

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the editor:

My name is George F. Siniscal and I would like to let you know that I will be running for a position on Tribal Council in the upcoming 2004 election.

As most of you know, I was a candidate in the 2003 election and that I secured 155 votes. I would like to secure at least double that number of votes in the 2004 election.

During my campaign in 2003, I voiced my opinion and strong support of economic development. My feelings have not changed in that area. I still feel that the development of the land we own is very, very important to us.

However, though it has nothing to do with economic development, I would like to say that the re-opening of the Siletz Valley School was one of the smartest and wisest moves the tribe has made in some time. I feel that education is one of the most important things we can give our children. I can't even begin to express the heart-warm feelings I had when I read about it in the newsletter. Bravo to all of you who were responsible for this gift to our children.

Before I close this letter, I would like to remind all of you of the letter I wrote several months ago. In that letter, I stated that I would like to be the people's voice. If elected for Tribal Council in 2004, I would like to be your voice so you can be heard.

Vote for George F. Siniscal in the 2004 Tribal Council election.

Speaks Out Loud,
George F. Siniscal

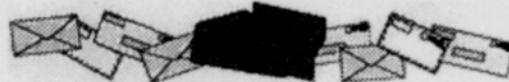
To the editor:

I am writing to announce my candidacy for the 2004 Tribal Council elections. I have received encouragement from several tribal members to run for Tribal Council this coming year.

If elected, I will strive to ensure that the tribe adheres to the policies set forward by the tribe and that we take every opportunity to respect and empower our tribal members and the employees who provide the day-to-day services. Studies have shown that a positive healthy work environment enhances employee performance and promotes a healthy staff/client relationship.

I do not believe that being told there is no grievance policy is the right answer to our tribal membership. It will be incumbent that each tribal member voice their concerns in a constructive way and that the tribal administration listen to these concerns.

If several tribal members voice the same concern, this should be a warning



To the editor:

Look too hard and we can miss the point. The point is separation isolates.

The importance of meetings, gatherings should not be centered on just business, but looked upon as a time for socialization as well.

Misunderstanding, barriers can be redefined through communication.

A relationship is a never-ending work of art. We need to be sure the colors we pass on are not dull narrow-minded

flag to our administration that there is work for us to do to resolve these problems. Staying on the same path and not adapting our plan within the confines of the program grant will indicate a lack of accountability and that we are not willing to take another look and problem-solve these troubled areas.

I will also encourage a team approach in working toward solutions. We need to include line staff in the process as they have the day-to-day working knowledge. This will give us a realistic picture and shortens the time needed to solve problems. I do not believe that one person has all of the answers. I believe that if we work together, we can come up with solutions to better our tribal organization as a whole.

I appreciate any support or comments. You can reach me at my e-mail address – lbgodfrey1@comcast.net.

Laurie Brown-Godfrey

chips of paint, but an enlightened color wheel of energy and imagination.

As I wrote in our *Siletz News* (June issue) letters to the editor, I am running for Tribal Council this year. I greatly respect the position of Tribal Council. As a qualified individual with many years in banking and business, I will represent our people in a prudent and professional manner with integrity and respect.

Respectfully yours,
Eva E. Clayton

To the editor:

I wanted to say thank you to all the people who worked on the Run to the Rogue preparing food, driving support for the runners, shuttling the runners to their miles and back to their vehicles; Tami Miner and Tony Whitehead for coordinating the miles 24 hours a day so we wouldn't have gaps (did you ever get any sleep?); and all the runners who gave up the time to come and keep the staff moving.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Feather Dance. They were few but full of heart.

I also want to encourage everyone to come participate next year, if only for one mile. It's worth it.

Sorry if I forgot anybody.

Respectfully,

Darcy Lal

Happy Thanksgiving



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