

Loren Joseph to Head Stewart

The administration of Stewart Indian School has changed again. Acting Superintendent Douglas Philbrick has transferred to the Papago Reservation as Educational Programs Administrator, and Loren Joseph, assistant to the Phoenix Area Director of Education, will replace Philbrick at Stewart until the return of Van Peters, Stewart's EPA who is now on educational leave.

Officials said Joseph's wife is in school in Phoenix, and they do not plan to move to campus at this time; although Joseph will be required to live on campus during the school week.

Joseph is no stranger here. He was hired a few years ago as metal shop teacher, then was promoted to education specialist for the Vocational Department. Later, he transferred to the Hopi Reservation from Stewart, before his more recent appointment in the Phoenix Area office.

Some other new employees have joined the Stewart staff since Warpath was last published. They include Ceta worker, Jennie Mansfield, who assists in the attendance office, and Selena Shortman, a new dorm attendant. Welcome aboard.



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Black Teacher Becomes First 'Honky' Retiree

RIDDLE: When is a Honky not a Honky? Answer: When she is Waldine Tyler.

A Honky, as everybody knows who has looked into the dictionary of American slang, is a white person, and the term is used in a derogatory manner in somewhat the same way the term "nigger" is used to mean Negro or black person. (Kike is a similar derogatory term meaning Jew.) So you can see that name-calling is done by all races, colors, and creeds.

Indian preference in hiring employees at Indian schools and institutions was declared constitutional, and in retaliation, a so-called "honky" bill was introduced to congress which would permit whites (or non-Indians in its broader sense), to retire at an early age with additional benefits, and this, in turn, was supposed to be a good thing for the Indians, for it would create more vacancies for qualified Indians to fill.

Anyway, the Honky Bill finally passed recently, and Waldine Tyler, a black English teacher who has been teaching at Stewart since 1957 is the first "Honky" to retire under its terms. (By leaving the service before or by March 1, a retiree can receive additional benefits.)

This feature is being written as an example of how a word changes in meaning from its connotation. Honky originally meant WHITE, but here is a black teacher retiring under the HONKY bill.

A retirement tea is being planned for Mrs. Tyler Feb. 22, and she will retire at the end of that day, she said. She has taught in Indian boarding schools for the past 27½ years. Prior to that, she had taught library science in a college.

The other English teachers at Stewart are hoping a qualified Indian English teacher will apply for Mrs. Tyler's job in the near future. If this does not happen, and the vacancy is not filled, it will work a real hardship in the classrooms. Mrs. Tyler had about 140 freshmen and junior students enrolled in her classes at the beginning of the semester. In no way could her classes be absorbed, and since there is no permanent "substitute" teacher, it is not known at this time just what the classes will do.

Anyone for Softball Assistant Coach?

Mark Peterson, softball coach, is seeking an assistant or assistants to help him this year with softball. Ralph Hart and Brenda Leaper were assistant coaches last year, but both are no longer employed at Stewart. Softball season will start March 1, and the first game will be played March 12. Peterson said he would be glad to have an assistant and it can be either a man or a woman.

Phoenix School Board Forms Committees to Serve

At their meeting at Stewart last week, the Phoenix Area School Board decided to break up into three groups, and be responsible as a group of seven or eight to supervise the school of their choice. The eight members who will be in charge of Stewart include Marlene Coffey, Effie Dressl Peggy Jackson, Cynthia Akins, Beverly Frank, Wesley Gilbert, Phyllis Norton, and Verna Romo.

When more news about the school board is available, it will be published in the next issue of Warpath. Other Briefs: Stewart's Volleyball team went to the state contest, but were beaten by White Pine. Francis Cooley placed third in the state in a Wrestling contest, and Raymond Gensa placed sixth in the state. Nineteen wrestlers finished the season.

It's Dumb to Get Kicked out of School

by Ronnie Bircham



I think it is dumb or foolish when a student or students get kicked out of school because they are always getting into trouble. School is not a place where people go to party around and go AWOL and such. If that's all they want to do, then they shouldn't be in a school like this anyway.

A school is a place to go for an education and where you can learn valuable skills. It is not a place to go where you just end up getting kicked out.

When students get kicked out, it is probably their own fault, but nobody is kicked out until he or she has been given numerous warnings and punishments, so if they can't learn from this, well, that's just their tough luck.

