

## Chairman's Report

### Legislation

On July 14, the U.S. Senate passed by unanimous consent Senate Bill S817 that recognizes the boundaries of the Tribe's 1855 treaty. When the bill becomes law, this will allow any fee-to-trust applications submitted by the Tribe to be considered under the same rules as other reservation Tribes.

The next action must be taken by the U.S. House of Representatives to do the same. Since Congress is not now in session, we expect the House to take action when legislators return after Labor Day.

The bill has passed the House in the past, so there shouldn't be anything to hold up the process.

### STBC

The Tribal Council, in its capacity as the Siletz Tribal Business Corp (STBC) board, will interview prospective applicants to fill the executive director position that has been vacant for several months. It has been a long slow process as we attempt to get the very best person to fill the vacancy.

### Culture Camp

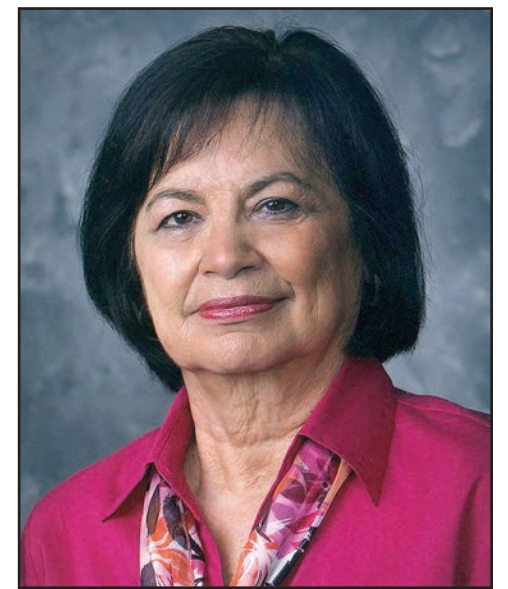
I was unable to attend Culture Camp this year, but it's reported to have been very successful. Each year we have a record turnout. Thank you to all the staff who are instructors for all the projects and the organization.

### Pow-Wow

I am pleased to announce that former Gov. Ted Kulongoski will be the grand marshal for our pow-wow parade this year. He served as Oregon's 36th governor from 2003 to 2011.

Kulongoski had a distinguished political career and actively worked on Oregon Tribes' behalf in that capacity. We look forward to hosting him as our grand marshal.

This year's pow-wow is just around the corner. I hope you plan to attend and I'm looking forward to seeing everyone.



Delores Pigsley

### Elders Council Meeting

**Aug. 20 • 1-4 p.m. • Chinook Winds Casino Resort**

Siletz Elder potlucks are held monthly at 6 p.m. on the Monday before the regularly scheduled Elders meeting. Please bring a potluck dish you would like to share.

For more information, contact the Elders Program at 800-922-1399, ext. 1261, or 541-444-8261.

### Need Rental Housing?

The Siletz Tribal Housing Department encourages you to apply for the Low-Income Rental Program waiting list in Siletz (1-4 bedrooms) and Lincoln City (2-3 bedrooms – Neachesna Village).

Applications can be obtained at any Tribal area office (Eugene, Salem, Portland, Siletz) or online from the Tribal website – [ctsi.nsn.us](http://ctsi.nsn.us); follow links – Tribal Services-Housing-Low Rent Apartments & Home Ownership.

For any questions, call 800-922-1399, ext. 1322, or 541-444-8322  
Fax: 541-444- 8313



Photo by Diane Rodriguez

Zay Zay Garcia pours eggs onto a griddle to make the start of a breakfast bowl under the guidance of Kathy Kentta-Robinson, Healthy Traditions project coordinator, on June 30. Ingredients that participants could add to their bowl included avocado, black beans, fresh cilantro and salsa.

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**Change of address:** Tribal members – contact the Enrollment Department at 541-444-8258; 800-922-1399, ext. 1258; or [covas@ctsi.nsn.us](mailto:covas@ctsi.nsn.us). All others – call the newspaper office.

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## Nuu-wee-ya' (our words)

### Introduction to the Athabaskan language

Open to Tribal members of all ages

#### Siletz

Siletz Tribal Community Center  
Aug. 8 – 6-8 p.m.  
Sept. 12 – 6-8 p.m.

#### Portland

Portland Area Office  
Aug. 15 – 6-8 p.m.  
Sept. 19 – 6-8 p.m.

#### Eugene

Eugene Area Office  
Aug. 9 – 6-8 p.m.  
Sept. 13 – 6-8 p.m.

#### Salem

Salem Area Office  
Aug. 16 – 6-8 p.m.  
Sept. 20 – 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](mailto:budl@ctsi.nsn.us).