



Photo by Andy Taylor

Whipwoman Sonya Moody-Jurado (l) and Tribal Council member Selene Rilatos lead a line of more than 30 women during the Red Shawl Dance to recognize survivors of domestic and sexual violence at the Restoration Pow-Wow on Nov. 19. See more photos on pages 10-11 from the first Restoration Pow-Wow to take place since 2019.

Happy Holidays from STAHS

By Teresa Simmons

It's the season to be thankful, to share our joy in living and in each other, and to celebrate the year's accomplishments along with our hopes for the future.

Looking back on 2022, the Siletz Tribal Arts and Heritage Society is especially proud to share that we reached our capital campaign goal of \$2.5 million. This is the building block for the Siletz museum, "A Place for the People."

Under the direction and with the contribution of the remaining funds for construction from the Confederated Tribes of Siletz, ground breaking is anticipated to take place in the spring of 2023 on Government Hill in Siletz.

Also in 2022, STAHS rented the "old hotel" on Gaither Street in Siletz and renamed it the STAHS Gift Shop and Museum. The building needed a new look to make it suitable for our purpose, so we went to work! The STAHS board and volunteers did all the cleaning, laid the flooring, painted the walls, installed the shelving and display cases, ordered the supplies and items for sale, and arranged the items for display.

The building was open to the public during the Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow and as a site to celebrate Indigenous Peoples Day. This allowed STAHS to share the collection of baskets that have been purchased over the past few years, which will eventually be displayed in the new museum when it is completed.

In the upcoming months, more improvements will take place in the upstairs area to provide office space and a meeting area. Staff will also be hired to man the facility on a regular basis. We look forward to assisting Siletz Tribal artists by providing an outlet for their creations in the gift shop.

Thank you from the STAHS Board – Gloria Ingle, Teresa Simmons, Angela Ramirez, Jacob Reid and Kent Rilatos – for your support during the years that we have worked toward our goal of building "A Place for the People."

Merry Christmas to everyone and may your New Year be happy and blessed!

Protect ICWA Campaign statement on Haaland v. Brackeen oral argument

The Protect ICWA Campaign released the following statement after oral argument on Nov. 9, 2022, in the Haaland v. Brackeen U.S. Supreme Court case:

The Protect ICWA Campaign applauds the defendants' arguments in support of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) and we strongly affirm both the constitutionality of ICWA and its importance as a law that protects the best interests of Native children.

Our campaign is part of a large, evidence-based coalition of ICWA supporters. To show the breadth and depth of support for ICWA, we look to the hundreds of experts, legal and child welfare practitioners, and organizations across sectors who stand with us:

- Legal experts, lawmakers and attorneys general – from both sides of the aisle – agree that ICWA is firmly within the scope of Congress' power.
- Hundreds of Tribal Nations have joined together to explain how ICWA furthers Tribal sovereignty, which is core to the long-established political relationship between Tribal Nations and the federal government.
- Nearly half of all states agree (eight states for every one that disagrees)

See ICWA on page 5

Save the date for 2023 community meetings!

Our annual meetings are back to answer your questions and take your input for Planning priorities.

Salem • Jan. 26

Last Thursday in January

Eugene • Feb. 9

2nd Thursday in February

Siletz • Feb. 23

4th Thursday in February

Portland • March 9

2nd Thursday in March

Out of Area • March 23

4th Thursday in March

Dates are tentative and subject to change

Siletz Tribal offices will be closed:

- Wednesday, Dec. 7, for an All-Staff Meeting
- Monday, Dec. 26, for Christmas
- Monday, Jan. 2, for New Year's Day
- Monday, Jan. 16, for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Gov. Kate Brown

Our Tribe has been fortunate to work with Gov. Brown for the past several years. The council recently attended the Governor's Summit in Florence, Ore., at Three Rivers Casino. All Oregon Tribes were present and took part in the discussions, made presentations and interacted with many Oregon state agencies. Important Tribal issues were brought forward by the Tribes' chairmen regarding culture, resources, education and Tribal sovereignty.

These are the final days of Gov. Brown's official time in office. She came to Siletz to make a final visit as governor. The Tribe hosted a lunch and we then toured the Collections Building to review the collections that will eventually be placed in our Tribal museum.

We showed our appreciation as we visited the Dance House and presented her with a treaty blanket as our appreciation for her work not only with Siletz but all other Tribes. We will miss the relationship.

NCAI's 79th Annual Convention and Marketplace

Lorraine Butler and I attended the NCAI (National Congress of American Indians) convention in Sacramento, Calif., in November. It was a huge gathering with many important subjects up for discussion.

The Sovereignty Run ended in Sacramento as well as the tour of the totem that began in Bellingham, Wash., toured the entire United States and ended in Sacramento. The carved totem was done by Jewell James and family (House of Tears) of the Lummi Tribe.

Protection of sovereignty and getting the vote out in Indian Country were the prime messages of this Congress. Demonstrators were in attendance to protest against disenrollment that was occurring in some Tribes. NCAI had no discussion on the protest.

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)

Our negotiation with ODFW has been completed on the Tribe's hunting and fishing agreement (the Consent Decree). I reported at General Council that the next step in the process is for the ODFW Commission to approve/disapprove of our agreement at its Dec. 16 meeting.

We had government-to-government meetings with other Tribes concerning our agreement; we still face opposition from the Grand Ronde Tribe even though they are asking for the same approvals as we are. Hopefully we can work out the conditions they are opposing.

Restoration

We so enjoyed this year's Restoration Celebration! Charles Wilkinson, author of *The People Are Dancing Again*, was our guest speaker. Charles was very active in the Tribe's effort to gain federal recognition. It was good to see and visit with everyone who attended.

Congressman Earl Blumenauer

Rep. Blumenauer held a forum for Oregon Tribes to talk about Tribal issues in Oregon. He holds a forum once a year to be informed so he can assist Tribes

wherever he can. We appreciate his interest, it is always good to see him and visit with him.

Chemawa Indian School

At the recent NCAI convention in Sacramento, Indian schools and issues around cemeteries and burial sites were discussed. The Secretary of Interior is very involved in those discussions and is working toward identifying any and all sites. The Chemawa Cemetery is referred to many times.

I visit the cemetery and have for many years. There are markers for most of the graves, a few have been lost and need to be replaced. The discussion involved having more information on the markers, such as date of birth, date of death and where the person was from. Discussion has taken place on moving some of the remains back to their home location, but that has not occurred at Chemawa.

Visit to Pine Ridge

I was on a short vacation to South Dakota in October. When visiting and saying hello to the chairman at Pine Ridge, it was an unexpected pleasure to meet Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland.



Delores Pigsley

She was there to meet with the Tribe on a variety of issues, including the Red Cloud School in Pine Ridge. This had been a boarding school in the past; it currently is a day school operated by the Catholic Church. The school has a great gift shop of artwork from the local members.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

CTSI Jobs – Tribal employment information is available at ctsi.nsn.us.

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Deadline for the January issue is Dec. 9.

Submission of articles and photos is encouraged.

Please see the Passages Policy on page 20 when submitting items for Passages.



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Home Visiting: Reducing holiday stress for you and your toddler

Holidays can be exciting and fun and at the same time busy and stressful. Here are a few tips to help limit holiday stress.

- **Stick to the routine.** Children do best with routines, so stick with your child's regular routine as much as possible. Focus on sleep and food. Having naps, bedtime, snacks and meals at regular times will really help.
- **Limit sugary food intake.** Sweet treats are great, but you want to balance sweet and healthy snacks. Too many sweets can make a child overly active, emotional and may upset their stomach. Be sure to have some fresh fruit, vegetables, cheese, yogurt and other quick healthy snacks on hand.
- **You don't have to do it all.** Plan one or two fun things you want to do as a family. Too much on the schedule can be overwhelming for everyone. Think about what is important to you and say no to the rest.
- **If your child is overwhelmed, take them to a quiet space.** If you are at a party, shopping or other event with lots of people, noise and stimulation, your child may become overwhelmed. If they do, take them to a quiet room or outside to be able to relax and calm down. If possible, lower the lights and do things you know are calming for your child – hold them, hum, speak soft soothing words.
- **Take care of yourself and stay calm.** Plan ahead, have realistic expectations, eat well, get enough sleep, exercise and remember to breathe. Do the things you enjoy that provide you with the strength you need to keep going in a healthy way.

Home Visiting is a 477-SSP program providing support, encouragement and resources for parents of infants and toddlers. We serve Native families in our 11-county service area who are expecting or have an infant less than 12 months old, continuing until the child's 3rd birthday.

If you would like more information about Home Visiting, please contact Lori Christy, family support specialist in the Salem Area Office, at 503-390-9494 or loric@ctsi.nsn.us.

USDA distribution dates for December

	Siletz		Salem	
Thursday	Dec. 1	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Monday	Dec. 12 1:30 – 6:30 p.m.
Friday	Dec. 2	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Tuesday	Dec. 13 9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Monday	Dec. 5	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Wednesday	Dec. 14 By appt only
Tuesday	Dec. 6	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.		
Thursday	Dec. 8	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.		

Sammy Hall, USDA Program Director
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Fax: 541-444-8306 or 503-391-4296

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For information about the Siletz Tribe, visit our website at www.ctsi.nsn.us.

General Welfare Exclusion Accessibility Program

The General Welfare Exclusion Accessibility Program (GWEAP) funds over-income families with a one-time grant of \$5,000 for accessibility features in the primary bathroom of the owner-occupied residence. Grants are solely to provide handicap accessible toilets, showers and grab bars.

GWEAP grants will be made available to Tribal homeowners within the 11-county service area. First priority is for over-income households whose income exceeds the eligibility requirements. Second priority will be low-income households. The over-income grant is for eligible applicants and is limited to one grant per person/address/household.

Over-income refers to Tribal members whose income exceeds the income limits set by the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA). These are listed below:

1	2	3	Base 4	5	6	7	8
\$50,400	\$57,600	\$64,800	\$72,000	\$77,800	\$83,600	\$89,300	\$95,100

Applications, including proof of current annual income, enrollment, and proof of homeownership with the Tribal member's name on it must be submitted to the Housing Office by **Tuesday, Jan. 31, 2023, at 4:30 p.m.** Applications received after that date and time will not be accepted by the Siletz Tribal Housing Department.

Qualified applicants will be placed in a lottery drawing that will be held during February on a date approved by the Tribal Council.

