

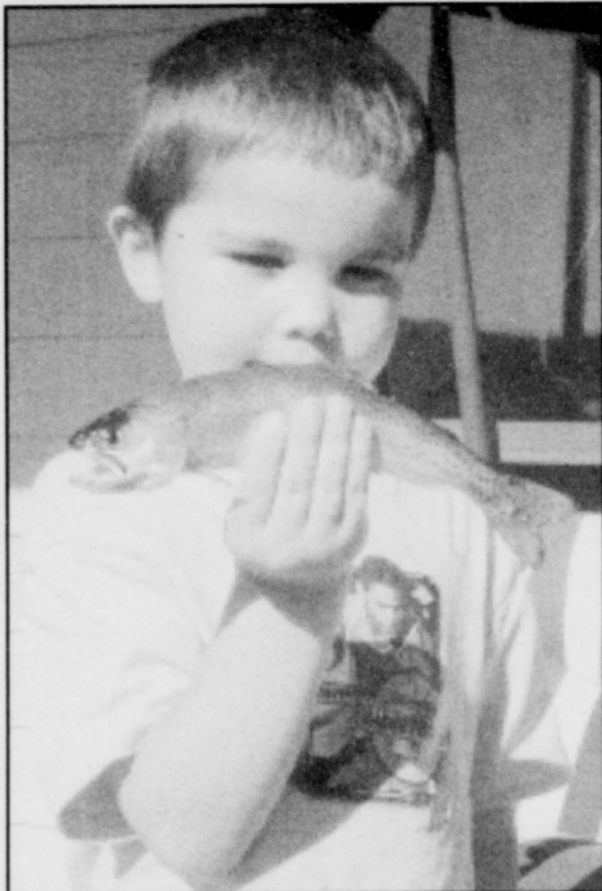
Susan Reed

## Reed Excels at Swim Meet

Congratulations to Susan Reed for winning a swim meet held in Toledo on June 7.

Susan won second place in a 4-by relay race and won a third-place ribbon in a 25-yard individual freestyle race.

Way to go, Susan!



Radar Taylor – Sweet Success  
Opening day of trout season 2005



Jason Kurtz, Jack McCord III, Jon Duarte, and Perry Johnson graduated from the Lincoln Combined Reserve Training Academy on June 4. Jason, Jack, and Jon now are reserves for the Siletz Tribal Police Department and Perry is a reserve with the Toledo Police Department. For nine months, they trained every Tuesday and every weekend, totaling 320 hours apiece. During the ceremony, Jason received the firearms expertise award. Jason, Jack, and Jon now serve with Tribal Police Officers Kay Spang and Craig Mitchell and Tribal Police Chief Denis Bosque.

## Co-Ed Team Plays in Tournament

by Charlie Butler and Selene Rilatos, Coaches

The Siletz Co-Ed Basketball Team went to the Grand Ronde tournament on May 27-29.

The first game was against Simnasho and Siletz lost by the score of 41-30. On Saturday, Siletz played Grand Ronde and

won by the score of 56-54, and on Sunday Siletz played Warm Springs and lost by a score of 57-51.

The team roster included Sam Lynch, Ami Case, Monique Lane, Tasha Rilatos, Cole Jackson, Justin Fawver, Eddie Avila, and Tygem Butler.

## Gathering of Nations Draws 3,000, including Siletz Royalty

by Natasha Kavanaugh

On April 27-29, the Siletz Royalty Court – Holly John, Miss Siletz; Katrina Reis, Jr. Miss Siletz; Jennifer Easter, Jr. Miss Siletz Princess; and Ashliegh Ramirez, Little Miss Siletz; Royalty Advisors Felicia Carmona, Darcy Lal, Angeline Easter, and Sara Bell; chaperones; grandparents; and I traveled to Albuquerque, N.M. for North America's biggest pow-wow – the Gathering of Nations.

On the first day, we went to the Miss Indian World pageant where 28 young Native American women from throughout Indian Country competed for the title.

Cassie Thomas (Seneca) from Lawtons, N.Y., was crowned Miss Indian World 2005-2006. The selection is based upon an assessment of personality, knowledge of tribal tradition, and dancing ability.

