

School incident was disturbing

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Management successor

So, what's going on at the high school?

Are there more gang activities going on? I guess that is why there is more security at the high school this year compared to last year.

That threatening message on the bathroom wall incident last week was scary for some students, and for their parents.

Spilyay Speaks

The classrooms were scarce in attendance for a day or two.

I heard there was a list of names on the bathroom wall, and there was a written threat to shoot and kill anyone on the list. This was a rumor that was not true. There were no names mentioned.

Students can become angry in school, and they get everybody around them involved in one way or another. They say, "Don't talk to him. I'm mad at him."

Forget about choosing your own friends anymore. "My enemy is now your enemy," is what goes around in certain instances.

But these youth should be careful not to hold onto these grudges for the rest of their lives. It's just silly and childish to do this.

This message on the bathroom will be remembered because threats were made. I can only think that it comes from troubled youth who need answers, or want to be heard regardless.

Toe Ness

Ever wonder why?

Why do you need a driver's license to buy liquor when you can't drink and drive?

Why are cigarettes sold in gas stations when smoking is prohibited there?

Do you need a silencer if you are going to shoot a mime?

If a 7-11 is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, why are there locks on the doors?

Regarding letters

Thank you for writing to the Spilyay Tymoo.

Please, when writing, keep in mind that letters should be of no more than 350 words.

Also, no statements that are libelous against another person can be published in the paper.

Deadline to submit items is late in the afternoon of Friday of the week before publication.

Good job

I want to thank the community of Warm Springs for being patient with us while we were mowing lawns by hand, pruning bushes, hedging, picking up trash, weed-whacking, pruning trees, doing tree removal and hauling off debris, to beautify our rez. When I first started at the Warm Springs Utilities Department Grounds, I wanted to make a difference in how people perceived the modern-day work ethic(s) within the Utilities Grounds crew. Other fellow workers used to ask Roosevelt Heath Sr. (Rosy) and me who we were trying to impress. We feel good about what we did, and I feel that we did make a difference in the community and we also had a great sense of pride in our accomplishments. I also thank my immediate supervisor at the time, Bryan Lund, who has taught us how to prune and hedge, and gave us an opportunity to shine and to make this difference a reality.

Others who made a diligent contribution to our community include: Chris Arthur, who was working through Higher Education; Devery Arthur, who was limited duration through the Work Force Development Program; other helpers who were a tremendous help when they came through, like Waylon Heath, Matthew Smith and Reuben Johnson Jr., and last but certainly not least a fellow worker in the Grounds Department, Rosy. He would have been there for most of the above-mentioned work if he weren't pulled off our crew to run the riding mower many times when the mowing-riding wasn't being done. A special thanks is given to Chris Arthur, who was at my side throughout the duration of his employment. At this time, Chris is at Mount Hood Community College studying the field of welding. Chris, my hat is off to you for pursuing your education and dreams.

We had many personal compliments from the community ("Thank you") and from various Warm Springs departments for staying busy during our small part in the community. I made sure to pass the positive feedback from people in the community, to give credit to all those that were involved when the people had seen them. As you know, you cannot fool the people of the community. When you see active crews working certain areas with concentrated efforts on any particular job, you know they are earning their way. I give thanks to each person mentioned for a job well done. The building areas we covered as an effective crew included:

Elmer Quinn Park; the administrative building; community center pathway around baseball fields; Early Childhood Education Center; Community Counseling Center; Family Resources Center; Victims of Crime; the courthouse; Agency Longhouse; HeHe Longhouse; Forestry Department seedling warehouse; Spilyay Tymoo, and Warm Springs Vehicle Pool.

I am no longer with the grounds crew and have transferred back over to the maintenance crew within the Utilities Department, so you will no longer see my in the white old 6-pack (one ton, four-door 4x4) pulling my black utility trailer. You will still see Rosy and others hard at it in the community, so give them a wave for a job well done. Again, thank you, people of Warm Springs for your patience and for letting us serve you.

George E. Aguilar Jr.

