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Congress must reauthorize Native American housing programs now

By Sami Jo Difuntorum, Executive Director, Siletz Tribal Housing Department; originally published Nov. 6, 2014, by the Indian Country Today Media Network

The cornerstone of healthy communities throughout the world is access to safe, culturally relevant and quality affordable housing. Nowhere is that more apparent than in Indian Country, where Indian housing has had a long history of challenges, from barriers to traditional credit to delays in surface lease approvals.

Tribes are now exercising their right of self-determination by advancing the shift from federally driven Tribal housing programs to developing and managing our own programs. Important housing legislation is now pending in Congress and we ask our Tribal leaders and allies to rally in support of its passage.

Native Americans face some of the worst housing and living conditions in the country and the availability of affordable, decent and safe housing in Indian country falls far below that of the general U.S. population.

According to a 2011 Census report, the American Indian and Alaska Native population rose 18 percent from 2000 to 2010 – almost twice the growth rate of the U.S. as a whole. The social and economic conditions of Native population differ from the non-Indian population along a variety of dimensions that affect their housing needs.

Poverty and unemployment rates have risen and remain consistently higher than

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Harjo receives Presidential Medal of Freedom, nation's highest civilian honor

WASHINGTON – President Barack Obama has named 19 distinguished individuals as recipients of the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Among the recipients of this prestigious award is Suzan Shown Harjo (Cheyenne and Hodulgee Muscogee), president of The Morning Star Institute since its inception in 1984.

The Medal of Freedom, established by President John F. Kennedy in 1963, is the nation's highest civilian honor bestowed to individuals who have made especially meritorious contributions to the security or national interests of the United States, to world peace or to cultural or other significant public or private endeavors.

Harjo's career has spanned decades of involvement in indigenous human rights issues and causes. Her traditional knowledge, extensive capacity for research regarding indigenous cultures and her indomitable spirit have led her to significant victories in non-Native arenas, including congressional and administrative venues.

She was executive director of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) from 1984 through 1989 and continues to serve as co-chair of the NCAI Subcommittee on Human, Religious and Cultural Concerns.

She is a founder of the National Museum of the American Indian and guest curator and general editor of the exhibit and book, Nation to Nation: Treaties Between the United States and American Indian Nations.

As a member of the Carter administration and as current president of The

Morning Star Institute, Harjo has been a key figure in many important Indian legislative battles, including the passage of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act and the American Indian Religious Freedom Act.

"We are extremely proud of Suzan Harjo and her continued and profound advocacy on behalf of Native peoples. Her commitment to preserve and protect Native human remains, cultural patrimony, sacred places and sovereignty is well-known throughout Indian Country," said NCAI President Brian Cladoosby. "Today is a great day for Native peoples and we celebrate and honor our friend and colleague, a former director of NCAI, for her achievements and recognition by the president for her exceptional meritorious service."

Harjo also is a longtime member of the Native American Rights Fund family and she previously served as a legislative liaison for NARF.

NARF Executive Director John Echohawk congratulated Harjo on the award, saying "This honor means that Suzan is one of the greatest fighters for Native American rights in history."

Medal of Freedom recipients are selected by the president, either on his own initiative or based on recommendations, and this year's list includes Alvin Ailey, Tom Brokaw, Patsy Mink, Ethel Kennedy, Charles Sifford, Meryl Streep and Stevie Wonder.

This year's awards were presented at the White House on Nov. 24.

Chairman's Report

Youth Ambassador

SuSun Fisher has been appointed the national youth ambassador to represent our Tribe in Washington, D.C., at the White House Tribal Nations Conference with President Obama.

As you know, Susan is Miss Siletz; this is a great honor for our Tribe and for SuSun. The youth ambassadors have a busy agenda in Washington, D.C. She will accompany Bud Lane to the White House meeting that all Tribal leaders have been invited to attend.

Veterans

Tony Molina has worked with Tribal veterans for several years now. He keeps the council current on all veterans' activities.

We are proud of all our veterans, we thank them for their service. We also thank them for representing the Tribe at activities all over Oregon.

Thank you, Tony, for the work that you do. Keep it up.

Restoration

The Tribe celebrated 37 years of Tribal Restoration last month. This year, we honored the memory of former Tribal Council member Stanley Strong, former Assistant Secretary Forrest Gerard and Oregon Governor Victor Atiyeh.

Stanley served on the council after Restoration and during the time that the Tribe needed to establish a reservation. He traveled to Washington, D.C., and testified favorably before Congress. His testimony was read by his grandson, Jack Strong. We owe a great debt of gratitude to Stanley Strong.

Forrest Gerard was a staffer for Sen. Jackson when he was first introduced to the Tribe. He served Tribes in several key positions but was instrumental in assisting the Tribe's Restoration and as Assistant Secretary of the Bureau of Indian Affairs in getting our 3,660-acre reservation established.

I have written several articles about Gov. Atiyeh, his work as governor and his tireless work with Oregon Tribes. It's only befitting that we recognize him for his faith in Siletz, other Tribes and Oregon in general.

He attended our very first Restoration Celebration in Newport and always reminded me of the cold facility where we celebrated. He was with us for many years celebrating Restoration activities at Chinook Winds. He also told me that he always made a contribution to the Tribe on the casino floor.

Holidays

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Delores Pigsley

Courtesy photo

Verdene McGuire and Katy Holland, members of the Native American Community Advisory Council for the City of Portland's Parks and Recreation office, join Portland City Council members and others for the reading of the city's Native American Heritage Month proclamation at City Hall on Nov. 5. Verdene and Katy are in the center of the photo in rust (Verdene) and purple (Katy) wing dresses.



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Email: pias@ctsi.nsn.us

Deadline for the January issue is Dec. 10.

Submission of articles and photos is encouraged.

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



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Elders Council Meeting

Dec. 13 • 1-4 p.m. • Chinook Winds Golf Resort

Siletz Elder potlucks are held monthly at 6 p.m. on the Monday before the regularly scheduled Elders meeting. Please bring a potluck dish you would like to share.

For more information, contact the Elders Program at 800-922-1399, ext. 1261, or 541-444-8261.

