

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 7 at 4:00 p.m. Chinook Winds in Lincoln City. A complimentary buffet Dinner will follow the meeting.

June 16-17
9:00a.m.-3:30p.m.
Monday-Thursdays.

Counselor returns to full-time-Diane Robertson has returned to full-time after working for two-months at 32 hours weekly. Assistant Returns! June 1st, marks the end of the temporary lay-off status which began February 24th.

The student participant may expect to earn minimum wage (\$5.50/hr.), work up to 40 hours/week -through June 30-Aug. 29, attend orientation/pizza feed on June 18 at 6:00. The program is limited to 8 students, please call 238-1512 if you are interested.

Traditional/Non-Competitive
June 6, 1997
Child Services Center Gymnasium
S.E. 14th and Stark
Graduate Honor Ceremony, 6:30 p.m.
Grand Entry, 7:30 p.m.

Telephone Numbers
 Portland Area Office 238-1512
 Siletz Administration 1-800-922-1399
 Contract Health Service 1-800-628-5720
 Siletz Health Clinic 1-800-648-0449
 Chinook Winds Casino 1-800-863-3314

3715 S.E. 39th, Portland, OR.

To Patrick Cordova, we are glad you made it. Good luck in the future!

Love you, Jack, Leilani, Jesse and Jackie.

In the last month two destructive incidents occurred at this site. First, a group of kids "tagged" the outside of two dance house walls. Second, ceremonial items for use in the sweat lodge were disturbed. It is upsetting to realize that children would demean these places. I hope that they acted out of ignorance; that perhaps they are not aware of the cultural and spiritual significance this place holds for the Siletz people. In my mind, this is no different than the vandalism of a church. I am hopeful that if our children understand the significance of the Dance House and the Sweat Lodge, then they will respect this site and the vandalism will end. The Dance House is a prayer house. During the summer Solstice we will express our thankfulness to the Creator for all the blessings he has bestowed upon us. This ceremony is a part of our unique cultural identity.

Parents please speak with your children. Remind them of the significance of this site. Teach them about their history and traditions. Instill pride in their culture. Encourage them to educate their friends how important this is for our people. Let us help one another to protect our ways for our people now and the descendants to come. In closing, I would like to leave you with a poem from the Tribe's language handbook, "Now You're Speaking Tolowa":

*My wall they say is just a wall.
How can it be just a wall?*

*For me it is not just a wall.
It is a doorway to the past.*

*They say the shadows on my wall are just shadows.
How can they be just shadows?*

for my wall is a doorway.
the shadows are my elders.
For my elders love to dance.
Now they dance on my wall.

*So who cares what they say.
For my elders will dance on my wall forever,
and someday I will join them
on my wall and dance for eternity.*

Teeshuutr'e----March 1995
Respectively Yours,
Bonnie Petersen

**Happy Birthday to Josh Kilatos,
From His Loving & Obedient Wife!!!!!!**

**Siletz Tribal Member
Carolina Vera-Simmons Graduated
from Pre-Kindergarden from Oregon
Child devolpment Colation of
Woodburn.**

To our Pride & Joy
Logan Butler
Happy 1st Birthday Sonny!!
Mommy & Daddy love you son!!!!
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CONGRATULATIONS!!!!!!!
To my dear wonderful, wonderful,
wonderful niece Correnna. You
made it were proud of you! Good
luck in college in San Louis Obispo.
Love all your family, Cordovas,
Rilatos and Hibbons

ATTENTION: All Relatives and Friends of John Adams Family!!! You are invited to come to celebrate a reunion on Sept. 13th, 1997 at 8:00 a.m. on Government Hill Community Center.

We will see you there!!! P.S.
We will have elk, meat, and
salmon for main dish'es Baked
patatoes and salads. Please
come!!! See you there.

Pete Downey

As this Memorial day passes I would like to take this time to remind us all to give thanks for those that have come before us and has brought us this far. I love and miss you dad (Robert Rlatos Sr.), Grandma Victoria and Grandpa Archie Ben and Grandma Pearl Rlatos.

Valerie Hibdon & Family
Happy Mothers Day Mom
Maxine Rilatos
I love you, Valerie

LOVE, Your Children ,Grand -Children and Great -Grand Children

'CONGRATULATIONS'!! To my wife & best friend Tracy Molina-Easter for graduating with a B.A. in Cultural Anthropology from Oregon State University. Love, your husband Issac and son Nakai Redhawk



Dad, even though your not
here with me, your
ALWAYS in my heart and
on my mind,
missing you so very much!!!

HAPPY FATHERS DAY.
Loving you always, Wendy

Jasmine Jolen Aguilar was born 5/2/97 to the proud new parents Richard Aguilar & Kari Rilatos. The Grand parents are D'Ann Heer of Newport, and Roger & Dorene Rilatos of Siletz. Great Grand parents are: Maxine Rilatos, Siletz, and Leah Heer of Toledo.



Proud Grand Pa, Roger rilatos & Jasmine