An infraction is an infraction is an infraction--but I think it is worse when a student or students break into some place and rob it, or abuse another person, or destroy school property than it is just for drinking or going AWOL.

But if a student is going to get dropped, I think that student's teachers and the other staff should be notified so maybe they could help instead of just dropping them without any warning to the teacher's or staff.

For Red Power, Indians Must Unite as One

by Arnold Rios

It seems to me many students on campus hate other students because of the way they dress and the way they look. You shouldn't judge people from the way they look and dress. If we all didn't judge each other, we would be one strong and proud group known as INDIANS.

In olden times, before this land became the USA, it was good to be a member of a tribe. Then, tribes were more or less like states, and your tribal brothers helped protect you. But today, Indians as a race are a minority just as blacks as a race are a minority.

If every Indian agreed with every other Indian about what we want for ourselves as a race, we would still be a minority, but we would be a powerful minority, and we could determine our future for ourselves.

Here at Stewart, we have a lot of Indian clubs, but they just do tribal things. Apaches dance Apache dances, Hopis dance Hopi dances, etc. If all the sponsors got together and organized an INDIAN CLUB for Stewart, we could start standing up with each other as a united club and proud group of Indians. We could learn dances and rituals from each other and maybe create a few of our own. We could have pow-wows instead of movies or dances to live music or records, and at Stewart, we could begin to unite in a way that other Indians might follow.

Certainly, if we are to succeed, we must unite as a body Indian and stop bickering between tribes or putting each other down because of his or her tribe.

There are Other Things to Do

Name Withheld

When it's time to go home for the summer, I hear students saying they are excited and can't wait to start partying around. I always wonder how come all they ever think of is drinking and smoking up. There are a lot of other things we can do. And another thing I wonder is why we work and then end up spending all our money on booz. Instead of booz, we might go camping or play games, such as basketball or baseball, or visit relatives from far away--something that will make our life exciting instead of making fools of ourselves.

We have to go through the pain of staying sober, I guess, and maybe if drinking is all anyone wants to do they have the right to do it, but then it's their problem.

Some of us believe there are other ways of being happy, and we believe we should enjoy ourselves in a constructive way and get an education to help us in the future.

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Ask Aunt Mini



Dear Aunt Mini:

I'm a senior here and I have a friend I like a lot. She's been my best friend ever since we were freshmen. We used to have a lot of fun together, but lately, we haven't been talking and I feel awful because every time we try to talk, I get madder, and it doesn't solve anything. Right now, we don't say anything to each other. And to make it worse, we room together. Sometimes we say little things, but that's about it. What should I do?

Confused

Dear Confused:

Try to do things that you used to do together, and always include her in the fun. I know what it is to lose a good friend. She was the only one who could make you laugh extra hard, and she was always around, right? Perhaps she is tired of you, so give her a while to cool off, and try again. If this fails, ask to move out of the room.

Aunt Mini

Dear Aunt Mini:

What a life! For once I feel I have no problems in the world. My friends are all on their best behavior and I just love it! I would like to say I hope you can be as happy as I am. Peace be with you.

Josephine Full of Joy

Dear Jo:

Glad to hear you are feeling good. Thank you for a pleasant letter for a change. Just keep on smiling and spread your joy.

Aunt Mini

'Dear Aunt Mini:

There's a problem in one class that really bothers me. People don't seem to listen to the teacher. The students throw trash on the floor and books are all written on. What can the teacher do to make things better?

Likes Clean Classrooms

Dear Likes Clean Classrooms:

First of all, the teacher will have to let the students know he or she is in charge and then make them respect the school premises and property. Then it will be up to the students to show how mature they are. They must learn to take better care of the room and materials for as the school budget stands, THESE ARE ALL WE HAVE.

Aunt Mini

Dear Aunt Mini:

Stewart is a fine place to go to school, but lately, things have been really boring. It just isn't the way it used to be. I can remember when I was a frosh here. Everything was just right, but now that I am a senior, and getting ready to graduate, I don't know what the future holds for me, because Stewart has offered me many things, and I sure hate to leave. Could you give me some suggestions?