If you would like an application or have any questions, please contact Jeanette Mason at 800-922-1399, ext. 1316; 541-444-8316; or jeanettem@ctsi.nsn.us.

Elders Council Meeting

The Elders Council will host an in-person/Zoom hybrid meeting on **Saturday, Dec. 10, 2022, at 1 p.m.** at the Lincoln City Community Center, 2150 Oar Place, Lincoln City, OR 97367.

If you have questions, please contact the Elders Program at 541-444-8212.

Most Often Requested Numbers

Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians – 800-922-1399	Siletz Community Health Clinic – 800-648-0449
Salem Area Office – 503-390-9494	Siletz Behavioral Health – 800-600-5599
Portland Area Office – 503-238-1512	Chinook Winds Casino Resort – 888-244-6665
Eugene Area Office – 541-484-4234	Chemawa Health Clinic – 800-452-7823
Purchased Referred Care (PRC) – 800-628-5720	Bureau of Indian Affairs – 800-323-8517
Tribal Veterans Rep – 541-444-8330 or 541-270-0569	Website – www.ctsi.nsn.us

2023 Standing Committee Applications Due by Feb. 8, 2023

Any Tribal member interested in consideration for serving on a committee for a two-year term are encouraged to fill out this form and return it to the council office prior to Feb. 8, 2023. Please **mail or fax** your application to Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Attn: Executive Assistant to Tribal Council, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549; fax: 541-444-8325.

Name: _____ Roll No.: _____

Address: _____

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Telephone: Day () _____ Evening () _____

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If you only want to be considered for one committee, please indicate by inserting the number 1 next to the committee of interest. If you have interest in more than one committee, please indicate by numbering your preference, 1 (first choice), 2 (second choice) and 3 (third choice).

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Committee appointments will be made at the Regular Tribal Council meeting in February 2023. If you have any questions, please call the executive assistant to Tribal Council at 800-922-1399, ext. 1372, or 541-444-8372.

CTSI VIRTUAL CULTURE NIGHTS



ALL TRIBAL MEMBERS AND FAMILIES WELCOME

Upcoming Dates:

December 7 at 6pm: Nee-dash

January 11 at 6 pm: Our Tribal Bands

February 8 at 6 pm: Exploring Family History

March 15 at 6 pm: Hazel

Sponsored by the Education and Culture Departments
Contact Nick Viles at nickv@ctsi.nsn.us or 541-484-4234 x1757 to sign up

Edenfield elected vice chair of national committee for US Treasury Department

Sharon Edenfield, Tribal administrative manager and secretary of the Siletz Tribal Council, has been elected vice chairman of the Treasury Tribal Advisory Committee (TTAC).

Edenfield was originally appointed to TTAC by Oregon Sen. Ron Wyden in 2019.

At the meeting on Oct. 26, the following individuals, along with Edenfield, were elected to the following positions:

- Chairman W. Ron Allen (Jamestown S'Klallam), chairman of TTAC

- Jean Swift (Mashantucket Pequot), co-chair for the TTAC Subcommittee on Dual Taxation
- Will Micklin (Tlingit Haida) and Stephanie Williams (Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas), co-chairs for the TTAC Subcommittee on Tribal Pensions

They were joined at the meeting by U.S. Secretary of the Treasury Janet Yellen for opening remarks and Treasurer

of the United States, Chief Lynn Malerba (Mohegan), for the duration of the meeting. Key federal partners from various offices within Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service were also represented at the meeting.

Background for TTAC

The Tribal General Welfare Exclusion Act of 2014 (P.L. 113-168) was signed into law by the president in September 2014 and required the establishment of

a seven-member TTAC. The committee members have a broad mandate to “advise the secretary on matters relating to the taxation of Indians.”

Among the duties, the TTAC helps establish training and education programs for Internal Revenue Service field agents who work with Tribal governments and Tribal finance professionals. NAFOA (Native American Finance Officers Association) serves as a supporting organization for TTAC.

Cultural strategies can support your family's health with traditional food ways

By Nancy Ludwig, MS, RDN, LD, Head Start Consulting Nutritionist

As part of my role as a consultant nutritionist to Siletz Tribal Head Start, I offer information for families. This segment takes another look at the health benefits of traditional food ways.

I took a dive into this favorite topic of mine in a new way. I realized that traditional diet means many things and is not consistent throughout the world. Traditional eating has been related to positive health outcomes and sustainability. There is no consensus, however, on what constitutes traditional and modern eating.

It is clear there are many inequities that contribute to current-day health disparities. Rather than dwelling there, I hope to highlight the strengths and benefits of Indigenous ancestry as we move forward striving for health.

The shift from traditional to modern eating has become more prevalent in scholarly literature with the increasing incidence of chronic diseases and obesity. The popular author, Michael Pollan, stated in his book *Food Rules* that “people who eat according to the rules of a traditional food culture are generally healthier than those of us eating a modern Western diet of processed foods”. One of his rules for eating wisely was “Regard nontraditional foods with skepticism.” Of course, it isn't quite this simple.

Diet means the kinds of food a person, animal or community habitually eats. “Traditional food ways” is a participatory tool that captures the whole range of local foods of a community, how food is sourced in the landscape, prepared and consumed, and the roles of the household and community members involved.

In addition to ancestry, traditional food ways vary with available food resources, climate, geography and more. My fascination is that these factors actually mean the composition and types of foods consumed in the overall diets vary across the world. Furthermore, the lack of consensus when using the terms modern vs. traditional may be partially due to how we characterize time.

My focus in past writing has been on the composition of the foods that were indigenous to this Northwest region. The Salish Food Mound, described by Drs. Korn and Ryser, is composed of 33% leafy greens, berries and fruits; 45% meat, fish and fowl; 20% fats and fish oils; and 2% roots and sweets.

From there I've focused on no grains (no flour, no cereal, no bread), no dairy (no milk, no cheese, no yogurt, no sour cream, no ice cream), very little sweets or starchy vegetables, only fruits in season and literally no refined sugar. There are many modern-day dietary recommendations that are consistent with this, such as paleo, autoimmune-paleo, many versions and combinations of gluten- and/or grain-free plus dairy-free.

Traditional diets in Alaska, Yukon Territory and Canada include more fats and fewer vegetables in the cold climates. These work well in the right settings and climates. There are also modern-day dietary recommendations that are consistent with this, such as the ketogenic diet.

The Southwest regions of the U.S. and South America tend to include more corn and legumes that are not found in the traditional practices of the Northwest Salish region. These diets work well in the warmer climates and growing conditions. Once again, many modern-day dietary recommendations are consistent with this, such as vegetarian, plant-based diets with varying degrees of animal-based proteins, and small amounts of cheese. The well-known Mediterranean diet is another example.

When exploring traditional foods, I even looked at Biblical references to foods. This blew my mind a bit as these references focused on gluten-containing grains, fasting and additional concepts. This is certainly a complex topic.

Because there are so many variable recommendations all around the world, it may be difficult to figure out what is best for you. All diet recommendations are for the purpose of health or treatment of chronic illness. I believe that success is often found in the framework of examining each person's ancestral heritage, or mix of heritage, and whether you live in that ancestral area and/or climate.

Because there are so many factors, this approach requires experimentation. These factors cannot be reduced to environment or possible genetics via heritage. It is necessary to consider physical, emotional and spiritual well-being related to culture.

This must all be overlaid with where you live and the locally available food sources due to the additional benefits to eating what grows well locally (not the same as adapting to local unhealthy eating practices).

I appreciate that Indigenous cultures are faced with difficult disparities, yet at the same time unique strengths. I reviewed

a series of government articles focused on Indigenous health disparities with proposed guidance.

Often the guidance is on the value of early intervention, beginning prenatally with a mother's first pregnancy and extending throughout the first years of life and beyond, as one of the surest ways to begin to address past centuries of neglect and improve the prospects of American Indian and Alaska Native children in this century.

Additional articles reviewed and summarized health disparities, stating that American Indians and Alaska Natives continue to die at higher rates than other Americans in many categories, including from chronic liver disease and cirrhosis, diabetes mellitus, unintentional injuries, assault/homicide, intentional self-harm/suicide and chronic lower respiratory diseases.

I was moved by a CDC (Centers for Disease Control) article that identified Tribal issues federal agencies often fail to understand or support with federal grants and resources. In another CDC document titled “CDC and Indian Country Working Together,” three convenings were described with a group of Tribal leaders and members knowledgeable about Tribal practices that promote physical, emotional and spiritual well-being. The purpose was to find practices that CDC could support with grant funding.

Seven strategies that promote health and well-being were developed and CDC stated they will use these strategies and associated practices in future funding opportunity announcements (FOAs) to support Tribes and Tribal organizations in implementing practices that keep people healthy and well.

Seven strategies that promote health and well-being

1. Family and community activities that connect cultural teachings to health and wellness
2. Seasonal cultural and traditional practices that support health and wellness
3. Social and cultural activities that promote community wellness
4. Tribal, intertribal, governmental and non-governmental collaborations that strengthen well-being
5. Intergenerational learning opportunities that support well-being and resilience
6. Cultural teachings and practices about traditional healthy foods to promote health, sustenance and sustainability
7. Traditional and contemporary physical activities that strengthen well-being

As I look at these seven Tribal strategies, I see that we must look back in order to look forward. Cultural teachings, activities and traditional practices have fostered resilience. All seven strategies look back to a common foundation and move forward in community with activities to foster learning and support health.

One of the comments shared about the convenings included this: “There is misunderstanding of the practices of Natives, so we're often on the negative side. The Tribal convenings were geared toward having the government understand. Some traditional practices are difficult to measure in the way that things are measured, but there needs to be trust that we know what we're doing.”

My hope is that all health programs, including Siletz Tribal Head Start, can collaborate to connect intergenerational family and community, seasons, cultural and social activities to support health, well-being and resilience.

Siletz Tribal Head Start offers nutritional support at no cost to Head Start families. This usually occurs over the telephone. If you have nutrition concerns about your Head Start child or want to discuss family nutrition concerns, please contact your teacher or the director and ask to speak to the nutritionist.

