

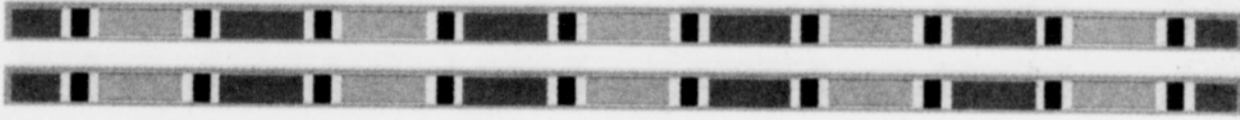
Dear Tribal members:

As an election has come along, I'd like to suggest a few things. That we elect a sub-council similar to our committees and to keep our council from being a monarchy. A minimum term limit like three terms, then that person cannot run for two years. Also anyone voted out cannot run for one year.

We have so much to be thankful for. How about medical for spouses. If our spouse gets sick or hurt, a Tribal family can go broke and homeless. Bring back Chinook Jargon classes as it's the easiest to learn. Tribal hunts for elder meat and rights to collect road kills. One-time emergency loan or gifts paid off by per capita payments. Job training without GED, jobs without driver's licenses, GED or diplomas. A committee for employment or business building.

We have so much to be thankful for. I just think we can do even more with all our input.

Thanks for listening,
Phil Rilatos, Jr.



Harry Rinker appraises treasures at Chinook Winds during Lincoln City's annual Antique Week celebration

Harry Rinker, formerly HGTV's Collector Inspector, will lecture and hold verbal appraisal clinics at Chinook Winds Casino Resort's Appraise-A-Thon on Feb. 12 from noon to 5 p.m. in the convention center. There is no admission fee to watch the appraise-a-thon and all ages are welcome.

Rinker now is host of a nationwide syndicated radio talk show called *Watcha Got? In Oregon, Watcha Got?* can be heard in Lincoln City, Newport, Eugene,

Baker City and LaGrande on various AM stations.

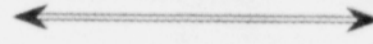
Having items appraised can help with estate planning or deciding whether to keep or sell an heirloom. Rinker will professionally appraise up to three items at a cost of \$10 for one item or \$25 for three items.

This year, 50 percent of the proceeds from the appraise-a-thon will go to Relay For Life, an American Cancer Society fund-raiser.

To the editor:

Please help! I was in a domestic violence situation and was able to escape but had to leave all of my belongings behind. Now I have nothing! I am in need of two small beds or bunk beds, washer and dryer, bedding, crib and baby clothes. Any help would be greatly appreciated! Please call 503-990-6440.

Jamie Butler
LaVerne Butler



Calling all Tribal members:

Your vote is wanted at the 2011 Tribal Council elections: I am asking for your vote.

Sincerely,
Frank Aspria (DePoe)

Space is filling up fast. To get your name on the list, please call Linda Wagner at 541-996-2323 or 888-244-6665, ext. 2323.

The show is just part of Lincoln City's Antique Week, which runs from Feb. 11-21. Area antique stores will have sales and special events and Rinker will make other local appearances.

For more information about all of Lincoln City's Antique Week events, visit www.oregoncoast.org or call 800-452-2151.

Comedy on the Coast features magic along with laughs



Brad Bonar

Tickets are on sale for Comedy on the Coast at Chinook Winds on Feb. 18-19, which presents a hilarious show with Brad Bonar, Joe Nipote and Marc Yafee.

Bonar is a double threat. One of the most talented close-up magicians in the country, he also is a gifted and funny stand-up comedian. Having four children means his wealth of material springs from his observations of family life.

Bonar's comedy is universal in its appeal and the magic displayed in his show has made him a crowd favorite at every event he attends. In the first minute of his act, you will stare at him like a deer in headlights out of sheer amazement. Then just as fast he turns it around and you're laughing so hard your face hurts.

Nipote started his 30-year show business career in stand-up comedy by securing one of only five slots on HBO's *Fifth Annual Young Comedian's Special*, then appeared on Showtime's *Comedy Club Network*, *Laff-A-Thon*, *MTV Half-Hour Comedy Hour*, *Comedy Central* and several other television shows featuring stand-up comedy.

Yafee's career in comedy began when he opened his own traffic school in the mid-'90s. Realizing that he could entertain a captive audience of traffic violators, he decided to try his hand at a comedy club open mic and never looked back.

Within two years, Yafee had won the Gold Rush Comedy Competition and started writing for George Carlin's *Laugh.com*.

Show time 8 p.m. for this age-21-and-older event. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. and a no-host bar is available. Tickets are \$15.

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Wishing my sweetie, Randy Wood,
a very Happy Valentine's Day from
your little dark chocolate.
Love you, my Sweets!



Sammy Jr. - Our handsome little man is a big 2 years old.

Happy Birthday, sweetie!

Love you - Papa, Grammy, Uncle Josh, Aunt Sierra, Aunt Misti, Aunt Tawsha and Nikiya

Kelsey Warren - Happy 21st Birthday! Look how much our baby's grown up. We're so proud of you! Best wishes and too many more birthdays to come.

Love you dearly - Dad, Mom, Josh, Sierra, Misti, Tawsha and Nikiya

Happy 2nd Birthday to our son, Sammy Jr., on Feb. 19. We love you! Love, Mommy and Daddy

Happy Birthday, Mom, on Feb. 18. Love you.

Sammy, Kelsey and Sammy Jr.

Happy 21st, Kelsey. We love you. Sam and Sammy Jr.

Happy Birthday, Sammy Jr. From, Uncle Matt

Happy 2nd Birthday, Sammy Jr. We love you.

Love, Aunty Liana and Uncle Wes

Happy 21st Birthday, Kelsey. Hope you have a good one.

Love always, Sierra

Happy 2nd Birthday, Bookie Boo. I love you.

Love, Aunty Sierra

Happy Birthday to Dolores Hall on Feb. 18! We hope you have a great birthday and we love you, mom!

Love, Rosie, Sam, Dell and Kyle

Happy Birthday to the bestest Gramma! We love you!

Love, Hunter, Daniel, Sammy Jr., Kenny and Khloe

Happy Birthday to my most beautiful wife!

Love you always and forever, Pat

Happy Birthday to Sammy Jr. on Feb. 18! We can't wait to see you dig into your cake and rip open all kinds of presents.

Love, all your aunties and uncles, cousins, Gramma and Poppa, and Mommy and Daddy

Happy Birthday to Kelsey Warren on Feb. 2! We wish you the best birthday and we love you.

Love - Rosie, Matt, Hunter, Daniel, Pat, Dee, Kyle, Dell, Chyna, Kenny, Khloe, and of course your baby Sammy and Sam too!

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