



First Woman Selected to Manage Siletz Tribe

For the first time in the nearly 20-year history of tribal administration, a woman has been selected to manage the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians. Brenda Bremner was named general manager on July 6, 1999.

Bremner has worked for the tribe for five years, all of them as assistant general manager. She also has been the executive director of the South Puget Inter-Tribal Planning Agency in Shelton, Wash.

Bremner is a Siletz tribal member who has lived in Siletz for nearly seven years. She graduated from the College of Great Falls (Montana) in 1985 with a bachelor's degree in physical education.



Brenda Bremner

Tribal Member Opens Cafe

DeAnn Brown has opened the Sweet River Corner Cafe at 105 Gaither St. in Siletz. The cafe serves espresso drinks, muffins, pastries, breakfast burritos, nachos and burritos for lunch, and other assorted items. It's open seven days a week, 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Monday - Friday, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Brown is the director of the Siletz Tribal Head Start program who decided to follow her interest in the restaurant business.

I've worked and managed Mexican fast food places before, and tried to set up an espresso machine for pow-wow, she says. I was in here one day (the former restaurant at the current site) and the former owner announced she was selling the business. I decided to try it.

Brown gets a lot of help from her family in operating the cafe. Her sister, Bonnie Petersen, bakes cheesecakes and the chocolate cinnamon raisin rolls, among other things.

Brown's daughter, Brandy Florendo, and Brandy's boyfriend, Tony Blomstrom, help on their days off. Ron Barry, Brown's adopted son, works daily at the cafe. Her son, Westman Mathews, is learning to do everything and is especially adept at recycling. And grandson Kai, Brown says, provides the entertainment.

Fresh cinnamon rolls - both regular and with chocolate - are a specialty and definitely will be available on Mondays, and Fridays are cookie days. Brown encourages patrons to make suggestions on the menu and hours of operation.

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Per Capita Distribution Set

Tribal Council will distribute per capita payments from timber revenue this year. With gaming revenue allocated to finance tribal government operations, timber monies are available for distribution to tribal members. The distribution for minors will be held by the tribe in an interest-earning account until they turn 18.

This article contains important information that you need to receive your portion of this distribution in a timely manner this year and in years to come.

Only tribal members who are **enrolled** as of July 1 and not deceased are eligible for per capita this year. It is important that you make sure your address is updated with the Enrollment Department. The address that your newspaper is mailed to is the same address that Enrollment has on file for you. Please look in this issue for the names of people you know on the Missing Moccasins list. Checks will not be mailed to these individuals until a valid address is on file. They must contact the Enrollment Department as soon as possible.

Prior to next year's distribution, you also will be required to provide copies of Social Security cards to the Enrollment Department. The name on your Social Security card **must** match your name on the Tribal Roll. If it does not, it is your responsibility to contact the Enrollment Department to go through the name change process. You will be expected to return copies of your Social Security cards, including minors, for future distributions.

Per capita checks for adults will be mailed soon. A separate letter will be mailed by year's end to parents/guardians regarding the status of the minor tribal members' accounts.

If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Norton, Enrollment Clerk, at 1-800-922-1399 or write her at PO Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380.

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