

# SILETZ NEWS

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Confederated Tribes of Siletz

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## TRIBAL NEWSLETTER DEDICATED TO COUNCIL MEMBER

Tribal Council member Mary Alice (Bensell) Muncey, who turned 80 in July, passed away at Sacred Heart Hospital in Eugene, Oregon on October 23, 1987.

Mary Alice had suffered a heart attack recently and was staying with her son Ronald Smith in Scottsburg, Oregon.

The Tribal Newsletter this month is dedicated to Mary Alice, for the cheerful help she gave us whenever she could with the task of folding, stapling, addressing and stamping the newsletter for mailing. We will miss her cheerful face, with her many different hats.

Mary Alice was always on the go, busy going to meetings and deeply involved in our Indian Health program. We loved to tease her about being our "Jet Setter". God Bless, Mary Alice.

Kristi Martin  
Shirley Strickler

## ELECTION NEWS

Tribal Council elections are right around the corner. An application form for tribal members seeking to run for Tribal Council is in this edition of the Tribal Newsletter and must be filled out and returned to the Election Board no later than November 23rd. Three positions are currently up for election.

Candidates will have an opportunity to speak at the General Council meeting on November 7th. Additionally, each area generally hosts a Candidates Fair prior to election time to provide tribal members with an opportunity to present questions and meet the candidates.

## RESTORATION DAY CELEBRATION

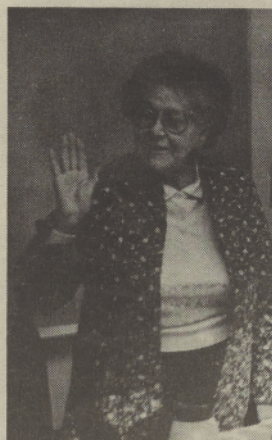
**NOVEMBER 14, 1987  
11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

This year's celebration marks the tenth anniversary since our tribe regained Federal Recognition as an Indian Tribe.

Come to the Tribal Community Center in Siletz on November 14, and join in the celebration and mini Pow-Wow. Displays about our tribe, children's activities and food are planned to last all day, from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm. There is a lot of room in the community Center for anyone interested in bringing items for display (contact Cynthia Viles, 444-2532, ext. #37 for more information). There will be lots of food served up buffet-style all day. Salmon, venison, bear, clam chowder, beans, elk stew, baked potatoes, fry-bread, fruit and vegetables to enjoy are all on the menu. Tribal members are asked to bring favorite desserts. Special events will begin with a dance exhibition at 3:30 pm. There will be guest speakers at 4:00 pm followed by an open-microphone. The mini Pow-Wow will begin at 5:00 pm and will draw the celebration to completion at 7:00 pm.

## CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Tribal Staff are beginning to plan the 1987 Community Christmas Program. The date has been set for **December 12th, at 7:00 p.m.** at the Tribal Community Center. The Christmas Program is open to the entire community and everyone is invited to participate.



## IN MEMORY OF MARY ALICE MUNCEY 1907 1987

Mary Alice Muncey was born to Arthur Bensell and Stella Rose Sutherland Bensell in Siletz, Oregon on July 22, 1907. She died in Eugene, Oregon on October 23, 1987. She had been a life long resident of Siletz.

She held the title of Miss Siletz for three years, before the Miss Lincoln County Pageant came into being.

She was a graduate of Oregon Normal School in Monmouth; and a graduate of the University of Oregon in Eugene. She had been a grade school special education teacher for the Lincoln County School District for nineteen years.

She had been on the Governor's Committee on Senior Services; and had served on the Northwest Portland Indian Health Board for seven years.

Mary Alice was a member of the Newport Order of Eastern Star, the Toledo Order of Eastern Star; the order of Amaranth; and the Daughters of the Nile in Portland. She was a fifty-seven year member of the Siletz Valley Grange No. 558 a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary, Paul Washington Post no. 732; a member of the American Association of University Women, a member of the Oregon Education association, and a member of the National Education Association.

Survivors include two sons, Bensell Breon of Prineville and Ronald Lee Smith, Jr. of Scottsburg; one daughter, Rosemary Landis of Brightwood; two brothers, Arthur Bensell, of Siletz and William E. Bensell of Prineville; six grandchildren; two great grandchildren; and two nieces and nephews.

APPLICATION FOR NAME TO BE PLACED ON THE 1988 BALLOT  
FOR CANDIDATE ON THE SILETZ TRIBAL COUNCIL:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Roll # \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

(Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Message Number \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that I must be an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon, and be 18 years of age or older.

This application must be filed with the Election Board no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 23, 1987.

(Signature) \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Form to: Confederated Tribes of Siletz  
Attn: ELECTION BOARD  
P.O. Box 549  
Siletz, OR 97380

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