

Time of year for giving thanks

By Selena Boise
Management Successor

This year I believe I give thanks for family and the full benefits of family pulling together for a great cause.

Though many of us have suffered many losses recently we find that family came together and created a support system to make it through these times of grief. Otherwise how would we make it?

Remember to keep in contact, especially during the holidays because that is when families need each other. There may be less people at the dinner table but we remember those people and how they made their presence.

Did they laugh and talk with everyone or did they sit there and criticize everyone who wasn't doing this or that. Were their faces friendly or were they sour looking and angry at half the people there? Either way they were here but now they are not. We just have a memory.

Also we are thankful for our veterans who were honored with powwows, ceremonies and parades.

These men and women gave of themselves for our country. They stood up for something they believe in. We must honor them and remember to thank them when they are in our presence.

This year we are also thankful for the young man who put central Oregon on the map with his World Series success, Jacoby Ellsbury. Also thankful for the free taco. I missed that one but maybe next time, huh?

Finally, I am thankful for my friends who have stood by me during my hard times this year. It is this time that we find out who our friends truly are. I am thankful for my friends.

So, sit back, look around you at the people who are truly there for you and thank them. For you are not alone. Think about all the things you are thankful for.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving holiday.

Toe Ness

There was this not-so-bright guy applying for a job at the mill. He said: "Ah wuz born in Alabamer."

Interviewer: "What part?"
The guy answered: "All of me." Yikes.

Letters to the Editor

Great job!



Great job, Leo, on your state tests! Leo received 5 satisfactory marks for each subject tested on and received \$50 for each, totaling \$250. We love you and are very proud of you. Keep up the good work! Love, Mom, Dad, Grandma and Grandpa.

Raffle support

Thank you to all who supported the raffle fundraiser that helped us attend the Northwest Native American Basket Weavers gathering, Oct. 4-6 at Lapwai, Idaho.

A big thank you goes to Teresa Mowitch, Mikaehah Mowitch-Johnson and Kira Forsythe from Rochester, Washington and the Quinault Nation for their generous cash contribution during the Simnasho Powwow.

We reach our goal - to raise funds to attend the gathering. We wish to thank everyone who support our journey via donation of a raffle item, cash contribution or purchase of raffle ticket(s). It was a grand experience - thank you again.

Antoinette Queabpama and Rosalind Sampson, Master Weavers.

P.S. The raffle winners are:

Chief Delvis Heath, Pendleton blanket; Shirley Iman of Wishram Heights, Wash., plush horse blanket; Karen Schmilner of Camas, Wash., Pendleton purse; Amy Suppah of Simnasho, Pendleton purse; Mille Kate Wallulatum-Smith of Simnasho, purple basket with lid; Betty Albertson of Coquille, basket necklace.

Bill Krause of Portland, beaded key chain; Louise Strother of Washougal, silver-turquoise pendant; Pat Case of Hood River, miniature woven earrings; Eli Culps of Warm Springs, miniature woven earrings; Aurolyn Stwyer of Warm Springs, miniature dream catcher and woven book marker, and coffee cup with candy; Doris Miller of Warm Springs, Maori woven book marker; and Arlissa Rhoan of Warm Springs, portable chair.

Lil Pumpkins

The Warm Springs Early Childhood Education Staff, parents and children would like to thank all of you who either donated or participated in our Annual "Lil Pumpkin's Parade" (Trick or Treat) on Halloween.

Special thanks to the following:

Warm Springs I.H.S., Kah-Nee-Ta High Dessert Resort and Casino, Warm Springs Power Enterprise, Warm Springs Composite Products, the Culture and Heritage Language Program, KWSO, the C.H.E.T. program, Mail and Reception, the Senior Program, High Lookee Lodge, Fire Management, Joanna Brisbois, Nicole Garcia, Leslie Cochran-Davis, Shamona White, Heather Alford, Dempsena Polk, and Victoria Polk.

If I missed anyone, forgive me. Thank you and we look forward to more great events and involvement from everyone.

Jodi Orr, Family Services coordinator.

Youth football

This year's graduating senior class represents the first year of football players who started playing football in the Jefferson County Youth Football program. What was started then continued this year with a great group of kids, parents, and volunteer coaches.

The future of Madras High School football starts with this group, and I expect big things from these kids. The opposition better have it strapped on, because these kids will put the hurt on ya!

I want to thank all involved for their support, especially Bend Parks and Recreation, the volunteer coaches, and all the parents who made the commitment to their kids and the team.

I would especially like to thank the following sponsors who generously contributed to the financial support of the Jefferson County Youth Football program.

Your support helped pay for practice and game jerseys, blocking equipment and the medals and awards that are given to each player at the end of the year.

Thanks go to Warm Springs Power and Water Enterprises, Warm Springs Composite Products, Bright Wood Corp., Gary Gruner Chevrolet, and Easterly Fencing - your support is invaluable.

Our season is over, but kids and parents: continue to watch college and pro games, and get ready for next year!

Carl Lindgren and Jason Hendrix.

Revival

In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I thank the Lord for Revival. And to everyone who came to be a blessing, your smiles, tears and laughter truly touched my heart. And to those who donated, sponsored and labored, may you find your blessings in your life accordingly.