Don't Know What To Do

Dear Don't Know:

If you really hate to leave Stewart that much, why don't you get a job in Carson City when you graduate, and you can come back to visit as often as you like. But be sure this is where you want your future to be. Sometimes seniors get the jitters when they realize they are nearly over that period of life when others help them make decisions. We all have to grow up, and breaking old ties and forming new ones is a part of that thing called maturing, or growing up. YOU CAN DO IT;

Aunt Mini

Dear Aunt Mini:

Do you have a boyfriend or husband? And do you have any kids of your own to give advice to? I was just wondering. I just wish I could see what you look like. Some students say you're Ms. Shannon, but she tells us that she isn't. (Which I think is true.)

Wonderer

Dear Wonderer:

Me have a boyfriend or husband? You have to be joking! But for real, I don't have anyone now. So that means I don't have any children. Well, every student wants to know who is aunt mini, but it's too bad I can't come out of my shell and answer, but I have to be anonymous so I can concentrate to give you good advice, you dig? Ms. Shannon is only a teacher. Aunt Mini knows all, sees all, tells all. Thanks for writing.

Aunt Mini

Dear Aunt Mini:

How come students hate the police cadets around here?

Not a Hater

Dear Not a Hater:

Trouble makers hate any one (young or old) who stands in their way, or might stand in their way of doing as they please. They're just immature. Aunt Mini

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Classroom News

Spanish

Students in Spanish class are learning how to count numbers in Spanish and how to say the colors in Spanish, and also how to write Spanish. It is a very interesting class. The teacher, Faye Key, is very good at speaking Spanish.

Drivers' Ed.

Drivers' Education classes are learning how to park and back up, and turn off curbs and things of that nature. Advanced students are enjoying driving. Every body always looks forward to having the wheel in his or her own hands.

The first time som ebody takes the wheel, they are usually scared, but they soon get used to it.

Speech & Publications

Ruby Shannon's fifth period speech class have been practicing speaking in class. They have been involved in reading poems and plays. The class has 20 students, mostly juniors and seniors. Everyone was a little shy when they began reading, but after a while, it came fairly easy. So far, the class is interesting, and by the end of the year, everyone should be able to read with emphasis and feeling.

Also, a reporter from Reno newspapers visited class and gave a brief interview on journalism. He pointed out some do's and don't-s that might be of help to the school newspaper which is published by the sixth period journalism class. The final deadline on the yearbook was mailed last week.

Calligraphy

In calligraphy class, students are learning two letters each day. It is a difficult class some students say, but all you need is a steady hand and lots of patience. Soon they will all have learned how to write the alphabet, and before you know it, they may be using calligraphy writing to write to their honey or loved ones. Some students even knock over their little ink bottles which is very common in that class. So far, they have learned about 20 letters.

Art

Art students are busy with projects at this time. The art teacher, Ben Barnette names an art STUDENT OF THE MONTH. So far, he has named Nathaniel Accawanna, Sept.; Darrell Walker, Oct.; Burton Uqualla, Nov.; Dec.-Jan. Clark Kowchee.

Projects include woodwork, sandpainting, and also oil and tempera paintings.

Typing

Fifth period typing students are working out of folders which have all kinds of forms and a book explaining how to type them.

The class is made up mainly of girls but three or four boys have joined the group.

The teacher, Betty Albrecht, teaches all the students where to place their fingers, and she cautions them not to strike over any of their letters when they make a mistake, so typing is fun.

U. S. History

The U.S. history classes are learning about the presidents who were assassinated. They are also learning about inventions of the nineteenth century and how they changed life. The inventions were such things as the telephone, airplane, and automobiles.

After the unit is finished, students make up questions about it and then they play a game called baseball with the facts and figures. It is exciting, and then on Friday, they have a quiz over what has been learned.

Human Relations

Human Relations classes are studying about sex and reproduction. They have just learned the names of the reproductive organs and in the near future, they will dress up an egg as a baby and keep it with them for about a week just to learn what it is like to have a baby around the house for about a week. Some of the students are already picking out names for their "babies."

Looks like this will be a very exciting time for everyone. This course is very educational and helpful.

The last lesson in human relations prior to the holidays was about marriage, and this information was very interesting also. Human Relations is a class required of all seniors at Stewart.

Ranch

On Wednesday, Feb. 13, all students enrolled in ranching went to the ranch to sort cattle and tag them. By noon, everyone was hungry, so R. K. Sam (a very good cook, bytheway) fixed burgers so everyone could chow down.

A fter lunch, we started where we left off. Dr. Cooley got a chance to dehorn some cattle. Others learned, too.

All the cattle were tagged according to their sex and breed.