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## INDIANS IN THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The American Indian Education Program of the Marysville Joint School District puts out an excellent calendar of events and newsletter which contain lists of classes, powwows, health resources, child welfare programs and other many resources, as well as work by students. People from this Indian Ed program have come down from Marysville for MAPOM's classes. We admire their work.

In a recent issue Native Americans in the House of Representatives and Senate were listed. We have all heard about Ben Nighthorse Campbell, but here are some other names.

### In the Senate

Hiram R. Revels (Lumbee-Mississippi, 1870-71; Matthew Stanley Quay (Abenaki or Delaware-Pennsylvania, 1887-99); Robert L. Owen (Cherokee-Oklahoma 1907-25; Charles Curtis (Kaw/Osage-Kansas 1907-13, 1915-29).

### In the House of Representatives

Charles Curtis (Kaw/Osage-Kansas 1893-1907); Charles D. Carter (Choctaw-Oklahoma 1907-1927); W. W. Hastings (Cherokee-Oklahoma 1915-1921, 1923-1935); Will Rogers, Jr (Cherokee -California 1943-1944); William G. Stigler (Choctaw-Oklahoma 1944-52); Benjamin Reifel (Rosebud Sioux-South Dakota 1961-71); Clem Rogers McSpadden (Cherokee-Oklahoma 1972-75); Ben Nighthorse Campbell (Northern Cheyenne-Colorado 1886-93).

## INDIAN POPULATIONS FROM THE 1990 CENSUS

The 1990 census gives population counts for 542 tribes in the United States. Two thirds of the tribes showed populations of fewer than 1,000 persons. Among tribes reporting the fewest members are Cayuse (126), Croatan (111) and Siuslaw (44). About 4 in 10 of the nation's 1.9 million American Indians identified their tribe as Cherokee (308,000), Navajo (219,200), Chippewa (104,000), or Sioux (103,200).

## NEIGHBORHOOD ACHIEVMENT AWARD TO COAST MIWOK

On Saturday November 13 the Marin Community Foundation presented a check for \$2,500 as a Neighborhood Achievement Award to Rita Carillo and other Coast Miwok Indians for their part in maintaining the 103 year old Marshall Indian Cemetery.

MAPOM members will remember a report on a clean-up day last fall which resulted in some world-class cases of poison oak in both Indians and non-Indians. Weed suppression and replacement of tombstones (many of the originals were of redwood) have continued. These new funds will implement the project.

A major impediment to restoring the cemetery has been an enormous eucalyptus tree which fell over the chain link fence surrounding the cemetery and across Highway 1 at Marshall. The trunk of the tree has been removed but the stump and its exposed roots, crushing the fence, remains. Removal of this stump will be a first priority.

MAPOM's Don Thieler conceived and wrote the application for this grant.

### BRIAN SMITH--ELK AND CO.

Many of you have taken Brian Smith's excellent bow and arrow -making classes in recent years through MAPOM's class series. Brian and his family have moved to Noxon, Montana, where he continues his mail order business--Elk and Company. Brian, his wife Cindy and their five children are not yet in their house but hope to be soon.

Elk and Company is a source of supply for wilderness survival materials. If you need these, you might give Brian a call. Included in his list are:

**Obsidian bifaces** (blanks for making arrowheads) \$7 a dozen

**Turkey feathers** 12" select wing, barred \$4 doz., white \$3. doz.

**Hide glue**, granulated \$5.

**Artificial sinew** 1/2 lb. roll \$7.

**Backstrap sinew** (leg sinew may be substituted)--buffalo 20 cents per sq. inch, elk and deer 18 cents per sq. inch, beef 16 cents per sq. inch

**Deer hides** (green, scraped and dried)--A quality (without holes, or may have some around edge) \$4 per sq. ft.; B quality (with holes, may have hole in middle) \$2.30 per sq. ft.

**Brain-tanned deer hides**--white \$120, wood smoked \$135

**Bow wood staves** (yew, dogwood, serviceberry, and other) \$10 to \$25;

**Arrow shafts** (native plants select and dried) \$2., or 3 for \$5.

Brian can be reached at 406-847-2329. His address is: Elk and Co., PO Box 1524, Noxon, Montana 59853.

## FEDERATED COAST MIWOK

The Federated Coast Miwok is a one and a half year old organization with a membership of descendants of the Coast Miwok Indians of Marin and Southern Sonoma Counties. At the November meeting of the Federated Coast Miwok, by-laws were adopted. Application for status as a nonprofit corporation is underway. Elections for the eight tribal council members will take place in January. Nominations were made for these positions and included members of several different families. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.

A major objective of the Federated Coast Miwok is to secure Federal recognition as an Indian tribe. The requirements for Federal recognition are complex and demanding. Acquisition of Federal recognition can be very expensive and time consuming. If you're interested in details, see the page of requirements in this Bulletin.