Thank you Pastor E. Hunt and congregation, your faithful walk in the Lord. Also to Johnny Curtis who came to Warm Springs all the way from Ft. McDowell, Ariz. God knows everything that you do. Thank you for sharing your songs and most of all, the word of God.

God bless you all.

Val Govenor.

From the Book of St. John 3:16-17: For God to love the world that he gave his own begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

Internet radio

Native singers and songwriters are needed to participate and become a part of a new Internet radio station for Native Christian singers and songwriters.

Please listen to www.jbnlive.com, I know you will not be disappointed.

WWW.jbnlive.com is the first ever 24/7 radio station which showcases Christian Native singers and songwriters, only. The station wants to feature Native people from every tribe across America.

You can read articles about the Internet radio station that were published in the Native Times and Indian Country Newspapers at:

www.jbnlive.com/jbnpressreleases.htm.

Please let your people know of this good work and invite them to be a part of this great mission.

For more information contact Roger Martin at 918-829-9377 or send email to jbnlive@aol.com.

Thank you, Jan Evans (Yuchi tribe), webmaster.



Birthday wishes...



Happy fourth birthday to our son Damon Greg Garcia on Nov. 29. We love you lots, Mom & Dad.

November 17, Happy Birthday Dirty, hope you make the best of it. From Yaz, Shelly, Devyn, & Felix

Happy Birthday Evelyn Aguilar, thinking of you from a distance. Take care of yourself and don't be a stranger. Auntie Selena

Happy Birthday Evelyn from your long time friend Tonya.

Happy belated Birthday to Tina Aguilar. From your friends Selena, Tony, and family



In the photo last week of team Wading To Exhale, some members were accidentally misidentified. The team members are Earlyynn Squiemphen, Jolene Hintsala, Lynn Fluhr and Char Lewis (front row from left); Rene' Holliday, Melissa Benson, Shari Marrazzo and Angel Daniels (front row from left). Absent team members: Liz Sachse, Bonnie Baxter, Peggy Bell and LeeAnn Wemy. The Spilyay regrets the earlier error.

Letters of apology

To the people of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, I am sorry I broke tribal law in September by doing wrong. I apologize to my family for the shame my actions have brought to our family name. Further, I apologize to the following people who were directly impacted by my actions. I also want to say that I hope you can forgive me please for my ridiculous actions. And I will make every effort to follow our laws in the future. Nancy Charley.

I am sorry I broke tribal law on August 20 by driving under the influence and endangering. I apologize to my family for the shame my actions have brought to our family name. Further, I apologize to the people that were riding with me. I am sorry to the community of Warm Springs. No one was hurt. L. Suppah.

I am sorry I broke tribal law on July 30, 2007 by A and B on a juvenile. I apologize to my family for the shame my actions have brought to our family name. Further, I apologize to the following person who was directly impacted by my actions: Dustin Suppah. I am sorry and it will never happen again. Wesley Teeman.

I am sorry I broke tribal law on Oct. 4, 2007 by the offense of drug paraphernalia, which means that I was possessing a pipe in the community of Warm Springs. I apologize to my family for the shame my actions have brought to our family name. Further, I apologize to the Warm Springs Drug Team. I also want to say again, special thanks to the WSPD Drug Team for helping me beware I'm at (in a safe place). Watkins Johnson.

I am sorry I broke tribal law on Oct. 4, 2007 by breaking tribal codes 305.115- Assault and Battery and 305.175- Reckless endangering. I apologize to my family for the shame my actions have brought to our family name. Further, I apologize to Eddie Sconawah II. It'll never happen again. Sarah Belgard.

I am sorry I broke tribal law on Oct. 22, 2007 by driving under the influence of alcohol and reckless endangering the community of Warm Springs. I apologize to my family for the shame my actions have brought to our family name. Further, I apologize to Eldred Frank and Officer Randy Derkins. I also want to say I will make better decisions in the future and will work on my alcohol problem. Floyd C. Frank Sr.

I am sorry I broke tribal law on

Oct. 19, 2007 by driving under the influence, getting in trouble when I was young and until now I have been ruining my family name. Further, I apologize to the Warm Springs Police Department. I am clean and sober now so the actions I make will be good and honest. Aaron Culps Sr.

I am sorry I broke tribal law on July 30, 2007 by A and B on a juvenile. I apologize to my family for the shame my actions have brought to our family name. Further, I apologize to Wesley T. and friends. I also want to say I am sorry and it will never happen again. Dustin Suppah.

I am sorry I broke tribal law on 8-4-07 by causing injury to my mate. I know it's hard to express in words about apologies and amends. I do believe in our hearts that we understand each other. I take full responsibility. I'm sorry I was wrong. I hope and pray that we can have a clean life together and remember it truly is "one day at a time." Owen Wallulatum.

I am sorry I broke tribal law on 10-13-07 by breaking the law. I am regretful of my actions I did in the community. I am sorry again. Gary K.

I am sorry I broke tribal law in November by negligent wounding, reckless endangering and getting a liquor violation. My actions were not thought thoroughly. I apologize to the victim and relatives for the worry I caused. It wasn't the right way to handle the situation. Further I apologize Troy S. and family. I also want to say that it was a big mistake doing what I did on that night. It has effected my life majorly and if I could right my wrongs, I would. Davis Stwyer Jr.

Regarding letters

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