Nuu-wee-ya' (our words)

Introduction to the Athabaskan language Open to Tribal members of all ages

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SiletzPortlandTribal Community CenterPortland Area OfficeDec. 1 – 6-8 p.m.Dec. 8 – 6-8 p.m.Jan. 5 – 6-8 p.m.Jan. 12 – 6-8 p.m.

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 Eugene Area Office
 Salem Area Office

 Dec. 2 – 6-8 p.m.
 Dec. 9 – 6-8 p.m.

 Jan. 6 – 6-8 p.m.
 Jan. 13 – 6-8 p.m.

Salem

Classes begin with basic instruction and progress over the year. They also are a refresher course for more-advanced students. Come and join other members of your community and Tribe in learning to speak one of our ancient languages.

We also have equipment in the Cultural Department available for use in grinding and drilling shell or pine nuts or other applications. If you need to use the equipment, call the number below to set up an appointment.

For more information, contact Bud Lane at the Siletz Cultural Department at 541-444-8320 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1320; or email budl@ctsi.nsn.us.

Will you receive your 2015 Tribal Council election ballot?

Election ballots are mailed to the same address as *Siletz News*.

Tribal members listed as a "Missing Moccasin" (see below) no longer receive general mailings from the Tribe. An address update is needed to start receiving your mail again. Missing Moccasins and not-voter-registered Tribal members will not be mailed a 2015 election ballot.

How do I become a Missing Moccasin?

When your mail returns to the Tribe! When this happens, the Enrollment Department mails Address Change forms to forwarding addresses reported by outside resources. We try contacting you by phone. We make every attempt to get an updated address from you. Tribal members whose mail returns repeatedly are reported as Missing Moccasins.

How do I update my address?

Contact the Enrollment Department right away to update your and your minor child(ren)'s information. You will need to provide your roll number or date of birth for identification purposes. For your security, information changes must be updated in writing and must include your signature.

The form to do this is available online at ctsi.nsn.us. Click on "Government Listings," click on "Enrollment," then print out the Address Change form located on the right of the screen. Address Change forms can be returned via mail, email or fax.

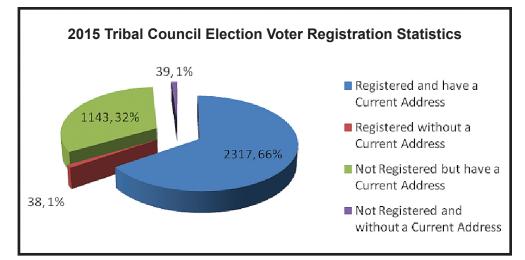
To receive the necessary update forms, you also can contact the Enrollment Department by telephone at 541-444-8258 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1258; or by email at covam@ctsi.nsn.us.

NOTE: Be sure to sign your form. Your personal information cannot be changed without your signature, which Enrollment staff will verify prior to changing the record.

Am I registered to vote?

If you have never voted, you might not be.

A total of 3,537 Tribal members will be eligible to vote in the 2015 Tribal Council election. Of those eligible, 2,317 are registered and have a current address on file.



A total of 1,147 Tribal members are not registered but have a current address on file for the mailing of a voter registration card. The remaining 77 eligible voters are Missing Moccasins who will not receive 2015 election mailings until an address update has been received.

To receive the necessary voter tregistration form, you can leave a request by voicemail for the Election Board at 541-

444-8256 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1256; or email at elections@ctsi.nsn.us.

Make your vote count by planning ahead!

Don't wait until the last minute to update your address and/or register to vote.

Your ballot could be delayed.

Missing Moccasins (as of Nov. 5, 2014)

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| i | 1758 | Robert, Jr. | Collins | Ray |
| 1 | 1286 | Charles | Eugene | Richardson |
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| 1 | 805 | Roberta | Pauline | Russell |
| i | 3180 | Toni | May | Schroeder |
| 1 | 1795 | Jason | Andrew | Scoggins |
| 1 | 817 | Diane | Lee | Service |
| i | 3814 | Alyssa | Noel | Shanks |
| 1 | 3033 | Hannah | Elizabeth | Smith |
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| 1 | 3270 | Samuel | James | Viles |
| į | 4130 | Elijah | Whitney | Williams |
| ŀ | 2340 | Tyler Ab | William | ns-Belgarde |

Address changes must be updated in writing and must include your signature. The Address Change form is available on the Tribal website - ctsi.nsn.us.

You also can obtain one by contacting the Enrollment Department at 541-444-8258 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1258; covam@ctsi.nsn.us or by mail at P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549. Must be updated in writing and must include your signature.

"Ch'ee t'u" Siletz Basketry Class

At the Siletz Tribal Community Center

Sponsored by the Education and Culture Departments

Wednesday, Dec. 17, 2014 • 4-7 p.m.



Come and learn how to make Siletz baskets.

All ages welcome.

Young people under 10 years old need an adult to accompany and assist them.

The Siletz Culture Department will provide round reed material and instructors.

If you have your own materials, please bring them.

Contact: Bud Lane at budl@ctsi.nsn.us; 541-444-8320 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1320.

December USDA distribution dates

Siletz

| Monday | Dec. 1 | 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. |
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| Tuesday | Dec. 2 | 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. |
| Wednesday | Dec. 3 | 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. |
| Thursday | Dec. 4 | 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. |
| Friday | Dec. 5 | 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. |

Salem

| Monday | Dec. 15 | 1:30 – 6:30 p.m. |
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| Tuesday | Dec. 16 | 9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday | Dec. 17 | 9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. |
| Thursday | Dec. 18 | 9 – 11 a.m. |

Beef Stroghanoff

2 pounds beef roast

1 onion, minced

1 box cream of mushroom soup

1 pound fresh mushrooms

Can beef broth

1 16-ounce container sour cream Salt and pepper (to taste)

1 1-pound bag whole grain rotini pasta

Prepare the beef roast in a slow cooker with salt and pepper, set on low. Cook on low setting overnight.

Cut the roast into cubes and return it to the slow cooker. Add the cream of mushroom soup.