Supporting resources (links)

1. Understanding Traditional and Modern Eating: <https://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12889-019-7844-4>
2. Traditional Foods, Wellness in Native America <https://americanindianinstitute.wordpress.com/2012/07/16/traditional-foods-part-1/>
3. Indian Health Disparities, Fact Sheets, 2-pages https://www.ihs.gov/sites/newsroom/themes/responsive2017/display_objects/documents/fact-sheets/Disparities.pdf
4. Poverty and Health Disparities for American Indian and Alaska Native Children: Current Knowledge and Future Prospects <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2567901/>
5. Chronic Disease Resources for Tribal Health <https://www.cdc.gov/tribal/data-resources/information/chronic-diseases.html#print>
6. CDC and Indian Country Working Together, pages 28-29 of 36 pages <https://www.cdc.gov/tribal/documents/resources/CDC-indian-country.pdf>

Community Health Accomplishments/Successes

By Ruby Moon, Community Health Director

A couple months ago, I was asked to write an article for the December newspaper spotlighting the work of Community Health. I sat down and wrote it in early October, but it didn't feel right or at least not complete.

Everything I wrote about was true. The article focused on what the team accomplished during the pandemic. I am proud of what we did, but our response during COVID is not what we normally do. After lots of reflection, however, I came to realize it may not be what we normally do, but it is absolutely who we are.

It is my hope that during the last few years we have demonstrated our commitment as we deployed our response to COVID. Within 24 hours of shutting down services, we had built a phone tree and began to contact each elder regardless of where they lived and continued those phone calls throughout the first couple years of the pandemic.

At the same time, our team built a resource line for all Tribal members to call in to navigate services like unemployment, which morphed into a line to request hard-to-find items. Staff and the membership would call into that line and the ground team would take it from there.

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that ICWA provides a necessary and effective framework for managing state-Tribal relations in child welfare.

- Child welfare experts know that ICWA's emphasis on strengthening family and community ties is a best practice that produces better outcomes for Native children and all children.
- Medical experts agree that ICWA's provisions address the physical and emotional trauma that Native kids have suffered from centuries of harmful federal and state policies.
- Individuals who have interacted with the child welfare system who have come forward to share their stories as vocal supporters of the law.

Haaland v. Brackeen represents a fight for Native children, Native families and Tribal Nations. ICWA upholds and respects Tribes' rights as sovereign nations to determine what is best for their youngest citizens.

We urge SCOTUS to side with the 502 Tribal Nations, 62 Native organizations, 23 states and Washington, D.C., 87 congresspersons and 27 child welfare and adoption organizations who support ICWA.

The Protect ICWA Campaign was established by four national Native organizations: the National Indian Child Welfare Association, National Congress of American Indians, Association on American Indian Affairs, and Native American Rights Fund. Together, the campaign works to serve and support Native children, youth and families through upholding the Indian Child Welfare Act. It also works to inform policy, legal and communications strategies with the mission to uphold and protect ICWA.

That part of the team was responsible for securing hard-to-find items, from TP to hand sanitizer and everything in between. When a request came in from the resource line, the ground team would package and deliver those items either directly or through the mail.

Many essential services during this time did not stop for our team. Transportation services for medical appointments never stopped. They remained open, providing access to vital services. CARE continued and expanded services to those in need of domestic violence and/or sexual assault advocacy. Harm Reduction services remained opened and expanded services out of necessity.

We partnered with any department needing assistance, from packing food boxes, pouring healing salves, beading necklaces, delivering prescriptions, sewing masks and in so many other ways I can't even begin to remember. We remained agile in the face of the unknown and tried our best to predict what was coming next so we could continue to offer the best service we could to our community.

For us, that meant stepping up when vaccine became available and processing thousands of people's intake paperwork for receiving the vaccine. It meant training to become contact trace and case investigators for all Siletz Clinic patients literally days before it was asked of us to fill that role. It meant erecting and manning an

evacuation shelter when the 2020 Labor Day fires threatened this community.

It's been a long and tiring road that we have all traveled over the past few years, but this team among others served in a way that makes me proud to be a part of them. Teammates have changed over the course of this experience, but what we accomplished could not have been done without the contribution of each and every one of them.

I like to say Community Health is where leaders and legends are born. We are a small but mighty team. Our department philosophy is no one fails. We support each other to ensure success and have that same commitment to all programs with which we partner. Every person working in this department, both past and present, has a giant heart and is committed to this community, the people and this team.

We look forward to fresh starts where we gather and play together again. We hope to serve during the good times with the same integrity we served with during hard times.

Each and every individual who currently serves or has ever served on this team does it with their whole self. They always go above and beyond and give more than expected. I'd go as far as to say it's impossible to tell where each person's professional life and personal life diverge because the work is our lives. It's who we are.

For me, this is the most important work of my life. Working in Community

Health affords me this mix of impact from great big projects that help to strengthen our community to the intimate work of coming along side individuals and fortifying their personal belief in their own ability. Although I would never feel I could speak for the team's experience, I believe the work we do brings value and meaning into all of our lives. It's who we are.

Imagine a job that allows you to give so deeply of yourself and receive fulfillment and purpose in exchange. That is what it means to do the work of Community Health. It's all about connection. Not only connection to each other, to friends, families, neighbors and community, but also connection to ourselves, our hearts, souls, minds and our actions.

We're in the business of healing and while we are encouraged to heal our own hurts, we get to share that journey with those around us and be with them through their own journeys. This is a human experience. We are all in it together. It's who we are.

Our team encompasses several programs that change lives, save lives and enrich lives. We feature the CARE Program, Community Health Advocates, Medical Transportation and Harm Reduction. We believe in the work we are doing, carry the responsibility to strive for excellence in our work and assist others in achieving their goals. It's who we are.

So if you are wondering who we are, we are Community Health and if you're wondering who Community Health is, it's who we are.



Courtesy photos by Teresa Simmons

On Nov. 13, Siletz Tribal Arts and Heritage Society Chairman Gloria Ingle and Angela Ramirez, STAHS treasurer and Tribal Council member, took part in the Portal to Native Heritage event at the Newport Performing Arts Center. Other Tribal participants included Mark Pullam, story teller; Robert Kentta and Peter Hatch, who made a historical presentation; and Junior Miss Siletz Kendall Bell-Tellez, Little Miss Siletz Beyonka Bell-Tellez, Bella Gomez and Penelope Gomez, who participated in a dance demonstration; and Leonard Harmon (Nanticoke and Lenape Tribes of Delaware and New Jersey), a men's traditional dancer who also showed some of his artwork.



Siletz Community

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2022 CARE Program Outreach/Education Highlights

January is Human Trafficking Awareness Month. The Program hosted a virtual event to talk about the facts and stories of human trafficking and how it affects everyone in some way.

February is Teen Dating Violence Month. Care and Behavioral Health partnered to work with Siletz Middle School and Toledo High Leadership classes. We provided information and virtual activities for them to do on healthy vs unhealthy relationships and consent.

March we hosted a virtual earring making class as well as worked with Indian Education here in Lincoln County to make necklaces for sexual assault victims.

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The program hosted a few different fun activities throughout the month. We hosted a virtual shawl making in honor of survivors 2 times in which 6 Tribal members participated. CARE collaborated with Diabetes, USDA, Community Health and Tobacco Prevention to do a virtual healing and wellness event. More than 200 people signed up for the event with information on sexual assault/domestic violence, consent and more. We hosted the 2nd annual I Believe Survivors 5K Run/Walk.

May is Missing and Murdered Indigenous Peoples Awareness Month. We currently have 3 known missing Tribal members. We went to Toledo High and spoke at the Indian Education Assembly on MMIP. We purchased paint and provided 100 dress and shirt cutouts for kids to paint and put around school in honor of all those missing as well as around Siletz and Newport. We put on a virtual MMIP art share with 50 people who signed up. Each person got to share the art they are working on so we can all support each other through these times.

July we hosted 2 ribbon skirt making classes in honor of Native American survivors of domestic violence and/or sexual assault. A total of 44 Tribal members participated in making ribbon skirts to wear for CARE's annual DV and SA survivor honor dance at our annual Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow.

August CARE led an honor song for those survivors of DV and SA during the pow-wow in which people wore red shawls or ribbon skirts that were made specifically for the honor dance. CARE, Harm Reduction, CEDARR and the Impalas Car Club collaborated to raise awareness on human trafficking and recovery through a harm reduction lens in Indian Country at the Custom Car Show at Chinook Winds Casino. Each event registrant signed a pledge to educate themselves and others on human trafficking. The ones who did pledge were given a pine nut necklace to hang from their mirrors.

September is in honor of the Every Child Matters Movement. CARE did rock painting and beaded keychain making. Painted rocks were put around town in honor of every child lost to residential schools. CARE and Harm Reduction collaborated and put on an amazing event on Sept. 30 for National Remembrance Day for Truth and Reconciliation, remembering Indigenous lives lost to colonization, and genocide, in the residential schools of Canada. We hosted a ceremonial smudge walk around Siletz. As you walked the 5K for all children and families affected by this, it gave you the history at different spots along the walk. We ended at the Siletz Community Center, where we had a traditional meal in honor of ECM and Wellbriety month.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. CARE partnered with Harm Reduction to provide education on consent, unsafe/safe touch, healthy relationships, bullying, suicide and inappropriate language. We provided purple porch lights for community members, purple socks for the football team and purple hair ribbons for the volleyball team in honor of DVAM.

November CARE provided gatherings for 20 people total to learn how to make traditional bone aprons. CARE had a booth at the Restoration Pow-Wow with tea ingredients for tea and medicine for prayer ties in honor of Native American Heritage Month and our Tribe's Restoration. On Nov. 30 we hosted a dinner and a traditional gifting event, where community members made a gift for survivors of DV and SA and in return got to make teas and salves for themselves to take home.

The Average Youth Tries Vaping Between 13-15

Youth whose parents talk to them about the dangers of vaping are half as likely to try it.

You've probably heard a wide variety of terminology, but don't let that confuse you. JUUL, vapes and vape pens are all forms of e-cigarettes and they're all very dangerous.

All these risks are being funded by a familiar foe, Big Tobacco. Parents are in the best position to protect their kids against such powerful and dangerous opponents.

Have you talked to your children about the dangers of vaping?

Here are some tips on where to start

Choose the right time and place to start the conversation

- Choose a time when your kid won't feel rushed
- A place where they feel relaxed, like when you're riding in the car or sitting down for dinner
- Choosing a place you both feel comfortable, you'll both be more inclined to open up

Appeal to their good judgement

- Your child makes smart choices every day, compliment them on it
- Tell them you're proud of them and encourage them to make positive choices

Ask questions, but don't blow up if they share things you didn't expect to hear. The more honest they feel they can be, the more you will learn how to help them.

