

Back to school is around the corner

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Management Successor

How many of you can't wait to get back to school? I am undecided about that because I took a summer break, which was enjoyable and relaxing.

Spilyay Speaks

Time to get back to that commute to Bend twice a week. It's always nice to schedule classes on the same days; it makes it easier on gas, especially since the gas prices have gone up. They continue to rise I have heard.

I guess the getting ready for school is hard only when you have to prepare your kids for it. They have to have their supplies, new clothes, shoes, and backpacks.

But a lot of the kids were able to work for the summer, which is always nice because then they aren't hanging around getting bored. When they get bored they look for ways to entertain themselves. Sometimes that can be good, but then sometimes that can be bad.

I think that the summer work program for the kids is a good thing, because it gives them a sense of responsibility for financial things that parents usually handle.

There are only three more weekends before school starts too, so these young adults have three weekends to go someplace, maybe hit the last few powwows of the summer, or there is always state fair.

Hopefully, all the kids will be ready in the sense that they will be listening, taking their notes, and understanding all the concepts being taught. There are many students that get lost because they don't have the confidence to raise their hand and ask for help. It's a hard thing to do, especially after trying once or twice and not getting help.

When I was a freshman, I had my hand up for almost half the class hour needing help for my lab project. I didn't receive help, I failed my project, and I lost all confidence in the thought of help.

I hope all parents or guardians encourage their kids to ask for help. If they aren't getting help, keep asking anyway. One of my kids would give up, but now finds help in fellow students who do understand the concepts.

So all kids should be prepared for class, take notes, ask questions and have good attendance. That's something we should all work at to have a good year.

Be nice to your teachers because they sometimes have large classrooms, but keep communicating with them.

Thank you

To our family and friends: It's been six months since our wedding (January 13) and we would like to give everyone an update.

We are doing great and adjusting well to married life. Our little family is coming together very well.

We haven't had an opportunity to give thanks to everyone who helped us prepare for our wedding, so we would like to send out a very special thank you to everyone who helped us out.

We would like to thank all the drummers and the bell ringer who helped us; Pat Teneawasha for conducting the services; Doug and Louella Jackson and Susan Guering for the food and decorations; my mother Hilda Culpus for all of her contributions; Irvin Paul for making the rings for us; Norma Switzler for stepping in and helping out where we needed help; and my two brothers Doug and Dane Jackson for walking me down the aisle and giving me away—that meant so much to me and I felt honored for them to do it.

We would also like to send a big thank you to my sister Marella Sam and her family for doing the cooking. The food was great considering there wasn't much to go around.

It seems like Marella and her family are always willing and ready to jump in and give a hand any place they are needed—many thanks to such a wonderful family.

We would also like to send a very, very, extra-big thank you to my Auntie Eliza Brown-Jim—if it weren't for her helping to calm me down during the time of getting ready I think I would have gone a little bit crazy. I love you, Auntie Eliza, you are so wonderful and so special.

We would also like to give a big thanks to Sam Starr for blessing us and covering us with a Pendleton blanket, and to Chuck Schmit for the wonderful present he gave to us. Thanks, Chuck, you're the greatest. You know what it was that you gave us. We had a wonderful time.

And to my cousin Brad Donahue: a great big thanks for all his help—thanks for always being there when we needed you. We love you very much.

We know that we may have forgotten someone so please forgive us, as we do truly thank everyone that helped us out (big or small) in our preparation for the wedding.

We would also like to thank everyone for the wonderful gifts that we received—they were great.

We are asking for anyone

who took pictures of our wedding to please contact us at 553-3190, 977-5569, or 977-3189 as soon as possible.

We would love to have enough to fill our albums that we receive for wedding presents.

Thank you all. With all our love, **Mr. and Mrs. Richard and Joanne Tewee.**

Trust yourself

To my friends and relatives:

Hello, I thought I would drop some lines to let some of you know where I've been and how I've been doing—I'd have to say incarcerated and incapacitated because of poor choices by me and others.

I'm learning that all a person has in this world is the same thing that we are born with and die with: ourselves—really the only person we can trust and depend on.

