



### Agency District Nominees



**Garland Brunoe**

My name is Garland Brunoe; I am Wasco of the Dog River Band. My father was Urban Brunoe and my mother Mary Brunoe. My grandfather was Jerry Brunoe who was chairman of Tribal Council when the Constitution and By-Laws of our people were established. My father served on Tribal Council in 1956 - 1959. I completed my education at Southern Oregon College with a degree in business. I worked for Proctor and Gamble, Warm Springs Forest Product Industry, Kah-Nee-Ta and the tribal organization. I was elected by the people to serve on the 21<sup>st</sup> Tribal Council (May 1998 - May 2001). The 21<sup>st</sup> Tribal Council selected me to serve as the vice chairman during this period.

Ralph Minnick nominated me at the Wasco Tribe nominations on March 16<sup>th</sup> and I accepted to be a candidate for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Tribal Council. I am writing to you today to ask for your vote. Your vote for me would mean you trust me to be your representative for the next three years (May 2001 - May 2004).

I would like to share with you some things I have learned as I come to the end of my first term as vice chairman of the 21<sup>st</sup> Tribal Council. It is the people that have the power to change our community. Our treaty and sovereignty must always be protected. Our languages and culture must be preserved, as that is who we were created to be. Our chiefs are to be the leaders with the help of other Tribal Council members. Our Constitution and By-Laws guide the decisions of Tribal Council. When necessary we are to work with other tribes, federal, state, county, city and other organizations with our treaty and sovereignty always in mind. It is the responsibility of the Tribal Council to find effective ways to inform the tribal members about what Tribal Council is doing.

As we approach the next three years we are faced with a Republican majority party that will need to be educated about Indian Country. Our Tribe has a decline in revenue with inflation, operating costs, population growth, housing needs, rising health care costs, education challenges, Court and public safety issues, drug and alcohol along with gang problems, job shortages, and infrastructure needs. We are being challenged by the State of Oregon in our desire to build a casino. Our treaty fishing rights are continually being tested. IHS and the self-governance tribes are testing our health care funding promised in our treaty. We are at a critical time in finalizing our agreement with PGE with the dams built on our waters. Our people are not short of challenges in the days to come.

We always need leaders that are honest, humble and hard workers. Today we need such leaders and those with experience in Tribal Council matters and that can work in unity. I encourage all eligible voters to take time to review the candidates and vote keeping in mind the challenges we face as a people. I thank you for allowing me to serve you in the 21<sup>st</sup> Tribal Council and I would be most humble to serve the people in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Tribal Council.

It'ukdi Wigwa Naika Ilksuxdiks (Good Day My Relatives).



**Ginger Smith**

To the people of my Reservation:

This is who I am for those of you who don't know me. My great grandfather was Chief Tumlikt of the Wasco Tribe who lived at Hood River in the late 1700s and early 1800s. Grandparents on my dad's side are Robert and Annie R. Smith. Great grandparents on my mom's side are Captain George Scott and Annie Stutkt Scott. Grandparents on my mother's side are Jimmy Scott and Addie Thomas Scott. My parents are Alfred and Lucinda Scott Smith. My Kiksht name is Clabinwa after dad's mother, a name given to me by Annie when I was born. I have lived and worked here at Warm Springs all my life. This is where my roots are. That is who I am.

This is one of those times when our reservation needs help. We have come a long way since 1938 when our Council adopted the Wheeler-Howard Act to make us self-governing. I won't say many words on paper, but if fortunate enough to be elected to Council, my plans are to have my say at the Council table and to the people in public meetings. I don't believe in using big words that aren't understandable. This hinders communication with the people. I won't say anything in this paper that I wouldn't say to you directly.

I feel that our top priorities are revenue-building and economic development, with knowledgeable managers selected to concentrate on these areas. While building revenue and economy, we need more accountability in every area including all of the enterprises and tribal government. We need funds to keep operations going. We need to improve the economy to bring in money for such things as helping tribal members start their own businesses, or to improve their current business. This and all future Councils need to keep a close eye on national and state legislation and actions that may affect us as a tribe.

