

## MEMORIAL DAY

By: Sharon Butler

The 1981 Memorial Day Ceremony at the Siletz Paul Washington Cemetery was a great success. Cloudy and rainy skys didn't put a damper on the day al all. Stanley Strong opened the ceremony with a prayer, Bob tom, General Manager gave a short speech on the Johnson O'Malley program and the meaning of the ceremony. Bob introduced the students who presented the wreaths to the Washington family. Presenting the wreath for the Siletz JOM was Sharlene Fisher, daughter of Bob and Barb Fisher of Siletz. Presenting the wreath for the Salem JOM was Lori Bremner daughter of Cecil and Rose Bremner, Salem. Tina Merril presented the wreath made by the Springfield JOM students, Tina parents are Lee and Nancy Merril. Accepting the wreaths on behalf of the Paul Washington family was Cynthia Washington, Margaret Wahington, and Wilma (Washington) Strong.

The gun salute honor guards at the ceremony were Franklin Simmons and Chuck Ricks. The Paul Washington Cemetery was in immaculate condition due to the hard work done by the CETA workers, STOWW workers and Tribal Members weeks before Memorial Day.

The Springfield JOM Students made another wreath which was presented by Jo McKnight to Pauline Ricks to be placed at the Riverside Cemetery in memory of the loved ones who were buried there. Jo McKnight is the son of Clarice McKnight of Springfield. After the ceremony at the Paul Washington Cemetery, Pauline Ricks then placed the wreath at the entrance to the Riverside Cemetery.

The dinner at the Grange Hall was also a great success. There was even a larger turn-out then last year. The dinner served around 250 people, Tribal Members, and guests. Everyone seemed to enjoy the dinner of turkey, mussel stew, fried and baked fish.

Edmond Ben from Salem, brought a special birthday cake to honor his father Archie Ben, who was celebrating his 81st birthday. Edmond gave a short speech about Archie and his life in the Siletz area.

After dinner and dessert everyone went to the Siletz Baseball field to watch the baseball tournament between Siletz, Springfield, and Grand Ronde. There were five games played, Siletz won four (4) games and Springfield one (1). Grand Ronde tried hard and were good sports throughout the entire tournament. (There is always next year.)

The sunshine came out in the afternoon and really did brighten up everyones day. All in all this Memorial Day was a great success, and one that we will all remember. Thank you to the turkey chefs, mussel stew cook, the fish cleaner and cook and to the small but hard working crew in the kitchen.

## TITLE IV SUMMER PROGRAM

By: Robert Rilatos

Among summer programs planned are skits of Indian legends and the compilation of a book of short stories about Indian legends and history using information collected orally on tape from Siletz Tribal elders.

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The Title IV program is funded through the federal office of Indian Education and is intended to provide tutoring and cultural instruction for the Lincoln County School district's 305 eligible Indian students.

In addition to tutoring eligible students in regular studies, the program offers classes in Indian history and language, beading and basket weaving, singing dancing and drumming and hunting, fishing and tanning hides.