

Well, it used to be that you didn't enter your own name. Whoever supported you sent in your name. But now this new Council--the Council I'm talking about--this Hart and this Henrietta established a plan where you have to go and file your own candidacy. We don't like that. We'd rather have the respect and honor of being elected by the tribe. So a lot of us don't like that--to go and register our own candidacy. They consider that as disrepectable.

(Which is the way they do it now?)

You have to file for yourself, within a given time.

(You were saying that one of your supporters would file for you under the old system--well, who would your supporters be?)

It depends on the attitude of the community. Men or women, or both.

(Would they have to be relatives or could they be friends?)

Yeah--relatives or friends--acquaintances of the district. Usually the relatives took quit a bit of part because they always support him and they helped him in carrying out his obligations, you know--voluntary service -- help him out, you know.

DUTIES OF TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS; SCHOLARSHIPS:

(What is a member of the Tribal Council supposed to do? What are their duties?)

Just like this tribal chief system--exactly the same. Look after their community--all the needy, the old, chiefs, children--be public spirited--that's the main thing.

(Is there anything that a member of the community might go to his Tribal Council member and ask him for help in some way?)

Oh yeah.

(What kind of things would he be in a position to help with?)

It might be his kids' school probelism. Might be home conditions. Or might be what we have in our tribe here as money to be given to the seriors for their graduation year--cltohes, and gowns and all those things. And maybe prepare for the fall --where he may want to go to school--for his clothing. Two or three hundred dollars