

# TRIBAL PROGRAM NEWS

## Elders Summer BBQ

The elders voted at the June meeting to once again have Bingo and games, and contribute to the food cost for the Elders Title VI BBQ luncheon. It's scheduled for noon on Aug. 27 at the Siletz Tribal Community Center. Lunch will be served at 1 p.m. and Bingo will follow the meal.

Please call Angela at 541-444-8225 or 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1225, to sign up. This will be a time for the elders to socialize and catch up with each other.

The elders of the Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians have been invited to attend. Caregivers and spouses are welcome to attend!

## Elder Council Meeting

There will be no meeting in August because of the pow-wow and no meeting in September because of Run to the Rogue.

The next Elders Council Meeting will be Oct. 8, 2005, at Chinook Winds Casino Resort.

The July meeting was held at Chinook Winds Golf Resort with each elder attending receiving a Chinook Winds 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary wine glass with sparkling cider and marble coasters with the Chinook Winds Golf Resort name and logo.

## Upcoming Activities

The elders have several activities coming up in August and September. Elders can sign up for these trips by calling Angela Ramirez, Elders Program coordinator, at 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1225, or 541-444-8225.

• Elder Raffle at pow-wow; contact Liz John if you would like to work in the raffle booth

- Elder BBQ, Aug. 27
- Run to the Rogue, Sept. 9-11
- Jet Boat Trip, Sept. 11-12
- Maori/Siletz Cultural Exchange Day, Sept. 25
- Willamette Museum Tour, Sept. 27
- Portland Rose Garden and Japanese Garden tour; date TBA

## Siletz Meal Site

**Mondays and Wednesdays, Noon – 1 p.m.**

Call Karen, Meal-Site manager, after 10 a.m. on the meal-site day at 541-444-9547 if you need to change your meal for the day.

Call Angela at 541-444-8225 or 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1225, to sign up for meals or change your meal deliveries on days when it's not a meal-site day.



## Testing the Water

by Angela Ramirez

On June 24, 26 elders were up early and ready to catch a bottom fish on the Dockside Charters' boat *Samson* that calls Depoe Bay its home port.

It was a beautiful sunrise from the dock at 5:30 a.m. when the majority of the elders arrived. They saw the salmon fishing charter set out at 5:30 a.m. It was just a half-hour more until they were sitting out on the ocean. Then the captain said he was going to go out and check the waters – it was looking a little rough.

The captain of the *Samson* and the captains of the two smaller boats returned with the news that the smaller boats would not be able to go out, so only 20 of the 26 would be able to go out on the *Samson*.

The salmon charter had just returned; 17 of the elders wanted to give it a try, so they boarded and set sail at 6 a.m. sharp. Those who stayed behind watched them depart toward the ocean.

Some commented on seeing the whitecaps coming up as they left their motel rooms. One of the vans went up to Highway 101 to watch them head out to sea. They sometimes lost sight of the boat, dipping down as the large waves covered them from view, then popping back up to the top of the wave.

One elder commented that all she could see was water and wondered how she was going to cast her line when she couldn't let go of the table to stand up. Some of the men commented that, "It wasn't that bad."

After about 15 minutes out, the captain decided that it wouldn't be possible to fish and returned to port. It was amazing to see the captain steer the boat into the narrow path back into the bay.

The elders have rescheduled their trip for Aug. 5 and hope to have plenty of sun, low winds, and calm seas!

## Another Year of Wisdom for Our Elders ... Happy Birthday!

Angelina Artiago, 8/8  
Robert Baker, 8/5  
Bert Bartow, 8/16  
Delbert Bell, 8/25  
Raymond Blacketer, 8/16  
Rosalie Bremner, 8/27  
Joyce Britton, 8/11  
Ronald Butler Sr., 8/21  
Geri Calaba, 8/19  
Charles DePoe, 8/14  
Peter DePoe Sr., 8/21  
Elizabeth Dotson, 8/4  
Duane Endres, 8/2  
Consuelo Fernandez, 8/1  
Richard Fernandez, 8/30  
Chuck Fisher, 8/10  
Stephen Flores, 8/17

Mary Grabert, 8/28  
Joseph Lane Jr., 8/24  
Lois Lanier, 8/13  
Martha Lockhart, 8/12  
Sharon Mason, 8/14  
Wanda Melton, 8/17  
Charlotte Noble, 8/9  
David Rilatos, 8/20  
Marie Spratt, 8/4  
Betty Stahr, 8/13  
Gloria Stott, 8/16  
Lorene Tedmon, 8/20  
Daniel Viles, 8/8  
Mary Viles, 8/11  
Harry Reynolds, 8/24  
Maxine Rilatos, 8/7  
Shirley Walker, 8/1  
Joan Washington, 8/7



Judy Muschamp, Siletz Health Director, attends the health board meeting.

**Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board and California Rural Indian Health Board Joint Quarterly Board Meeting**  
July 19-21, 2005  
Chinook Winds Casino Resort

Left: Rachel Joseph gives an IHCA update on the last day of the health board conference.