In a medium-high skillet, melt a tablespoon of butter. Add the minced onion and sauté until almost transparent. Add the fresh mushrooms and sauté lightly until heated through. Add the can of beef broth and bring to a boil. Thicken this mixture as if for gravy. When this has simmered for a couple of minutes, pour it into the meat mixture in the slow cooker. Add the sour cream, salt and pepper to taste. Pour mixture over noodles, rice or potatoes.

This time of year, if the weather is nasty, call the Salem warehouse at 503-391-5760 to see if we can travel to that site. We will make every effort to get there, but will not risk our lives.

Joyce Retherford Lisa Paul FDP Director Warehouseman/Clerk 541-444-8393 541-444-8279



Siletz Youth Conference Nov. 8-9, 2014 B'nai B'rith Camp Lincoln City, Oregon

Above: Drummers Ron Butler Jr., Isaac Butler and Izaiah Fisher invite the group

back from a break.

Below: Youth meet in small groups to discuss various topics.



Above: Glenn LaMotte from the Native American Youth and Family Center makes a presentation.

Below (both photos): Youth enjoy a round of Sweep the Tipi.



Housing, continued from page 1

non-Indian rates in the same areas. The poverty rate in Indian Country is 25.3 percent – nearly three times the national average. In many communities unemployment is as high as 50 to 70 percent.

The Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) remains the dominant framework for the delivery of housing assistance in Indian Country to its most vulnerable citizens.

NAHASDA reauthorization has been the top legislative priority for the National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC), the only national organization representing the housing interests of American Indians, Alaska Natives and native Hawaiians with a membership of 466 Tribes and housing entities.

Throughout 2012 and early 2013, NAIHC conducted a national outreach effort to solicit input from its membership and developed a consensus-based position including many provisions and amendments to improve NAHASDA.

Highlights in the pending reauthorization include strengthening Tribal self-determination, expediting approvals by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, streamlining environmental requirements and authorizing Tribes to blend funds for housing construction and sanitation facilities.

Additionally, reauthorization legislation includes a provision to create new opportunities for Indian Housing providers to serve Native American veterans modeled on the HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) program.

Throughout this process, NAIHC worked with lawmakers in hopes of quick action on reauthorization. Bills were introduced in both the House (HR 4277 and HR 4329) and Senate (S 1352) to reauthorize NAHASDA and included many reforms put forth during NAIHC's outreach.

When the House returns for its lame duck session in November, it will consider, among other bills, HR 4329, the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2014, legislation introduced by Rep. Steve Pearce, R-N.M., and favorably reported by the House Financial Services Committee in July 2014.

NAIHC endorses House passage of HR 4329 and urges Tibal leaders and housing authorities to contact their congressional delegation to discuss the importance of Indian housing programs in your community.

So far in the 113th Congress, 12 Tribal bills have been enacted into law, with no bill of general applicability making it to the president's desk. By enacting NAHASDA reauthorization, we can take a big step forward in promoting Indian self-determination and reforming the main federal statute governing how low-income housing assistance to Indian families and communities is administered.

Sami Jo Difuntorum (Kwekaeke Shasta) serves as chairwoman of the National American Indian Housing Council and executive director of the Siletz Tribal Housing Department.



Photos by Diane Rodriquez



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State of Oregon—Protective Orders 101

Domestic Violence - Family Abuse Protection Act (FAPA) Orders

The law offers the protection of Family Abuse Protection Act (FAPA) orders to victims of domestic violence, whether or not a victim has reported the abuse to the police. A FAPA order is free, and a victim does not need an attorney to get one, although an attorney is recommended if an abuser contests the order.

- Once issued, a FAPA order is effective for one year unless the court terminates or extends the order.
- The court must hold a hearing, by telephone or in person, the day or the day after a victim files for a FAPA order.
- A sheriff or another qualified person must serve the abuser with a copy of the order. After the abuser receives it he has 30 days to ask for a hearing. The judge may change or cancel the order based on information received at the hearing. Changes in custody or visitation rights may be requested at any time while the order is in effect.
- Police must enforce FAPA orders. An abuser who violates a FAPA order can be jailed for up to 6 months & fined up to \$300.

Who can obtain a FAPA order?

A victim of domestic violence is eligible to obtain a FAPA order if she Under Oregon law, stalking is when: or he meets the following criteria:

- S/he was the victim of abuse within the past six months; or s/he was the victim of abuse more than six months ago, and the abuser has been in prison or jail or has lived more than 100 miles from her in the past six months
- The abuse was bodily injury, attempted bodily injury, the threat of immediate serious bodily injury, or sexual abuse, or rape
- S/he is related to or intimately involved with the abuser-- a spouse or former spouse, the abuser's in-law or relative, or is in a sexually intimate relationship with the abuser, or is the biological co-parent (with the abuser) of a minor child
- S/he is at least 18 years old, is an "emancipated" minor, or is younger than 18 but married to or sexually intimate with an abuser who is 18 or older.

What a FAPA order can do

- Require an abuser to stop abusing, threatening, or interfering with a victim and with children in her custody;
- Forbid an abuser to enter a victim's home, school, place of business, or other specified place;
- Order an abuser out of the home if a victim is sole or part owner of the home;
- Require police to stand guard while the person leaving the home removes personal belongings;
- Give a victim temporary legal custody of the children if the children are in her physical custody or, if they are not, grant her visitation rights.

Sexual Abuse Protective Orders (SAPO)

Effective January 1st, 2014, the state of Oregon began issuing and enforcing orders for protection to survivors who have been sexually assaulted by someone other than an intimate partner. This new civil legal provision bridges a major gap for many survivors whose situations do not fit the issuing criteria for Family Abuse Protection Act (FAPA) orders or Stalking Protective orders.

- Available to minor* as well as adult petitioners (12 yo and older can file on own petition; parent or lawful guardian can petition for person under 18, but must file petition for person under 12)
- Petitioner and respondent must NOT be "family or household members" (defined by ORS 107.705)
- Respondent must NOT be subject to another protective order
- One incident of sexual abuse required
- Petitioner must reasonably fear for their safety with respect to respondent
- Abuse must have taken place within last 180 days (unless respondent is in jail or more than 100 miles away or was subject to a restraining, protective or no contact order)

Stalking Protection Orders

- A person makes you afraid by engaging in repeated and unwanted contact, OR
- A person makes an immediate family (or household) member afraid by engaging in repeated and unwanted contact.