I'm sorry if I sound so down, but recently I have had some doors slammed in my face and now a bridge burned behind me to a part of my life that was the most precious to me. So with that, all I can do is pick up the pieces and start anew, right?

To my friends and relatives: I'm sorry for alienating myself from you, but at the time I thought it was for a better purpose and to please another that ended up all for not. A mistake. I'll not do it again.

I'll never give that type of power over me to anyone ever again. A dog is a dog, a pig is a pig no matter the gender, and you can't change it, so maybe I should have studied the serenity prayer a little closer, huh?

I don't know how long I'll be here, but by the way our legal system is treating me here, it looks like a long time.

I thought I put this type of thing behind me but apparently not. It's really sad that no matter how much good I have done, I still can't catch a break (forsaken is the word, I believe).

Others who have done as much the same—or even worse—are let off lightly compared to me.

I thought they just fixed the legal system here, but just not for everyone, huh? Well, I hope this doesn't come back to bite me too badly, so please keep your eyes and ears open.

I guess that's enough for now, so goodbye and if anyone wishes to write please send it to: KVC Jr. c/o WSPD P.O. Box C, Suite 138, Warm Springs, OR 97761, or set up a visit—no friends turned away.

Sincerely, **Keith V. Charley Jr.**

Appreciation

The family of Madeline McInturff would like to express their appreciation and thank you to all those who came forward to help after the passing of our mother, grandmother, auntie. She was a very special lady, who will be missed, not only by the family, but all the people she touched throughout her life.

The following list of people offered their help in a number of ways. Our special thanks, and love to each and everyone.

Judy Knapp, Margaret Boise, Doug Kowaleski, Ruby Torres, Wilford and Geraldine Jim, Chief Nelson Wallulatum, Samuel Starr, Larry Dick, Viola Kalama, Gladys Thompson and family, Richard Tohet, Max Mitchell, Wilson Wewa, Rex Robinson, Lil Bull Suppah, Evans Spino, Bobby Eagleheart, Emerson Squiemphen, Robert Sam, Sean Cortney, Tim Kalama, Patrick Mitchell, Chris Arthur, Fred Wallulatum, Delvis Heath, Willard Suppah, Louie Ike, Wilber Johnson, Jode Goudy, Carshal Brunoe, Kodiak Stormbringer, Jonas Miller, Roma Cortney, Lucinda Green, Maria Lopez, Marcella Sam, Robert Sam, Gerald Tias, Lil Marella, Romona Lopez, Elsie Sam, Lucille Sam, Thomas Williams, Jennifer Smith, Sally Smith, Robert Sam Jr., Colleen Sandevol, Kimeko Mitchell, Terry Saludo, James Sam, Deda Tias, Frankie Kalama, Ruthie and Russell Smith, Shirley Gibson, Reva Johnson and her sister, Nancy Lochrie, Suzie Dominguez, Antoinette Pamperin, Katherine Spaulding, Esmarella Lawson, Terry Courtney Jones, Josephine Wells, Joyce McCloud, Ruby Reed, Theda Whalawitsa, Lori Fuentes, Arlene Boileau and Mickey, Urbana Ross and Howie Arnett, Urbana Manion, Garland and Susan Brunoe, Ursula Gibson, Marcella Hall, Fr. Gregory of Blessed Katari, Doris "Teenie" Miller, Louise Katchia Jackson, Cassie Katchia, Nancy Sconawa, Caroline Torres, Estelle Lawson, Mary Tohet, Maryann Meanus, The Tribal Council, and all the others that were not on the list.

Positive mind
What's up Warm Springs? I'm doing okay I have 10 months left; I get out May 10, 2007. I hope some of you young kids can learn from my mistakes.

Letters to the Editor

Back to school

I'd like to wish and hope all the children going back to school will have a goal set for themselves, get the best grades while they're in school, and work on the goals they set for themselves. There really is no excuse.

I now know all this, I had to learn my lesson a very hard way. The way I learned wasn't so cool either.

I don't want anyone to have to learn their lesson a hard way either.

Evette Patt, 50 Kourt Dr. #3, Eugene, OR 97404.

Then I would feel better knowing that being in prison wasn't for nothing.

This place is a place no one should ever have to come to. Losing some of the things that mean the most to me was the price I had to pay for my stupidity.

