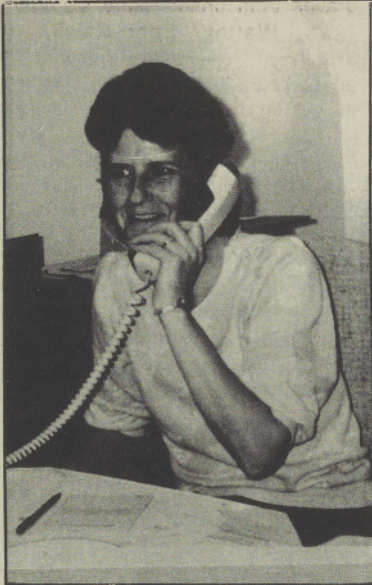




NEW RECEPTIONIST FOR CENTRAL

It's a cheerful greeting you receive from Elaine Gwynn as you enter Siletz Central Office. Elaine, Central Offices' new receptionist, was hired March 26. If you find her face to be familiar it is probably because she has worked previously at National Security Bank in Toledo and Siletz.

Elaine and her husband Jim have resided in Siletz for the past 15 years. They have a son, James Jr., who is a freshman at Toledo High School and a daughter, Paula, who graduated from Toledo High in 1989.

Elaine says that she is enjoying working in her own community with people she knows. She particularly likes the immediate contact she has with people as a receptionist and the lovely surroundings at the Siletz Central Office.

SILETZ TRIBAL HEALTH COMMITTEE 1990 MEETING SCHEDULE

REGULAR MEETINGS:

JUNE 18, 1990
JULY 16, 1990
AUGUST 20, 1990
SEPTEMBER 17, 1990
OCTOBER 15, 1990
NOVEMBER 19, 1990
DECEMBER 17, 1990

Meeting Agenda will be prepared and distributed at least five days prior to meeting.

*unless otherwise notified all meetings will begin at 2:30 pm in the Health & Family Services meeting room in Siletz. One meeting (dates to be determined) will be held in each of the three Area Offices.

LUJAN KICKS OFF EDUCATION MINI-SUMMITS

Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan told the more than 900 tribal leaders, tribal educators, Indian parents and students, congressional, state and BIA representatives attending an education mini-summit in Santa Fe, New Mexico that when President Bush talks about his aspirations for American students as he did in his State of the Union address, "he is talking about Native American students as well."

Kicking off the first in a series of mini-summits at the Santa Fe Indian School Feb. 12, Lujan in his keynote address said promoting education among Indian children is an essential element of our national education goals. "Time is of the essence, when it comes to improving our system of educating Indian children," he said. "We must rise above the tendency to argue over the semantics of what we are trying to achieve and start putting ideas into practice."

Lujan said we have a stated goal which reflects the President's education goals: to raise the educational achievement of students in our Bureau of Indian Affairs schools to the level of, or above, the national norm by the year 2000. "As we strive to achieve this goal, we realize that the essential roots of Indian heritage must be implicit in any program of Indian education. That is why you cannot separate Indian education from Indian Communities. That is why we seek to have your participation in establishing and implementing our education priorities," the Secretary said.

He pointed out one certainty: any education strategy will fail unless it has the support and active involvement of all those who are a part of the educational system. In his closing remarks, Lujan said that if he could leave his audience with one thought, "it is that of urgency. A window of educational opportunity is closing on the next generation of Indian leaders each year we fail to take strong action to improve the education process for Indian children". The focus of the mini-summit was on taking tribal successes in the education of Indian children on reservations and using this success to assist BIA efforts to improve the education of Indian Students attending BIA operated or funded schools.

Working groups were formed and reported on their recommendations in six areas: parental involvement/early childhood development, teacher training and recruitment, developing higher expectations through the effective schools process, enhancing school accountability and assessment, addressing reservation public school concerns and addressing additional education concerns. The working groups will continue to develop options and recommendations with an eye toward the BIA's FY 1992 budget planning process. An additional regional education mini-summit was tentatively scheduled for Rapid City, S.D., March 12-13. An additional smaller education meeting was held in conjunction with the National Indian School Board Association meeting in April in Spokane, Wash., and on the Navajo Reservation, March 28-29.

USDA FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Submitted by Sylvia Brock

The USDA food distribution for Salem will be June 12, 13 & 14, 1990. The USDA food distribution for Siletz will be June 11, 12, 13, 14 & 15, 1990. Our hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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BEAN SALAD

2 cups of cooked dry beans
2 cups cooked or canned green beans
1 medium size onion
1/2 cup french dressing

Drain beans. Slice onion and separate into rings. Mix all ingredients. Cover and chill about 1 hour before serving. Makes about 6 servings, 2/3 cup each.

CULTURE HUNT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

At the March 12 and April 9th Meetings of the Hunting and Fishing Committee, the culture hunt for 1990 was discussed. This past year no successful culture hunt was organized. The Committee feels that this is an important part of the Tribes' Culture and a positive activity for both youth and adults which in turn benefits the Elders through the contribution of the wild game taken. It also can be a lot of fun!

Culture hunts need to be coordinated well in advance of the date they actually occur, so we need to start planning this as soon as possible. We need adult volunteers to help organize and take part in the hunt for this fall and we also need a list of Tribal youngsters who would like to participate. Those wishing to be included in this event must be eligible for their hunting license for 1990 and all State and Tribal hunting regulations apply. To make this a positive experience for our youngsters and a successful hunt, we need your help!

To sign up, please send your name to: the HUNTING & FISHING COMMITTEE, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, Oregon 97380.