To qualify as stalking, your situation ALSO must meet the following requirements:

- A reasonable person in your situation would have been alarmed or coerced by the contact, and
- The repeated [at least two] and unwanted contact causes you or a member of your immediate family (or household) to reasonably fear for their physical safety
- Unwanted contact is when a person: Comes near you or into your sight; Follows you; Waits outside your home, workplace, or school; Communicates with you in any way (mail, email, phone, or through another person); or damages your home, workplace, or

A person may obtain a Stalking Protective Order if he/she or a member of the immediate family or household has been the subject of stalking and qualifies under Oregon law.

CALENDAR

Thurs 25th: Christmas—Office Closed

Fri 26th: Office Closed



Graduates!

Courtesy photo

Kolte Breck receives his Pendleton blanket as he graduates this summer with a bachelor's degree in renewable energy engineering at Oregon Institute of Technology.

2015 Tribal Council Application

Application for names to be placed on the 2015 ballot for candidates in the Siletz Tribal Council election

| Name: | Roll#: | |
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| Mailing Address: | | |
| City: | | |
| Telephone: | | |
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| Email Address: | | |

I understand I must be an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon and 18 years of age or older. This application must be filed with the Election Board by 4 p.m. on Dec. 19, 2014.

I also understand that if for any reason I decide to withdraw my application for Siletz Tribal Council, I must withdraw in writing by **noon on Dec. 29, 2014.** Otherwise, my name will appear in the Voter's Pamphlet and on the ballot.

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

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 recent 3x5 photograph of yourself along with your application. Deadline for statements and photos is **Dec. 19, 2014, at 4 p.m.**

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 to ensure receipt of application and statement by the deadline. Letters will be sent to all candidates after review and certification by the Election Board.

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

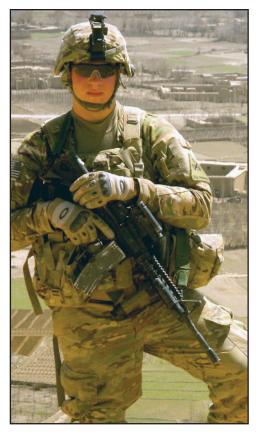
Election Deadlines

| 4 p.m. | Dec. 19, 2014 | Deadline to file for candidacy |
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| 4 p.m. | Dec. 19, 2014 | Deadline to submit a photo and/or candidate's statement for inclusion in the Tribal Voter's Pamphlet |
| 4 p.m. | Dec. 26, 2014 | Certified Candidates List posted |
| Week of Dec. 29 | –Jan. 2, 2015 | Absentee ballots mailed out/Voter's Pamphlet |
| 9 a.m.–Noon | Jan. 10, 2015 | Candidates Fair - Chinook Winds |
| 4 p.m. | Jan. 30, 2015 | Deadline to request a mail-in ballot |
| 10 a.m.–4 p.m. | Feb. 7, 2015 | In-person Voting – Tribal Elections, Tribal Community Center, Siletz |
| 4 p.m. | Feb. 7, 2015 | Deadline for returning absentee ballots |



Courtesy photo

Warmest congratulations to Megan Crookes and Cameron England, who were married Aug. 23, 2014, in Eugene, Ore. Megan is the daughter of Stephen (deceased) and Adrienne Crookes of Eugene. Cameron is the son of Eric and Sharon England of Creswell, Ore. The new Mr. and Mrs. England live in Springfield, Ore., where Cameron works as a computer programmer and Megan is a full-time graduate student at the University of Oregon.



Courtesy photo

Congratulations to Sgt. Nolan Urbach! We are so proud of you, son. Love, Mom, Dad and Meagan

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

Salmon Defense continues legacy of Billy Frank Jr. and fishing rights

The recent passing of Billy Frank Jr., one of the most recognizable advocates of American Indian fishing rights, has placed a spotlight on his legacy and the non-profit organization Salmon Defense.

"Salmon Defense was a piece of Billy's vision, it is part of his legacy and today we are strong and committed to aggressively advancing and continuing the work of protecting the salmon that sustain us and the ecosystems that sustain them. Our time is now, we are Billy's salmon warriors, join us," said Fran Wilshusen, executive director of Salmon Defense.

As chairman of the Board of Directors, Frank was instrumental in the mission to "protect and defend Pacific Northwest salmon and salmon habitat." Salmon Defense works to advocate, educate and litigate for the salmon.

Robert Whitener of Squaxin Island will take over the position as chairman of the board. He will continue the efforts to protect the salmon and carry on Frank's vision through Salmon Defense.

"I am both excited and saddened to become the chair of Salmon Defense. I am saddened that our former chair, Billy Frank Jr., left us too soon and that his wisdom and presence will be greatly missed. I am excited that I will be able to continue to work for Salmon Defense," explained Whitener when asked about his transition to chairman. "I believe the work we have done in the past has been effective and see much more work in the future to protect our salmon. I look forward to being part of the future successes for Salmon Defense."

Created in 2003, Salmon Defense was established by the 20 treaty Tribes in Western Washington. The purpose of this non-profit is to solely focus on the livelihood of salmon and its habitat. This is done through the education of young people and increased awareness among the public.

In order to honor Frank, Salmon Defense has built the Billy Frank Jr. Salmon Forever Fund. This fund was created to honor and preserve his vision and his work to protect the salmon.

This trust will provide scholarships for Native students, fund restoration projects and participate in litigation involving salmon.

"I hear Billy say that we have to fight for the salmon. The salmon can't get out of the river, we have to be their voice. I look forward to the leadership of Bobby, so we can fine tune that effort and be more engaged. It is time to step up and be this voice," said Fawn Sharp, president of Quinault Nation.

Frank was a fierce advocate for the salmon and Native fishing rights since 1945 when he was 14, the age he was first arrested for fishing. Frank continued to fight for the salmon through protests, "fish-ins" and support of lawsuits.

