

Congratulations, ONABEN Graduates!

by Lisa Norton

The Oregon Native American Business and Entrepreneurial Network recently completed "Starting a Successful Business" classes. Several tribal members graduated from the classes.

I would like to congratulate them and wish them many successes. The graduates include Randy and Barb Kessinger, Glendora Osborn, Violet and Todd Moore, Shannon Chrisman, Michael Wilson, Darlene Smith, and Arliss Chatterson.

It takes a lot of hard work to finish this class and every one of them persevered through to the end. Again, congratulations to you all!



Marlene Wynn (l), Andrea Wynn, Julia Wynn, and Marnie Wynn, a graduate of Beaumont College of Beauty

Hoiness New Football Coach at Quinault

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AMANDA PARK - After spending nine years as an assistant coach at Hoquiam during the 1970s and last season as a defensive coordinator at Quinault, Ron Hoiness has finally landed a head coaching position.

Hoiness was named the new football coach at Quinault High School at a recent school board meeting.

"I'm excited, because now I'll be making the decisions," said Hoiness. "I'm looking forward to starting a good, successful program with high expectations."

Being a head coach is something Hoiness has always wanted to do.

"Things just didn't work out," he said. "There was always somebody that beat me out for the job. Two different times I came in second."

The 55-year-old Hoiness spent last year as the defensive coordinator under head coach Andy Olson, who resigned from his position last winter. The Elks went 8-2 last season but lost in the first round of the B-8 state playoffs to Prescott, 27-18.

The major area where Hoiness is looking to improve the program is in numbers. He hopes to field a squad of 20 to 25 (Quinault finished last year with 13 players), while also getting enough players turning out to also have a junior varsity team.

Hoiness, who also coaches track,

will be entering his third year as a physical education teacher for grades kindergarten through 12th at the school.

Hoiness graduated from R.A. Long High School in Longview in 1964. He played running back and linebacker at Central Washington University (1964-68).

After graduating from CWU, he became an assistant coach at Hoquiam High School from 1969 through 1978. He was the defensive coordinator under head coach Sandy de Carteret when the Grizzlies reached the 1976 AA state football championship game "I think I bring a lot of experience and I have worked with some very good head coaches," Hoiness said. "I've got a good philosophy of both offense and defense."

He left coaching in 1978. After spending over two decades out of coaching, he took a PE teaching opening at Quinault High School two years ago and joined the Elks' football coaching staff last year.

Hoiness' two sons, Todd, 34, and Sev, 30, were both standout running backs for the Grizzlies. Todd was a running backs coach at the University of Idaho last year.

"I think it is a great opportunity here," Hoiness said. "The community is great for helping the coaches and players both. It's a great place to be."



Welo Watson and Jennifer

PSU Honor Day

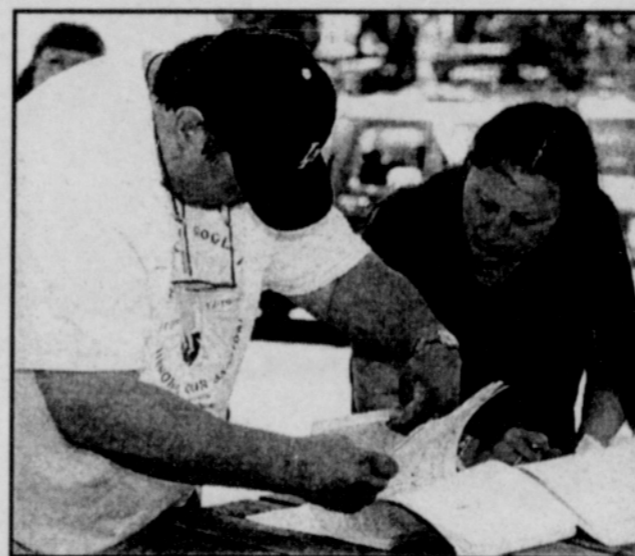
Activities at Portland State University's Honor Day recognized PSU graduates, which include Siletz Tribal students Welo Watson and Andrea Wynn, and Siletz employee Kelli Brugh, who received a master's degree in social work.

Congratulations, graduates!

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Kelli Brugh (second from left)



Frank Simmons distributes salmon to Brenda Butler (l), while Tom Downey helps out Dorothy Lane (r).