

One Tribes Battle With Alcoholism

The Confederated Tribes of Siletz, Salem Area Office had two showings of the film "Honor of All". The film tells the story of the Alkali Lake Indian Band of British Columbia' battle and victory over Alcoholism. Because of one woman's stand against alcoholism the tribe went from 100 per cent drunk to 95 per cent sober in 14 years time. The film was shown on

Monday, September 15 to the Alcohol Support Group out at the CAC office on Chemawa Campus, 23 people were in attendance. The film was shown again on Wednesday, September 24 at Chemawa Indian School auditorium, approximately 360 people attended. For those who did not see the film, I recommend you try to see it. It would be well worth the time.

Employment Assistance

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This program provides: Career guidance and Job Training Counseling; Adult Vocational Training (AVT); Financial Assistance in job placement; Apprenticeship and On-The-Job Training (OJT).

This training is to provide employment and services to people of Indian or Alaska Native descent who are enrolled members of any of those tribes listed in the Federal Register as being recognized by and receiving services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Applicants must reside in the Siletz Tribe's 11 county service area and have completed High School or have a GED Certificate. This program is especially for those who have had no previous training or have no skills or trade. Application approval for training and financial assistance is limited by the availability of funds.

The selected training school has to be an accredited vocational or trade school approved by the Bureau of Indian Affairs Portland Area Office. Training is not to exceed 24 months, Nursing not to exceed 36 months. You must have at least 12 credit hours per term and maintain a 2. Grade point average or above and regular attendance.

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An application packet may be obtained at the Salem Area Office. The application needs to be completed and will be ranked according to Tribal Policy. The school then completes a determination on program acceptance made.

DIRECT EMPLOYMENT

The purpose of the Direct Employment Program is to assist those who have a job skill to obtain and retain permanent employment. An application may be obtained from the Salem Area office. This application should be filed and approved before the first day on the job.

HIGHER EDUCATION

A scholarship program for eligible Siletz Indians to continue their education beyond High School for the purpose of developing leadership and increasing employment opportunities in professional and vocational fields. (Other Indians need to apply through their own Tribe).

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To be eligible an applicant must be:

1. Enrolled Siletz Tribal member that possesses 1/4 degree blood quantum.
2. Admitted for enrollment in an accredited institution, and pursuing a Bachelor's Degree or a two year program which will transfer to a four year institution.
3. Have demonstrated financial need utilizing an approved financial need analysis system.
4. Have completed the Tribal Higher Education Grant requirements. Applications are available at the Salem Area Office.

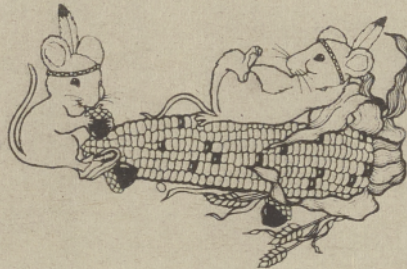
These articles are only brief descriptions of the program. If you are interested in more information please contact Bob Tom and the Salem Area office 503-393-3903.

After six years of serving Indian children as a Johnson O'Malley coordinator, one year as a Head Start Teacher's Aide, one year as a Kindergarten Aide for the Lincoln County school district Sharon Butler was promoted to the Head Start Teacher position in Siletz.

Sharon's comments: I am proud that the Tribal Council has recognized my job skills. I love children and will do my best to be a good teacher.

At this point in time everyone will hopefully have been involved in their first home visit and are looking forward to a happy and productive school year. If you haven't been involved in a home visit, please call Sharon Butler or Mona Fisher at 444-2532, ext. 29, as soon as possible to schedule one. Our hopes are to have monthly home visits, in which some may take place in the classroom after your volunteer teaching day.

Our class schedule is Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 11:45 thru 3:15. There are no classes on Friday. We would appreciate the parents sending a pair of gym shoes with their name printed on them to have at school for Physical Education.



Handcraft Night

Starting Wednesday, October 1st, the Salem Area Office will be open from 7:00 p.m. to 9 p.m. for Handcraft night. Everyone is welcome to come and bring any handcrafts that they are working on. This is a time to meet and gather with friends and see what others are working on. It also gives everyone a chance to share their skills and learn new skills from others. Coffee will be provided... please come and join us! Remember Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Salem Area Office.

Alcohol Support Group

The Monday night Alcohol Support Group for Native Americans is still meeting at the Salem Area Office. Everyone is welcome to come and join the group any Monday evening. The group meets from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and it's FREE! Coffee is provided. Keep coming and sharing. If you have any questions about the group feel free to call Sue or Jolyne at 339-3903 or Mary at 1-792-3697 extension 79.

Head Start News

The following is a list of scheduled events that need to be put on your calendar:

October 20-23, 1986 — We have scheduled a Health Fair when all of our students will be examined by the Health Advisory Committee. Parents and community members are invited to share skills and cultural heritage with our students because we need your help and support to develop a successful program.

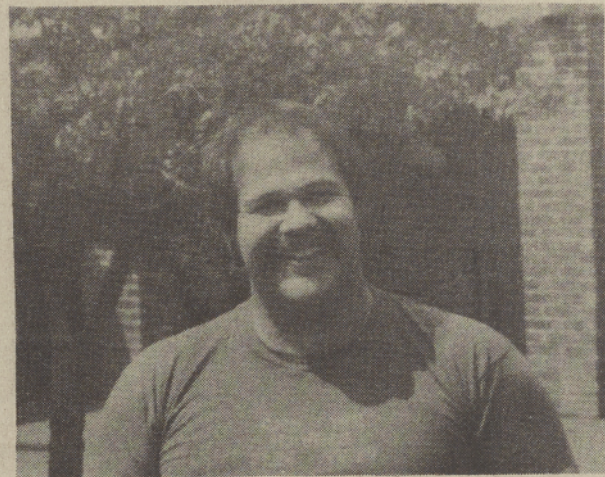
October 29, 1986 — There will be NO CLASS due to inservice training for the teaching staff.

October 30, 1986 — (Thursday) we are planning to have a Halloween Party and would enjoy the students either coming in costume or bringing simple costumes that they can put on themselves. Parents are also invited.

Please contact Sharon Butler or Mona Fisher to schedule a day that you can volunteer in the classroom. Also, feel free to contact me or our teaching staff if you have any question or concerns, at 444-2532 ext. 32 or 29.

Sincerely Rosemary Leas,
Siletz Tribal Head Start Director

Student News



Pat Pullam, Siletz Tribal member, is attending Western Oregon State College in Monmouth, Oregon. He is pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in an Elementary Education program. He is at the end of his junior year and will graduate within the next year. Pat is earning near a 3. grade point average.



Lynn A. Robertson, Siletz Tribal member, is a 1st year Higher Education student at Chemeketa Community College in Salem. He is taking courses that will transfer to Oregon State University. He plans on enrolling in O.S.U.'s Forestry Program.