

The past month has been extremely busy for the Tribal Council. We've had workshops on Enrollment, Siletz Tribal Business Corporation, and Tribal Court.

Washington, D.C., Travel

Bud Lane, Sharon Edenfield, Buddy Lane and I traveled to Washington, D.C., to further our effort on our legislation to alter/have removed the hunting and fishing language the Tribe was saddled with in the Reservation Plan that was passed back in 1980.

The legislators and staff we talked with were very positive about the legislation moving forward. It doesn't cost the government a dime; it does have opposition from only one Tribe in Oregon. The issue that Tribe has with Siletz, however, has nothing to do with this legislation.

We will keep close contact and look forward to our bill getting passed.

Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI)

Bud Lane and I attended the ATNI gathering in Grand Mound, Wash., last month. Twenty-five Tribes were in attendance and we had very active committee meetings. The benefit of these kinds of meetings is visiting with all the Northwest Tribal leaders, learning of their successes, and sharing information and opinions.

The Chehalis Tribe was a great host.

Run to the Rogue

By now you've likely heard that this year's Run to the Rogue had to be canceled (see page 1). The fires are still burning, smoke is a huge problem and permits are impossible to get with all the fires going on.

It was a great disappointment but we can still look forward to next year.

Charles Wilkinson Memorial

Bud Lane and I attended the Celebration of Life for Charles Wilkinson in Boulder, Colo., in September. Speakers included his sons, David and Seth, along with a list of notable people. Former secretary of interior and governor of Arizona, Bruce Babbitt; executive director of the Native American Rights Fund, John Echohawk; and chairman of the Nisqually Tribe, Willy Frank, were among those who eulogized Charles.

There is no doubt that Charles made an impact on Tribal nations, and specifically Siletz but many others, and on policy affecting the environment and all federal and Tribal lands. We will always remember him as our hero for Restoration; our book *The People are Dancing Again*; and of his many visits to Siletz as our Restoration speaker, when he joined us on Run to the Rogue, and when he attended Nee-Dash.

We were invited by his wife, Anne, and pleased to visit his home after the



Delores Pigsley

memorial. Charles had invited us several times over the years but it was difficult to do. He has a beautiful home with many mementos from many Tribes.

Charles was a valued and respected friend of Siletz people; his legacy will live on forever.

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Elders Council Meeting
 The Elders Council will host an in-person/Zoom hybrid meeting on Saturday, Oct. 14, 2023, at 1 p.m. in the banquet room at Aces Sports Bar & Grill in Lincoln City, Ore.
 If you have any questions, please contact the Elders Program at 541-444-8212.

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