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Dear Council Members,

There is a strong possiblility that Mr. Whittlesey will be joining us for our June 14, 1981 meeting. As plans develope, an additional newsletter will be written. The June 14 meeting is of particular interest to all, as the time extension asked for by the United States to answer our petition is up as of June 2. Plan to attend!

Our Annual Pow Wow date has been CHANGED to July 17, 18 & 19 with Friday, July 17 being set-up day. We still need prizes to firm up our prize list to get our ticket sales moving. We also NEED volunteers for the work crews at Pow Wow.

May I remind one and all that we are a LONG WAY from having our WAR CHEST??? I once said to go into the Court of Claims battle without a sizeable amount to back us up is SHEER SUICIDE. Well, it may just come to that, people! We now have ONLY \$2,500 in our account and that represents ONLY a small percentage of what is NEEDED. The Home Crew, our attorney, Mr. Dennis J. Whittlesey, our Oregon counsel, Mr. Levi J. Smith and our researcher, Dr. Stephen Dow Beckham are constantly working in behalf of ALL. These people cannot continue to operate on THIN AIR and that is what our measly \$2,500.00 amounts to!! THINK ABOUT IT, WON'T YOU???

A Family, Tribal Gathering is planned for the 4th of July weekend at the South Umpqua Falls. Bring yourselves, plenty of food, plan to camp out, have a good time and maybe get some work done for our Pow Wow.

Our May meeting was postponed, due to May 10 being Mother's Day. The Hall is taken for May 17. Therefore, our Quarterly Meeting will be held May 24 at 1:00 PM at the Veterans' Memorial Bldg. in Tri City and will be Pot Luck. One item on the agenda will be finalizing the preparations for the reburial of our ancestral remains found near Trail Oregon.

Even though this newsletter won't be recieved until after Sunday, I'd like to wish not only my own Mother, but all the Mother's among us "Happy Mother's Day ". And add the wish that it was exactly the kind of day, you wished for.

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