

JANUARY

The following is a list of events for the month of January. For more information on any of these events, contact 746-9658 for the Springfield Office, 393-3903 for the Salem Office, and 444-2532 for the Siletz Offices.

- January 1**
HOLIDAY — ALL OFFICES CLOSED
- January 3**
6:30 — 8:00 p.m. Springfield JOM Culture Class
7:00 p.m. Beading Class — Siletz Area Office
- January 5**
10:00 a.m. Special Tribal Council Meeting — Siletz
- January 7**
7:00 p.m. Springfield JOM Parent Meeting
- January 8**
7:00 p.m. Beading Classes — Siletz Area Office
- January 10**
6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Springfield JOM Culture Class
7:00 p.m. Beading Class — Siletz
- January 12**
12:00 noon potluck Salem Area Candidates Fair
1:00 meeting starts
- January 15**
2:00 - 6:00 p.m. Blood Pressure Clinic — Nutrition — Springfield
7:00 p.m. Beading Classes — Siletz Area Office
- January 16**
..... Oregon Career Awareness Workshop
Indian/Alaska Native High School Students — LaSalle Center at O.S.U. — "Honor Your Past — Develop "Your Dreams" — Call Dean Azule at 393-3903 or Cheryl Lane at 444-2532 for more information.
7:00 - 10:00 p.m. Career Day Pow-Wow — O.S.U. Memorial Union Ballroom
- January 17**
..... Oregon Career Awareness Workshop — O.S.U.
6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Springfield JOM Culture Class
7:00 p.m. Beading Class — Siletz Area Office
- January 19**
9:00 a.m. Regular Tribal Council Meeting
Tribal Community Center — Siletz
- January 22**
7:00 p.m. Beading Classes — Siletz Area Office
6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Springfield JOM Culture Class
7:00 p.m. Beading Classes — Siletz Area Office
- January 25**
1:00 p.m. Siletz Area Candidates Fair
Tribal Community Center — Siletz
- January 29**
7:00 p.m. Beading Class — Siletz Area Office
- January 31**
6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Springfield JOM Culture Class
7:00 Beading Class — Siletz Area Office

Graduate



Deeanna John, daughter of Johnny and Nora John, graduated from International Air Academy in November of 1984. The school is located in Vancouver, Washington. She attended the school for twelve weeks of training in the travel industry. Her emphasis was training for an airport position, mainly Ticket Agent, Reservation Office positions, and gate agent.

Deeanna worked very hard and received excellent grades. She has been hired by TWA Airlines as a Reservation Agent and will be moving to Los Angeles to start her new job in February. Congratulations Deeanna!

Toy Program A Success

The Salem office hosted a very successful program to give toys to tribal children in the Salem area. The office requested that tribal members who could, donate toys to be distributed to tribal children.

The response was tremendous with toys being distributed to more than fifty children in the Salem and Grande Ronde area.



Tax Exemption?

The first major step towards reaching an agreement with the state for tax exempt status for tribal employees has been taken.

Tax exempt status is usually only given to tribal employees who live on the reservation. However since the Siletz reservation is much smaller than at termination, and the fact that restoration was intended as fully as possible to restore conditions to the same level as they were at termination, the tribe will argue that tax exempt status should be given to employees.

Past attempts have failed because it would require special legislation which wasn't supported by the State.

However legislation will be soon introduced that would allow the Governor to enter into agreements with Indian tribes. The legislation will be introduced by the commission on Indian Services and has the support of all the tribes in Oregon. It is anticipated that the legislation will pass.

If the legislation is approved by the State it would allow the Tribe to approach the Governor and present their case to him and if successful to sign an agreement for tax exemption.

Thank You

Mary Alice Muncey would like to express her thanks to the tribal Council and to the tribal attorney for their contributions to Connie Smith's trip to China. Connie was selected to join a cross country team that will travel to China. Connie is the granddaughter of Mary Alice.



Open House

The Salem Area Office held a successful open house on Friday, December 14th. The event was attended by more than 60 people. Those who attended enjoyed sandwiches, punch, coffee and many different homemade Christmas candies.

Those who attended included tribal members, staff from IHS, JOM, BIA, Title IV, and Chemeketa Community College.

Also attending were the students and staff from the JOM preschool program. During their visit the students sat and sang for all those present.

Graduate



Melinda Logan, age 19, graduated from the University of Oregon High School Equivalency Program (HEP). Melinda entered the program on October 6th, and graduated on December 6th. The program had 10 students.

Melinda is the daughter of Leonard and Carol Logan of Springfield. She lived on campus during her work at U of O. Future plans are to attend Oregon State University to study Business. Because of her high test grades Melinda's college funding will be provided by a parent program of HEP.

After dropping out of school in the 7th grade Melinda said that she decided to enter the HEP program "because I wanted to go to college." Congratulations Melinda!