Other results from the pageant included:

- First Runner-up: Shere Wright (Sicangu Lakota) from Mission, S.D.
- Second Runner-up: Melissa Yazzie, (Navajo/Diné) from Gamerco, N.M.
- Best Public Speaking: Cassie Thomas
- Best Traditional Presentation: Cassie Thomas
- Best Personal Interview: Shere Wright
- Best Essay: Alexarae Funmaker (Grand Travers Band Ottawa and Chippewa) from Suttons Bay, Mich.
- Best Dancer: Shere Wright

- Miss Congeniality: Jessica Anthony (Navajo/Northern Arapaho/Shoshone) from Pocatello, Idaho

On the following days, we attended the Gathering of Nations Pow-Wow and Indian Traders Market (more than 800 artists, crafters, and traders placed their wares on display and for sale) at the University of New Mexico Arena in the "Pit."

More than 3,000 indigenous, Native American dancers and singers representing more than 500 tribes from Canada and the U.S. come to Albuquerque annually to participate socially and competitively, with more than \$140,000 awarded to dancers and singers.

The drum competitions included five places in each category. The 2005 Southern Drum Champion was Young Bird of Pawnee, Okla., and the 2005 Northern Drum Champion was Northern Cree of Hobbema, Alberta, Canada.

One of the most enjoyable things for me was to watch the different dances, like the Kiowa Gourd Dancers (those who have done exceptional things in their lives), from the different tribes – first they show you and then you can join them on the floor if you want.

The Gathering of Nations Pow-Wow was a wonderful experience, with so many things going on that you just don't want to miss!

## Congratulations

### SVS Honors Students of the Month

Siletz Valley Charter School has announced the Students of the Month for May 2005.

On the first Monday of every month, students in grades K-8 are recognized at our morning assembly for attendance, academic achievements, citizenship, and positive behavior.

Based on performance, teachers nominated the following students:

- K Felisha Chavez, Levi Lancaster, Coral Donne Pearl
- 1<sup>st</sup> Dion Napoleon, Savanna Rilatos
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Britany Robertson, Robert Williams
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Lewis Napoleon, Josh Rilatos
- 4<sup>th</sup> Steven Lindstrom, Monica Wolf
- 5<sup>th</sup> Joseph Blom, Kimberly Anderson
- 6<sup>th</sup> Jeff Sweet, Aaron Wawrak
- 7<sup>th</sup> Tim Lindstrom
- 8<sup>th</sup> Tabietha Little, Chelsey Stewart

### PE

- K Joanna Lindstrom, Bobby Butler
- 1<sup>st</sup> Leslie Brown, Daniel Lindstrom
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Morgan Crawford, Devon Reed
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Logan Butler, Craig Parker
- 4<sup>th</sup> Philip Edwards, Danielle Clark
- 5<sup>th</sup> Kiesha Bremner (Metcalf), Jordan Young
- 6<sup>th</sup> Roni Gerttula, Nick Wallace

- 7<sup>th</sup> Alex Flores, Loy Marthaller
- 8<sup>th</sup> James Nelson, Chelsey Stewart

### Top Academic Students (end of the fourth quarter)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Cecillie Butler, Donovan Carey
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Morgan Crawford, Sierra Gerttula
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Kai Skidmore, San Poil Whitehead
- 4<sup>th</sup> Steven Lindstrom, Danielle Clark
- 5<sup>th</sup> Kassandra Rilatos, Ab Williams

### Excellent Attendance

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Morgan Crawford
- 3<sup>rd</sup> David Paul
- 4<sup>th</sup> Jeffery Paul, John Pullam
- 5<sup>th</sup> Joseph Blom, Kassandra Rilatos
- 7<sup>th</sup> Joseph Wilson

This was our last assembly for the year. We would like to thank Noel's Market, Little Chief, Sweet River Corner Cafe, Siletz Gas & Mini-Mart, our volunteers, and the community for another fantastic year. We would not be able to accomplish our goals without you.

It's individuals like yourself who will motivate our students to reach their full potential and give back to our community. The staff and students appreciate your continued support.

We look forward to seeing you in September. Have a great summer!

North America's Biggest Powwow!