- Are a lot of kids vaping at your school?
- Are your friends vaping?
- What do you think about vaping?
- Do you know what is in JUUL pods and other vapes?
- Do you know how vaping can damage your health?

CULTURE IS PREVENTION

1-800-QUIT-NOW
AI/AN Line Now Available

Siletz Community Health Department

EVENTS

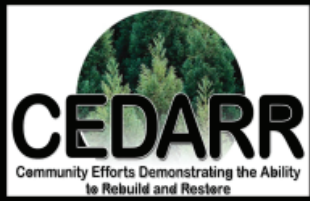
DECEMBER 2022

**Harm Reduction Conference
Dec. 12-14, 2022**

**New Trauma Support Group
Every Thursday @ 5:30pm**

**Contact Rachelle Endres
for more info at
rachellee@ctsi.nsn.us
or 541-444-9638**

Health Department



THIRD ANNUAL

HARM REDUCTION CONFERENCE

Harm reduction is a way of preventing disease and promoting health that "meets people where they are," rather than making judgements about where they should be in terms of their personal health and lifestyle. Accepting that not everyone is ready or able to stop risky behavior. Harm reduction focuses on connection to community and access to services without judgment or coercion.

TRACK OPTIONS

Harm Reduction
Healthy Relationships
Food Sovereignty
Inside Out
Indigenous Voices



CONFERENCE IS VIRTUAL & FREE!!

Register at:

<https://ctsiharmreductionconference2022.eventbrite.com>

What is Narcan and why is it important?

Narcan is the brand name for naloxone, an FDA-approved prescription medicine that can block the effects of opioids and that reverses an overdose. When a person is overdosing on an opioid (heroin, fentanyl, and prescription pain pills like morphine, codeine, oxycodone and Vicodin,) breathing can slow down or stop, and it can be very hard to wake or revive the person affected.

Opioid overdose deaths skyrocketed during the pandemic, killing more than 69,000 people in 2020.

Research shows that high rates of Narcan/naloxone distribution among everyday people and emergency workers could reduce opioid overdose deaths by 21%.

This year alone, the Siletz Harm Reduction team has given out 608 Narcan kits, which equals 1,216 doses total.

If you would like to access Narcan and would like your own kit, please contact:

Shawnee Lacewell (541) 270-6732

Sheila Aviles (541) 272-9083


National Safe Toys & Gifts Month

We all love to see the smiles on our loved ones' faces when they open that special gift on Christmas each year, so let us look at a few safety tips to keep gift giving safe for families with children.

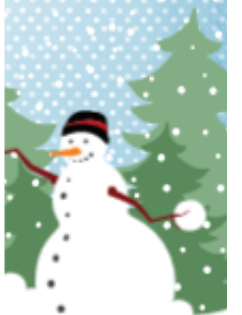
- *Balloons:** Choking hazards. Broken or deflated balloons should be discarded immediately. Keep deflated balloons away from children younger than 8 years old.
- *Small Toys & Parts:** More choking hazards. Keep small toys with parts that are removable or could easily break off away from children younger than 3 years old.
- *Magnets:** Keep high-powered magnets, or toys that contain them, away from small children. If swallowed, these can be especially dangerous.
- *Batteries:** Button or lithium coin batteries can be deadly choking hazards, especially for children under the age of 4 due to their smaller airways. Batteries also contain hazardous chemicals that can leak or explode if not handled properly. Adults should be in charge of batteries.
- *Bicycles, Skateboards, and Scooters:** Avoid scrapes, bruises, and head injuries. If it's a toy or gift that a child can ride, be sure children have a properly fitted helmet to protect their heads. Protective pads for knees, elbows, and wrists are also a good idea.
- After opening gifts, immediately discard all plastic and packaging that could cause suffocation in small children.
- Keep toys for older kids away from younger children.
- Adults should charge toys that are rechargeable. Chargers and adapters can overheat and pose the risk of thermal burns.
- Be sure to remind family, friends, and Santa to bring gifts & toys that are age-appropriate.

December Emergency Preparedness

Make a Resolution

- Make an emergency plan: choose a safe place to meet, learn evacuation routes, and establish an out-of-town contact.
- Take a current photo of you and your pet together in case you get separated during a disaster.
- Get to know your neighbor and invite them to be a part of your emergency plan.
- Snap photos of important documents and save them in a secure place or online.
- Set up group text lists so you can communicate with friends and family during emergencies. 
- Take a class in CPR and first aid. Keep and update emergency supplies; remember to include cash.
- Have back-up power sources available to charge devices in case of a power outage.
- Snap pictures of your property for insurance purposes.
- Check your insurance for coverage on disasters like floods, hurricanes, and earthquakes.

Sign up for alerts and warnings. Download the FEMA app to get real-time alerts and safety tips, and locate open shelters. Save for a rainy day! Start and grow your emergency fund. Financially prepare for the New Year. Find out how with the [Emergency Financial First Aid Kit](#).



Strawberry Freezer Jam class



Saturday
December 3rd

Saturday
January 14th



To Register:
Please contact:
Kathy Kentta
kathyk@ctsi.nsn.us
541.444.9627



This event is open to Tribal Members and their families

Winter

"REZIPE" SWAP

Send us your recipes that use traditional foods, are classic recipes with a "rez" or Indigenous twist, or are family recipes that you would love to see in the spotlight on our Facebook page!

Email Danical@ctsi.nsn.us



STEP CHALLENGE!!

SILETZ HOLIDAY HUSTLE CHALLENGE!

STARTS **15**
DECEMBER

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ctsi-holiday-hustle-tickets-467987371827>



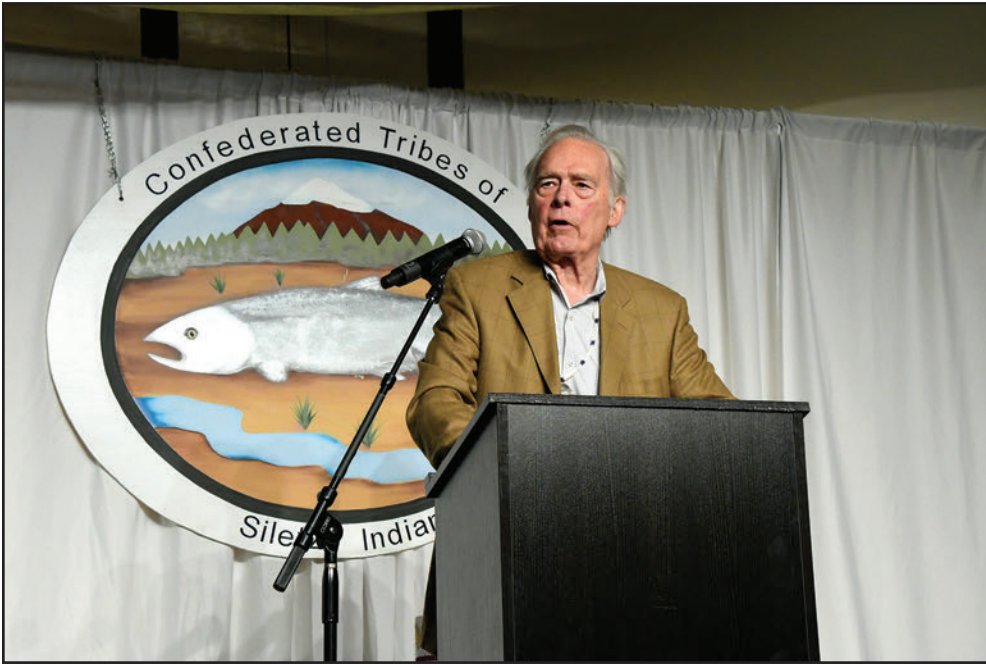
Holiday Survival Baskets!

Sign up, only 100 baskets available!
We will be providing some "holiday" meal staples as well as some fun activities for the whole family. One basket per household!



More information : Danical@ctsi.nsn.us

Restoration Pow-Wow • Nov. 19, 2022



Photos by Diane Rodriguez

Above: Charles Wilkinson, author of the Tribe's history book, *The People Are Dancing Again,* was the guest speaker at the Restoration Celebration. He also was an attorney with the Native American Rights Fund and helped the Tribe with its efforts to be restored to federal recognition.

Right: A male dancer



Photos by Andy Taylor

Top far right: A "Bluey" fan

Far right: Heidi Lussier greets others during a Round Dance.

Right: Darcy Jimenez



Photos by Andy Taylor

Below: Bella Gomez holds her niece, Maribelle

Below center: K'Sea Chulik-Ruff

Below right: A men's fancy dancer



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Photos by Andy Taylor

Above: Community members thank Chet Clark for his years of support in the Siletz community and communities in Oregon.

Below: Sofia Butler



Ed Ben and Little Miss Siletz runner-up Cambria Stokes



Photos by Diane Rodriguez

Above: Tony Whitehead is honored for his years of service as the Tribal Whipman with a Tribal blanket presented by Buddy Lane (left) and Bud Lane (right).

Below: Two styles of basketcaps

Right: Jane John and her great-granddaughter, Kairi John-Tharp



Photos by Diane Rodriguez

Eva Clayton and her daughter, Karen Chapin



Beautiful regalia



Missing Moccasins

What is a Missing Moccasin? This is a Tribal member who has an invalid or missing address on file with the Siletz Enrollment Department. Enrollment or other Tribal departments (Accounting, Elders, Elections, etc.) have received returned mail for the Tribal member labeled as undeliverable. Enrollment staff attempt to contact the Tribal member at the most recently provided phone number and/or email address. If the Tribal member does not answer or return the call and it is determined there is no way to reach the Tribal member, they will be added to the Missing Moccasin list for publication in *Siletz News* and posting on the Tribal website.

In order to receive any mail from the Tribal administration building, including per capita checks, 1099-MISC tax forms, elections and *Siletz News*, the Tribal member must submit their address change on the Enrollment form "Address and Contact Information Update." For security reasons, address changes are not accepted over the phone; the address change must be in writing.

As of Nov. 10, 2022, at noon, there are 27 ADULT Siletz Tribal Missing Moccasins. If you are on this list, please update immediately. There are **also 2 children with an invalid address.** If you are not receiving the annual statement of your child's minor trust account, they may have an invalid address on file. Children's names are not published.

