

## Elders' Council Meeting

Oct. 11 • 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. • Chinook Winds Casino Resort

For more information, please contact Shirley Walker at 800-922-1399, ext. 1225; 541-444-8225; or shirleyw@ctsi.nsn.us

## Natural Resource Committee Vacancy

**Deadline for consideration to fill the vacant committee term ending February 2010 is Oct. 31, 2008**

Any Tribal member interested in serving on the Natural Resource Committee must fill out the following form and return it to the address below prior to Oct. 31, 2008.

Please mail or fax your application to Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Attn: Executive Secretary to Tribal Council, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549; fax 541-444-8325.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Roll No: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Day ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Evening ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Appointment to the committee will be made at the Regular Tribal Council meeting in November 2008. If you have any questions, please call Mike Kennedy at 800-922-1399, ext. 1232, or 541-444-8232.

## October Election News

by Kurtis Barker, Election Board Vice Chairman, 800-922-1399 or 541-444-2532

The Election Board has approved the timeline/schedule for the 2009 General Election and a few rules regarding the Candidate's Fair and candidate's statements.

**Candidate's Statements:** The Election Board now will be responsible for accepting and approving all candidate's statements. We have chosen to adopt many of the rules that govern statements in *Siletz News*. Statements will be limited to 450 words and not contain any personal attacks. One photo (optional) can be accepted with statements. Candidate's statements cannot be posted on Tribal property.

**Candidate's Fair:** This year, the Candidate's Fair will be held Dec. 14, 2008. The fair was moved from January to December to encourage more participation from the General Council. Hopefully, the weather will be mild enough to draw Tribal members from outside of the Siletz area to attend.

This year, the Candidate's Fair will take place before the deadline to file for candidacy. The deadline to file for candidacy is Dec. 24 by 4 p.m. In order to participate in the Candidate's Fair, you must be declared and certified by the Election Board prior to Dec. 12 at 4 p.m.

Tribal members who plan on waiting until the last day to declare will not be allowed to participate in the Candidate's Fair. The Candidate's Fair will be from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and mediated by the Election Board chairman.

**Misc. Changes:** The Election Board no longer will provide mailing labels for candidates. All candidates will need to request and purchase their own from the Enrollment Department.

### Timeline/Schedule

Dec. 12 (4 p.m.)	Deadline to declare and file for candidacy if you plan to participate in the Candidate's Fair
Dec. 14	Candidate's Fair – Tribal Community Center (1 p.m. to 4 p.m.)
Dec. 24 (4 p.m.)	Deadline to file for candidacy for Tribal Council
Dec. 24 (4 p.m.)	Deadline to submit candidate's statement and photo
Dec. 26	Official list of candidates posted
Dec. 29 (4 p.m.)	Deadline to withdraw candidacy and not be included in voter's pamphlet

Ballots will be mailed out the week of Jan. 5, 2009.

In September, we had 10 Tribal members register to vote who were eligible but not registered in previous elections. We also had 11 Tribal members register who became eligible this year. Great job, everyone!

### Youth ... Get Registered to Vote!

*"You have the power to change the face of Oregon politics ... By voting, you have the ability to make politicians listen, to drive policy direction and to be a part of the greatest experiment in government – democracy. Registering to vote is the first step in making your voice in government count, but remember, you also have to vote. Voting is the most important and effective way for you to participate in our democracy."*

Bill Bradbury, Secretary of State

### Tribal Elections

It comes once a year when Tribal members come together to elect their leaders. It's also once a year when everyone eligible can come together and voice their opinion by voting. This year is no different.

We have at least 900 eligible not registered Tribal members who are missing out on the opportunity to voice their opinions. This year, the Election Board has a mission to get as many Tribal members registered as possible. We encourage everyone to educate themselves on the candidates and the current issues that affect our Tribe.

The Election Board also mailed out registration cards to Tribal members who had cards already on file that were more than five years old. We already have received more than half back – more than 350 in the last couple weeks. That is awesome and we thank those who have updated their cards. This is going to help the Election Board greatly with signature verifications. Great job, everyone!

If you have any questions about Tribal elections, please feel free to contact any Election Board Member – Tracey Worman, Felicia Carmona or myself.

## Tribal Children Need You

Do you value Siletz Native culture and want to help preserve it? If so, please consider fostering for the Tribe. The Siletz Tribe needs loving, stable, nurturing homes in all areas.

If you are interested, please contact Shawna Henarie, foster care certifier, at 541-444-8275 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1275; or visit [www.ctsi.nsn.us/icw.html](http://www.ctsi.nsn.us/icw.html).



## Election Board Applications Due

**Deadline for Consideration for the 2008/09 Election Board is Oct. 6, 2008**

Any Tribal member interested in serving on the Election Board must fill out the following form and return it to the address below prior to Oct. 6, 2008.

Please mail or fax your application to Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Attn: Executive Secretary to Tribal Council, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549; Fax: 541-444-8325.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Roll No: \_\_\_\_\_

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Tribal Council will review applications and approve appointments at the Regular Tribal Council meeting in October 2008. If you have any questions, please call Tracey Worman at 800-922-1399, ext. 1284, or 541-444-8284.