

Strong to be featured in publication on Native cuisine

By Teresa Simmons, Community Relations Manager at Chinook Winds

Recently, Chinook Winds had a visit from Tristan Reader and Terrol Johnson from Tohono O'odham Community Action (TOCA) based in Arizona. TOCA is a community-based organization dedicated to creating a healthy, sustainable and culturally vital community for the Tohono O'odham Nation.

They came to interview Chinook Winds Executive Chef and Siletz Tribal member Jack Strong on his use of traditional foods in modern cuisine at the casino's restaurants for a new magazine that soon will be in publication.

If you look up TOCA on the Internet, you will find a program developed over a 15-year history. Culture, health, agriculture and a sense of pride all work hand-in-hand with youth and Elders combining efforts to nurture and rebuild a lifeway known to generations past, to hand on to the generations yet to come. They are truly incorporating that which was lost into the new and modern way of life.

From a small grant, TOCA has developed into a multi-program organization promoting traditional foods. One of TOCA's initiatives is in the local schools, where indigenous foods are incorporated into the school lunch program.

TOCA has two farms (one operated traditionally) and one restaurant. The



Courtesy photo by Chinook Winds Casino Resort staff

Tristan Reader (center) and Terrol Johnson (right) sample the culinary creations of Chef Jack Strong at Chinook Winds.

magazine is a new endeavor that will highlight the foodways and traditions of Tribes around the country, their chefs and the use of indigenous foods and programs supporting health and culture.

Jack did a lengthy interview identifying the native foods indigenous to the Oregon Coast and invited Tristan and Terrol into the kitchen of Chinook's Seafood Grill so they could watch the preparation and take photos. Some of Jack's taste

sensations, which are beautiful as well as delicious, were sampled during the interview (there was a lot of "mmmmmm, you've got to taste this" and "what is that luscious flavor?" going on).

They also received a tour of the casino and a brief history of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians.

We'll keep you posted on when the article is published.

Missing Moccasins

Trayvon	Lamarcus	BAKER
Ted	James	BEAL
Robert	Joseph	BRANDT
Mark, Jr.	Steven	BREMER
Jessica	Rose	BUTLER
Melissa	Ann	CLAWSON
Racheal	Lanae	CROUCHER
Denise	Dianne	CRUME
R.J.		CRUME
Peter, Jr.	Oscar	DEPOE
Misty	Dawn	DRAKE
Robert	Anthony	EASTON
Jasmine	June	FLORES-KEELEY
Marcello	Riley	GAYTON
Shawn	Anthony	GHAN
Chay	Anthony Gene	GILBERT
Amber	Dawn	JORDAN
Clifton	Lawrence	KLAMATH
Crystal	Nichole	LACHANCE
Josephine	Cristina Rainbow	LOGAN
Marissa	Danee	MITCHELL
Gare	Andrew	MOODY
Tabatha	Christey	MORRISSEY
Chloie	Marlene	OLIPHANT
Evan	Louis	OLIPHANT
Haley	Lee	OLIPHANT
Kayden	Aric	OLIPHANT
Peytan	Erin	OLIPHANT
Korey	Matthew	ORLOFF
Brittney	Nicole	PAYNE
Bradford	Robert	PRATHER
Charles	Eugene	RICHARDSON
Francisca	Darlene	RILATOS
Frank	Lynn	RILATOS
Roberta	Pauline	RUSSELL
Donavin	Scott	RYAN
Washakie	William Hawk	SCHNEIDER
Joshua	James, Scott	SCOTT
Diane	Lee	SERVICE
Paul	Garrett	SIMMS
Charles	Cole	STAGGS
Charles	Jeremiah	STAGGS
Mackenzi	Marie	STAGGS
Maddison	Kiah Aurilla	STAGGS
Doniven	David	TOMPKINS
Kyle	Len	WALLACE
Sondra	Colleen	WALLACE
Andrew	Scot	WARREN-ROBERTSO
Derreck	Joseph	WILLIAMS
Chad	Everett	ZIGLER

Timothy Duane Mason – 1951-2011

Timothy Duane Mason, 60, of Siletz, Ore., died Nov. 4. He was born in Portland, Ore., on Jan. 13, 1951, to Howard and Madge Mason.

