

## Youth to participate in Indigenous Games 2006

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Management successor

Have you heard that there is a record number of youth signed up for the Indigenous Games to be held in Colorado?

I think that is a good, positive event, because there are youth who are excelling in certain sports activities, even right here in Warm Springs.

I know of some who are trying out for the basketball event, boxing, running, athletics, golf and maybe a few others that I haven't heard of yet.

I think it would be a neat thing to see a lot of Native American youth competing with other Native American youth at such a gathering. It gives Native American people another chance to come together for the youth.

I know that people come together for powwows or sports events like basketball and softball, but the events represented at Indigenous Games include a variety, such as: rifle shooting, basketball, archery, taekwon do, boxing, canoeing, swimming, soccer, badminton, baseball, volleyball, golf, softball, athletics, and wrestling.

I know we have talented young athletes who do these activities.

Participation at this event is expected to reach 10,000 Native athletes, 1,200 coaches and staff and 2,000 volunteers with more than 50,000 families and spectators participating in the opening ceremonies.

This ceremony will be held at Invesco Field in Denver, Colorado, where the NFL's Broncos play.

I didn't know much about this until I started to hear about it from my kids and their friends. It sounds like an event that they would remember for the rest of their lives. I encouraged them to try out and hopefully participate because it would be an experience for them.

The first Indigenous Games were held in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada in 1990, and since then there have been a total of five.

So, this year I am watching for the young athletes from Warm Springs to compete and bring home some good news that they competed and came close and that they competed and had a good time and would never forget it.

Contact Susan Guerin at 553-3091 for more information on the Indigenous Games.

## VFW elections

The VFW Ladies Auxiliary were able to re-establish their organization in late February 2006. In order to save our charter we elected to retain the same officers.

Tuesday, April 11 at 6 p.m. will be our next pot-luck and elections date at the Agency Longhouse.

We also need more involvement with our fund-raising efforts. During the Honor Elders Day in May, we need to take more responsibility to donate saleable items and spend some time giving the other ladies a break. I will not be in the running for any office this term, elective or appointive. However, I will avail myself when my health permits. Thank you.

**Neda Wesley**, secretary-treasurer, Elliott Palmer VFW Ladies Auxiliary No. 4217. Ph. 553-1538.

## Accountability

Warm Springs tribal members, we are in need of a unified tribe to progress and here are my suggestions to improve Warm Springs.

Hold Tribal Council to accountability and have them explain their policies. Have video conferences with other committees and tribal councils, and

record them for future reference. This will save money by not having them traveling and not taking care of their kids and home matters.

Have Tribal Council members in only Tribal Council, and not in other departments working and complicating pay matters.

Hourly and wage and fixed salary. Ethics and hiring committee who know what the department needs are.

One Tribal Council member on Housing Committee. HUD/NAHASDA will pay/reimburse the tribe for this member to keep Tribal Council informed in Housing matters.

I have worked with management and know nepotism is running our tribe. Concerned tribal member, **Jack Quinn**.

## 'Together'

To my family, the Arces, I'm writing this letter to you all because I'm very sorry for everything and for the way things are. I miss you, too, my sister Marcie. I'm sorry that you are incarcerated still and have a long way to go. I know that we made bad choices in life and know our children are paying for it, and also have broken our family up. I hope and pray each day that

soon we will all be together again, one "Big Chicana family." **Rosalina Arce la Guera**.

## 'The only'

Para Martin Maldonado Sr: To the one and only, Mi Chulo. I just want to let you know that I love you a lot and want to thank you for everything in life. You showed me that you loved me when I was incarcerated. You took care of our child and kept him safe. You may have hard times, but you did it. Sending all my love to you. **Rosalina Arce, Tu "Guera."**



## Thank you

To my father, Theodore Arce Sr., "El Chino," I thank you very much for everything. Dad, I love you. Since were little, you always worked so hard. I'm very proud to have you as my Dad. Xoxo.

To my mother, Annette Arce, sending all my love as well. Please, Mom, try to do right in life. I would like to see you both here longer. Your grandchildren

who love you both very much and kids, Beatriz, Elisa, Baby Martin and Baby Mario, Jovanni. Xoxo. Love always, your daughter, **Rosalina Arce**.

