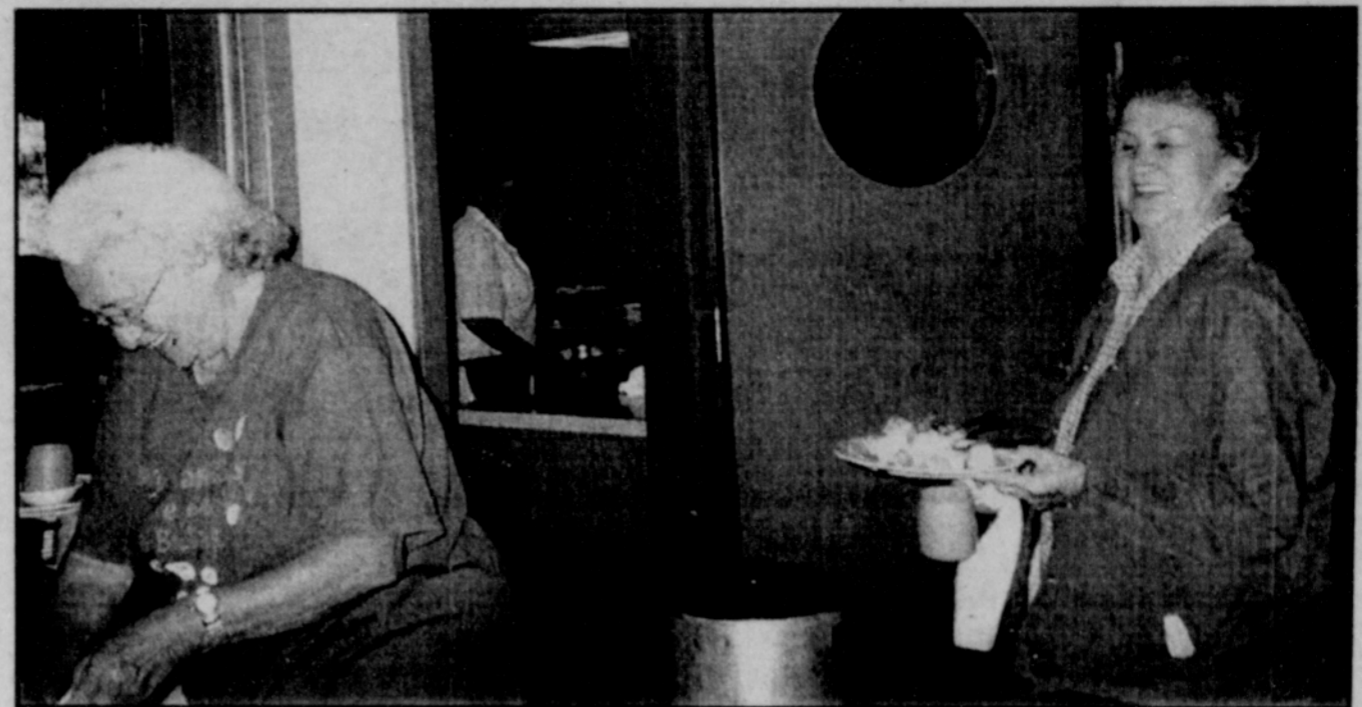


TRIBAL MEMBER NEWS



Several elders help at the meal site at the Siletz Tribal Community Center on a regular basis. Left: Arlen Kentta fills out a menu. Right: Vickie Nelson and Maxine Rilatos help clean up.



Right: Maria Westervelt helps in the kitchen. (Photos by Maria Westervelt)