If you know someone on this list, please ask them to contact the Enrollment Department to have a form sent to them. The form is also available on the Tribal website at www.ctsi.nsn.us under Government, then select Enrollment; or at any of the four area offices.

If you have any questions, contact the Enrollment Staff at 541-444-8258 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1258.

Delight Rose Attebury
Manuel Joseph Bayya
Kyle Carl Beals
Adam Charles Bremner
Clayton Lee Butler
Darod Anthony Cheek
Trevor Scott Cole
Elise Marie Cook
Sarah Jean Cook
David Roy-Lee Erickson
Rebecca Shante' Espino
Antonio Solomon Gonzalez
William Patrick Hall
Robert Nelson Harrison

Fredrick Duane Hostler
Angel Gallardo Hutchinson Jr.
James Geoffrey Jackman
Mason Leach
Steven Dean Martin
Christopher Ray Oleman
Charles Eugene Richardson
Dustin Derek Scott
Kyle Scott Spangelo
Doniven David Tompkins
Antoinette Mary Van Kirk
Brent Marshall Webster
Sapphire Dawn Yarbour

For more information about the Siletz Tribe, visit ctsi.nsn.us.

Tribal employment information is available at ctsi.nsn.us.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLICLY Posted from 10/27/2022 to 11/16/2022
Tribal Council Actions Affecting the Tribal Membership Roll
POSTING #319

Per the Enrollment Ordinance §2.316(i), Public Posting. Enrollment staff shall publicly post the Enrollment Committee's recommendations on publicly accessible bulletin boards in each of the Siletz Area Offices, on the Tribal member's page of the Tribal website and at other appropriate places designed to afford notice of the Enrollment Committee's recommendation to the Tribal members.

The public posting shall occur approximately every three months and at least 20-days before the Regular Tribal Council meeting at which the recommendation will be voted on. The public posting shall include notice of when the applications and requests will be considered by the Tribal Council in the absence of any protest and point out the rights of the applicant and of Tribal members to protest the recommendation of the Enrollment Committee.

Siletz Tribal Court Rules and Procedures Ordinance §3.009(a)

Time for filing civil actions to review Tribal Council action, or other Tribal action, shall be presented to the court clerk in writing not more than 60 days after an action of the Tribal Council, or Tribal officials as specified in the Tribal code, is alleged to have violated the plaintiff's right or rights or not more than 60 days after the alleged harm first manifested itself if such harm was not apparent on the date of the Tribal Council's, or other official's, action.

1. Removal from Roll – Deceased

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval
Resolution 2022-373

- | | |
|-------------------------|------|
| 1. Earl Clark Littleton | 0560 |
| 2. Robert Leland Miller | 0663 |

2. Name Change

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval
Resolution 2022-374

- | | |
|-----------------------------|------|
| 1. Fawn Selsic Staggs Gales | 1828 |
| 2. Mindy Mae Switter | 2145 |
| 3. Michelle Marie Dominguez | 2629 |
| 4. Athena Rilatos | 2746 |
| 5. Vanessa Joy Elgesem | 2927 |
| 6. Robyn Yvette Raya | 3178 |

3. Application for Enrollment

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval
Resolution 2022-375

- | | |
|---|------|
| 1. Everly Ann Arden | 6626 |
| 2. Talulah Louise Arden | 6627 |
| 3. Aiyanna Ezlynn Benedict | 6628 |
| 4. Jaelene Serenity Morningstar De Anda-Sweet | 6629 |
| 5. Jerry Lee Greiner III | 6630 |
| 6. Saphyra Rae Cezanne Hancock | 6631 |
| 7. Jewel Ann Howell | 6632 |
| 8. Gabriel Miguel Huerta | 6633 |
| 9. Ina Jasmine John | 6634 |
| 10. Jonathon Kay Kavanaugh | 6635 |
| 11. Asher Allen Lewis Sullivan | 6636 |
| 12. Ashton Leo Thornton | 6637 |



Color Splatter Studio
HOURS
FRI-TUES 9-6PM
503-509-1555
ALLYSONGUNTER97301@GMAIL.COM



Ally Gunter
Insta: @mscolorsplatter
Hairstylist & Esthetician
Reed Opera House-Salem, Suite B810

Lincoln County Jail seeks volunteers

The Lincoln County Jail in Newport, Ore., is seeking additional cultural practitioners to provide services to American Indians who are incarcerated. They are seeking both female and male practitioners to provide online, one-on-one and group guidance (once it is safe to hold in-person meetings). If you have questions, please contact Lisa Norton at lisan@ctsi.nsn.us. If you want to volunteer, contact Dennis Buckmaster (dbuckmaster@co.lincoln.or.us) to start the process. This process does include a background check, but all situations will be considered individually.

The **Oregon Wildfire Risk Explorer** will create a custom "Homeowner's Report" detailing a wildfire risk assessment for individual street addresses. For more information, visit https://tools.oregonexplorer.info/OE_HTMLViewer/index.html?viewer=wildfire&fbclid=IwAR2rOt0hY3ZO43qTk9Jh98M7-vCLPHgzHwTbqfQBfaqqNkye_DkJemM4NI4.

2022/2023 HUNTING/FISHING/GATHERING INCENTIVES

Reminder to all Siletz Tribal members: Please report all harvests of deer, elk, salmon and shellfish to the Natural Resources Department. The name on the tag/permit will be submitted into a drawing after the season's end and you could receive one of the following Cabela's gift card incentives.

HUNTING INCENTIVES
\$100 ~ \$75 ~ \$50
CABELA'S GIFT CARDS

FISHING INCENTIVE
\$50
CABELA'S GIFT CARD

SHELLFISH INCENTIVE
\$50
CABELA'S GIFT CARD

Please report all harvests to:
Mike Kennedy
541-444-8232
mikek@ctsi.nsn.us
or
Rosie Williams at
541-444-8227
rosiew@ctsi.nsn.us



Photo by Diane Rodriguez

Above: Gov. Kate Brown and three staff members visited Siletz on Nov. 4, enjoying lunch and a visit to the Collections Building. During a stop at the Dance House, the Tribal Council presented Brown with a treaty blanket.

Front row: Siletz Tribal Council member Selene Rilatos; Siletz Tribal Chairman Delores Pigsley; Gov. Kate Brown; Siletz Tribal Council members Loraine Butler and Bonnie Petersen; and Sarah Weston, deputy general counsel in the governor's office

Back row: Siletz Tribal Vice Chairman Bud Lane; Siletz Tribal Treasurer Robert Kentta; Siletz Tribal Council member Frank Aspria; Dustin Buehler, general counsel in the governor's office; Jason Miner, Natural Resources policy director in the governor's office; and Siletz Interim General Manager Mike Kennedy

Courtesy photo

Above left: Tribal Chairman Delores Pigsley joins U.S. Rep. Kurt Schrader at an event commemorating the end of his time in office. Schrader was defeated in Oregon's 5th District primary in May.

Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow

Attention Siletz Tribal Artists

The Pow-Wow Committee is once again having a logo contest for the upcoming pow-wow in August 2023. All Siletz Tribal artists are encouraged to submit a pow-wow-themed logo.

The winning logo artist will receive a cash prize of \$300 and a professional banner with your logo. They also will have their logo highlighted on Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow flyers and merchandise.

Please submit your artwork to the cultural education director's office at the Siletz Tribal Community Center or mail them to Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Attn: Pow-Wow Logo Contest, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

All entries must be received no later than March 3, 2023.

Royalty Crown Proposals

The Pow-Wow Committee is now accepting proposals for 2023-2024 royalty crowns. Proposals are being accepted for Miss Siletz, Junior Miss Siletz and Little Miss Siletz.

Proposals for a crown must include art design, size of the crown and a bid for the crown or crowns of your interest. Proposals can be submitted for individual crowns, two crowns or you can submit a bid for all three crowns.

Crown proposals must be turned in to the committee no later than March 3, 2023. Proposals should be sent to Siletz Pow-Wow Committee, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

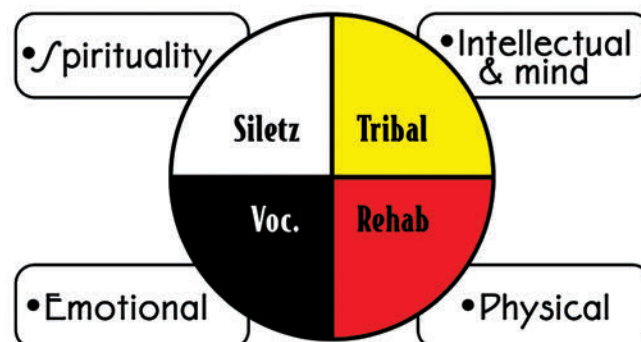
If you have any questions, contact Buddy Lane at 800-922-1399, ext. 1230; 541-444-8230; or buddy1@ctsi.nsn.us.

Siletz Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation Program (STVRP)

STVRP is here to help members of ANY federally recognized Tribe (living within the Siletz Tribe's service area) with barriers to employment. We work with individuals who have disabilities.

Examples of Services

- Guidance and counseling
- Referral to employment services
- Résumé writing
- Interviewing techniques
- Job coaching
- Culturally relevant and individualized services
- Evaluations, assessments and training placement opportunities
- Adaptive equipment



For more information about STVRP, please inquire at 800-922-1399. We also maintain resource and employment boards, so please make an appointment if you're interested. You can speak to VR staff in the following locations:

Makayla Jackson
Job Developer/Counselor
Eugene Area Office
2468 W 11th Ave.
Eugene, OR 97402
541-484-4234, ext. 1752

Toni Leija
Job Developer/Counselor
Salem Area Office
3160 Blossom Drive NE, STE 105
Salem, OR 97305
503-390-9494, ext. 1861

Tamra Russell
Job Developer/Counselor/TSS 1
Portland Area Office
12790 SE Stark St., STE 102
Portland, OR 97233
503-238-1512, ext. 1411

Jamie Bokuro
Intake Specialist/Job Coach
Siletz Area Office
201 SE Swan Ave.
Siletz, OR 97380
541-444-8266



"Hi, I can help with OHP."

Do you need help with OHP?

You don't have to leave your home to apply!
Applications can now be done online or over the phone.

Shop for health plans at <https://or.checkbookhealth.org/> or call direct at 855-268-9767.

