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Frank Simmons, Jessie Davis, and Reggie Butler Sr. are sworn in by Election Director Dan Van Otten.



2006 officers: Phil Rilatos Sr., treasurer; Delores Pigsley, chairman; Lillie Butler, secretary; and Bud Lane, vice chairman

Tribal Members Elect Butler, Simmons, and Davis to Council

Reginald M. "Reggie" Butler Sr., Franklin D. Simmons, and Jessie Davis were elected to the Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians in elections held Feb. 4.

Butler, from Siletz, Ore., was re-elected with 400 votes; Simmons, from Lincoln City, Ore., received 294; and

Davis, from Salem, Ore., received 270. Fifteen candidates ran for the three open positions and the three who received the most votes were elected.

These individuals will serve with Lillie Butler of Siletz, Delores Pigsley of Salem, and Alfred "Bud" Lane III of Siletz, whose terms expire in 2007;

and Robert Kentta of Logsden, Ore.; Philip W. Rilatos Sr. of Waldport, Ore.; and Loraine Y. Butler of Siletz, whose terms expire in 2008. Term of office is three years for each position on the nine-member council.

The following were elected to serve as officers for 2006: Delores Pigsley,

chairman; Alfred "Bud" Lane III, vice chairman; Lillie Butler, secretary; and Philip W. Rilatos Sr., treasurer.

Nine hundred nineteen ballots were returned out of the 1,937 ballots that were issued. Enrolled members of the Siletz Tribe who are age 18 or older are eligible to vote in tribal elections.

Hundreds Mourn Passing of Mary "Dolly" Fisher

Hundreds of people attended the funeral of former Tribal Council member Mary "Dolly" Agnes Fisher, 77, who died Feb. 9, 2006, in Corvallis, Ore.

She was born April 8, 1928, in Siletz, Ore., to Frederick and Augusta (Smith) Simmons.

She graduated from Chemawa Indian School in Salem, Ore. She was one of several people who worked on the restoration of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians. She named the tribal casino, Chinook Winds, and the Tenas Illahee Child Care Center.

She was a member of the Siletz Tribal Council, serving as chairman and vice chairman. She was on the tribal Health and Education committees.

She won the Nanwood Honeyman Award for significant contribution to



Mary "Dolly" Fisher

the advancement of women in Oregon. She won the National Congress of

American Indians award that honors Native women's leadership.

She married Dan Fisher on April 19, 1947, in Stevens, Wash.

She was preceded in death by her husband on Nov. 17, 2003; infant son, Kelly; and brothers, Harding Simmons and Calvin Simmons.

Survivors include her sons, Terry D. Fisher of Siletz, Chuck A. Fisher of Siletz, Michael S. Fisher of Sheridan, Ore.; daughters, Pamela R. Keller of

Wasilla, Alaska, and Ramona K. Fisher of Siletz; brother, Frank Simmons of Lincoln City, Ore.; sisters, Lavera "Babe" Simmons of Siletz, and June Austin of Gervais, Ore.; 18 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Feb. 15 at the Siletz Tribal Community Center. Burial was at the Paul Washington Cemetery in Siletz.

The Siletz administrative offices were closed that day in her honor.

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