Randy Kessinger and Lisa Norton

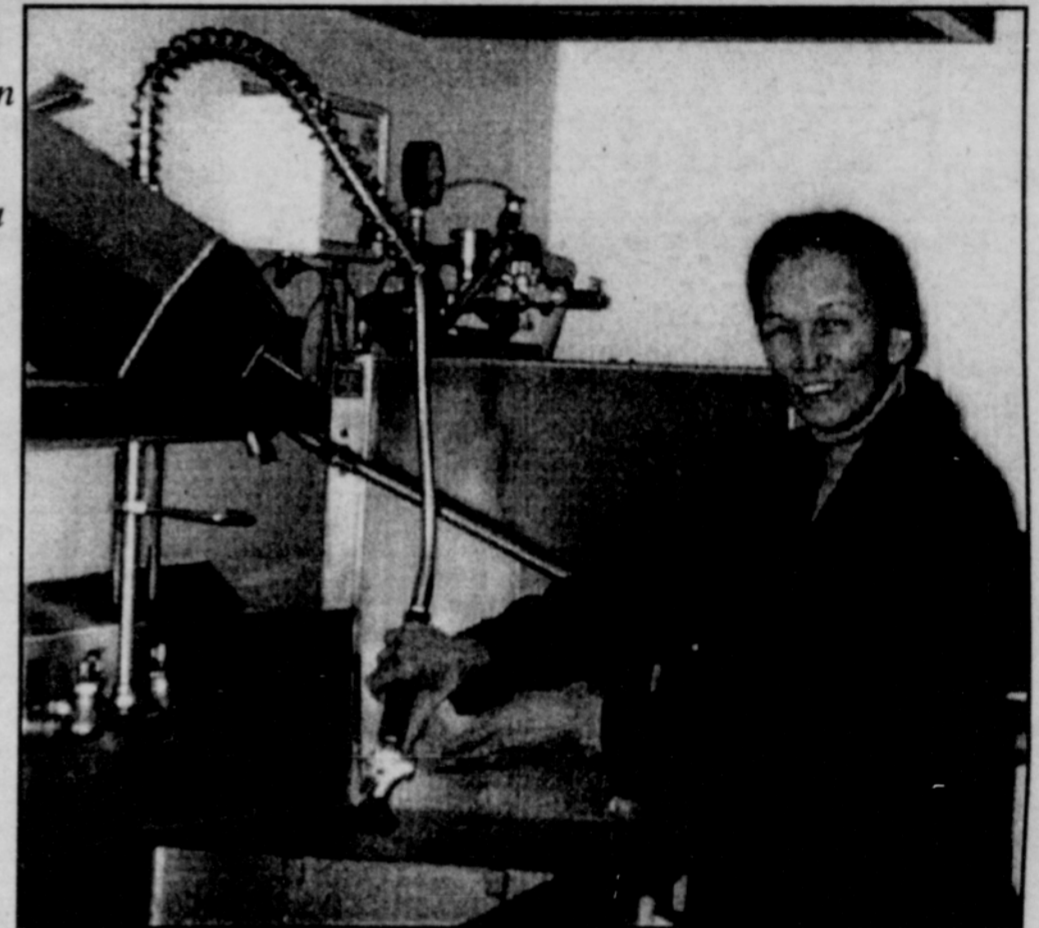
Kessinger Expands Flooring Business with Grant

Randy Kessinger has been in the floor covering business for 20 years and three years ago, he started his own business, Randy's Floor Covering, in Salem, Ore. Randy's Floor Covering offers carpet and vinyl floor covering as well as re-stretches and repairs. He is licensed, bonded, and insured (CCB #136629) in residential and commercial flooring.

In early September, Randy received a \$10,000 small business grant from the Siletz Business Development Center. Randy's Floor Covering was limited to installation and repair but with this grant, he'll be able to build a 30'x60' shop with a two-car bay for storage and inventory. This means that he'll not only be able to install, but also sell these products.

Randy says of the benefits of being able to sell and install, "I have more one-on-one with the customers, the cost is less than in most stores, and if anything ever happens, I'll be in business and will be able to take care of it at my customer's convenience."

Business comes to him by word of mouth and some advertising. Randy's Floor Covering serves Marion and 10 surrounding counties. He offers a 10 percent discount to all Native Americans. For more information, give Randy a call at 503-581-6848 (business) or 503-316-4851 (pager).



Another Year of Wisdom Happy Birthday!

Jamie Andrews, 10/26
Della Ault, 10/13
Verne Belgarde, 10/25
Barbara Boland, 10/19
Ivan Brown, 10/25
Raymond Eggersgluss, 10/7
Urla Fife, 10/8
Genevieve Gavin, 10/18
Jeanette Giddings, 10/17
Virginia Gongloff, 10/24
Kenneth Hatch, 10/16
Ronald Hoiness, 10/24
Elizabeth John, 10/23

Jack McCord Jr., 10/18
Martha Moody, 10/27
Ronald Mortenson, 10/20
Veronica Poersch, 10/21
Gary Sanders, 10/21
Nancy Simmons, 10/2
Charlotte Squires, 10/23
Tom Staggs, 10/17
Kathleen Steele, 10/8
Clarice Tanewasha, 10/1
Keith Taylor, 10/12
Lana Wagner, 10/16
Janice Walters, 10/20

Tribal Member News Wanted

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Give us a few details and we'll write the story. Or if something has been written about you, send us a copy and we'll get permission to print it in *Siletz News*. Send us photos and we'll be sure to get them back to you.