

More Letters to the Editor

Apologies

I am sorry I broke tribal law on Oct. 13, 2008 by disobeying the traffic laws, violating my probation, neglecting my son, and having drug paraphernalia in my possession. I apologize to my girlfriend C. and my kids. Being away from you guys and realizing where my actions have taken me, I swear to you, my family, I'll change for the better, for us. **Ulysses Suppah Sr.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on 9-27-08 by driving under the influence of intoxicants on Highway 3 near Upper Dry Creek junction. I apologize to law enforcement and the public. It won't happen again. **Merle George.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on October 9, 2008 by escaping through a vent in the corrections facility cell in the jail. Also, I would like to apologize to the W.S.C.F. for escape, injury to public property. I apologize to the correctional officers and three other inmates. I will not try to escape. Thank you. **Johnny Smith.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on 10-4-08 by the Shell gas station on Highway 26 on the reservation. My actions that I caused won't happen again to your community. Again, I am sorry for giving false information. I apologize to the tribes. **Jorge Orozco.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on 7-20-08 by driving faster than the posted speed limit. The area is marked open range and my reckless driving could have caused an accident involving an animal or other motor vehicle. I apologize to fellow drivers on the road that day. My driving was very irresponsible and I am truly sorry. **Larry A. Lewis.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on Nov. 14, 2008 by abusing alcohol and being irresponsible. I'm ashamed and embarrassed of what I have done. I have learned a lesson and will never let it happen again. I apologize to the Kah-Nee-Ta Village and Casino, and the security involved. I want them to know how deeply I apologize for what happened. **Andrea Bender Westby.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on 10-25-08 by DUII and reckless endangering. I apologize to S.M., C.A., A.A., B.A., J.K-K, M.A.B., T.A., and D.A. I will never do this again in my life. **Aldo Antunuez.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on 10-23-08 by getting a DUII, and recklessly endangering D.A. and V.S. I am sorry to you both. It won't happen again. I apologize to the office and tribes of Warm Springs. I will not drive impaired any more. **Sonny Yahtin.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on 11-22-08 by driving under the influence of alcohol. I have not consumed any alcohol for 20 years and I am old enough to know better and the trouble it can get a person into. I hope this will help the younger generation in obeying the laws of the tribes. I regret my actions. I apologize to my co-workers and supervisor. I also want to say this will not happen again. I apologize to the Tribal Council for breaking their laws. **Charles E. Nathan.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on 7-11-08 by committing the offense of assault and battery on an officer. I am sorry it happened and it won't happen again. I am sorry to the officer and his family for putting him in

jeopardy. **Jerome Davis.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on Nov. 21, 2008 by assault. Anyhow, nephew I apologize and probably won't see you until next year. But have happy holidays - this year okay. Once again I am sorry. All I wanted to do was give you a lecture and not do what I did. **Richard W. Payne Jr.**

I am apologizing for breaking tribal law on November 17, 2008 by being under the influence of a dangerous drug. I'm also apologizing to my family for the shame my actions have brought to our family name. I apologize to my boyfriend, friends and colleagues at my place of employment for the embarrassment and hardship I brought upon them. I apologize to the Chippewa-Cree Tribe of Rocky Boy, Mont., for bringing shame to our people. To the younger generation: drugs are not the way to go. Honor and respect yourselves and your loved ones because life is too precious and short-lived to be messing with. Never get caught up with something that is always going to bring you trouble, short term or long. It's not the way to go. Thank you for your time. **Krisanne Billy.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on 10-25-08 by my actions of having marijuana in my possession. That will never happen again. I apologize to the Warm Springs Police Department. I am truly sorry. **Winnerjoe Kaudle Kaule.**

I would like to take this time to apologize for the wrong I did. This happened on November 1, 2008 at 4 a.m. I am really ashamed for the action I had taken upon myself. I feel this mistake has taken a toll upon me. I'm filled with shame and

embarrassment. I won't allow this to happen again. This is my first offense with the law. I am not proud of the action I made. It wasn't a wise or smart decision. I am very sorry for my mistake I made on the reservation. I've learned from it already. Thank you for accepting my deepest apology. Sincerely, **Laurissa Bellanger.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on 9-27-08 by assault, aiding and/or abetting and child neglect. I apologize to my boys J. and W.S., and A.W. I'm very sorry to my immediate family for the embarrassment caused by my actions. I honestly didn't mean to shame our name like that. **Andrea Sohapp.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on October 25 by being under the influence of alcohol. I apologize to my tribe and also my friends. I am sorry for my actions, and this will never happen again. **Sirena Medina.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on 5-18-08 by assaulting a person, something I shouldn't have done or even been involved in but I assure you it won't happen again. I apologize to the people of Warm Springs. It

