

Pow-Wow Jobs Available

The Siletz Pow-Wow Committee is now accepting applications for temporary jobs during the 2001 Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow. Available jobs include:

Security/Maintenance	Kitchen	Sales
Camping Registration	Bus Drivers (CDL required)	

Wages are \$8/hr for shift supervisors and \$6.50/hr for shift workers. Pick up an application at the administration building in Siletz, Ore., or call Craig Whitehead at 1-800-922-1399, ext. 230, or 541-444-8230.

Pow-Wow Needs Dance Sponsors

The Pow-Wow Committee is looking for dance sponsors for the 2001 Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow. By sponsoring a category, you make it more personal. Your name will appear on the winner's envelope and will be read when we award prize money to the dancers.

Categories include both male/female traditional, male/female fancy, grass, and jingle. You can sponsor, or co-sponsor with the committee, a category in your name, your family's name, or in memory of a loved one. Call Craig Whitehead at 1-800-922-1399, ext. 230, or 541-444-8230.

Categories and their costs are as follows:

Adult

1st place \$500
2nd place \$300
3rd place \$200

Golden Age

1st place \$500
2nd place \$300
3rd place \$200

Teen

1st place \$300
2nd place \$200
3rd place \$100

Basketcap Special

1st place \$500
2nd place \$300
3rd place \$200

Youth

1st place \$75
2nd place \$50
3rd place \$25



Above: Perry Johnson (l) and Frank Simmons help Elouise Case bag a whole salmon during one of two fish distributions this summer.



Left: Frank Simmons helps unload fish for the distribution. Forty-eight fish from the summer steelhead run on the Siletz River were given away to tribal members.

Below: Perry Johnson (l) and Bristo Bayya help Caroline Easter with a salmon.



Alcohol/Drug Use Affects Families

by Joyce Retherford, TLC Coordinator

I don't know what the statistics are, but from living in the Siletz area most of my life, I'm sure they are staggering. I think I can safely say that alcohol and other drug abuse has affected **every tribal family** in some dramatic way.

I have been taking classes to become an alcohol and drug counselor for the past year and if there is one thing that sticks in my mind, it's that alcohol is one of the most damaging of all drugs. It has destroyed more families and killed more people by alcohol-related car accidents or by the sickening effect that it has on the body and soul than any other drug.

Yes! Alcohol is a drug.

The cost of treating the damaging effects of drug abuse is enormous. There are physical health problems, mental health problems, the affect it has on the children of alcoholics, the loss of employment, and on and on.

The most horrendous thing is the damage alcohol does to the children and families. **The cost to children of alcohol and drug abuse by parents is their childhood.** Children are the ones who pay the price in the long run. They either grow up in abusive families or grow up thinking that it is OK to use drugs and end up continuing the cycle of abuse with their own children.

I know this to be true because of my own cycle of abuse. I am very thankful for my sobriety and the support of my family. I just hope and pray that the addiction cycle has ended with me and that my own children can know a better way of life.

Anyway, this is what I have learned in working with the wonderful group of women that we now have at the TLC. The three Siletz Tribal women and one non-Native woman living in our house are very thankful for what they have **today**. Ask any one of them and they will tell you what a wonderful home the tribe has provided for them and how fortunate they feel to be there.