The one good thing that I'm getting from this place is a positive mind. I want my family and friends to know I miss you a lot. Write me if you're bored and want something to do. Well I send my love and respects to the Rez. **Jarrod Allen**. (mailing address: Sid no. 15101284, Jarrod Allen, 777 Stanton Blvd., Ontario, OR 97914.)

Letters of apology

To the people of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, I am sorry I broke tribal law on July 9, 2006 by doing something that I should not have done. I feel ashamed of myself for doing what I did. I will not ever do it again ever in my life. I apologize to my family for the shame my actions have brought to our family name. Further I apologize to the court and officers. I also want to say that I know I did wrong. I need to be in jail for what I did, and pay for it. **Suzie C.**

To my family (mostly my 8-month-old daughter.) Daddy apologizes for what happened. It won't happen again. To my son, I'm sorry for what happened to your sister. I love you and your sister very much. Next time all three of us will leave together. That's what I should of done in the first place. **Sergio Rodriguez.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on May 22, 2006 by drinking one too many Olde English and was not in my right state of mind. I am very sorry for contributing to a minor that isn't even old enough to drink in the first place. I apologize to my family for the shame my actions have brought to our family name. Further I apologize to the following: Evy Polk and her family, who were directly impacted by my actions. I also want to say I learned my lesson and it won't happen again because I am trying to work on my drinking problem. **Glen Whiz.**

I am sorry I broke the law on that July evening by recklessly endangering. I apologize to my family for the shame my actions have brought to our family name. Further, I apologize to my babies, who were directly impacted by my actions. It was stupid and it won't happen again. **Valerie Suppah.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on June 17, 2005 by being caught using and buying the controlled substance methamphetamine. I apologize to my family for the shame my actions have brought to our family name. Further, I apologize to my siblings, nieces and nephews, who were directly impacted by my actions. I know what I was doing was wrong and would like to say that I did learn my lesson and plan to not get into trouble again. **Thomas George.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on June 10, 2006 by being under the influence and taking off with my mother's car (highly intoxicated), and also for the incident of getting caught with a pipe. I am truly sorry for my ignorant actions. I apologize to my family for the shame my actions have brought to our family name. Further I apologize to Val Switzler and family, who were directly impacted by my actions. I am thankful to the tribal judge for releasing me and giving me a chance to better myself in Kansas. And I will make every effort to follow our laws in the future. **Georganna Aguilar.**

Birthday and other wishes...

"The Polks"

Dionne Leona Ashley, aka "D," happy 11th birthday, and Leonard Johnny "JT" aka "King Leona," happy 6th birthday King Len. August 24, 2006. From Dad, Mom, Nana Meredith and niece Rashawna, and Nana Evey, and from Ya'Ya Dixon Jr., and nephew Elias, and all the rest of the family. We love you both.



"Honey Girl"

Lucille Meredith Michelle Polk Happy 18th Birthday, Aug. 29, 2006...

We love you and our granddaughter Rashawna... We're proud of you... Love always, Dad, Mom, sisters, brothers, and all the rest of the family.



Dixon L. Polk Jr., here with Elias (our grandson), Happy 26th birthday, Aug. 22, 2006... We love you and grandson Elias...



Love always, Dad, your sisters, brothers and all the rest of the family.

Happy anniversary to Dena and Bobby Thurby of Warm Springs. Wishing you more happy years to share as husband and wife, with special dreams and memories to cherish all your life. From someone you both very much, Mom, Rose.

Happy 18th anniversary to "Moon Pie." I love you with all my heart! Love always and forever, Kat.

Happy birthday to Mad and her new grandson, Aug. 4, 2006.

Happy belated birthday to "Boo Boo," with love, your Auntie Kat, and Michael.

Happy birthday August 18 to our Auntie Gloria Ray Martinez. Love, your nieces Jeanette and Mickey Thompson.

Celilo-Wyam notice

Attention — If you have Celilo-Wyam on your CIB and are un-enrolled or are a descendant of an un-enrolled Celilo-Wyam Indian, please call (541) 419-0680 and leave a message with your name and contact info.

I am doing research for an article.

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