In 1974, the Boldt Decision ruled that most American Indian Tribes in the Northwest had the right to catch up to half of the harvestable salmon. Previously, fishing had been confined to Tribal reservations. Even after this ruling, Frank never stopped his fight for the salmon





Taft Native Student Association – Disaster Preparedness Event
Oct. 30, 2014 • Lincoln City, Oregon

Photos by Diane Rodriquez

Left: Florieen Hutchinson, Ché Butler, Shawna Gray, Elaine Rilatos-Smith and others check out items that will be useful during a disaster.

Top left: Trainers from FEMA and NOAA attend the event, along with David Gray, president of Taft NSA (center, gray and black shirt); Juanita Whitebear, Taft NSA advisor (center, orange shirt) and Gloria Ingle, Tribal Council member (center, standing).

Above: Gloria Ingle talks with Monica Valencia, marketing and community relations manager for Pacific West Ambulance.

Wasilla head coach honored; 7 Valley players named all-state -

by Jeremiah Bartz,, Mat-Su Valley Frontiersman, originally published Oct. 27, 2014

WASILLA — After spending about a week in the Lower 48, Wasilla head coach Kent Rilatos was ready to head back to Alaska Sunday.

Rilatos had a seat on an early-morning flight scheduled to leave Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, a flight that was supposed to place him in Anchorage in time for Sunday's Alaska Football Coaches Association annual all-state selection meeting.

But as coaches through the 49th state gathered in Anchorage Sunday, Rilatos was stuck in the Seattle-area airport. Hours later, Rilatos received a flood of text messages.

He had been named the 2014 Alaska Coach of the Year.

"I was planning on getting to Anchorage, but there was a mechanical issue," Rilatos said Monday afternoon. "I got on the plane at 5:30 a.m. There was a 45-minute wait on the tarmac. They drove us back (to the airport) and said we're not flying."

Back at the airport, Rilatos said he was frantically trying to contact people in Alaska to let them know he's stuck in Seattle. Frustrated, Rilatos finally was able to board a plane that landed in Anchorage shortly after the noon hour.

When he turned on his cell phone after the plane landed, the texts started to come in.

"All the sudden seven came in, then a whole bunch more," Rilatos said. "For as stressed as I was about not making the meeting, there was some solace." It marked the second time Rilatos earned the state honor as head coach of the Warriors. He was also named coach of the year in 2011. In 2014, Rilatos, also the Railbelt Conference Coach of the Year, led the Warriors to a 6-3 overall record and a spot in the large-schools playoffs.

Wasilla senior Dahtlon Wasinkari and sophomore Mosiah Renk were among seven Valley players named first-team all-state. Wasinkari, an offensive tackle, helped pave the way for a Wasilla offense that finished with more than 2,200 yards rushing and 2,800 yards of total offense.

Renk became one of the most electrifying players in the state as a sophomore. Renk finished with 603 yards rushing and 317 yards receiving. He was also among state leaders with 18 total touchdowns.

"That doesn't happen often," Rilatos said of a sophomore being named first-team all-state. "There are now two streets he can go down. He can take the hard road and work to get better all year, which I think is where he's at. Or he can take the easy road and do just average. But that's not what his family's about. That's not what he's about."

Rilatos did say he was very disappointed that senior Devin Otto was not a first-team selection. Otto finished fourth in the state with 1,095 yards rushing and second with 16 rushing touchdowns.

Palmer landed three players on the all-state list, including two who were named at multiple positions. Senior Ben Button, the Railbelt Conference Lineman of the Year, was named first-team at both offensive guard and defensive tackle.

"We felt like he had a great year on both sides of the ball," Palmer head coach Rod Christiansen said of Button recently. "He's an outstanding athlete. Blocking on the offensive side, he's real quick. On defense, he's quick and tough. He has a strong lower body and a real good motor. He keeps going and going and going."

Button and South standout Justice Augufa were the only players named first-team offense and defense.

Senior Adam Christiansen was named first-team at both linebacker and long snapper. He caps his career with three all-state nods. He was all-state at center as a junior.

Junior Chase Ferris was named first-team at running back. Despite missing the final six quarters of the season due to injury, Ferris led the state with 1,311 yards. Ferris was also among leaders with 16 total touchdowns. He averaged 7.7 yards per carry.

Colony placed a pair of players on the all-state list. Senior Logan Conway earned recognition at linebacker. Junior Steven Bilafer was named first-team punter.

2014 Alaska Coaches Association All-State Team

Offensive Player of the Year: Justice Augafa, South

Defensive Player of the Year: Archie Lemana, Bartlett

Lineman of the Year: Tarini Tosi, East Coach of the Year: Kent Rilatos, Wasilla

Assistant Coach of the Year: Richard Tuck, Lathrop

First-team offense:

Quarterback – Glenn Maiden, Lathrop; Zyrelle Jones, Service; Ben Stewart, Chugiak; Running back – Ethan Falaniko, Bartlett; Justice Augafa, South; Mosiah Renk, Wasilla; Chase Ferris, Palmer; Travis Phillips, Lathrop; Center – Matt Keogh, South; Guard – Ben Button, Palmer; Trea Samifua, West; Tackle – Tarini Toni, East; Hekill Fomai, Service; Dahlton Wasinkari, West; Tight end – Alain Devoe, South; Wide receiver – Derryck Snell, Chugiak; Trevon Allen, Service; Prince Cooks, West Valley.

First-team defense:

Defensive tackle – Isaiah Pili, Dimond; Ben Button, Palmer; Daniel Jeong, Lathrop; Defensive end – Jordan Moore, South; Archie Lemana, Bartlett; PJ Seui, West; Inside linebacker – Jay Tito, Bartlett; Chris Lega, Bartlett; JJ Tanuvasa, Dimond; Dave Tullimu, West; Marcus Brown, Lathrop; Outside linebacker – Sam Cook, South; Adam Christiansen, Palmer; Logan Conway, Colony; Defensive back – Delonta Love, Bartlett; Justice Augafa, South; Alani Collins, East; Nathan Barnett, Lathrop; Jordan Murchinson, West.

