy, Shayla and Frankie and the ECE staff. Love, Ulla Mona.

Happy birthday to our little nephew, Jake Loren Frank. You mean the world to us and we want only the best for you little guy. Hope all your dreams come true - home run slugger - Love, Auntie Veronica and Uncle Brutus.

My dearest son: Jake Frank, I love you and hope your day was the best. You deserve everything you wish for and I hope you had a wonderful time round dancing. Even though I am not there you are in my heart, mind and prayers every single day. I miss you but I know your grandparents take good care of you and you take good care of them okay. Love, Dad Ramon Greene and Pluja.

Hey bro "Ya Ya Jake Frank," we miss you, love you and hope you had the greatest day on Feb. 10. Wow, the big 5. Love ya lots bro. Your sisters Verbena and Lawrence Greene from Crow Agency, Mont.

Happy birthday to our grandson Jake Frank. Hope your day was the best. You deserve it. Grandpas: Mike, Daniel, Roscoe and Tim Greene. Grandmas: Geneva, Celia, Sarah, Delsie and Paullee Greene.

Happy birthday, Stormy Spino. Love you very much. Love, Charley and Niya.

Happy birthday to my lil' Angel, Niya Nellie Anna. You're my world, my hopes and my dream come true. I love you very very much, always and forever. Love, Mommy.

Happy Valentines wishes...

Happy V-Day to my wife and my son Kristy Switzler and Jasper Jr. I love you both very much. Love, your other half, Jasper Switzler Sr.

Happy V-Day to my sister-niece, bro-in-law, Margaret Switzler, Alison Sydney Medina, Thomas Medina. Love, Jasper and Jasper and Kristy.

Happy V-Day to my dad Wendell. Thanks for not ditching on mom when she needs some one the most during her cancer illness. Love, your son, Jasper, Jasper and Kristy.

Happy V-Day to my grandpa Alvin-Mona Shon-Charlie. Love you all. Jasper, Jasper and Kristy.

Happy V-Day to Uncle Joe. Hey give us a shout sometime. Miss you. Love, Jasper, Jasper and Kristy.

Happy V-Day to Uncle Allen, Mayanne, Allena. Love, Jasper, Jasper, Kristy.

Happy V-Day to Watkins, Jenna Lee. From Jasper, Jasper, Kristy.

Happy V-Day to my little big bro Victor Lee. Jasper, Jasper, Kristy.

Happy V-Day to Ben-Shon, Joe, Carolyn, Carlos, Sarah Lee, Cain. From Jasper, Jasper, Kristy. Mom-Dad-Margie, Baby Alison, Thomas.

Happy V-Day to Auntie,

Debbie-Jermaine. Love, Jasper, Jasper, Kristy.

Happy V-Day to my grandmas Benlab, Leota. Love, Jasper, Jasper, Kristy.

Happy V-Day to Jasper-Margaret Switzler. I'm so proud of you both. I love you both very much. Love, Mom Alison.

Happy V-Day to my perfect grandchildren. Jasper Jr. and Alison Sydney Medina. You have completed my life. I love you so, so much. Love, your grandma Alison.

Happy V-Day to my Dad, Alvin and Mona. Thanks for always being there for me. Love, Alison.

Happy V-Day to Wendell. Thanks for always being there for me. Love, your other half Alison.

Happy V-Day to Abe, all his kids and grandkids, to Harriet and her kids. We love and miss you. Love, Alison, Wendell, Jasper, Jasper, Kristy, Margaret, Thomas, Baby Alison.

Happy V-Day to our Kristy T and Baby Jasper. Love, Mom Alison, Wendell.

Happy V-Day to Ray and family, Archie C and family, Larry Sr. C and family, Cindy and boys and grandma Blondie and popcorn. Love, Alison-Wendell and family.

Happy V-Day to Auntie and

our grandma Sarah. We love you lots. Love, Alison-Wendell and family.

Happy V-Day to my dear friend. Thanks for always being there, Paulette H. From your bud Alison.

Happy V-Day to Sena the whole family. Love, Alison-Wendell and family.

Happy V-Day to Missy Wolfe and family. Love, Alison-Wendell family.

Happy V-Day to LaDonna-Vernon and family from your sis Alison, Wendell and family.

Happy V-Day to George and family. Love, your sis Alison, Wendell and family.

A late Valentines wish: To my precious granddaughters all the way over in Crow Agency, Mont. I love you two and miss you especially these growing years you two are going through. Lots of love and kisses from Warm Springs, Oregon. Love, Ulla Mona. To our nieces: Happy Valentines Day and lots of love, hugs and kisses. From Veronica and Brutus.

Happy, happy Valentines to Ramon and Pluja. We miss you all and hope you are all doing fine. Hugs from all us in Warm Springs.

Happy Valentines to my precious Vero, Brute and Jake. Love all of you forever and always. Mom and Ulla.

February birthday wish to Daniel Greene, Blanche Mitchell, Cassie Katchia, Lyle Katchia, and Jose Calica. We wish you all the best and many more birthdays. From Ramona, Veronica, Brutus Baez and Ramon Greene family.