

Hatch Named Distinguished Engineer at OSU

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David Hatch

In February 2003, Oregon State University will honor David Hatch for his dedication to increasing the number of Native American students on campus, his outstanding contributions to civil engineering, and his voluntary services to his community.

David was appointed to Siletz Tribal Council last year for a term that ends in February. At the same time, OSU will induct David into its Academy for Distinguished Engineers. The qualities the university recognizes in him are the same qualities he contributes to the Siletz Tribal Council and community.

Twenty five years ago, David was one of the few Native Americans at OSU pursuing a degree in engineering. After he graduated, he joined the university's



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Board of Visitors to promote student diversity on campus.

He helped establish the Office of Indian Education to support Native Americans during their studies. Today, their presence on campus is almost double the national average.

David is equally dedicated to environmental issues. Two years ago, he co-founded the Elakha Alliance to return sea otters to the Oregon coast. The organization represents collaborations between the Oregon Zoo, the Oregon Coast Aquarium, the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI), Portland State University, OSU, and the state's coastal tribal governments. To establish safe havens for the animals, David sits on the governor's Ocean Policy Advisory Council.

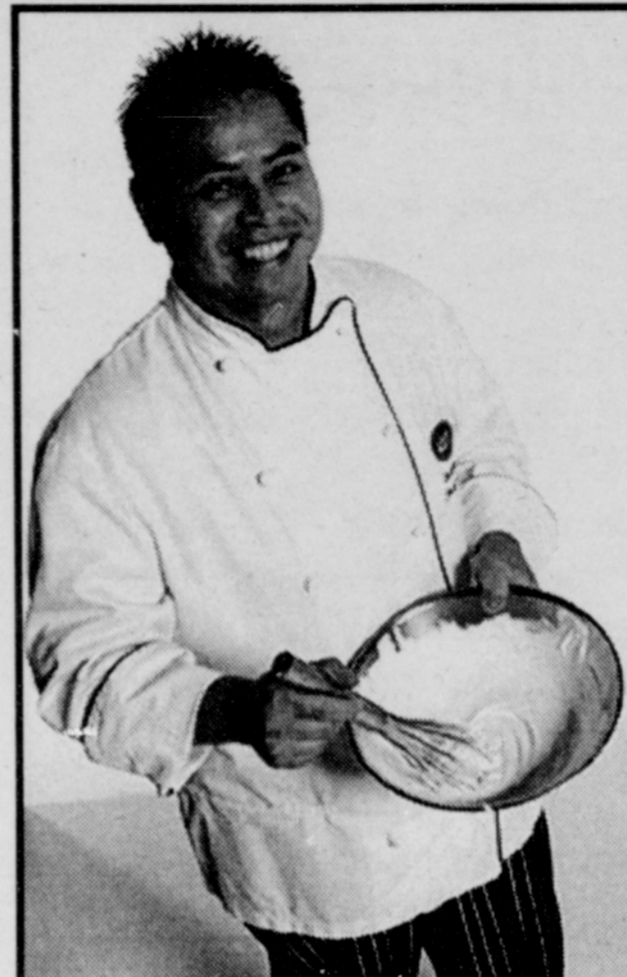
The Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians and the National Congress of American Indians have endorsed the Elakha Alliance. Ecotrust honored David as a finalist for the 2001 Buffett Award for Indigenous Leadership in Conservation.

David combines his passions for education and the environment with Salmon Camp and Sea Otter Camp. He developed these hands-on environmental studies programs with scientists from OMSI and donates his time every year to lead American Indian middle school and high school students through them.

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.



