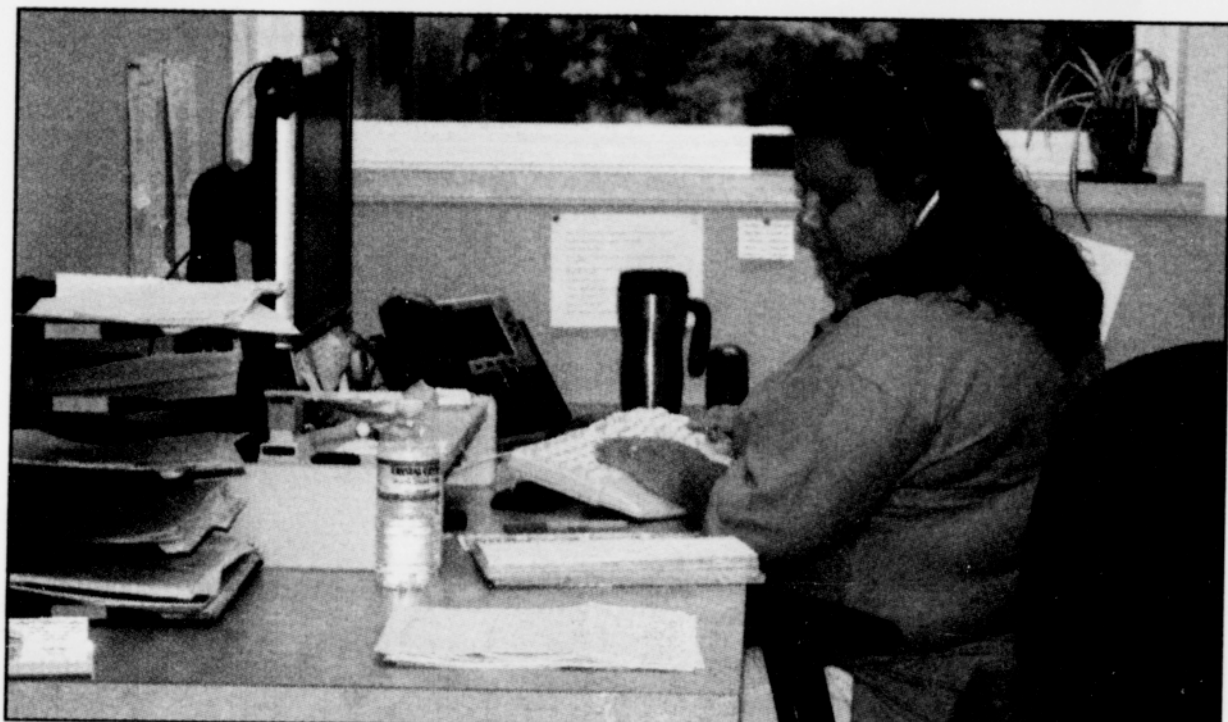




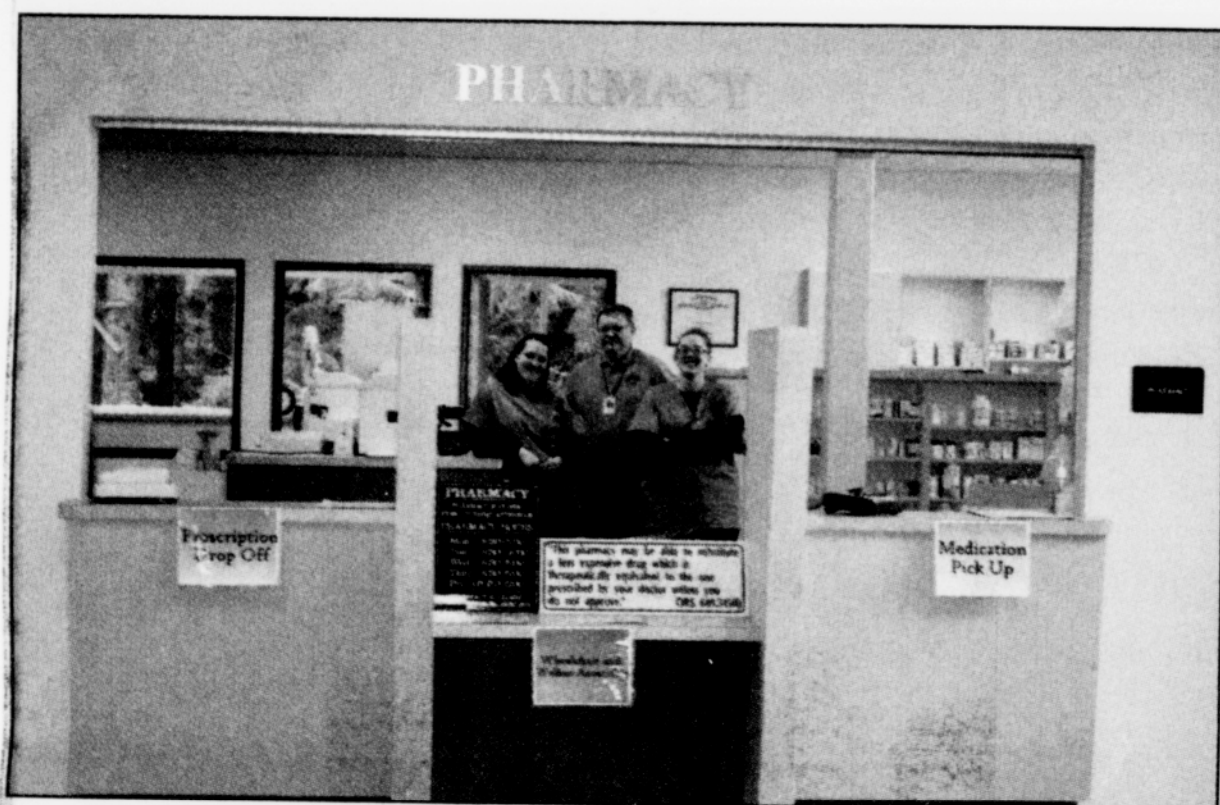
Felicia Carmona talks with Margo Hudson and Tina Retasket during the Health Fair at the new Siletz Community Health Clinic building. Carmona is with Progressive Options, which is helping to sign children up for health insurance through the state-sponsored Healthy Kids program.



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Brenda Howell works in her new office space in a section of the building that houses Contract Health Services, Community Health and administration offices.

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Mandi Smith, Michael Knight and Darcy Jimenez take a break from filling prescriptions in the new pharmacy.

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"Generally, it takes a champion, a person to drive the project – and Judy Muschamp is that person," said Tso.

In accepting the compliment, Muschamp honored the clinic staff with her own words of praise.

"I'd like to thank everybody who had a hand in the million details it takes to put something like this together," she said to a round of applause from the crowd.

Muschamp also cited Silver Star Construction and Anderson Shirley Architects Inc., which shared the design/build contract, and The Desk Dealer in Salem, which provided the furniture. She also thanked Eric Langeliers and Rick Bartow for their artwork that adorns several walls in the clinic.

Pastor Rick Russell from the First Baptist Church in Siletz provided the closing prayer and the Siletz Tribal Council concluded the ceremony by cutting a gold ribbon to signify the official opening of the clinic.

Health Fair Crowd Gets Screenings, Information, a Look at All Areas