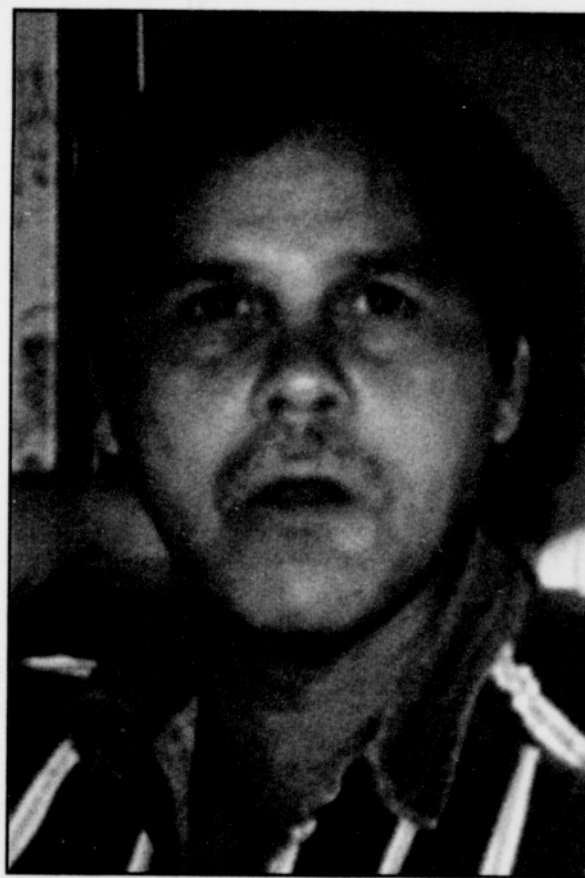
He graduated from Waldport High school in 1970 and in June 1985 graduated from Portland Community College, where he earned a degree in building construction technology. His family said, "He was proud of being on both the Dean's list and the President's list for having straight A's and keeping them for multiple semesters. He worked as a construction worker and owned his own business for many years. After retiring from construction, he became employed with the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians through the Elder WEX Program. He enjoyed caring for his dogs, gardening, agate hunting, playing pinochle, barbecuing and collecting coins."

He was preceded in death by his parents, Howard and Madge Mason; brothers

Terry, Paul and Todd Mason; and sisters Karen Mason and Tamara Morrow.

He is survived by his children, Scott Mason and Jeremy Mason of Toledo, Ore., Steve Mason of Salem, Ore., Jeanette Aradoz, Michelle Strickler and Travis Mason of Siletz, Heidi Hernandez-Mason of Newport, Ore., Melissa Strickler of Hillsboro, Ore., Staisha White of Florida and Jericho Hibdon of Kentucky; 26 grandchildren; and eight siblings: Tad (Belinda) Mason of Otis, Ore., Sharon Mason, Pamela (Phil) Rilatos, Dorene (Roger) Rilatos, Diane (Ed) Troyer and Judy (Karl) Payne of Siletz, Cindy (Bryan) Urbach of Newport and Monica Bessette of Tidewater, Ore.

A private viewing was held Nov. 7. A celebration of life was held Nov. 10 at the Siletz Tribal Community Center, with a potluck following. Arrangements by Bateman Funeral Home.



Timothy Duane Mason

Clinic changes telephone options for better service

In an effort to improve service at the Siletz Community Health Clinic, you now will have direct access to clinic departments when calling the local (541-444-1030) or long distance phone number (800-648-0449):

- To schedule or confirm a dental appointment, press 1.
- To schedule or confirm an optometry appointment, press 2.
- To schedule or confirm a medical appointment, press 3.
- Pharmacy refill line, press 4
- Speak with pharmacy staff, press 5
- Speak with Contract Health Services, press 6
- Speak with Behavioral Health, press 7
- For a listing of our address, phone and fax numbers, press 8.
- To listen to these options again, press 9.
- For all other options, dial 0 for the receptionist.



Enrollment Department

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Angela Martin, Enrollment Clerk
541-444-8258/800-922-1399, ext. 1258
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