One component of the application is genealogical. Tribal members must demonstrate that they are descended from a Coast Miwok ancestor living in California in 1852.

Many--probably most--California Indians registered for the 1928 California Indian Census Rolls. In these applications, they named their parents, grandparents, and great grandparents back to 1852, with their birthplaces and degree of blood. Eight hundred fifty of these enormously helpful applications have been made available to the Federated Coast Miwok.

A list of missing applications will be submitted to the Bureau of Indian Affairs shortly, in order to obtain information on additional families. With the addition of Federal census information, church records and information from other sources, it will be possible to compile a very comprehensive list of Coast Miwok descendants living at the present time.

Until they achieve nonprofit corporate status, the Federated Coast Miwok cannot apply for grants. If you wish to help with day-to-day expenses (postage, printing, stationery, etc.) include them in your year-end donations. Federated Coast Miwok, PO Box 481, Novato CA 94948.

### AWARD FOR BOOK ON COAST MIWOK OF PT. REYES

The recently published book *The Coast Miwok Indians of the Pt. Reyes Area*, written by Sylvia Thalman, illustrated by Ed Willie, and edited and designed by Barbara Edwards, has received an award from the National Interpreters' Association. Their annual awards cover a variety of media; the book received a second place in a field of 24.

### IN THIS WE ARE UNANIMOUS

In this season we wish to extend our heartiest good wishes to all of our friends, supporters and sincere critics as well. The enthusiasm which we have for MAPOM projects and pleasure we find in working toward MAPOM'S goals is simply made possible by your interest.

Again - The good thoughts, PEACE - JOY - LOVE. May you have them all.

## MANDATORY CRITERIA FOR FEDERAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

A. Evidence establishing that the petitioner has been identified from historical times until the present on a substantially continuous basis as an American Indian entity. Evidence to be relied upon in determining the group's substantially continuous Indian identity shall include one or more of the following:

1. Repeated identification as an Indian entity by Federal authorities;
2. Long-standing relationships with State governments based on repeated identification of the group as Indian;
3. Repeated dealings with a county, parish, or other local government in a relationship based on the group's Indian identity;
4. Repeated identification as an Indian entity by records in courthouses, churches, or schools;
5. Repeated identification as an Indian entity by anthropologists, historians, or other scholars;
6. Repeated identification as an Indian entity in newspapers and books;
7. Repeated identification and dealings as an Indian entity with recognized historical Indian tribes or national Indian organizations.

B. Evidence that a predominant portion of the petitioning group lives in a community viewed as American Indian and distinct from other populations in the area, that it has existed as a community from historical times until the present and that its members are descendants of an Indian tribal entity which existed historically or from historical tribes which combined.

C. Evidence establishing that the petitioner has maintained tribal political influence or other tribal political authority over its members as an autonomous entity throughout history until the present.

D. A copy of the group's present governing document including its membership criteria, or in the absence of a written document, a statement describing in full the membership criteria and the procedures through which the group currently governs its affairs and its members.

E. A list separately certified by the group's governing body as the group's official membership list, of all known current members of the group including, for each member, full name (including maiden name), date of birth and a current residential address; a copy of each available former list of members based on the group's own defined criteria; and a statement describing the circumstances surrounding the preparation of each list. The membership must consist of individuals who have established, using evidence acceptable to the Secretary, descent from a tribal entity which existed historically or from historical tribes which combined and functioned as a single autonomous political entity. Evidence which can be used for this purpose includes but is not limited to:

1. Roles prepared by the Secretary on a descendency basis for purposes of distributing claims money, providing allotments, or other purposes;
2. State, Federal, or other official records or evidence identifying present members or ancestors of present members as being Indian descendants and members of the petitioning group;
3. Church, school, and other similar enrollment records indicating the person as being a member of the petitioning entity;
4. Affidavits of recognition by tribal elders, leaders, or the tribal governing body, as being an Indian descendant of the tribe and a member of the petitioning entity;
5. Other records or evidence identifying the person as a member of the petitioning entity;

F. The membership of the petitioning group is composed principally of persons who are not members of any acknowledged North American Indian tribe; provided, if a group establishes that it has functioned throughout history until the present as a separate and autonomous Indian tribal entity, that its members do not maintain a bilateral political relationship with the acknowledged tribe, and that its members have provided written confirmation of their membership in the petitioning group, it may be acknowledged even if its membership is composed principally of persons whose names have appeared on rolls of or who have been otherwise associated with an acknowledged North American Indian tribe.

G. The petitioner is not, nor are its members, the subject of congressional legislation which has expressly terminated or forbidden the Federal relationship.

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* Hamm et al: THE TRADITIONAL BOWYERS BIBLE - Volume Two -----	\$22.75
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