

# Chairman's Report

by Delores Pigsley

I am sure as Council members and individual tribal members, we do not always take the time to say "thank you" or "I appreciate what you do" enough.

I would like to take this opportunity to express appreciation to some tribal members for their thoughtfulness, kindness, hard work, enthusiasm and, most of all, their dedication to the Siletz tribe.

First of all, to Mary Alice Muncey, who wrote one of the nicest letters I have read in our tribal newspaper, last month's issue, thank you for expressing what a lot of people were thinking and saying but never took the time to write it. To Shirley Strickler, who worked those long hours in the kitchen during the Pow-wow and sometimes receives thank yous, thank you for donating your hard work and organizational abilities. To Terry Russell, who always represents the Siletz tribe in a dignified manner, dances at all the pow-wows spreading goodwill and making all our visitors feel welcome, thank you. To Bonnie Petersen, for giving so much of her own time to make sure that the pow-wow was successful, thank you. To Bob Tom and Frank Petersen, for doing an excellent job as announcers, thank you. To Phil Rilatos, for putting in those long hours to accommodate the committees, staff, visitors and the Council, thank you so much.

There were numerous volunteers, and staff, that put in more than their share of time to make this year's pow-wow a great success.

The General Council meeting in November will be of great interest to everyone. We will be discussing the tribe's proposed legislation to obtain more land. I urge everyone to attend, to ask questions and be informed. At the last General Council meeting we discussed the land transfer and effects it would have on tribal members. There was good input from the tribal members that were there, but there were too few in attendance. Tribal Council hopes to see a good turnout in November. Candidates for Tribal Council will also have time on the agenda to address the membership.

# Letters To The Editor

I'm Robert Gardner, A Siletz Tribal Member and my parents are John and Glenna (Tweety) Gardner, my grandmother is Elenor Flores (Rolfson) and my great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Logan.

I am currently attending the University of Washington in Seattle with my major being Health Sciences. I'll be starting my third year (87-88) on the 28th of September.

I have attended two years of a summer program at Western States Chiropractic College in Portland where I took classes in Math, English, Biology, Anatomy and Chemistry. In the fall I'll be taking Zoology and Chemistry which are demanding subjects towards my degree at the University of Washington.

In closing I would like to suggest to further graduating students, to give college a chance. (See if you like it.)

Donation to the Kitchen  
The Siletz Tribe would like to thank Gary and Ishbel Butler for their donation of items to the community center kitchen on behalf of their daughter, Tasha Marie, during her give-away. The towels, serving ladles, etc., are badly needed for the community center. Thank-you very much for your donation.

Dear Editor:

As a Tribal member and former Councilman, I would like to comment on the letter to our newspaper written by Mary Alice Muncey in the last publication. In it she said she was relating her "evaluation" of the recent Pow Wow, although her letter included several other subjects unrelated. A particular statement needs correction. In it she says that Gilbert Towner said her brother (Art) was "responsible for getting the Tribe restored 10 years ago." This statement is untrue. I don't know Mr. Towner, but I do know that he was nowhere around during tribal reorganization and restoration work--and neither was Art Bensell or Mary Alice for that matter, since neither one joined the restoration effort until some two years after the hard work was done. Towner wasn't even a "Johnny come lately", as were Art and Mary Alice, who did not support the reorganization or restoration when the tribe needed them. As Mayor of Siletz during most of the twenty years between termination and restoration, her brother and the City Council have to be responsible for the shamefully delapidated condition of the Government Hill property which we all saw on TV when my father and a TV crew photographed it during Tribal reorganization. As mayor, Mr. Bensell refused along with the City Council to honor a request by the then tribal chairman and several councilman who appeared before them, to turn the Government hill back to the Tribal Council as an additional land base to the cemetery.

These occurrences are all a matter of record. You cannot change history. In one of her future letters, maybe she can explain why she and her

brother did not move a finger toward helping her people in a reorganizational effort, or why they did not support restoration in the first place! Another glaring error she has made in a previous letter is in referring to Charles Wilkenson as our "first" Tribal attorney. He was actually the third! First was John Volkman, who served for free, then Doug Nash, and then Wilkenson, both of whom were paid by the native American Rights Fund for their services. Since our paper is widely read, care should be given to facts, not something that we "wished" happened. You can't change history.

In concluding, please know that I appreciate the many years of service Art has given and also that which Mary Alice has and is giving. But so have a multitude of other people, many with stronger leadership in the early years, and at least three now on the present council. It took guts and determination to effect reorganization, find and acquire free legal services for the tribes, and to coordinate preparation of the restoration bill itself--not to mention getting Oregon's most powerful Senator and Rep. Les AuCoin to sponsor the bill. Art did not do this! Someone else did...my father and Sister Francella griggs. That someone would say Mr. Bensell was "responsible" for restoration is completely untrue. Anyone so naive as to believe this would believe the next Pope will be Ayatolla. I respect and admire him for many of his accomplishments, but being responsible for restoration is not one accomplishment he can truly claim..

