

Phillip M. Rilatos Sr. – 1951-2013

Tribal Elder Phillip M. Rilatos Sr., “Philly,” passed away at Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital (Newport, Ore.) on May 12, 2013.

He was born to Emanuel (Manny) and June Rilatos on Aug. 24, 1951, in Toledo, Ore. He was raised by Emanuel and Clarice Rilatos in Siletz, Ore. In 1961, they moved to Wrangell, Alaska. He graduated from Wrangell High School.

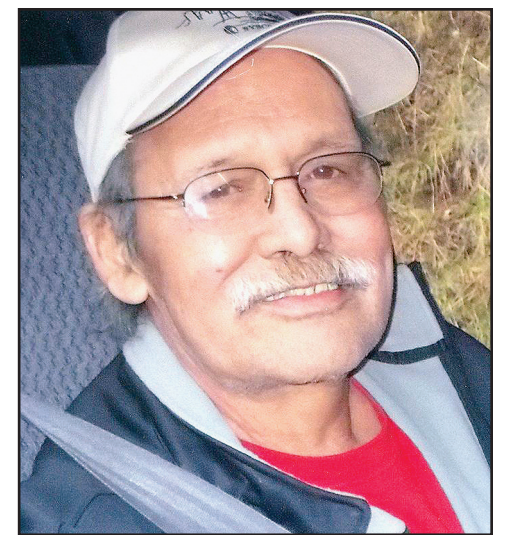
Philly was a logger for 7-8 years. He also worked for Wrangell Seafoods, PCI Construction, Lee’s Construction, Tomco

Construction, Robben Heating, Siletz Gas & Mini-Mart, and Chinook Winds for many years as a maintenance technician.

He is survived by his wife, Pamela Rilatos, of Siletz; sons, Phillip, Jeff and Ryan (Vancouver, Wash.); stepchildren, Tacey (Beaverton, Ore.), Zeb (Newport, Ore.), Danielle (Portland, Ore.) and Chyann (Siletz); grandchildren, London, Sage and Hope Rilatos (Vancouver), Devonté and Terrell Casey and Makai Anderson (Beaverton), Larell, Celiyah, Layala and Natalia Covington (Portland); brothers,

Frank Rilatos (Siletz), David Rilatos (Astoria, Ore.), Chester Ben (Siletz), Kent Rilatos (Alaska) and Darin Rilatos (Portland); sisters, Darlene Taylor (Siletz) and Jessie Davis (Salem, Ore.); uncle, Phil Rilatos (Waldport, Ore.); and many cousins, nephews and nieces.

Philly was loved by many and will be greatly missed. Thank you everybody for helping me in a time of need. I couldn’t have done it without my family and friends. – Pam Rilatos



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Courtesy photo

Chewescla DePoe is a guest speaker at the Fleet of Flowers celebration in Depoe Bay, Ore., on Memorial Day.

Turn in application, volunteer for Tribal Head Start in each of 4 locales

By Lori Jay-Linstrom, Parent Involvement Coordinator

It’s never too late to send in your Head Start application. Siletz Tribal Head Start will continue to accept applications for the 2013-2014 school year all year long. We have Head Start centers in Siletz, Salem, Portland and Lincoln City.

For an application, please call 800-922-1399 or 541-444-2532.

Our Head Start families enjoy many different fun family activities such as swimming, seed planting, literacy events and awesome field trips.

Our parents have an array of volunteer opportunities. They can volunteer in the classrooms during class time or help with building and lawn maintenance.

Parents can volunteer their time by serving on the Parent Committees, Policy Council and our Health Services Committee. We need volunteers every year, not only parents but community members as well.

If you would like to volunteer for our Head Start program in your area, please do so. Your help is needed in a variety of ways. Call the numbers above for more information or contact a classroom directly.

The Siletz Tribal Head Start Parent Committee would like to thank all the parents, family, friends and community partners who sold or bought raffle tickets or made a donation for our annual fundraising raffle. This was the most successful one we have had. Be on the lookout for our 2013-2014 raffle!

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Courtesy photo by Chinook Winds Casino Resort staff

Jack Strong, executive chef (left); Eric Anderson, Chinook Winds purchasing manager; Tina Retasket, Siletz Tribal Council member; and Rick Thomas with the Nisqually Seafood Marketing Program complete a delivery of salmon on May 22. The Siletz Tribe is the first Tribe in Oregon to utilize the ATNI Salmon Marketing program.

our Tribes will share products and stories from Siletz and other Oregon Tribes with Tribal members and casino patrons as well,” said James Slape Jr., a member of the Nisqually Tribal Council.

At the beginning of discussions, purchase price and product fulfillment were concerns. It turned out to be a little more expensive, with recent salmon price increases, but Chinook Winds personnel works closely with ATNI on pricing so the cost remains competitive in the marketplace.

“Eric Anderson, CWCR purchasing manager, and I worked with ATNI and Nisqually Tribe representatives on price, specifications, delivery details, seasonality of different types of salmon runs and creat-

ing a partnership that benefits everybody involved. It takes more work to get something of this size organized and going. But the end result is a higher-quality product for our guests and we support the Buy Indian initiative at the same time. Wild-caught salmon has a higher quality and taste than farmed salmon. There are also studies showing the health benefits of the wild salmon as well,” said Strong.

Chinook Winds did a blind tasting with chefs and all involved picked the Tribally caught wild salmon. Once more buyers jump on board, the price of the product will become more competitive, all the while keeping the profits in Indian Country.

The ATNI Salmon Marketing Program is just a start. So many opportunities exist through Tribal partnerships. Tribes are growing wheat, raising buffalo, harvesting oysters and making spices, just to name a few.

“We are starting with fish but will continue finding opportunities to keep our purchasing efforts to keep our dollars in Indian Country. ATNI has done ground-breaking work through their Salmon Marketing Program and we are proud to be a part of their journey into Oregon,” said Delores Pigsley, Siletz Tribal chairman.

REMINDER Elder Antlerless Deer Hunt Applications Due Aug. 2, 2013

Applications are available at the Natural Resources office and on the Tribal website under Natural Resources.

Open to Tribal Elders age 55 and older.

Call Natural Resources Manager Mike Kennedy at 541-444-8232 if you have questions.

REMINDER Youth Antlerless Deer Hunt Applications Due Aug. 2, 2013

Applications are available at the Natural Resources office and on the Tribal website under Natural Resources

Open to Tribal youth age 12-17 who have a valid Hunter Safety Card

Call Natural Resources Manager Mike Kennedy at 541-444-8232 if you have questions.