## Pen pals?

I'm writing because I'm seeking a few pen pals. My mailing address is c/o Chief Seattle Club, 113 Cherry St., Seattle, WA 98104. They receive all my mail there and send it to me here at the Yakima County Jail. My release date is June 18, 2006. Been in

now since 10-25-05 for a misdemeanor out of Auburn, Wash. But I really like to write while having to be in a place where there ain't much to do. So I try and get in touch with ole friends and so forth. Took me this long to drop a line down yonder. But don't get any mail, so this is my way of letting a few of my good friends in Warm Springs know how they can get in touch with me, by dropping me a few lines. Been wondering whatever happened to a friend, Masame Danzuka? Would like to also ask if Warm Springs radio can dedi-

cate a couple of sneak up songs for me from white fish jr.'s and one crew hop, plus two or three songs from my ole respectfully partner Perry Kalama. In closing, much thanks. Sincerely, **Patrick Kindness**, aka Whoosh-Push.

## Doing OK

Hello, Natives. This is Victor Smith and I'm sure that most of you know that I'm in prison again, so I just wanted to write and let you all know where I am in case someone might want to write. I'm doing okay. I'm just kicking it here with all the other Native brothers that got caught up somehow or another in this system. Hope to hear from you soon for some of that Native love. **Victor Smith**, SRCI, Sid No. 12557211, 777 Stanton Blvd., Onatrio, OR 97914.

## 'Write me'

My name is Marcus. I'm from the Ft. Hall rez. I'm looking for someone to write to. I've got 14 months until my release. I'm 21 and Indian to my bones. I love to laugh, dance and sing. If you want to write me the address is: **Marcus Larkin**, No. 15451132. 2500 Westgate, Pendleton, OR 97801-9699.

## Letters of apology

I'm sorry for my action. I plan on doing better for myself and my kids. I'm going to outpatient treatment. So pray for me to succeed and to be strong for the community and especially my kids and my dad. Again I'm sorry to the community, my kids and my dad. Take care. **Madene Meanus**.

To the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, I am sorry for drinking alcohol on the day of February 12, 2006, with a few friends that were drinking with me while driving on Kalish Ave., at the time of 7:25 p.m. **Erickson Lucei**.

To the Confederated Tribes, I am writing to you to say I'm sorry for drinking while being under the age of 21 on the day of January 28, 2006. Once again I'm sorry. **Erickson Lucei**.

To the Tribal Court system and the Warm Springs Jail, I would like to say that I am very sorry for the wrong doings that I did during a very important pass from the jail. Thank you. **Erwin Stwyer**.

To the people of the Warm Springs Indian Reservation, I apologize for driving intoxicated.

I also apologize for jeopardizing the lives of my brother and people of the community. I'm sincerely sorry for my actions and hope the community will forgive me. Sincerely, **Carl Kalama**.

To whom it may concern or the owner of the Mustang that I borrowed from my cousin and was pulled over in and charged. I am sorry and it can not change the choices that I made. So once again I'm sorry. **Willard White**.

I apologize to the Warm Springs community for my actions regarding this case. As part of my apology I will not violate these laws, also I will comply with the conditions of my probation. I will obey all laws and not repeat these actions. Please accept my apology. Thank you. **Joseph Scott Jr.**

I am writing a letter to the community and to the officers and whoever I endangered while driving under the influence. I would like to apologize and assure everyone that I have learned from my mistake. So

once again I'm very sorry. Sincerely, **Donald A. Miller**.

To whom it may concern, mainly the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, I would like to apologize for what happened on February 11, for getting a minor in possession. I know I'm not old enough to drink and what I did was wrong and once again I'm sorry. Thank you. **Wacey Wallulatum**.

To the community, I would like to apologize for the incident that occurred in August at the location in west side. Sorry to all my friends who were present at this time and to the police department for taking up their time. **Christel Leonard**.

To the people of the Confederated Tribes, I would like to apologize for my actions late last year. I was under the influence of intoxicants. I made a bad decision and I was wrong. Thank you. **Avery Frank**.

I'd like to take this time to apologize to the community for having in my possession drug

paraphernalia on December 16, 2005. I'll try to make an effort not to let this happen again. Sincerely, **Christopher Chee**.