541-444-9611

Siletz Tribal Behavioral Health Programs

Prevention, Outpatient Treatment, and Women's and Men's Transitional Living Center

Siletz: 800-600-5599 or 541-444-8286
Eugene: 541-484-4234
Salem: 503-390-9494
Portland: 503-238-1512

Narcotics Anonymous Toll-Free Help Line - 877-233-4287
For information on Alcoholics Anonymous: aa-oregon.org

Siletz Valley Schools hold annual veterans celebration

By Teresa Simmons

On Nov. 9, Siletz Valley Schools held their annual Veterans Day Assembly. The annual event includes the entire school and is one of pride of service and country. It's not often that you can fill an entire gym with students and hear a pin drop in between the sentences of the speaker, but you could on that day.

The ceremony opened with the Siletz Tribal Honor Guard bringing in the flags to the sound of the Culture Class Drum with advisor Ron Butler. No veterans celebration would be complete without Tony Molina, who is always there for our veterans. Tony kept the program going by acting as emcee.

Siletz Principal Casey Jackson gave the welcoming speech to a very quiet, attentive student body. Everyone was delighted to have Tribal elder and WWII veteran Ed Ben in attendance with his son, Gerald.

Lincoln County Veterans Coordinator Keith Barnes gave the keynote speech, highlighting the many wars and conflicts that our veterans have participated in to keep the world safe for democracy.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, youngsters presented each of the veterans with a beaded necklace and a booklet filled with drawings and thoughtful short essays they had created. Cake, cookies, coffee, punch and good conversation was shared following the ceremony.

Thank you to Siletz School for reminding all of us that we should never forget to honor our veterans.



Photo by Andy Taylor

A Siletz Valley student helps present a booklet and a dentalium necklace to veterans who attended the Veterans Day Assembly held annually at the school.

JOM FAMILIES

Follow the CTSI Education department on the CTSI Youth Facebook page and in your local area newsletter for monthly youth program information.



@CTSIYouth

Email your local Education Specialist to be added to our email list:

Portland Area Office	Siletz Area	Salem Area Office	Eugene Area Office
Katy Holland 503-238-1512 KatyH@ctsi.nsn.us	Jeff Sweet 541-444-8207 JeffS@ctsi.nsn.us	Sonya Moody-Jurado 503-390-9494 SonyaMJ@ctsi.nsn.us	Candace Hill 541-484-4234 CandaceH@ctsi.nsn.us

For information about the Siletz Tribal language program, visit siletzlanguage.org.

2022-2023 CTSI College Information Nights

Sponsored by the Education Department **6PM VIA ZOOM**

- College Information Night II** 12/15/2022
 - College Applications: School selections & Application submission
 - Tribal & other types of financial aid
 - Guest Presenter: Learning Campus life
 - Guest Presenter: Learn about a Voc. training program
- College Information Night III** 02/16/2023
 - Re-cap from Night I & II
 - Overview of CTSI Student aid programs
 - (STHD Temporary Student Housing Assistance; 477 Self Sufficiency Classroom training; Adult Ed.; AVT; HE; CTSI Student Laptop Program; Education Committee Scholarships)
 - Guest Presenter: Learning Campus life
 - Guest Presenter: Learn about a Voc. training program
- College Information Night IV** 04/20/2023
 - Re-cap of CTSI Student aid programs
 - Deadline Reminders
 - Guest Presenter: Learning Campus life
 - Guest Presenter: Learn about a Voc. training program

Contact an Education Specialist to Sign Up!

Jeff Sweet Siletz & Out-of-Area JeffS@ctsi.nsn.us	Katy Holland Portland & Washington KatyH@ctsi.nsn.us
Sonya Moody-Jurado Salem Area SonyaMJ@ctsi.nsn.us	Candace Hill Eugene Area CandaceH@ctsi.nsn.us



Senate Bill 13: Tribal History/Shared History

The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians is releasing curriculum for Oregon K-12 public schools to provide "historically accurate, culturally embedded, place-based, contemporary, and developmentally appropriate" lessons about **Siletz tribal people, history, culture, homelands, and government...**

LESSON PLANS

Lesson plans cover a range of subjects and content areas including English language arts, social studies, math, and science. Lessons include information about tribal history, traditional homelands, culture, and art as well as modern tribal government, ecological stewardship, and cultural revitalization.

Questions about the Lesson Plans?

Drop by weekly virtual office hours with CTSI Culture Staff to discuss any questions about curriculum content

Wednesdays 3:00-4:00, January-March

Email culture@ctsi.nsn.us for login information

K-1st Grade	2nd Grade	4th Grade	5th Grade	6th Grade	8th Grade	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade
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Find lessons at www.ctsi.nsn.us/sb-13-curriculum

Scholarships

- Fastweb (scholarship search engine)
- Big Future (scholarship search engine)
- Pacific Northwest Scholarship Guide (scholarship search engine)
- OregonStudentAid.gov
- Burger King Scholars Program
Deadline: Dec. 15, 2022
- Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship
Deadline: Feb. 1, 2023
- Oregon State Credit Union Tomorrow's Leaders Today Scholarships
Deadline: Feb. 28, 2023
- Inspire Our Future Commercial Scholarship
Deadline: March 20, 2023
- CM Cares Religious Scholar Program
Deadline: April 4, 2023
- #RAREis Scholarship Fund
Deadline: April 21, 2023
- Brave of Heart Scholarship Program
Deadline: April 2023
- Dr. Pepper Tuition Giveaway
Deadline: Oct. 13, 2023
- LA Tutors Innovation in Education Scholarships
Deadline: 20th of each month
- AIS Scholarship
Deadline: Varies
- Open Education Database Graduate and Ph.D. Scholarships
Deadline: Varies
- Tribal College/University Scholarships
Deadline: Ongoing
- American Indian Service Scholarships
Deadline: Ongoing
- American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) Scholarships
Deadline: Ongoing
- American Meteorological Society Minority Scholarships
Deadline: Ongoing
- Army Emergency Relief Scholarships
Deadline: Ongoing

Internships

- Nike N7 Undergraduate Internship
Deadline: Multiple
- Nike Internships
Deadline: Multiple
- Tesla Internships (spring 2023)
Deadline: Multiple
- The Home Depot Remote Human Resources Internships (summer 2023)
Deadline: Multiple
- Starbucks Public Affairs and Communications Internship (summer 2023)
Deadline: Open
- Paramount Pictures Internships (summer 2023)
Deadline: Multiple
- Brighthouse Financial 2023 Remote Marketing Summer Intern
Deadline: Multiple
- WSJ Magazine Internship (summer 2023)
Deadline: Open
- DMS Internships
Deadline: Ongoing
- Apple Business, Marketing and G&A Internships
Deadline: Multiple
- Coca-Cola Company Marketing Summer Intern
Deadline: Open
- Amazon Undergraduate Program Internships
Deadline: Multiple
- Habitat Restoration Internship
Deadline: Various
- Meta (Facebook) Data Center Engineering Internships
Deadline: Various
- Public Lands Internship Program
Deadline: Various
- NOAA Internships
Deadline: Ongoing
- Code Switch Internship
Deadline: Various
- HP 3D Printing Engineering Intern
Deadline: Open until filled
- WOTE Agricultural Incubator Intern
Deadline: Various
- Saturday Academy Internships
Deadline: Multiple
- EPA Environ. Research/Bus. Support
Deadline: Multiple

Fellowships

- McGraw Fellowship for Business Journalism (CUNY)
Deadline: March 31, 2023
- New York Times Local Investigations Fellowship
Deadline: Rolling
- Institute for Citizens and Scholars Fellowships
Deadline: Various
- American Indian Graduate Center
Deadline: Ongoing
- NOAA Fellowships
Deadline: Ongoing
- Master of Forest Resources Fellowships
Deadline: Open until filled
- NW NA Research Centers for Health Research Support Fellowship
Deadline: Rolling
- Northwestern University's Center for Native American and Indigenous Research Undergraduate Fellowships
Deadline: Rolling
- Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center Post-Doctoral Research Fellow
Deadline: Multiple
- Claremont NA Fellowship
Deadlines: Multiple

Important information for college-bound Tribal seniors

December

- If you haven't already done so, take this last SAT test for seniors.
- Get FAFSA forms, available for federal and state financial aid.
- Apply for FAFSA pin number – student/parents must apply separately.
- Mail or submit all revised, complete college applications before the holiday break.
- Start scholarship essays.
- Start OSAC (Oregon Student Assistance Commission).

January

- FAFSA forms must be submitted by June 30. Do not delay, start on this.
- Complete scholarships that are due.
- Check for Student Aid Report (SAR on the FAFSA website several days after filing out the FAFSA).
- Request mid-year transcripts be sent to colleges to which you have applied.
- Request transcripts needed for OSAC scholarship application.
- Send thank you notes to people who have helped you.
- Students who apply for Tribal assistance for college must apply for FAFSA no later than June 30 at fafsa.ed.gov.

Other Opportunities

- UO Home Flight Scholars Program
- Oregon Tribal Student Grant
- UC Native American Opportunity Plan
- Amber Grants
Deadline: Rolling
- NAYA Ninth Grade Counts
Deadline: Rolling
- Dept. of Energy Scholars Program
Deadline: Ongoing
- National Park Service Tribal Stewards Inclusion Program
Deadline: Ongoing
- Center for Native American Youth at the Aspen Institute – Generation Indigenous Network Youth Ambassador
- National Youth Leadership Forum STEM Program Nomination Form
Deadline: Various
- The Student Conservation Association
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Eugene
Candace- CandaceH@ctsi.nsn.us

Please Note:

Students **MUST** complete a Tutoring Application to register. Tutoring hours are available on a first come first serve basis as resources are available.