First-team special teams:

Long snapper – Adam Christiansen, Palmer; Punter – Steven Bilafer, Colony; Returner – Justice Augafa, South; Kicker – Oskar Segium, South.

Contact Mat-Su Valley Frontiersman sports editor Jeremiah Bartz at sports@ frontiersman.com, follow him @matsu_sports and find him by searching Valley Sports Huddle on Facebook.

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Courtesy photos

Siletz Tribal Head Start students in Lincoln City get ready for Halloween (above) with a trip to a local pumpkin patch. They also participated in Fire Prevention Week (right) with Safety Officer Jim Kusz from North Lincoln Fire & Rescue.

Sweetness of life not found in sugar

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 focuses on the idea of social confusion around sugar and love. The sweetness in life is not found in sugar – it is in the heart. Recipe ideas are provided to make unsweetened gifts from the heart.

The fall tends to be a time of depletion for many. I know it is difficult for me. We get so busy and have so many intentions and unfinished projects as the daylight grows shorter.

In December, many people compensate for the lack of light with sugar. Think about your childhood memories. Do you remember cookies, candies and treats all through December? If not, hooray!

Please step forward as leaders and role models. Teach your traditions. If sweets fill your memories, I invite you to look for the deeper meaning to decide what example and traditions you want to set for your children.

Does sugar really bring you the happiness you seek? Often it provides a temporary high followed by low mood, irritability and a feeling of emptiness.

Unfortunately, overuse of sugar can rob us of health by decreasing our immunity, displacing important nutrients, promoting weight gain and tooth decay as well as keeping us in an unhealthy cycle of cravings.

Because sugary foods often are nutrient-poor, they don't really satisfy your body – which leaves you looking for more food and/or sugar.

Sugar cravings can be difficult to control. For some people, sugar can be addictive. When sugar is combined with the stress of busy schedules, it can be used as a "pick me up" or a "happy time." This is eerily similar to other addictions.

Giving up sugar isn't easy, especially when we see it everywhere we look. A few ideas may help shift us in a healthier direction, such as a gradual decrease in sweet foods to make the change less noticeable.

The use of sour foods may help to cut sweet cravings. Adding protein to each meal or snack can stabilize blood sugar, thereby reducing cravings.

Furthermore, when our habits say "I love you" with sugar, it is even harder to

break the cycle. How can you say "I love you" in a more healthy way?

Well, there are many everyday nonfood ways to communicate love through gifts of time and attention, such as playing games, taking walks, coloring and doing puzzles together.

In December, food plays a big roll in gifts as well as celebrations. Think about it: How frequently do we eat and share sugary foods? What healthy foods would you like to include in your celebrations and gift giving?

This year, I had access to many apples when the November winds blew all my neighbor's apples down at once. They were not prepared to process them. I picked up and sorted the "intact" apples for eating later and left them for my neighbor.

I took the apples with bruises and punctures that would soon be rotting if not processed. Some apples were already at the stage where they should be left to rot – either beneath the tree or in the compost.

My method of making applesauce and apple butter has become more efficient and more flexible through the years. I now rely on my slow cooker to cook it down until I have a window of time. I use one piece of specialized equipment, an applesauce strainer or mill (photo below; these can be shared in a community).



Recipes for easy apple and pumpkin butters follow. Other non-sugary gifts from the heart can include dried blackberry leaves for tea (collect them while pruning in late fall – have your children snip off the leaves to dry).

Don't forget that canned or dried meat or fish also make lovely gifts from the heart.



Apple Butter

Ingredients

Apples – 12 pounds or fill one big stockpot and cook down to a full slow cooker, approx. 4-5 quarts (if it doesn't all fit in the slow cooker, you may need to keep some applesauce in the refrigerator to add as the apple butter thickens)

1 tablespoon cinnamon
1½ teaspoons cloves
½ teaspoon allspice
Lemon peel (optional to taste)
Honey (optional to taste)

Equipment

Big stockpot Slow cooker Applesauce strainer (see photo) Canning jars Paring knife

There is no single best way to make apple butter. Take note of my journey and adjust it to make it work for you.

I start with bruised apples and cut out the problem parts. I do not remove the core or skin. I wash the somewhat whole apples and place them in a big pot with about 2-3 inches of water. I heat them slowly to allow the liquid from the apples to come out and make more water without burning.

If I start this process in the evening, I keep them on low heat all night (temperatures are adjusted to make it convenient for me, as needed).

When the apples are soft, I push them through the applesauce strainer, which removes the skin and seeds. The waste goes into the compost (this volume is quite small in comparison to the yield).

I could stop there with my unsweetened applesauce and place it into jars. When the apple skins are red, the applesauce is usually a beautiful pink at this point.

To continue the apple butter, I add it to the slow cooker to make it thicker and sweeter (by cooking out the water). I adjust the heat to cook faster or slower depending on when I will have time to complete my batch.

When I like the consistency (thickness), I add the spices. This way I can taste and adjust if needed (without the yield changing). I usually find that I don't need to add sweeteners or sugar because the sweetness has concentrated.

Sometimes I add lemon zest to pick up the flavor. Sometimes I add a touch of honey to balance the lemon. Then I place it into jars and process them in a water bath to assure proper sealing and a long shelf life. These make excellent "gifts from the heart."

Pumpkin Butter Variation

I also like to use winter squash in a similar process of making fruit butter. Replace apples with roasted squash to create pumpkin butter.

Roast the squash by baking it in the oven to make it soft before cutting it to remove the seeds. Use a large spoon to scoop out the squash meat from the skin.

Mash or blend the squash (with your choice of a potato masher, the applesauce strainer, a food processor or blender) and cook it down further in a slow cooker if it is too watery.

Season it with the same spices as the apple butter. If sweetening is needed, consider a small amount maple syrup or honey.

Siletz Tribal Head Start offers my time to support family nutrition over the telephone (503-588-5446). Please contact me if you have nutrition concerns about your Head Start child.



Siletz Tribal Restoration Celebration and Pow-Wow



Nov. 15, 2014 • Chinook Winds Casino Resort



Siletz Tribal Head Start students sing songs in Athabascan.



Jack Strong talks about his grandfather, Stanley Strong.