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Linda (Lane) Merrill  
Bend, Oregon

## "MISSING MOCCASIN LIST" ENROLLMENT DEPT.

AL-HUMAIDE, Melanie L. (Lane)  
ALLMAN, Paulette J.  
ALLMAN, Pauline D.

BACAK, Walter (Unknown)  
BAILLIE, Sandra (Larsen)  
BEALS, Peter J.  
BELLINGER, Gregory P.  
BENNETT, Elsie L. (Zosel)  
BENNETT, Sharon D.  
BERRY, George, Jr.  
BLACKETER, John Henry  
BLACKETER, Louise M.  
BLACKETER, Mari  
BRENTS, Carolyn J. (Belgard)  
BROWN, Darlene (Picard)  
BROWN, Wilda J.  
BURDEN, Dana M.

CABA, Tamera L.  
CALLAHAN, Henry A. (Unknown)  
CHARLEY, George  
COMBS, Duane L.  
COMBS, Gene A.  
COMENOUT, Phyllis R. (Collins)  
CONN, Henry E. (Unknown)  
COOK, James  
CROUCHER, Rebecca L. (Lundy)  
CULTEE, Karen D. (Fielder)

FLORES, Randall P.

HEDRICK, Virginia M.  
HEDRICK, William P.  
HEGGE, Anna M.  
HEGGE, ROSE M.  
HENRY, Frances D.

JAMES, Robert

KERR, Cindie L. (LaChance)  
KLOKMAN, Allison (Logsdan)  
KNOX, Mary M. (Hedrick)

LA CHANCE, Carrie S.  
LA CHANCE, Kevin R.  
LANIER, Lois Louise  
LARSEN, Charles R.  
LARSEN, Victor

LEE, Charles  
LOGAN, Cherine  
LOGSDEN, Bambi L.  
LOGSDEN, Carl (Deceased?)  
LOGSDEN, John A. (Deceased?)  
LOGSDEN, Theodore (Deceased?)  
LONG, Alfred A.

MC CAFFERY, Nickie L.  
MOODY, Brian G.  
MOODY, Charles E.

PEARSON, David F.  
PEARSON, Frances (Johnson)  
PETERSON, Delmar S.  
PETERSON, Pauline J. (Lane)  
PETERSON, Timothy D.  
PORTER, Katherine J.  
PRESTON, Maxine (Washington)

RANSIER, Kenya (James)  
RAY, Gwendolyn L. (Yarbour)  
RAYA, Phillip T.  
RAYA, Sequoia B.  
RICHARDSON, Charles E.  
RICHARDSON, Dennis E.  
RICHARDSON, Robert C.  
RICKETTS, Michelle R.  
RICKETTS, Rosemary (Lawson)

SANDERS, Denise D.  
SANDERS, Edward D.  
SANDERS, Ruben, Jr.  
SANDERS, Wanda M.  
SCOTT, Fredrick W.  
SHORT, Gerald D.  
SMITH, Benjamin D., Jr. (Unknown)  
STEELE, Danielle R.  
STEGGELL, Arlene A. (Baker)  
STRICKLER, Kent A.  
STRICKLER, Kevin L.  
SUAZO, Shawn D.  
SUTALO, Rosemary (Tronson)

TAYLOR, Sonia R.  
TOWNER, Leah L.  
TUCKER, Tena L.

UNGER, Edward

WALLACE, Rhonda C. (Williams)  
WARREN, Michael D.

WARREN, Rosella I.  
WARREN, Sheryl A.  
WEDER, Carol A. (Tyler)  
WILCOX, Ina I.  
WILCOX, Margaret J.  
WILLIAMS, Matthew, Jr.  
WILLIAMS, Matthew R.  
WILLIAMS, Rory D.  
WILSON, Kenneth H.  
WOOTEN, Karen D.

YARBOUR, Rhonda F.  
YARBOUR, Robert V.

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Do you have your tribal I.D. card? The I.D. machine is located in the Enrollment office at the Area Office I in Siletz. Call the Enrollment Dept. or check with your nearest area office to see when the I.D. machine will be in your area. REMEMBER you will need the I.D. card if you plan on going fishing or hunting, it is used as your Hunting license and will need to a new sticker on the back.

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If so you should contact the Enrollment Dept. and find out the procedure for changing your name on the tribal roll. All changes on the tribal roll MUST HAVE DOCUMENTATION and Tribal Council approval. Certifications for programs or agencies must come directly from the tribal roll. Check with your nearest tribal area office or the Enrollment Dept. in Siletz to see how you are listed, if you are not sure.