

Chairman's Report

John Roe, Sr. passed away Oct. 12, 2012. He was a Tribal member whom I met back in the early days of restoration when he attended Tribal Council meetings. He was an active participant in the difficult formation years after restoration.

His contributions to the Tribe were many, but most important was his contribution to the establishment of our Tribal Court system. He helped formulate the body of laws that still governs Tribal affairs today. As the tribe's chief judge, he helped ensure that our judicial branch was and remains a respected institution in Indian Country.

John worked with the Northwest Intertribal Court System. Serving as a trial judge, he gained the respect of many and was able to use his experience in the formulation of our court system.

Another article in this issue of *Siletz News* (see page 7) describes his history and background. I didn't know John prior to his involvement with the Tribe back in

the restoration days, but I do know he was a World War II veteran who served in the U.S. Marine Corps and was on Iwo Jima when the American flag was raised.

He later joined the U.S. Army and served in Japan with the occupation troops. He was in the military investigation unit investigating theft and other violations.

The Tribe recognized all of our WWII veterans when the WWII monument opened in Washington, D.C. The Tribe made sure our veterans and their spouses or caretakers could be present on that occasion.

John also was named one of three grand marshals for this year's Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow parade, joined by Alfred Lane Jr and Ed Ben. John could not be present as all three were proudly hailed as heroes who sacrificed for our freedom. The Tribe is very proud of them.

John's career was noteworthy; he served his country and our Tribe well. Our condolences go to John's family.

As Tribal Restoration drew near, I often thought of all the Tribal members who helped get our Tribe restored to federal recognition. We all know today the benefits of restoration, but what is important is remembering those who have passed on and who made major contributions to get us where we are today.

This year's Restoration Celebration was one of the best. Many thanks go to all those who were part of the organization and all the staff support from the Tribe as well as the casino. Good job!

Finally, national elections are behind us and we hope our Senate Bill S908 will be acted on in the final days of this Congress. Big thanks go to those of you who sent supporting letters to our congressmen.

At our last Tribal Council meeting, the council approved a two-year contract for Tribal member Mike Fisher as the general manager of Chinook Winds. Mike was hired as the interim manager last January. Congratulations to Mike!



Delores Pigsley

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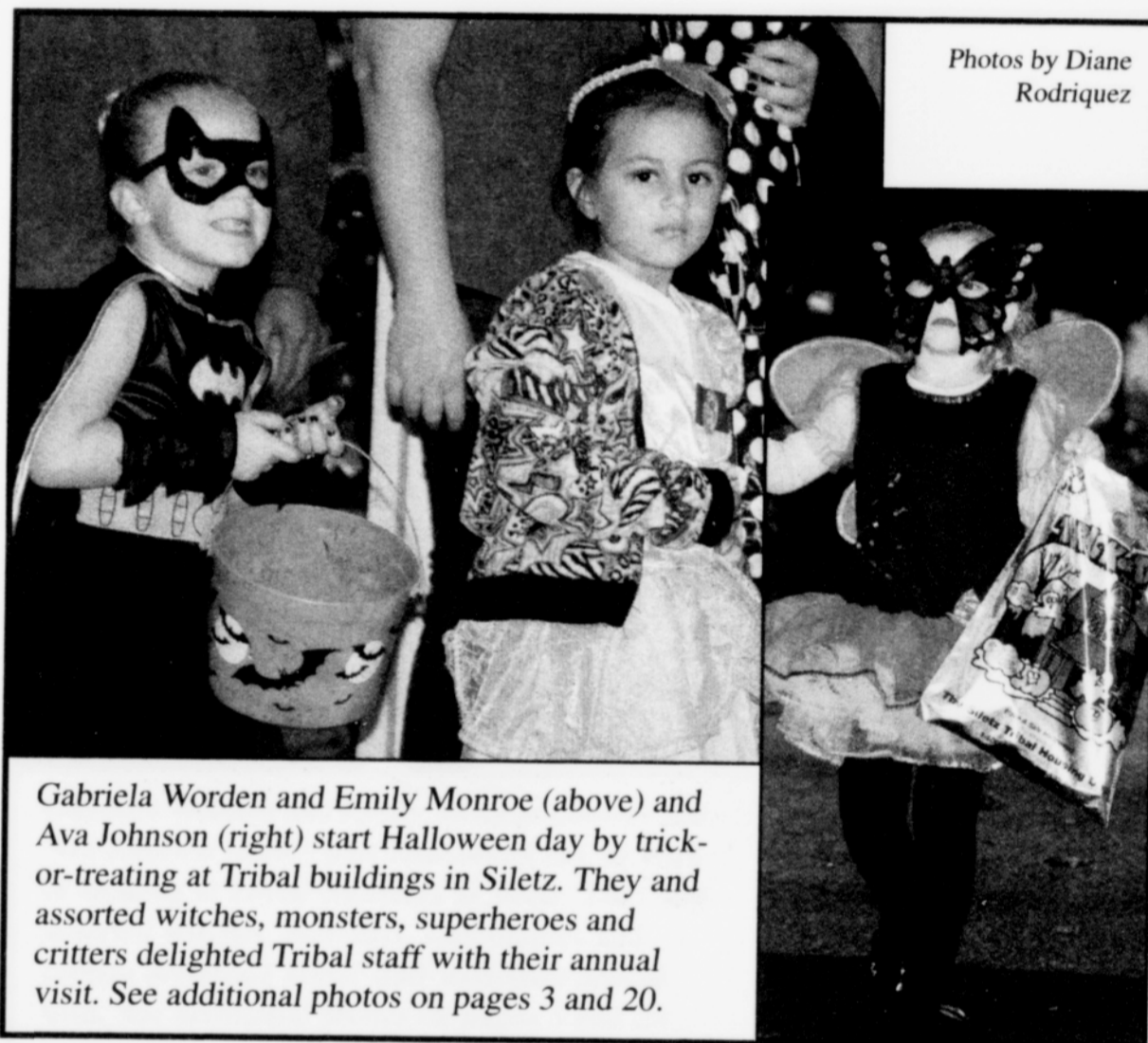
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Submission of articles and photos is encouraged.

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Photos by Diane Rodriguez

Gabriela Worden and Emily Monroe (above) and Ava Johnson (right) start Halloween day by trick-or-treating at Tribal buildings in Siletz. They and assorted witches, monsters, superheroes and critters delighted Tribal staff with their annual visit. See additional photos on pages 3 and 20.

Nuu-wee-ya' (our words)

Introduction to the Athabaskan language

Open to Tribal members of all ages

Eugene

Eugene Area Office
Dec. 3 – 6-8 p.m.
Jan. 7 – 6-8 p.m.

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Portland Area Office
Dec. 10 – 6-8 p.m.
Jan. 14 – 6-8 p.m.

Siletz

Siletz Tribal Community Center
Dec. 4 – 6-8 p.m.
Jan. 8 – 6-8 p.m.

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Salem Area Office
Dec. 11 – 6-8 p.m.
Jan. 15 – 6-8 p.m.

Classes begin with basic instruction and progress over the year. They also are a refresher course for more-advanced students. Come and join other members of your community and Tribe in learning to speak one of our ancient languages.

We also have equipment in the Cultural Department available for use in grinding and drilling shell or pine nuts or other applications. If you need to use the equipment, call the number below to set up an appointment.

For more information, contact Bud Lane at the Siletz Cultural Department at 541-444-8320 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1320; or e-mail budl@ctsi.nsn.us.