

Reminder from the Siletz Clinic

The Siletz Clinic would like to remind parents and guardians that if you send your child to an appointment with someone other than yourself or other legal guardian, you will need to sign a Release of Information.

This gives permission for another person to bring your child to appointments and for your child's provider to discuss the child's care with them.

If you have any questions, please call 541-444-1030 or 800-648-0449.

Thank you!

Dr. Chavez joins Siletz Clinic

Please join the Siletz Community Health Clinic in welcoming Dr. Fred Chavez, our new physician.

Dr. Chavez received his diploma from the Autonomous University of Guadalajara as a physician-surgeon. He also received a certificate from New York Medical College's Fifth Pathway Program.

He has 14 years of experience and is relocating to the Siletz area from Haxtun, Colo., where he practiced at the Haxtun Family Medicine Center.

Dr. Chavez's first day at the Siletz Clinic was June 13.

To schedule an appointment with him, call 541-444-1030 or 800-648-0449.

Welcome, Dr. Chavez!

Photo by Diane Rodriguez
Dr. Fred Chavez



Staff, community partners help Portland Area Office celebrate 30 years

By Andrew Johanson and Sherry Addis

On June 9, the Siletz Tribe's Portland Area Office (PAO) opened its doors to 80 attendees who helped us celebrate 30 years of providing services in our three-county service area.

It was a pleasure to see so many faces in the crowd, which included attendees from 16 community partners and 29 current and former Tribal staff who all contributed to this milestone.

The event opened with Siletz Tribal members Fish Martinez and Kenai Robertson, who sang a drum song for everyone. Area Office Supervisor Sherry Addis spoke briefly about the dedication and work so many have performed for the last 30 years and then invited staff, past and present, to come forward and speak about their service to the Tribe. Each one was presented with a gift of appreciation.

Community partners were introduced next and spoke about their collaboration with our Tribe and were presented with our Tribal history book, *The People Are Dancing Again*.

A light lunch was served and guests were invited to roam the office and see:

- Program displays of the services provided to Tribal and community members
- The beautiful regalia display that represented our culture and heritage so honorably, which was provided by Angela Ramirez, Shirley Walker and Ashliegh Ramirez
- Our new Siletz History wall and learn about our Tribe
- The Lori Johnson Memorial Learning Garden and learn about the plants

used by our ancestors for food and medicine.

We want to especially thank those who helped us prepare for this event. Thank you to Tribal administration and to Josh Blacketer and Heather Hatton from Chinook Winds Casino Resort for the generous donation of gifts to provide our honored guests.

Thank you to our current PAO staff: Anna Renville, Katy Holland, Verdene McGuire, Andrew Johanson, Patti McKin-

ney, Tamra Russell and Andulia WhiteElk for all your hard work preparing for the event.

Special thanks to our presenters: Fish Martinez, Kenai Robertson, Shirley Walker, Angela Ramirez, Ashliegh Ramirez and DeAnn Brown.

We also want to thank all our volunteers who helped us get ready for the event: Krystal Nelson, Alana LaMotte, Dylan Fuller, Debra Jubinal-Brown, Kellyn Addis, Wayne Johnson and Joni Johnson. Without you, this celebration wouldn't have been the success it was.




Photos by Diane Rodriguez

Above: Current and former Portland Area Office staff

Below: Fish Martinez and Kenai Robertson





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Dear Friends:

Congratulations on the 30th anniversary of your Portland Area Office! My deepest apologies for not being able to celebrate with you in person.

The Portland Metropolitan Area is home to a vibrant and thriving Native American community, now numbering well into the tens of thousands, and we can attribute many of our community's successes to the efforts of the Siletz Tribe's Portland Area Office. From supporting students to assisting elders, the Siletz tribe has set a high bar for civic engagement that extends well beyond just its tribal members.

I want to extend my gratitude for all you have done for our community over the past 30 years, and for all you will continue to do in the future.

Sincerely,

Earl Blumenauer
Member of Congress