

Ethiopia," Cordova said, "but I took a bus ride through the south side of Chicago once and it was devastating. I will never, ever forget it. It was like 30 years of bombing had gone on. And here were these beautiful children getting on buses with absolutely no hope of a future. You don't need to go to Ethiopia to see poverty and displacement; go to south Chicago.

"Nearby was the University of Chicago, and the Chicago Art Institute, like two diamonds in a dung hill. Such poverty and devastation was not a problem for the people of Chicago; it was a problem for the people who live there."

If there is one message Cordova hopes to get across to students, it is that everyone needs a sense of place.

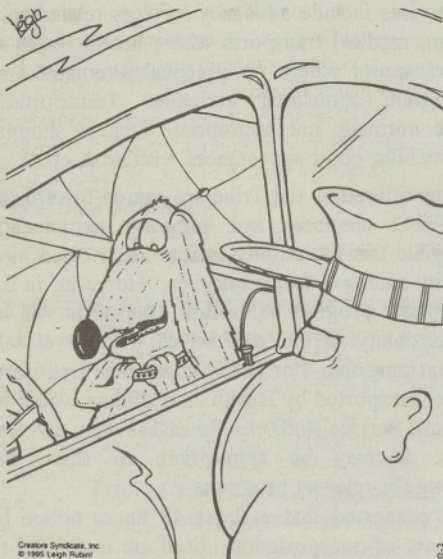
"I've heard people say that they will fight to the death for our country," she said. "That's not true. We sell it off all the time. What we are willing to fight for is the right to continue whatever it is we were doing."

And when she needs to make a point, Viola Cordova - the scholar, the Apache, the philosopher - points to the preamble of the Constitution. The phrase "We the People," she says, is among the most powerful ever written. And the concept of posterity is a message that should not be lost.

"The Iroquois tribe has a saying that goes something like this," Cordova said. "'As I walk on Earth, seven generations are beneath my feet, waiting for their place on Earth.' We need to leave something for those generations to love and respect and have reverence for because we had that opportunity."

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"My license, officer? Uh, ha! ha! I must have left it on the other collar!"

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ONABEN CLASS SCHEDULE

New Winter Classes to Start in January

PORTLAND - The Oregon Native American Business & Entrepreneurial Network (ONABEN) in partnership with the Confederated Tribes of Siletz will be delivering a series of entrepreneurship classes during the upcoming winter term. The first class, *You and Your Business Idea*, helps potential business owners understand the requirements of business success. This two-week evening class is tentatively scheduled to start January 8, 1996. Cost is \$10.00. The second class, *Starting a Successful Business*, helps avoid costly potential mistakes of business start-up. It provides the framework for successful business start-up by assisting students in writing a bankable business plan and training them to prepare a successful application for financing. This ten-week evening class is

tentatively scheduled to begin January 29, 1996. Cost is \$100. Both classes will be held at the Corvallis Senior Center.

ONABEN has assisted in start-up of 83 new Native American owned businesses in the past 3 years. The non-profit corporation accomplishes its mission by delivering a series of practical entrepreneurship classes, providing one-on-one business consulting, and offering access to capitalization.

ONABEN has recently been approved to act as a Small Business Development Center for the purpose of qualifying ONABEN clients for the State of Oregon Economic Development Loan Funds. The EDLF can provide up to \$25,000 in start-up financing to qualified applicants. To qualify for this funding, applicants must be actively involved in the ONABEN program, have been in business for less than 15 months and have made less than \$50,000. ONABEN also administers its own micro-lending program. For more information or to register for classes contact Terry Persson at (800) 922-1399 or Audrey Campbell, ONABEN Operations Coordinator, at (800) 854-8289.

Additionally, ONABEN is holding classes in Springfield, Portland, Warm Springs, and Umatilla.

Committee Application

Any Tribal Member interested in serving on a committee must fill out the following form and return it to the address below.

Send your application to:

Confederated Tribes of
Siletz Indian
P.O. Box 549
Siletz, OR 97380

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Roll Number _____

Number your preference 1,2,3 in the space provided

- _____ Hunting & Fishing Committee
- _____ Education Committee
- _____ Pow Wow Committee
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- _____ Housing Improvement Program (HIP)
- _____ Timber Committee
- _____ Health Committee
- _____ Culture Committee
- _____ Gaming Committee
- _____ Housing Authority
- _____ Budget Committee