

TRIBAL PROGRAM NEWS

Westervelt Named January Elder of the Month

Name: Maria Alicante Westervelt of Siletz, Ore., was born on Sept. 12, 1930, in Manila, Philippines.

Tribal band: Shasta, Rogue, Galice Creek

Family: Father – Marcos M. Alicante; Mother – Augusta Evans; Siblings – Catherine Alicante (deceased during World War II), Theresa Alicante Paez of California, Michael Alicante of Minneapolis.

Nephews/Nieces: Joseph Paez, Catherine Paez, Marc Paez, all of California.

Interest/hobbies: I love to go to art galleries, museums, and movies. I also like to read documentaries, current events, and biographies. I enjoy classical music and anything pertaining to the arts.

Education: Assumption Convent from first grade through first year of college in Manila; BA degree from Immaculate Heart College in Hollywood, Calif.

Work: Medical field for 21 years – six years at Mercy Medical Center in Roseburg, Ore., two years surgical floor; four years coronary intensive care as technician and nursing assistant; 15 years at McKenzie Willamette Hospital in Springfield, Ore. I also have worked in the following departments: surgery, medical, nursery, OB, emergency, EKG, recovery or transport, endoscopy, and short stay. I have worked hard and learned a lot. I enjoyed the patients and I miss the nurses and patients.

I have survived WWII. I was living in the outskirts of Manila when the Japanese bombed Manila. We were never hurt, but the Japanese came to our home often to see if we had short-wave radios. They eventually took our home away from us toward the end.



Bob S. and Maria Westervelt

I am very proud to be my mother's daughter, I am proud to be a member of the Siletz Tribe and all that they have done for me and continue to do. I will endeavor to help my people to the best of my ability. My goals are to work very hard on getting an elders' care facility started in Siletz and also to try to minimize the drug scene on the reservation.

Advice to younger generation: "Stay away from the foibles and destructive ways of society. Work hard and open your minds and hearts to better yourself. Try not to be a podsnap (a noun meaning a person embodying insular complacency and self-satisfaction and refusal to face up to unpleasant facts). Amen!"

Another Year of Wisdom Happy Birthday!

Chester Butler, 1/3
Delmer Butler Sr., 1/12
Alta Courville, 1/29
Richard Dodds, 1/18
Emmet Douthit, 1/6
Leroy John, 1/24
Vera Lafferty, 1/7
Clark Martin, 1/26
Diane Robertson, 1/4
Linda Sage, 1/17
Rosalie Sepulveda, 1/1

William Service, 1/18
Frances Severson, 1/13
Wilma Strong, 1/17
Darlene Taylor, 1/21
George Thompson, 1/19
Adolph Tronson Jr., 1/19
Ialeen Wilcox, 1/22
Ernestine Wooten, 1/17

Upcoming Events

Jan. 13 @ 2 p.m. – Elders Council meeting at Chinook Winds (transportation to be provided from each area office; please call to make arrangements).

Notices

Monthly Shopping – Once a month from each tribal office, we will provide transportation to a shopping center that offers grocery shopping, a variety store, and hair salon. Please call the area office nearest you to participate.

Transportation – If you need transportation to appointments such as energy assistance, housing, Social Security, or others of this nature, call your local area office for details.

Concert Tickets – These are available at Chinook Winds for tribal elders and widows and widowers of tribal elders. Call 1-888-244-6665 and ask for the "box office." Tell the box office you

Proposals Due for Royalty Crowns

The Pow-Wow Committee is now accepting proposals for the 2001-2002 royalty crowns. The crowns are for Miss Siletz, Jr. Miss Siletz, and Little Miss Siletz. All proposals must include a proposed design, size, and cost.

You may submit a proposal for as many crowns as you would like. Send your proposal(s) to the committee by March 30, 2001, at the following address:

Siletz Pow-Wow Committee
P.O. Box 549
Siletz, OR 97380

If you have any questions, contact **Craig Whitehead**, pow-wow coordinator, at 1-800-922-1399, ext. 230, or 541-444-8230.

are a tribal elder and would like "comp tickets." They will ask for your name, phone number, concert you wish to attend, and the time.

You can get up to two tickets if they are available. When you pick them up, you will need to sign for them. Remember the sooner you call, the better chance you have of getting the tickets you want.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call Shelley at 541-444-8261 or 1-800-922-1399, ext. 261.

In November, each elder was mailed a Christmas bonus check, but unfortunately I still have some checks at the office because I do not have addresses. The following is a list of names; if you are on this list, please call me at 1-800-992-1399, ext. 261, to update your address. If I have no response by Jan. 31, I will return the checks to the Accounting Department.

Judy Baker Franklin Larsen
Raymond Girard Leah Towner
Victor Larsen Kenneth Wilson
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