Tribal Council Timesheets for October 2022

Frank Aspria – 10/1/22-10/31/22

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
4.75	4.75	1				10/1-6 Email, updates, packets
5	5.25					10/5-7 Housing Cmte, MAT & HR wkshps, Special TC, email
7	7	5	1	1.5		10/10-12 Interviews, STBC mtg, econ dev, packets, email, updates
8.25	8.25	1.5	2			10/13-17 CPT, Special TC, notebook, email, packets
2.75	2.75	8			5.5	10/18-19 Special TC – NIGC, Special TC, email, Special TC – gaming
6.5	6.5	7		.5	9.5	10/20-21 Regular TC, policy manual
4.5	4.5			1.5		10/22-24 Enrollment wkshp, meet w/ Cow Creek, econ dev, email
11	11					10/25-27 Email, packets, reports
6	6	3				10/28-31 Meet w/ Gov. Brown, email, packet

Loraine Y. Butler – 10/1/22-10/31/22

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
4.75	4.75				4	10/3-4 Governor's Summit
3.25	3.25					10/5 MAT & HR wkshps, Special TC
2	2	1				10/14-17 Packets
1	1	11			4	10/18-19 Special TC, Special TC – gaming
3	3				12	10/20-22 Regular TC in Brookings
.5	.5					10/24 Enrollment wkshp
1.5	1.5					10/28 Meet w/ Gov. Brown
4	4				8	10/30-31 NCAI

Sharon Edenfield – 10/1/22-10/31/22

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
4	4.25					10/3-5 STCCF, MAT & HR wkshps
.5	.5					10/11 TTAC pre-meeting
1.75	1.75	1				10/13-16 Lease training, packets, minutes
.75	.5					10/17 Consent Decree
1.25	1.25	6				10/18-19 Special TC, Special TC – gaming
8.5	8.5					10/20-22 Regular TC in Brookings
.75	.75			.5		10/24 Enrollment wkshp, meet w/ Cow Creek, Salem econ dev
4.75	4.75					10/25-26 TTAC prep/meeting, COHO mtg
.75	.75					10/28 Meet w/ Gov. Brown

Bonnie Petersen – 10/1/22-10/31/22

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
2	2					10/2 Email, research, HR wkshp prep
1.75	1.75				2	10/3 Email, Public Safety Cluster mtg
4.25	4.25				2	10/4 Governor's Summit, Education Cluster mtg, email, HR wkshp prep
4.25	4.25					10/5 MAT & HR wkshps, Special TC, Housing Cmte, email
1.25	1.25					10/9-10 Email, proof annual report
1.75	1.75					10/11-12 Pow-Wow Cmte, email, proof annual report, STBC mtg prep
1.25	1.25				1	10/13-14 STBC mtg, email, packet
.5	.5					10/15 Email, NPAIHB interview
3.25	3.25					10/17 Special TC/Special TC – gaming/Regular TC mtg prep, email
3.25	3.25	6			1.75	10/18-19 Special TC, Regular TC mtg prep, email, Special TC – gaming
.75	.75				5	10/20 TC mtg prep, email, Brookings
2.75	2.75				2.5	10/21 Regular TC, email
1.5	1.5			.75	2.5	10/22-23 Meet w/ Cow Creek, Salem econ dev, email, Enrollment notebook
1.75	1.75					10/24-27 Restoration Cmte, email, packet
4.75	4.75					10/28-31 Meet w/ Gov. Brown, interviews, prep for Health/Housing, email

Delores Pigsley – 10/1/22-10/31/22

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
1.25	1.25					10/1-2 Mail, prep for mtgs
6.5	6.5				5	10/3-4 Governor's Summit, mail
3.75	3.75					10/5 MAT & HR wkshps, Special TC, mail, agenda items
1.5	1.5					10/6 Call w/ Gov. Brown, mail, agenda items
2.25	2.25					10/7-9 Mail, agenda items
3.75	3.75					10/10-16 City of Salem mtg, mail
3	3				3	10/17 Judicial Conf Consent Decree mtg, mail
1.25	1.25	2.5			1.25	10/18 Special TC – NIGC, mail
1	1	6	1		1.25	10/19 Special TC – gaming, STBC mtg, mail, prep for council
.75	.75				6	10/20 Chemawa Station, mail, prep for council, drive to Bookings
3.5	3.5				3	10/21 Regular TC, mail
2.5	2.5				3	10/22-23 Mail, agenda items
2.5	2.5					10/24 Enrollment wkshp, meet w/ Cow Creek, mail
1	1					10/25 Restoration Cmte, mail
2	2					10/26-27 Meet w/ Rep. Blumenauer, mail, agenda items
2	2				4	10/28 Meet w/ Gov. Brown, mail
1.5	1.5					10/29 Mail, prep for mtgs
4	4				10	10/30-31 NCAI, mail

Angela Ramirez – 10/1/22-10/31/22

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
5.5	5.25					10/1-5 Email, packets
.25	.25				1.5	10/3 Health Cmte, Governor's Summit
3.75	3.75				1.5	10/4 Governor's Summit
3	3					10/5 TC mtg, workshops
5.5	5.5					10/6-19 Prep for mtgs, review docs
16	16		1			10/7-12 STAHS
			.75			10/13 STBC mtg
		1				10/14 Prep for mtgs, review docs
1	1					10/18 Special TC
		6	1			10/19 Special TC – gaming, STBC mtg
10.75	10.75					10/20-31 Email, packets
1.5	1.5				8	10/20 STAHS, travel to Bookings
3.75	3.75				5.5	10/21-22 Regular TC
.75	.75					10/24 Workshop and gov't to gov't
.5	.5					10/25 SVS board mtg
2.5	2.5					10/28 Gov't to gov't

Selene Rilatos – 10/1/22-10/31/22

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
1	1					10/1 Email, packets, calls
1.25	1.25					10/3 Health Cmte, email, packets
2	2					10/4 NPAIHB mtg, email, packets
4.25	4.25					10/5 MAT & HR wkshps, TC mtg, email, packets, calls
3.75	3.75					10/6-11 Email, packets, calls, SCP, COVID
1	1					10/13 STBC, NPAIHB, calls
3.5	3.5					10/14-17 Email, packets, calls
2.25	2.25	2.5			2	10/18 Special TC – NIGC, packets
2.5	2.5					10/19 Special TC – gaming, mail
1	1				4.5	10/20 Email, packets, Brookings
2.5	2.5				4.5	10/21 Regular TC
1.25	1.25					10/22 Email, packets
4.25	4.25					10/24-27 Enrollment wkshp, meet w/ Cow Creek, email, packets
2.5	2.5					10/28-30 Meet w/ Gov. Brown, email, packets

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Tribe donates \$192,000 to help organizations in county, state help communities

The Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund distributed \$192,176.96 to 31 organizations on Nov. 4 as it continues its quarterly donations to nonprofit groups.

The Siletz Tribe has made contributions through employment, monetary donations and cooperative measures to the Siletz community, Lincoln County and the state of Oregon. The seven-member charitable fund advisory board has distributed more than \$16.3 million since its inception in 2001.

Overall, the Tribe has honored its tradition of sharing within the community by distributing more than \$20.7 million through the charitable fund and other Tribal resources. Chinook Winds has donated more than \$6.5 million in cash and fund-raising items since it opened in 1995. The casino also provides in-kind donations of convention space for various fund-raisers as well as technical support, advertising and manpower for many events.

The next deadline to submit applications is March 1, 2023. Eligibility for money from the charitable fund is limited to two categories:

- Entities and activities located in the Siletz Tribe's 11-county service area (Lincoln, Tillamook, Linn, Lane, Benton, Polk, Yamhill, Marion, Multnomah, Washington and Clackamas)
- Native American entities and activities located anywhere in the U.S.

Applications and requirements can be obtained at ctsi.nsn.us/charitable-contribution-fund; by calling 800-922-1399, ext. 1227, or 541-444-8227; or by mailing Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549. **Applications can be submitted via e-mail at stccf@live.com.**

Drug & Alcohol Treatment – \$50,000

Pacific Communities Health District Foundation – construction costs for a sub-

stance use disorder (SUD) residential and intensive outpatient recovery center in Newport; Newport, OR; \$50,000

Education – \$60,624.96

Altrusa International of Albany – books; Albany, OR; \$2,000

Cascades Elementary School – shoes, headphones and yearbooks; Lebanon, OR; \$299

Eddyville Charter School – supplies for dissection class/demonstration; Eddyville, OR; \$585.96

Friends of the Lebanon Public Library – books for summer reading program; Lebanon, OR; \$1,500

Oregon Coast Aquarium – provide free/reduced admission to the aquarium; Newport, OR; \$10,000

Salem-Keizer Public Schools, Native Education Program – supplies for graduation; Salem, OR; \$500

Siletz Valley Schools – resurfacing and installation of small gym floor; Siletz, OR; \$45,740

Health – \$25,455

Alsea Valley Gleaners – food; Alsea, OR; \$2,000

Alsea Wolverines Booster Club – refrigerator; Alsea, OR; \$900

Altrusa International of Yaquina Bay – supplies for Project School Bell, including clothing, hygiene items, shoes, jackets and backpacks; Newport, OR; \$2,500

Central Linn Gleaners – food; Halsey, OR; \$3,000

Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon – food and nutrition supplements; Portland, OR; \$2,000

Lift Urban Portland (Lift UP) – food; Portland, OR; \$3,000

Philomath Community Gleaners – food; Philomath, OR; \$2,000

Philomath Community Meal – commercial freezer; Philomath, OR; \$5,095

Special Olympics of Oregon, Lincoln County – equipment, transportation, meals, advertising, uniforms, rental fees and lodging; Depoe Bay, OR; \$2,960

Waldport Lion's Backpack Program – food for backpack program; Waldport, OR; \$2,000

Historical Preservation – \$4,000

Toledo History Center – large display case; Toledo, OR; \$1,000

Waldport Chamber of Commerce – training, advertising and materials; Waldport, OR; \$3,000

Housing – \$12,500

Catholic Community Services of Lane County – application fees, rental deposits, utility assistance emergency housing and background checks; Springfield, OR; \$7,500

Junction City/Harrisburg/Monroe Habitat for Humanity – hydraulic wheelchair lift; Junction City, OR; \$5,000

Other – \$10,000

Latino Network – construction costs for La Plaza; Portland, OR; \$10,000

Prevention – \$750

Ocean Beaches 4-H Club – registration fees; Seal Rock, OR; \$750

Public Safety – \$28,847

Adair Rural Fire & Rescue – replace outdated portable radios; Adair Village, OR; \$10,000

East Lincoln County Emergency Responders – patient lifting device; Toledo, OR; \$4,600

Marys Peak Search and Rescue – safety equipment; Corvallis, OR; \$1,500

Parenting Now – child safety seats; Eugene, OR; \$5,000

Seal Rock Fire District – replace expired personal protective equipment (PPE); Seal Rock, OR; \$6,201

Siletz Valley Friends of the Library – liability insurance; Siletz, OR; \$800

Siletz Valley Grange #558 – liability insurance; Siletz, OR; \$746



Cultural Fishing

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December 10th, 2022

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Siletz Tribal Athletic Commission Vacancy

The Athletic Commission was formed to promote and offer different types of sports activities at the Siletz Tribe's gaming center and/or at other locations on Tribal trust land. It was established to create rules and regulations for the conduct of each sporting activity and to regulate each sporting activity that is authorized by the Tribal Council.

