

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

October straddle's two months of special significance for the Siletz Tribe and for our members.

In September, we held our 13th Annual Run to the Rogue, which began in Siletz and followed Highway 101 to Agness, near the Rogue River in Southern Oregon. Everyone who participated does so in memory of our ancestors and in remembrance of their forced – and difficult – walk to Siletz. We once again had dinner together and were moved by our feather dancers in the evening.

During November, we will celebrate the 30th anniversary of the tribe's Restoration as a federally recognized tribe. A tribal committee has been hard at work putting together special events for this anniversary.



Delores Pigsley

Chinook Winds Continues Success

As for Chinook Winds, summer and fall continue to be financially success-

ful periods for the Siletz Tribe. Despite the high cost of gas and all the road construction en route to Chinook

Winds that pose inconveniences for our customers, our casino and hotel continued to do extremely well.

We had a ribbon-cutting ceremony in September for the grand opening of our new Elite Players' room. Our high-end players will be pleased to know there are a few more higher-dollar machines, a change window and cash machines in that room as well as a place to rest and snack.

Land Goes to Tribe – Paid by National Pollution Fund

Finally, I would like to take a moment to correct a serious piece of misinformation that recently was published in a Viewpoint article on the Opinion page of the *Newport News Times*. It concerns the purchase of the land that was turned over to the Siletz Tribe to help in the restoration of the marbled murrelet.

Contrary to what had been alleged in that article, the \$15.5 million to pur-

chase the nearly 3,900 acres that was turned over to the Siletz Tribe was paid for out of the U.S. Coast Guard's National Pollution Fund, not out of tribal funds.

Many decisions were made and reported by the multi-agency trustees, including the financial source for the purchase of the land. The story about the cargo ship *New Carissa*, the establishment of the trustees and management to restore the marbled murrelet were reported in various publications, i.e., a detailed news release by Phil Carroll of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, an article and also an editorial in the *News Times*, and a special article on page 16 in the September issue of *Siletz News*. These articles also reported on the source of the \$15.5 million for the purchase of the nearly 3,900 acres of land.

The important point is to verify the information before making allegations which, unfortunately, was not done in this case.

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Elders' Council Meeting

Oct. 13, 2007

Chinook Winds Golf Resort

2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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Restoration Committee Working on 30th Anniversary Celebration

by Tina Retasket

The Tribal Council has appointed a committee to work on this year's Restoration Celebration. As you may already know, this year marks the 30th anniversary of Restoration. The committee is working on many events leading up to the Restoration event in November.

If you have any photographs of people or events that are significant to pre- or post-restoration, we would like to make a copy of them.

Please bring your photos to the Public Information office in the administration building in Siletz. Diane or Laurel will scan your photo, ask you who the people are in the picture and what the event is, and return the photo to you. They will forward the copies to the committee and you will have the original.

We appreciate everyone's assistance in this event and hope to use as many pictures as possible to show the recent history of the Siletz Tribe.

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