

NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Wednesday Meetings

DATE	TIME
Wednesday, Oct. 8.....	5 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 22.....	5 p.m.

Please note that these times and dates are subject to change if needed. Call Dakota Whitecloud, Tribal Council Relations Coordinator, at 503-879-1309 to confirm.

Salmon/steelhead distribution

Distribution is for those who HAVE NOT received their salmon allotment this year.

Date: Saturday, Oct. 11, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Place: Natural Resources Division
 47010 S.W. Hebo Road
 Office: 503-879-2424; fax: 503-879-5622

- ◆ Tribal I.D. cards are required.
- ◆ You must present your Tribal I.D. card to pick up your salmon allotment.
- ◆ Driver's license and other forms of I.D. will not be accepted.
- ◆ Picking up for another Tribal member? You must have that member's I.D. card (copies accepted) and a permission note.
- ◆ Permission notes and Tribal I.D. may be faxed to the office prior to the distribution.

Letters

Dear *Smoke Signals*:

I would like to thank my family, friends and supporters for all the help and encouragement during the election and beyond. Especially my parents, Diane and Bill Giffen, and my aunts and uncles: Tim and Caroline Linton and Tom and Debe Linton. I would also like to thank Darrell Mercier, Lennis Mercier and Mark Mercier for allowing me to post my election signs.

Debbie Giffen Marrington
 Roll #181

Dear Fellow Tribal Members:

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support of my re-election to Tribal Council. I am grateful and honored for the opportunity to serve the membership for another three years. I also would like to say thank you to all who called and sent e-mails congratulating me on my re-election. Congratulations from you, the members, means so much especially given the nastiness during elections this year. As always, my family has been very supportive and I truly appreciate their constant support.

I want to say a special thank you to my family members who were listed in the infamous "Leno letter." I regret the fact that they have always been a target during the election process, but this year was definitely the worst. There was a group of people who were obviously envious of me and my family's accomplishments, dedication and devotion to the Tribe.

Thankfully, many Tribal members came out in support of me and my family, especially during Tribal Council meetings. I can't tell you how much that meant to all of us. My family will remain proud and dedicated to serving the membership to the best of their ability.

We all have differences of opinions and groups of Tribal members who support one another, but I encourage us all to come together as a Tribe. We, as Tribal people and as a Tribal government, will be facing many challenges in the years to come with the troubled economy we are now faced with. If we can find a way to all come together, we will make the challenges easier to handle.

I have no doubt we, as Tribal people and a Tribal government, will survive as we have for many years. We survived nearly 30 years of Termination and we will survive this.

Reyn Leno
 Roll #453

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