The Athletic Commission consists of three members and a Tribal Council member. Two of the three members may be a non-Tribal member with experience in the conduct and regulation of sporting activities.

The Athletic Commission shall permit and regulate only those sporting activities specifically authorized by Tribal Council and permitted by applicable law. The following activities are authorized by Tribal Council: boxing (amateur and professional), wrestling (amateur and professional) and mixed martial arts (amateur and professional).

The Athletic Commission shall be responsible for regulation of any sporting activity that occurs on Siletz lands to ensure that the conduct of such sporting activity comports with all Athletic Commission regulations and applicable laws.

Athletic Commission members shall be reimbursed for approved travel, subject to the availability of funds.

If interested in an appointment to the Siletz Tribal Athletic Commission, please complete a résumé and submit it to Tribal Council, Attn: Executive Assistant to the Tribal Council, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549 or fax to 541-444-8325.

There are three vacancies with terms ending in 2024, 2025 and 2026. Appointments will be made at the Regular Tribal Council Meeting in February 2023. The deadline to submit your résumé is Feb. 8, 2023.



To the editor:

Never Lose Sight

Never lose the sight of where you come from. It's your strength for all your tomorrows. Being a Native American, Tribal, I believe isn't just about blood. It's also a spiritual way of life.

Direct descendancy works for all, with equality, utilizing a fair and common path. Be that light that leads you. This will be our common way forward.

Bring your light into the room. Realize that bottom up, middle out, strengthens our Tribal foundation. True values will fade away into the corners of darkness if not set as priorities of the people. We must be able to see the other end of the light. Holding each other up, walking together is a winning solution that benefits all.

Democracy belongs to all of us. Recognition of our Tribal unrecognized direct descendants and blood quantum is an issue. Step up, step in. Faults are ours to fix, weaknesses to strengthen. Great integrity leads to fair and just decisions.

I humbly ask. Recognize our direct descendants. Tribal families that have had a choking harness put there forever ago. We as Tribal members control this suffocating travesty.

I feel this is a mountain-moving moment, long overdue. Right the wrong that has shadowed us since our trails of tears march from our ancestral home lands.

Respectfully speak out loud and proud.

One sparrow left by the wayside is a treasure lost to the shadows.

Respectfully,

Eva E. Clayton



Courtesy photos

Multiple Tribal employees took part in the Great Oregon ShakeOut in October, including Head Start staff and students in Salem (above) and Rachel Zinn, mental health specialist, and her cat, Harold (left).



OSU, partners to receive \$4.2 million to study stressors facing Dungeness crab, marine life under climate change

By Michelle Klampe, Oregon State University

NEWPORT, Ore. – The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has awarded Oregon State University and its research partners \$4.2 million to investigate how multiple climate change-related stressors are impacting marine ecosystems off the coast of Oregon, Washington and Northern California.

The researchers will focus on two key species: Dungeness crab, which plays a significant economic and cultural role in Indigenous and other coastal communities and is considered the most valuable single-species fishery in Oregon; and krill, which are tiny crustaceans that play a critical role in the ocean's food web and serve as a bellwether for ocean health.

Both species are facing threats from multiple stressors, including ocean acidification; low oxygen conditions, also known as hypoxia; marine heatwaves; increasing ocean temperatures; and harmful algal blooms.

The goal of the new project is to better understand the direct and indirect impacts of those stressors, and to help commercial fisheries and state and Tribal resource managers prepare for the changes ahead, said Francis Chan, the principal investigator. Chan is a marine ecologist and director of the Cooperative Institute for Marine Ecosystem and Resources Studies at OSU's Hatfield Marine Science Center in Newport.

"We know that the climate is changing and it is impacting our marine resources," Chan said. "This work is all about how we can best position the Dungeness crab fishery to be more resilient to these changes. At the conclusion of this work, we hope to have answers to help fishermen and managers get to a climate-ready fishery."

The work will focus on the northern California Current, the span of waters along the West Coast from Washington to Northern California, including NOAA's Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary and longstanding Tribal fishing areas.

Researchers will use existing and new ocean data, ocean and climate models, laboratory experiments and fisheries management evaluation techniques to learn more about the relationships between the different stressors and the potential cascading impacts that may result.

"We are connecting the dots on key pieces of innovative ocean research, including observations from undersea autonomous vehicles, AI-driven analytics of ocean food webs and state-of-the-art climate models," said Jack Barth, executive director of OSU's Marine Studies Initiative and an oceanographer in the College of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences.

A key component of the project is the integration of Traditional Ecological Knowledge, which is the accumulation of Indigenous science, including information, practices and beliefs about relationships and environmental functions, including all elements, species and processes within ecosystems.

Siletz Tribal member and TEK specialist Samantha Chisholm Hatfield, an assistant research professor in the Department of Fisheries, Wildlife and Conservation Sciences in OSU's College of Agricultural Sciences, will lead that aspect of the project.

The work will include interviews with Tribal members to better understand changes to shellfish populations and ocean patterns that Tribal members have orally documented over multiple generations.

"We want to provide context around what changing ocean conditions might mean for the future, not just for the commercial industry, but also the cultural impacts for Tribal communities on the West Coast," said Hatfield.

Tribal fishers also will contribute to the collection of scientific data on ocean conditions in their areas. The research team also will work closely with Tribal and commercial fishery leaders by establishing a management advisory board.

"The involvement of an advisory board is essential. We want to make sure that our science will provide answers to questions that people working the fishery are looking for and can use," Chan said.

"With all of the information we gather, we hope to give people a clear view of what the future will look like for the fishery in this region. We will also look at how current resource management tools, such as size limits and seasonal closures, as well as other options that fishers and managers identify, might be used in the future to safeguard the fishery."

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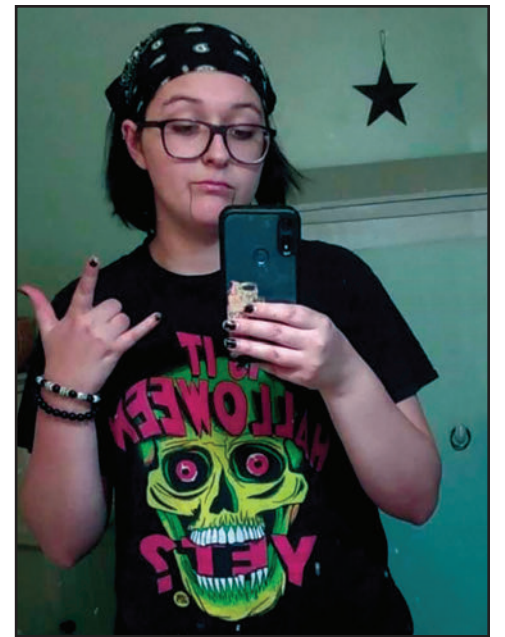
Happy Birthday to Khloe from the Ben/Tomlinson families



Happy Birthday to Little Ed. The Ben/Tomlinson families



Happy Birthday to Mr. Ben, 95 and still going strong. The Ben/Tomlinson families



Happy 20th Birthday, Koa! We're so proud of you and excited to watch you continue your life path! Hope your day is amazing! Love, Mom, Winston, Taylor and Gaven

2023 Tribal Council Application

Application for names to be placed on the 2023 ballot for candidates in the Siletz Tribal Council election

Name: _____ Roll# _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone: _____

Email Address: _____

I understand I must be an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians and 18 years of age or older on Election Day. This application must be filed with the Election Board by **4 p.m. on Dec. 2, 2022**. I also understand that if for any reason I decide to withdraw my application for Siletz Tribal Council, I must withdraw in writing by **4 p.m. on Dec. 9, 2022**. Otherwise, my name will appear in the voter's pamphlet and on the ballot.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mail your application to CTSI Election Board, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

Election Deadlines

4 p.m.	Dec. 2, 2022	Deadline to file for candidacy
4 p.m.	Dec. 2, 2022	Deadline to submit a photo and/or candidate's statement for inclusion in the Tribal Voter's Pamphlet
4 p.m.	Dec. 9, 2022	Deadline to withdraw in writing from the Tribal election
4 p.m.	Dec. 9, 2022	Certified Candidates List posted
Days of:	Dec. 12-13, 2022	Voter's Pamphlet mailed out
Days of:	Dec. 15-16, 2022	Absentee ballots mailed out
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Jan. 7, 2023	Candidates Fair – Location TBD
4 p.m.	Jan. 27, 2023	Deadline to request a mail-in ballot
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Feb. 4, 2023	In-person Voting – Tribal Elections, Tribal Community Center, Siletz
4 p.m.	Feb. 4, 2023	Deadline for returning absentee ballots

Voter's Pamphlet and Statement

If you would like your candidate's statement and photo to appear in the Voter's Pamphlet, please submit your statement and a recent 3x5 photograph of yourself along with your application. Deadline for statements and photos is **4 p.m. on Dec. 2, 2022**.

Candidate statements must be no longer than 750 words and must not be derogatory or contain personal attacks on any one individual. Statements and photos will appear in the Voter's Pamphlet. Photos will be included on the ballot. Mail your statement and photo to: CTSI Election Board, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

The candidate is responsible for ensuring receipt of application and statement by the deadline. Letters will be sent to all candidates after review and certification by the Election Board. The Election Board will also send each certified candidate a packet that includes the Siletz Tribal Constitution, Election Ordinance and approved rules.

Candidates can call 800-922-1399, ext. 1256, or 541-444-8256; or e-mail elections@ctsi.nsn.us to confirm receipt of application and candidate's statement.

Passages Policy

Submissions to Passages are limited to two 25-word items per person, plus one photo if desired.

All birthday, anniversary and holiday wishes will appear in the Passages section.

Siletz News reserves the right to edit any submission for clarity and length.

Not all submissions are guaranteed publication upon submission.

Please type or write legibly and submit via e-mail when possible.



Photos by Diane Rodriguez



While this year's Youth Conference included discussions of self-wellness, communications skills, self-confidence, independence, and Tribal bands and history, it also allowed time for those attending to choose the activity they would like to pursue, including beading (above), frybread making (above right and right) and basketball (below).

