

Restoration Celebration

Our Restoration Celebration was a great one and was well-attended. I spoke of our early leaders who worked tirelessly to have our government once again recognized as a sovereign Tribe.

Back in the day it was a lengthy and difficult process with no funds to cover expenses. It was almost an impossible task. But those early leaders worked tirelessly and used their own funds to accomplish Restoration of the Tribe.

Tribal members have much to be thankful for today as a result of those early Tribal leaders who paved the way for all the benefits we enjoy today.

Consent Decree

Tribal Council members Bud Lane, Buddy Lane and I recently traveled to Washington, D.C. Bud attended the White House Tribal Nations Summit hosted by the Department of Interior.

We all visited with our Oregon congressional delegation and others regarding our Consent Decree legislation and other important Tribal issues. We were very pleased to learn that the legislation to amend the Reservation Plan was moving forward in both the House and the Senate.

Upon returning home, I received a phone call from our U.S. Rep. Val Hoyle

informing us of the passage of the legislation in the House of Representatives (see page 1). We now await news from the Senate; the bill is ready to pass at the first opportunity there. Both senators, Jeff Merkley and Ron Wyden, are in full support.

Celebrate with Family

Our Christmas season began with our Solstice celebration at the Dance House. Hopefully we all were able to gather with our families to celebrate Christmas vigils. Hope you all had a Merry Christmas – and Happy New Year to each of you.



Delores Pigsley

Siletz Tribal Athletic Commission Vacancy

The Athletic Commission was formed to promote and offer different types of sports activities at the Siletz Tribe's gaming center and/or at other locations on Tribal trust land. The Athletic Commission was established to create rules and regulations for the conduct of each sporting activity and to regulate each sporting activity that is authorized by the Tribal Council.

The Athletic Commission consists of three members and a Tribal Council member. Two of the three members may be a non-Tribal member with experience in the conduct and regulation of sporting activities.

The Athletic Commission shall permit and regulate only those sporting activities specifically authorized by Tribal Council and permitted by applicable law. The following activities are authorized by Tribal Council: boxing (amateur and professional), wrestling (amateur and professional) and mixed martial arts (amateur and professional).

The Athletic Commission shall be responsible for regulation of any sporting activity that occurs on Siletz lands to ensure that the conduct of such sporting activity comports with all Athletic Commission regulations and applicable laws. Athletic Commission members shall be reimbursed for approved travel, subject to the availability of funds.

If interested in an appointment to the Siletz Tribal Athletic Commission, please complete a résumé and submit to Tribal Council, Attn: Executive Assistant to the Tribal Council, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549 or email celestal@ctsi.nsn.us.

There is one vacancy with a term ending in 2027. Appointment will be made at the Regular Tribal Council Meeting in February 2024. The deadline to submit your résumé is Feb. 7, 2024.

Elders Council Meeting
The Elders Council will host an in-person/Zoom hybrid meeting on Saturday, Jan. 13, 2024, at 1 p.m. in the Shasta room at Chinook Winds Casino Resort in Lincoln City, Ore.
If you have any questions, please contact the Elders Program at 541-444-8212.

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