

# TRIBAL PROGRAM NEWS



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## Spring Celebration Dance Crowns Jump Rope Champs

More than 100 youth, parents, and community members showed up for the Spring Celebration Dance during spring break in March. This event was the last in a week of fun activities that helped to keep our youth throughout the 11-county service area busy by offering healthy activities while being with friends and family in a safe and

drug-free environment.

To add to the night, a fierce jump rope competition was held, but only six winners jumped for it all.

The winners were Anita Knott, Savanna Rilatos, Kayonda Flores, Kayla Stokes, Halee Fisher, and Jenifer Metcalf. Halee had to hold out for 2½ songs to get the win!

## Business and You!

by Rosie Sufficool, STBC Business Information Counselor

### Work Ethics – What Are They?

**Work Ethics** – “A set of rules or standards governing the human conduct and behavior of a person in the workplace.”

If you ask several different people what “work ethics” are, you probably will get several different answers. Some people may not even know what you are talking about and others won’t be sure if they have “work ethics” or not!

Everyone has their own set of ethics. Most of our ethical or non-ethical behaviors are patterned after the ethics we learned growing up.

If you were taught to be honest and a hard worker as a child, it’s likely you will have the same kind of work ethics as your parents.

If you weren’t taught these ethics, it’s unlikely you will have them as an adult, but you can learn to change the way you behave in both the workplace and your everyday life.

Here are some questions to help you evaluate your own “work ethics”:

- Do you call your employer if you are going to be late or absent?
- Do you respect your supervisors and co-workers?
- Are you a team player?
- Do people respect and trust you?
- Are you honest?
- Do you care about your work performance?
- Can you control your temper?

- Can you resolve issues in a positive way?
- Are you on time for work and/or appointments?
- Do you care if the company you work for succeeds?
- Are you willing to do a little extra work if needed?
- Do you look at your employer as the enemy?
- Do you get satisfaction from a job “well done”?

These are only a few of the behaviors that can contribute to your style of “work ethics.” The good news is that you can always improve the way you act in your workplace. Here are some suggestions:

- Put yourself in your employer’s place. How would you want **your** employees to behave?
- Look at your co-workers as a part of a team. By working together, you can be a success!
- Remember, everyone has problems in their life. Don’t bring them to work.
- Look for the good in yourself and your co-workers.
- Set a good example by always being on time and ready to work.

Make a difference in your work environment and your life by improving your “work ethics.”

## Siletz Tribal Veteran Information

by Margo Hudson

We have great news! The Disabled Veterans Outreach Program (DVOP) representative, John Farrar, will be coming to the Siletz administration building once a month. His first day was April 12, 2007.

If you would like to meet with him, please contact either myself, Mark Pullam, or DeeJay Hartman to set up an appointment, 1-800-922-1399 or 541-444-2532. We will try to publish future dates John will be available. He will be a good resource if you have any questions regarding veteran services and opportunities.

We still are requesting information from veterans. Thank you to those who have responded. We need to have you provide the following information, so please fill out this form and mail it back to us:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Roll#: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Service Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

Conflict/War(s) Served During: \_\_\_\_\_

Interested in Serving on Color/Honor Guard  Yes  No

I am also requesting a copy of your discharge papers. Please return to Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Attn: Margo Hudson, Vet Color/Honor Guard, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

The Siletz Veterans Color Guard has been busy the last couple of months. They presented colors at the pro-am boxing event at Chinook Winds in March.

The Color Guard opened the Oregon Indian Education Association conference in April. We were very proud to have such a great showing of veterans at the Circle of Wisdom Elder Honor Day, also in April. Both of these events were at Chinook Winds.

I would like to thank our tribal veterans who participated in the color guard: Edmond Ben, Walt Klamath, Wayne Case, Ross Standiford, Heather Walker, Dennis Lane, Sar Richards, Earl Edwards, and Josh Morrow. We had veterans from many tribes throughout the Pacific Northwest.

Our next big event will be the Memorial Day Ceremony on May 28 in Siletz. We would request additional help from our veterans. Please contact me if you are available to assist in this ceremony.

## Help Needed on Cemetery Project

The Cultural & Heritage Committee is working on a cemetery project. It wants to purchase grave markers for the numerous unmarked and unknown graves at the Paul Washington Cemetery. The committee is asking for tribal member input to identify as many graves as possible.

The committee also is asking for tribal member artists to submit artwork suggestions for the markers. The artwork would have to be very small as the markers would be rather small in dimension. The artwork should be about 5" wide and 10" long.

For more information or to assist in identifying the graves, please contact the Cultural Office at 1-800 922-1399, ext. 1246, or 541-444-8246.

## Tribal Children Need Your Help

Do you value Siletz Native culture and want to help preserve it? Do you have room in your home and your heart for one more to love and nurture?

If so, the Siletz Tribe needs you! Foster homes are needed in the Siletz and surrounding areas, with an increasing need in Marion County.

For more information, please contact:

Shawna Nagunst  
Foster Care Certifier  
1-800-922-1399, ext. 1275,  
or 541-444-8275

Or visit [www.ctsi.nsn.us/icw.html](http://www.ctsi.nsn.us/icw.html)