I have worked in many areas for the tribe as well as the U.S. government: steno pool, tribal court, probate, Indian Health Service, finance, management information systems, and support for management. These jobs have given me the opportunity to see what these areas are responsible for. Working with committees, taking council minutes, inner workings of court and probate, health needs of the people, budget, and how management decisions were made when I worked as management support. Currently I serve on the Education Committee and the Appellate Court.

I am fully aware of what I would be taking on if elected. I do realize that it takes a majority of Council to make a decision and the chairman votes only in a case of a tie vote. The Constitution and By-Laws is the document that is intended to guide the Council in its decisions.

I would appreciate your support on April 9. If you have questions on how I feel about certain issues, I will be around to answer wherever you catch me, at the Post Office, store, meetings, wherever. Although we are three different tribes, we are confederated, and with Council members working together, I believe we can tackle many problems. Everyone get out and VOTE! Your ballot could be the deciding one on who is selected to represent your people. Good luck to all candidates. Thank you.



**Bernice Mitchell (pictured)**

No statement filed for publication.

**Harold Blackwolfe**

No photo or statement filed for publication.

**Frank Smith**

No photo or statement filed for publication.



**Zane Jackson (pictured)**

No statement filed for publication.



**Mary Ann Meanus (pictured)**

Candidate did not submit a statement for publication.



**Tom Kalama**

A few words of encouragement and good feelings for the tomorrows ahead for our tribal members. Every since our elders made plans for our future, we have been the grandchildren in their good thoughts and hopes for better living conditions in our lives. In keeping with the same wishes for our own children, we must make sure our children have the same thinking our ancestors did when they were forced to move to this reservation. Learning the times to give thanks to our creator for the roots, berries, salmon and meat.

I was raised by my grandmother Eva Polk in Hollywood. Since leaving home in 1966, I finished a four-year carpenter's apprentice program, a cement finishing class, a falling and bucking training, a welding class and I also have training to inspect homes for home buyers. I have worked in San Francisco, Oakland, Portland, the Columbia River, Beaverton, and the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. I have an honorable discharge from the Marine Corps.

I get concerned when a tribal member has something to say at the Longhouse. When the budget is posted and approved by the Tribal Council. The way the budget is posted is the way the budget should be spent, not moved around to wherever department. That cuts the services to the tribal membership.

Today I'm encouraging all tribal members to vote in their district for members who will work for them. Keep out past leaders who have stolen monies from the tribes. Vote in tribal councilmen that will work together for the good of all tribal members.

We are all one people. I hear that said all the time. We better be one people if we are to succeed in the things that come to us in the future. We can create employment, new profitable enterprises, and more self-employment. The next Tribal Council should get all the things that are possible done right away.

I am the owner of Tom Kalama Construction, doing remodeling, new small construction, new and old roofing since 1994. We have Tom and Jan's Food Service. Jeanine does an Indian Taco and fry bread.

I'm Warm Springs, Wasco, Piauete, Nisqually, Pit River and Hawaiian. My father was Charles Martin Kalama (Chips) and my mother was Bertha Mitchell Stevens.

Some of our tribal members think they are above the law and can do no wrong. They don't realize that we see them in a different way. If we are unhappy with the things that have happened to us, lets change some of our leadership. If the tribal membership does not make changes in our leadership, we are asking for more of the same treatment from some of our same councilmen. How many of our councilmen have kept their promise to the tribal members, when they said I do; when taking the oath of Tribal Council office.

Well enough of everything for now. If I have the opportunity to take the oath for Tribal Council I will promise to do my best to help make good decisions for the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. Working as a team with other councilmen that are going to vote on good, honest things for the tribes. Don't forget to vote in your district. It might be your vote that decides who is on Council Thank you for your time.