wasn't cool at all either. **Charisse Haskins.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on 10-22-08 by getting a liquor violation. I apologize to the tribal members. I am truly sorry for being intoxicated that day. I apologize to my family. I'll do my best to stay sober. **Randall Wallulatum.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on 11-2-08 by reckless endangering times four, also driving under the influence of intoxicants. I feel bad for the wrong decision that I made that day. I promise this is the very last time and it will never happen again. I apologize to A.S., and M.S., D.F., and J.S. I apologize to anyone who was affected by my actions. **Jeremy Killfirst.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law on November 11, 2008 by driving under the influence of intoxicants in the Upper Dry Creek area. I didn't really know what I was doing so now I am feeling bad about everything that happened that night. I also want to apologize to M.K. for endangering you life. I'm sorry. **Leander Williams Jr.**

I am sorry I broke tribal law

on 11-10-08 by consuming an intoxicating beverage. I apologize to the tribal members. I will make every effort to follow our laws in the future. **Jasper Smith.**

Narcotics Anonymous meetings

Meetings at the Family Resource Center Conference Room

Thursdays: 6-7:30 p.m.
Fridays: Noon to 1 p.m.

Thank you for writing to the Spilyay. The next deadline to submit items is Friday, Dec. 26.

Nicky's Place

Let Nicky's Place help you stretch your clothing budget. Come see us for your clothing needs. Our prices put a smile on everyone's face.

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SCHOOLS IN ACTION!

Start Making A Reader Today

- There are 22 children reading in the SMART Reading Program at Metolius Elementary.
- Our goal is to have 30 SMART Students reading twice a week.
- We need 4 more volunteer readers on Mondays and Thursdays at 11:25 12:30!
- SMART students receive two new books of their own every month.
- Across the state, 1 in 3 Oregon fourth graders reads below the basic level.
- Fifth graders who participated in SMART are 60% more likely to reach state reading benchmarks.

An hour a week - that's all it takes to make a difference!

You don't need a cape to be a super hero!



SMART volunteers are wonderful role models as they share their love of reading with Kindergarten through third grade children needing extra reading support and someone to read to. With just an hour a week of reading one-on-one in two 30-minute sessions, volunteers help children learn that reading is fun, and as a volunteer, you learn what it feels like to be someone's hero! There are still children at Metolius Elementary School waiting for a volunteer so they can begin enjoying the Love of Reading with SMART -- Start Making a Reader Today!

Call 541-317-3222 today or visit www.getsmartoregon.org to learn more about how you can become a super hero!

School Budget Committee Vacancy

The Jefferson County School District 509-J School Board is seeking persons interested in serving on the district's budget committee. Appointment by the school board is for a 3-year term ending June 30, 2011. Public finance background is preferred.

Approximately three or four meetings will be held in the spring of 2009 for committee members and the board to consider the budget of the 2009-2010 fiscal year beginning in July. The committee's proposal last spring brought the

district to a sound footing to begin the current school year. For questions concerning this appointment, call Dan Chamness, Chief Financial Officer, at 475-6192.

A signed letter of interest may be submitted to the School Board in care of Superintendent Rick Molitor at 445 SE Buff Street, Madras 97741, in person or by mail. The window for submission has been extended to the date of the next school board meeting, January 12th.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec. 22-Jan. 2
Winter Break NO SCHOOL



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School Events open to the community in December

- Metolius Elementary**
Dec. 11, 7:00 p.m. — Winter Program
- Buff Elementary**
Dec. 11, 1:30 p.m. — 5th Grade Music Program
- Madras High School**
Dec. 17, 7:00 p.m. — MHS Choir Concert
- Madras Elementary**
Dec. 18, 1:30 p.m. — Winter Program
- Jefferson County Middle School**
Dec. 18, 6:30 p.m. — JCMS Winter Concert
- Warm Springs Elementary**
Dec. 18, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. — Family Craft Night & Annual Title I-A Meeting