Jack Strong



Strong Becomes a Super Chef

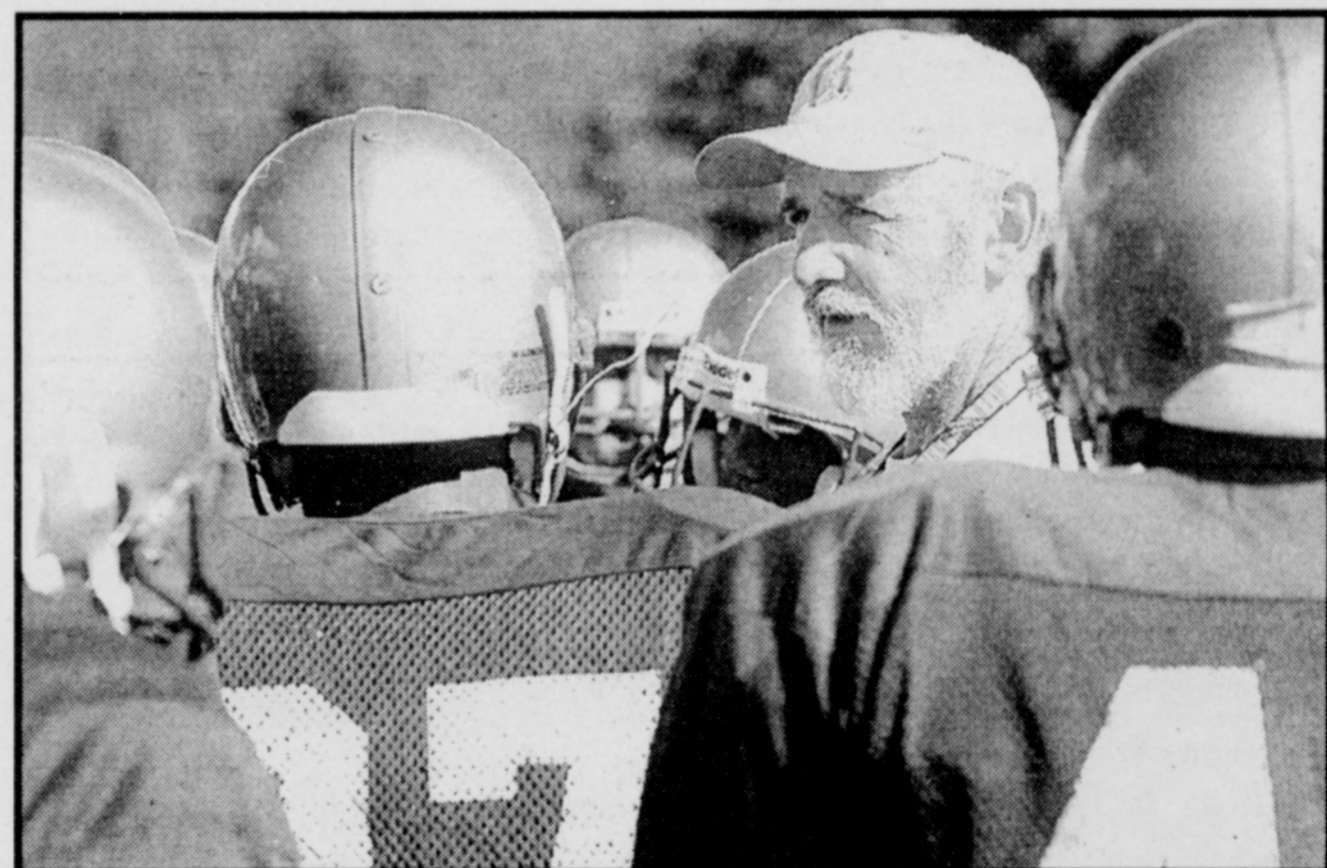
It's a cop, it's a fireman – no, it's Super Chef Jack Strong.

This name is fast becoming known to many. Jack's name first appeared in *The Register Guard* in the Entrée section, where he showed that a delicious meal could be prepared for \$10 or less.

Next, he appeared in the *Northwest Palate* food magazine, when an article was published on Adam's Place, where he is employed as assistant executive chef. After that, he was on the cover of the Lane Community College Winter Term 2002 Catalog.

Jack has participated in many other events. He was invited to Portland to cook with other top chefs from around the state earlier this year. He's one busy person.

We just wanted everyone to know how proud we – his father- and mother-in-law, Billy and Nora, and the rest of the Moore family – are of him.



Ron Hoiness coached the Quinault High School Elks eight-man football team to the state playoffs, where the team took third. (Photo by Kevin Hong of *The Daily World* in Aberdeen, Wash.; reprinted with permission.)

Ron Hoiness, Siletz Tribal member and head football coach, guided Quinault to a league championship and a state B-8 semifinal berth in his first year as head coach, was honored by his peers as the league's Coach of the Year.

Note: "Hoiness New Football Coach at Quinault" was printed in the July 2002 issue of *Siletz News*.