Photos by Diane Rodriquez

Little Miss Siletz Hope Kibby, Miss Siletz SuSun Fisher and Junior Miss Siletz Faith Kibby during The Lord's Prayer

Wayne Chulik and Ed Ben carry the eagle staff.



Cynthia DePoe-Soulier, Terry McCord and Kevin Goodell

Felisha Howell (blue headband), Samantha Hatfield, Mona Hudson, Donna Woods and Kaye Stainbrook during Grand Entry







Coraline Snow White and Amial Rhoan



Photos by Diane Rodriquez

Keith Taylor, Chewescla DePoe, Chris Ben, Raymond Ben and Ed Ben Jr. lead the Grand Entry.



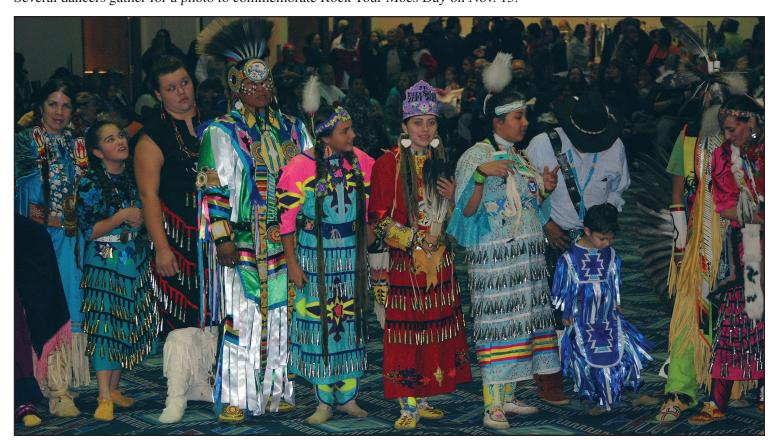
Above: Thomas Aviles and Anna Aviles

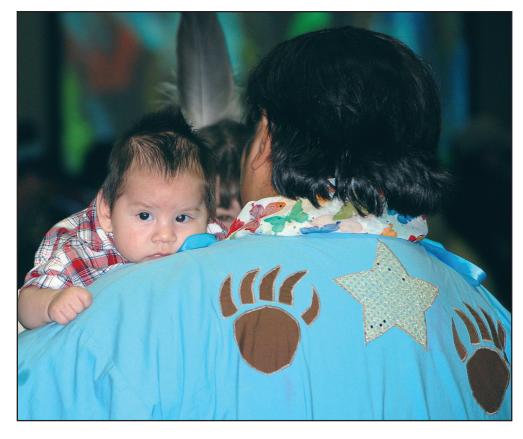


Tribal Council members Sharon Edenfield, Gloria Ingle, Loraine Butler, Reggie Butler Sr. (behind Loraine) and Lillie Butler participate in the Grand Entry, followed by Little Miss Siletz Hope Kibby, Junior Miss Siletz Faith Kibby and Miss Siletz SuSun Fisher.



Several dancers gather for a photo to commemorate Rock Your Mocs Day on Nov. 15.





Photos by Diane Rodriquez

Above: Ryder Case-Hutchinson and Elaine Jackson-Butler

Right: Trudance Butler-Hill

Far right, top: A Tiny Tot jingle dancer Far right, middle: A traditional dancer

Far right, bottom: Shahayla Butler-Summers and Cruz Cordova

Below right: Crystal Taylor McGuire

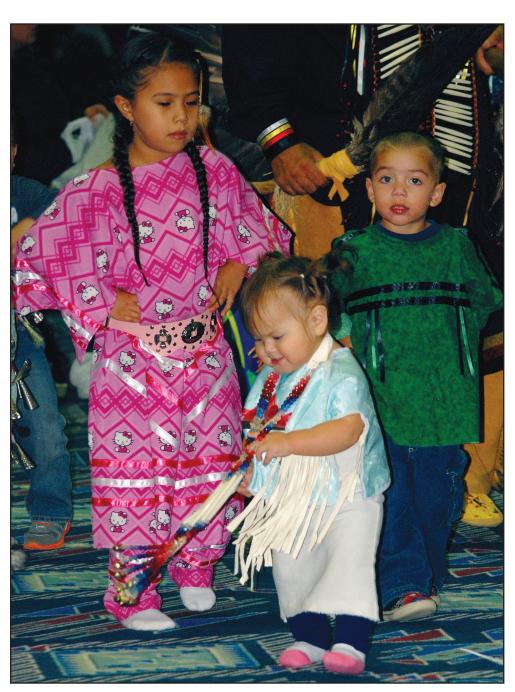
Below: Alexa Sanchez-Espino, Amy Wright and Dominic Montalvo















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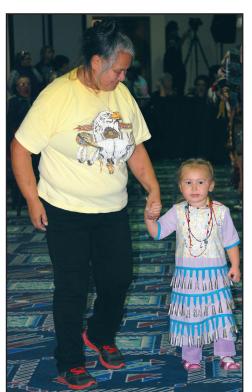


Above: Owl Dance winning couples, including Rose Peters and Jeff Flagg (right), who took first place.

Below: Sylvia Butler and Tamina Hutchinson

Bottom photo: Aggie Pilgrim presents a bustle made of condor feathers to her son, Keith Taylor.

Left: Zayden Clark





Above: Several couples take part in the Owl Dance, including Halli Lane-Skauge and Louie Orona, Jocelyn Hernandez and Tyee Yanez, and Nadine Martin and Tyee Rilatos.

Right: An Owl Dance couple

Bottom photo: Faith, Jai Jr. and Hope Kibby

Below: Lucas and Sean Lussier









Photos by Diane Rodriquez

Right: Chet Clark (center, white shirt) prepares to talk about the Honor Song he wrote for the Siletz Tribe's 30th Restoration event in 2007, dedicated to the people of the Siletz Tribe for overcoming years of termination.

Below right: Ron Butler Jr. (white cap), Reggie Butler (blue cap) and Lee Butler (light brown cap) join Chet Clark and Johonaaii for the Honor Song.

Below: Fancy shawl dancers take to the floor during a demonstration dance.