Dear Mom, I'm sorry for the things that had happened between us. I'm sorry that we can't communicate enough and let each other know how each other is doing. I'm sorry that the parenting skills I've learned aren't acceptable. I'm also sorry that I'm not adult enough to know what's best for me and what makes me happy. I'm sorry for being a child and hanging out with children who are my best friends. And finally I'm sorry for always being the one who says sorry first even when I'm not the one who's wrong. But one thing I'm not gonna be sorry for is being your daughter. From **Sandra**.

I would like to apologize to the community of Warm Springs for the incident on Oct. 30, 2005. I had a bud-pipe in my possession during arrest. I'm sorry and it will never happen again. I would also like to apologize to my aunt in Greeley Heights for causing a distur-

bance at your house early that morning. **Alonso Jim**.

To the community, courts and whomever else, I apologize to my little brothers Perry and Curtis for not looking out for them and scaring them. Please don't do as I do cause it's not worth it. I apologize to Easton for using his vehicle for my own pleasure and it got me in trouble because I was doing what I wasn't supposed to be doing. I apologize to the community because I might have caused an accident and hurt somebody or worse. I'm glad there wasn't an accident. **Aaron Squally**.

To the community of Warm Springs, and the following two people, Jessica Polk and Melissa James. I am truly sorry for my stupidity on Aug. 20, 2005 for the following: DUII (Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants), reckless driving and recklessly endangering all of our lives that night. Also to the arresting officer Patterson. I'm sorry for my being "lippy" to you. Sincerely, **Andrea Tewee**.

## Happy birthday and other wishes...

Happy Birthday to my loving husband of 10 years, **Al Kelly**, from your loving wife, **Laura Kelly**!

March 7: Happy B-day, "Old Man," **AZE**, Hope you enjoy life and gain wisdom. Love you, "Pops" **Al Kelly**. Love, **Lavonne "Lovey" and Wayne EagleSpeaker**.

March 7: Happy Birthday, Daddy. We love you a lot. Thanks for being our Dad. Love, your kids, **Martika, Nick, and Harley Kelly**.

Happy 36<sup>th</sup> B-day, "Pops" **Al Kelly**, from Me, Junior and your Granddaughter, **Ceasia Alice**. Love you!

Happy Birthday to our old grumpy Grandpa, **Al Kelly**, from your grandkids, **Li'l Gary, Lil and Valone**, and **Mahkiyah**.

Happy 36<sup>th</sup> B-day. Enjoy your special day, Love ya! **BJ and Micheal Bobb**.

Happy belated birthday wishes Jan. 11, 2006, to our loving Mommy, **Laura Kelly**. Jan. 15, 2006, **Li'l Bro Nick Kelly**. Feb. 6, 2006, **Uncle Big Gary Chiquito**. Feb. 9, 2006, **Harley "Midget" Kelly**, from your family. Love ya! **LaVonne, Wayne, Junior, B.J. Bobb, Martika**.

Happy B-day, **Uncle Skidmark**, from **Nick**.

Happy anniversary, **Wayne and LaVonne Eaglespeaker**. Love, **Mom and Dad Kelly**.

Happy 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We are very happy for you. Love, your kids. **LaVonne, Wayne, Junior, B.J. Bobb, Nick, Harley**, and your grandbabies!

Happy birthday to our cousin **Eric Miller**. Hope

your 21<sup>st</sup> is the best. Love, your cousins **Jeanette and Mickey Thompson**.

Happy Birthday to my dear sister **Lee**. Hope you enjoy your day to its fullest. I'll be thinking of you on this day. May all your hopes and dreams become a reality one day. May the Good Lord bless you from this day forward. Always in our prayers and thoughts. Love and miss you ever so much. Your **Li'l Sis and Walla Walla family, Susan Coronado**.

Congratulations to big sister **Herman Rudder** on her new little sister **Tiffany J Rudder**.

Congratulations **Grandpa Norman Lucei** on your new granddaughter **Tiffany J Rudder**.

We the **Lucei, Hoptowit, Yazzie, & Hance** Family would like to welcome and introduce **Tiffany Jasmine Rudder**: Born January 24, 2006 to **Rose & Jason Rudder** Maternal grandparents **Norman & (atwai) Janice (hoptowit) Lucei**, Paternal **Bev Rex of Madras, and Ed Rudder of New Mexico**.



Congratulations to **Rose (Lucei) & Jason Rudder** on their newest member to their family: **Tiffany Jasmine Rudder**, born January 24, 2006 @08:23am, 8lbs 13oz., 21inches.

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