

## Gates Millennium Scholarships Available

The deadline for applying for Gates Millennium Scholars scholarships is Feb. 1, 2002.

The process starts with nominations by any professional educator (tribal education leader, high school principal, guidance counselor, teacher) of significant financial-need students with outstanding leadership and academic qualities.

An individual is eligible to be nominated if he or she:

- ✳ Is American Indian/Alaska Native, African American, Asian/Pacific Islander American, or Hispanic American
- ✳ Is a citizen, legal permanent resident, or national of the U.S.
- ✳ Has a cumulative GPA of 3.3
- ✳ Will enter an accredited college or university as a full-time, degree-seeking freshman in the fall of 2002
- ✳ Has significant financial need (i.e., meets the federal Pell Grant eligibility criteria)
- ✳ Has demonstrated leadership abilities by participating in community service or extracurricular or other activities

The Gates Millennium Scholars Program was established in 1999 through a grant provided by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to provide ethnic minority students with an opportunity to complete a college education. The goal of this scholarship program is to promote academic excellence and provide an opportunity for thousands of outstanding students with significant financial need, particularly those intending to study mathematics, science, engineering, education, or library science, to reach their goals.

During its inaugural year, the program selected more than 4,000 scholars who are attending 937 colleges and universities.

Applications and nomination details are available at [www.gmsp.org](http://www.gmsp.org). Additional information is available at 1-877-690-GMSP and [www.gatesfoundation.org](http://www.gatesfoundation.org), or by contacting The American Indian Graduate Center Scholars at 505-884-7007.

The American Indian Graduate Centers Scholars, based in Albuquerque, N.M., is a partner in administering the Gates Millennium Scholars scholarships. The center is dedicated to the future and education of Native American scholars by providing scholarships and other assistance.

## Tribal Council Applications Due

Applications for names to be placed on the 2002 ballot for candidates in the Siletz Tribal Council election.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Tribal Roll No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone or Contact # \_\_\_\_\_

I understand I must be an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon and 18 years of age or older. This application must be filed with the Election Board by 4 p.m. on **Dec. 17, 2001**. I also understand that if for any reason I decide to withdraw my application for Siletz Tribal Council, I must withdraw in writing by **Dec. 22, 2001**; otherwise, my name will appear in the voters pamphlet and on the ballot.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like your candidate's statement and photo to appear in the voters pamphlet, please submit your statement and a recent 3x5 photograph of yourself along with your application. Statements and photos will appear only in the voters pamphlet. **Mail this statement, photo, and application to:**

C.T.S.I. Election Board  
P.O. Box 490  
Siletz, OR 97380

## Honor Veterans Through Photo Exhibit

The mission of "First Warrior" is simple: to bestow honor upon American Indian war veterans by archiving today's "warrior" in image and story for historical safekeeping.

"First Warrior," a photographic exhibit of American Indian war veterans, will honor these veterans. Through Jeffery Mitchell's camera, the images of today's warriors will be portrayed with honor for all people to witness. "First Warrior" will unveil nationwide on Veterans Day 2002 with exhibits of 40 to 60 "gallery" prints and spirited stories. Worldwide exhibits will follow.

In addition to honoring veterans, "First Warrior" seeks to:

- Present real, inspirational role models for Native American youth
- Help Americans understand the comparative history between the patriotism of American Indian veterans and America's treatment of their forefathers
- Learn from American Indian communities how they support and honor their soldiers
- Help with funding and publicity for the American Indian Veterans Memorial Organization
- Correct the stereotypical myth of Hollywood's portrayal of the Indian warrior
- Acknowledge that treatment of these veterans will be unlike America's treatment of their ancestral warriors

An effort also is under way by the American Indian Veterans Memorial Organization to build an eight-story concrete and marble eagle memorial in Phoenix, Ariz., honoring Indian veterans.

For more information on "First Warrior," contact Jeffery Mitchell at 1-888-888-6990 or 541-783-3040; [jemitch12@aol.com](mailto:jemitch12@aol.com); 35735 Agency Lake Loop Road, Chiloquin, OR 97624.

If you know a veteran who should be included in "First Warrior," contact Jack Quincy, Northwest Indian Veterans Association, 503-220-8262, ext. 3313, or 360-696-4061, ext. 3313; P.O. Box 1035, Portland, OR 97207.

