

TRIBAL PROGRAM NEWS

To the editor:

This letter is to address the callous and irrevocably incorrect statements written by Cindy Jackson in the September issue of our tribal newsletter.

The first person I heard complain about our casino was a non-Native woman, in April 1995. She had the audacity to say to me, "Could 'they' have found an uglier fish to use?"

She was talking about our tribal emblem, the Chinook salmon, with the Siletz River, Euchre Mountain, and pine trees. My father, Bobby Simmons, drew that design. 'Nuff said.

In January of this year, I had the opportunity to attend the INXS concert that was held at Chinook Winds (which, if you remember, was a big hullabaloo for Mr. Jim Kikumoto). It was the first

night of the show and a piece of the ceiling fell – worse, it fell right near our elders' seating! I was appalled, then embarrassed.

Now, I don't know where you came from, but apparently you've not had the circumstance of working through our tribal programs (assuming you would speak of your experience). The letters that were published were from the families of tribal children whose case set precedence beyond what is currently known to any tribal court system.

You need to attend General Council. I would suggest that you know of what it is you speak about before you give your opinion (publicly).

"Boston Tillicums?"

Levi Simmons



To the editor:

To all tribal members,

My name is Sar Richards and I am asking for your support in my run for Tribal Council.

For those who do not know me, or about me, I am married with three children ages 8-18; my grandfather is tribal elder Edward G. Collins, known to most as Eddie; I am a graduate of Oregon State University with a bachelor's degree in business; and I served in the Army from 1986 to 1991 with an honorable discharge.

I have worked for the tribe for nine years, the first three as a gaming commissioner and now as the director of Casino Operations at Chinook Winds Casino Resort.

I have worked for and with the Tribal Council and three different chairmen over the past nine years and have a great deal of respect for all of them. My goal in running is to provide a

different voice through which more tribal members can be heard.

I feel very strongly about a number of issues. One that I will share here is about elders with the greatest need for care.

First off, I feel the current staff charged with caring for our elders is doing a very good job. However, as a tribe we can do more.

With the growing number of baby boomers reaching retirement age and beyond, there is a real need for elder care facilities. By operating an elder facility, we can better care for our own elders and by opening it up to non-tribal retirees, we can gain a long-term revenue source.

I want to work for all of you and to hear from all of you about what you see as challenges, concerns, and opportunities. My phone number is 541-992-5627. If you leave your number, I will call you back.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sar

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Siletz Dee-ni Language Lesson Insects

Ant	k'aa-t'vsh	Grasshopper	k'a's
Bee	ch'vs-na – or – ts'vs-na	Head louse	yaa-'i'
Beetle	'ii~ghvn	Maggot	guu-'i'
Body louse	ya'-lhki	Mosquito	bvn'-dee-thii-lii-'a – or – ghvm-ts'vthl-yi
Butterfly	ch'vs-ki	Mussel worm	dee-lhat-guu-'i'
Cricket	t'utlh-t'ulh	Seaweed worm	lat-guu-'i'
Dragon fly	bvn'-nes – or – bvn'-chu	Slug	sree-k'ee-li~
Earth worm	ch'ee-naa-guu-'i	Snail	mvn'-nay-ghe
Fly	bvn'	Spider	k'wee-t'a'sr
Flea	xwvlh-xa'lh	Tick	ch'aa-k'vm'

Siletz Tribal Charitable Donations

1999 – Current

Donations by Category	Percentage
Education	59%
Environmental and Natural Resources	1%
Health	15%
Historic Preservation	1%
Housing	1%
Prevention	8%
Public Safety	10%
The Arts	2%
A&D Treatment	1%
Cultural Activities	1%
Other	1%

Total distributed since 1999 – \$2,369,412.48

County Distribution

Donations to Lincoln County	85%
Donations to Other Counties	15%

Charitable Donations

*** Sampling Only ***

Chinook Winds Casino (2003 to present) and
Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians (1999 to present)

	City of Lincoln City	Other Lincoln County
Education	51,435	1,080,432
Health	88,487	199,942
Historic Preservation	11,853	16,825
Prevention	36,461	104,588
Public Safety	17,699	185,856
The Arts	10,289	30,827
Cultural Activities	3,650	18,857
Housing	0	26,583
Community Resources	25,824	13,624
A&D Treatment	5,000	22,412
Other	14,564	84,436
Subtotal Tribal Charitable Giving	265,262	1,784,382

These donations do **not** include payments to the City of Lincoln City, North Lincoln Fire & Rescue, Lincoln City Police Department, Lincoln County Property Taxes, Lincoln City Transient Tax, Lincoln County Services, and Siletz Rural Fire Protection District

In 2005, Chinook Winds Casino Resort contributed \$10,000 to the Lincoln City VCB Glass Float promotion, \$170,000 to city services, over \$57,000 to the North Lincoln Fire District, and \$474,900 to Lincoln City to replace transient room tax – a **24 percent increase over funds received from the previous owner**. Additionally, with a payroll of \$20 million, the bulk of which goes into City of Lincoln City, it generates another \$11 million in wages elsewhere in Lincoln City.