Fair-goers were able to stop at more than 30 stations throughout the building for health screenings and information. Screenings included bone density, hear-

ing, vision, cholesterol, body composition and blood pressure.

Other organizations participating included Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital Hospice, American Red Cross, Best for Hearing, Newport Police, Yaquina Chiropractic, North Lincoln Auxiliary, Progressive Options, OHSU's Dangerous Decibels program, acupuncture with Mary Jo Higgins and massages with Karen Rungitsch and Deeanna Rodiger.

The 46,000-square-foot building houses all programs dealing with physical and mental health in one building, including medical exam rooms, dental operatories, medical laboratory, radiology suite, counseling offices, Contract Health Services, Prevention, Community Health, Behavioral Health and administrative space.

The clinic currently has plenty of room for the care provided every day in the 32,000 square feet that is in use. The additional 14,000 square feet will assist in planning for disasters and emergencies. It is the clinic's responsibility to be prepared to provide vaccinations, treatment, triage, quarantine and decontamination at appropriate times. Also, the additional space will help the clinic compete for various public health grants to expand health and wellness services as well as accommodate growth needs for the clinic.



Tribal Elder Wilma Strong keeps an eye on two of her great-granddaughters, Sahayla Johnston (left) and Nahayla Johnston, in the middle of Health Fair activities at the grand opening of the clinic.



Mary Ellen Volansky uses a stuffed animal with big teeth to encourage people to get fluoride treatment for their teeth and invited them to see the new dental area.