Simnasho event

The Simnasho Shindig Committee would like to take a little space to thank all those who came up to share an evening with us for some good-time socializing. We announced that this event was to draw us together in a good way and provide our people a chance to enjoy themselves.

We would like to thank Warm Springs Composite for their donations. Warm Springs Composite has been a faithful donor. This year their donation assisted in paying for the event's "one of a kind" T-shirts (one-quarter of the overall bill).

This year we had five drums: Stieger Butte from Chilquin, Four Directions from Portland, and our faithful local drums WaWoKya, Eagle Thunder and Quartz Creek (who jetted in from Medford). Each singer received a T-shirt.

This year we had a Men's Traditional Special sponsored by Mike and Cecilia Collins. The Collins family put up \$300 in a winner-take-all, and "Monster" (all I know is his nickname) from Portland won. Mary Bennett from Portland also gifted the men dancers with a "Got Fry Bread" T-shirt.

We were very lucky as we were able to share T-shirts with all of our dancers, all the youth in attendance, all of the Elders who were present and to those who donated the food for the meals (we ate twice).

The winner of the Whistle Contest was Sara Frank (who donated her cash prize to the Four Directions Drum). The Sweep Your Teepee Championship was won by three drum-

mers from Stieger Butte (they won T-shirts donated by Coca Cola from The Dalles). The Simon Sez (adult and children) received gifts from the committee.

The winner of the "49" contest was Four Directions who received \$75 (cash donated by Calvin, Jeanine and Captain), a cooler (donated by Coca Cola), and a specially made "one of a kind" handcrafted trophy (donated by Miz Hucks).

We were able to share with our dancers who took time to put on their regalia stuffed animals (donated by Katie and Ryan), candy and T-shirts.

We really had a good time. It was good to hear all the laughter, the visiting and to watch our children enjoy themselves. It made us feel good to see them sporting their T-shirts right away. We hope everyone enjoyed themselves as much as we did. So if you see a poster for the 2006 September Shindig, make time to come visit us up in Simnasho. Sincerely,

Simnasho Shindig Committee.

Youth worker

During the summer, Warm Springs had numerous youth for the tribal organization and tribal enterprises. Most provided magnificent impact to many departments and left their job sites with employment skills and a rewarding experience. Our youth are valuable assets to the tribal organization and our community.

I would like to take time to acknowledge my grandchild, Sophia Elaine Williams. She is employed at Kah-Nee-Ta High Desert Resort and Casino in the Village Gift Shop.

Sophia has demonstrated great performance and credibility that enhanced her confidence. She is very reliable and attentive at her job site. Sophia has always been courteous and pleasant to people and customers. Her smile is radiant.

Her commitment has been outstanding. She can get herself up and ready for work and school. I have found it rewarding to acknowledge our youth with compliments. They develop and grow and keep going upward into successful places. This is the experience I want for my grandchild.

Sophia has the ambition to reach for the sky and one day take her place in leadership.

Sophia will be accepting of my gratitude of a kind compliment and acknowledgment of her efforts. She usually doesn't ask for more than that. She makes life seem so simple and easy to maneuver as she goes

along her life's journey. It is always pleasant to be around her. She has a soft and gentle nature about her.

I am thankful for our youth who demonstrate such responsibility as they move toward adulthood. Priscilla Frank.

4-H activities

What's happening with in the 4-H program at Warm Springs?

To start with Kimberly Woolston, who has been the 4-H agent here at Warm Springs a little over a year, has moved on to do other things in her life. OSU Extension staff wish her every happiness and the very best in life. Thank you, Kimberly.

The former 4-H agent Arlene Boileau, by request of OSU Extension, will fill in temporarily until a new 4-H agent is hired. Thank you, Arlene, for stepping up to the plate again. We will keep you informed of the process of hiring a new 4-H agent.

The new 4-H leaders will have to have criminal background checks. I think we knew it was coming, the need to require criminal background checks on all new leaders.

Last spring the Oregon 4-H staff learned that incoming leaders will need to complete a confidential form, which will be mailed directly to OSU, by-passing the local Extension office and staff. Campus security will conduct the check and determine whether leaders are acceptable.

While sad, we want to make every effort to protect the children who are entrusted into our care. Many have asked why background checks have not been a standard procedure.

Thank you for your patience as we comply with this new requirement. Leaders enrolling prior to fall 2005 will be exempt. Warm Springs Extension.

Credit advice

(The following letter was submitted by Bruce Engle of the tribal Credit Department.)

Some of the many Cs of business credit in Indian Country:

Clients - Usually want to talk about their needs first.

Credit officers - Concerned first about qualifying the client, considering the deal is later.

Cash - How much does the business need?

Capacity - Cash flow sufficient to pay back the loan?

Character - Will they pay?

Credit report - Indicates how they have paid others.

Conditions - Good and bad.

Commercial code - UCC, Model Tribal Act, other.

Courts - Impartial, fair and competent?

Council support for proper court decisions, community support for proper court decisions.

Collateral - to secure repayment.

Capital - Owner's investment in the deal.

The keys to the off-reservation vault:

We can't get them. We have a key to the keeper of the keys. We can appeal to his confidence and security levels.

That is easier when he is dealing in a legal system with which he is familiar. He knows and has confidence in the off-reservation system.

He may not know or have confidence in the tribal system. The UCC and the courts are a given for non-Native commercial people.

That isn't the case for most of Indian Country. Lenders, investors and potential creditors have learned that, even before they qualify the tribal applicant or review the deal, they must consider the risks of doing business without the usual protections of UCC and UCC savvy courts.

Tribes have the sovereign power to fix that.

For example, select a key from your pocket with four points. The points can represent the elements of the fix.

Let the first point represent a tribal commercial code. The second point can be tribal trial court. The Third point might be a tribal appeals court. The fourth point will be tribal government.

The key will work if all the point line up properly.

Fire safety

Hey, Warm Springs. A little bird told me that a lot of candles are being sold from the store.

So what does that mean? This message is from your fire department, Warm Springs Fire and Safety.

Home fires in America caused by candles have increased 300 percent.

So the word from your fire department is, "If you go out, blow the candles out."

If you need a light for the bathroom at night, use a small one-battery flashlight or home light.

A family standing at the road and seeing their life possessions burn is a terrible event.

Let us keep Warm Springs safe this fall and winter. Rick Ribeiro, prevention/training officer, Warm Springs Fire and Safety.

Happy birthday wishes...

Happy 21st birthday Ya-Ya! Love, your little brother and sister, Rodney Eric and Cyrille Elizabeth Mitchell. Enjoy and be safe.



Hey AB, you're now 21. Take care. Love you lots. Mom and Dad, Lori and Gorky Mitchell. (P.S.: you never thought you had a mullet!)



Ghost and goblins come out at night but Coby and Daleena have the worst bite! Linda Lou and Lacey Lou have a magnificent Boo! And Chezzray likes to eat Halloween candy, too!

Hope all of you have a very special day. (Coby on Oct. 9, Daleena, Oct. 9, Lacey, Oct. 11, Linda, Oct. 18, Chezzray, Oct. 25). Happy birthday with love, your fans and family, Jacob Frank Stables.

Happy birthday on Oct. 17 to Mr. Warren D. Wallulatum Jr.

Don't let da'man get you down. You'll be on the out's in no time.

And we'll be waiting with open arms.

Love you lil wahpet. Love always, Turina, Cassie, Donavon, Clare, Kay and Cyril.

A very happy 14th birthday to you, Leanna! From your family and friends.

Happy birthday on October 10, Gloria! From all of us, Dante, Joe, Matt and Angie.

Happy birthday on October 11, David! From all of us.

Happy 8th birthday on October 12, Mary Lee! From all of us, Dante, Joe, Matt and Angie, and also from your Mom and Dad.

Happy birthday to my little sister Lilliz Henry, Love, Danica and Eric.

Happy birthday, Danica (on Oct. 9). Hope you had a great day! From everyone at the Spilyay Tymoo.

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