Student Conservation Association National Park Service and SCA's NPS Academy







Spring Break Orientation and 12 week Expense-Paid Internships – Summer 2015

SCA's NPS Academy is an innovative, experiential learning program designed to introduce undergraduate and graduate students from under-represented communities to careers with the National Park Service.

Program details:

- Explore NPS careers during a Spring Break Orientation held
- Continue the experience with a 12 week summer internship at National Park sites across the country
- Internship focus areas include visitor services, education. resource management, and more
- Learn more and hear from previous participants at thesca.org/serve/program/nps-acade

How to Apply:

- 1. Complete an Internship/Corps Application online at thesca.org
- 2. Add the promo code PO-00606698 to your application.
- 3. Contact our recruiters at recruiting@thesca.org or 603.543.1700 x1499 with any questions.

Benefits

- Housing
- Weekly living allowance
- · Week-long orientation in March
- Travel expenses to and from orientation
- Eligible for AmeriCorps Education Award Assigned NPS mentor
- Hands-on experience
- Additional career preparation and ongoing support

Eligibility

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- 18-25 years old and a full time undergraduate or graduate student in 2014-2015
- Available for spring break orientation and
- All majors and levels of outdoor experience

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12 week Expense-Paid Internships – Summer 2015

The Student Conservation Association (SCA) has partnered with the US Fish and Wildlife Service to provide summer internships for students from culturally and ethnically diverse backgrounds.

Internship details:

- Spend 12 weeks learning from the professionals during an internship at a national wildlife refuge
- Get off to a good start during a week-long orientation with other interns
- Internships are located across the US; from Alaska to the Southwest, Midwest, Southeast, and Northeast
- Areas of focus include biology, visitor services and refuge management
- Learn more and hear from previous participants at

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Benefits

- Housing
- Weekly living allowance
- Week-long orientation • Travel expenses to and from orientation
- Eligible for AmeriCorps Education Award
- Assigned FWS mentor
- · Hands-on experience

Eligibility

- US citizen or permanent resident
- Full time, first and second year students during the 2014-2015 academic year
- Available for 13 weeks beginning in mid-May
- All majors and levels of outdoor experience

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Veterans Ceremony • Nov. 7, 2014 • Siletz Valley School

Students in Pat Whetstone's sixth-grade class read a presentation to the veterans.





Courtesy photos by Jazmyn Metcalf

Above left: A veteran receives a necklace from a Siletz Valley School student.

Above: Ed Johann, Don Overly, Harry Shick and Tony Molina

Below: Kenny Hendricks, Ray Taylor, Hugh Eastburn, Dub Bellinger and William "Doc" Dockstader



CEDARR

Community Efforts Demonstrating the Ability to Rebuild and Restore

Mission Statement

We will utilize resources to prevent the use of alcohol and other drugs, delinquency and violence; we will seek to reduce the barriers to treatment and support those who choose abstinance.

Dec. 11 • Noon

Siletz Community Health Clinic 200 Gwee-Shut Road, Siletz



Siletz Tribal Behavioral Health Programs

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

Siletz: 800-600-5599 or 541-444-8286 Eugene: 541-484-4234

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

Salem: 503-390-9494

Portland: 503-238-1512

Important information, deadlines for the college-bound Tribal senior

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).

Attention Tribal Students!

FAFSA deadline - Jan. 31, 2015

Tribal members who plan to apply for Tribal higher education funds for the 2015-2016 academic year must complete their FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) application by Jan. 31, 2015, at fafsa.ed.gov.

January

- FAFSA forms can be submitted Jan. 1. Do not delay do this ASAP!
- 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 plan to apply for Tribal assistance for college must apply for FAFSA no later than Jan. 31 at fafsa.ed.gov.

February

- First semester grades and mid-year reports are sent to some colleges.
- Check your school counseling office or ASPIRE center for scholarship information.
- Complete scholarships.
- Check with colleges applied to for verification they have received all nec-

- essary documents. Continue to monitor status of submitted applications.
- Check to see if your mid-year transcripts have been sent to the schools to which you have applied.
- Wrap up any scholarship applications, essays and activities chart (for OSAC). Early bird deadline is in February for OSAC.

March

- Check for three Tribal scholarships at ctsi.nsn.us.
- Complete scholarships
- Start working on Tribal higher education or adult vocational training grant application. This can be found on the Tribe's website and is due June 30.
- Review the Student Aid Report (SAR).
- You should start receiving admission responses.

April

- Send thank you notes to people who have helped you.
- Make final decision about which college or university you will attend.

If you decide to decline enrollment to a college or university to which you have been accepted, send notice indicating this to the college's admissions office.

May

- This is the deadline for final decisions for universities.
- Send letter of intent to registrar.
- Line up a summer job.
 - Attend your Senior Awards Night.
- Review any award letters and be sure you understand the terms and conditions that accompany each type of aid.
- If necessary, arrange for housing and a meal plan (at school).
 Send thank you notes to any person/
- committee from which you received a scholarship.

June

- Tribal higher education and adult vocational training applications are due June 30!
- Attend graduation congratulations!
- Arrange for your final grades to be sent to colleges and universities.
- Good luck!

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Photos by Diane Rodriquez

Above: Angela Ramirez (left) staffs the Siletz Tribal Arts and Heritage Society table as Cynthia Farlow (right) sells her jewelry and talks with Juanita Whitebear.

Above right: Lisa Brown (right) oversees the beading of earrings.

Center right: Sharla Robinson prepares more food samples as Jack Strong signs one of his cookbooks.

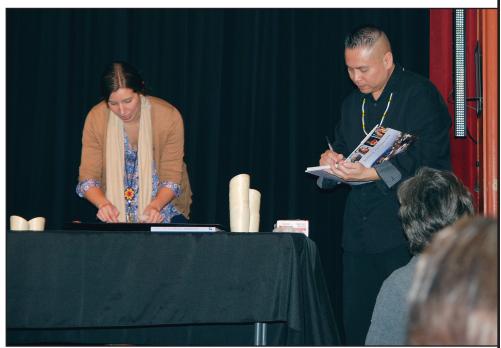
Bottom right: Becky Fisher staffs the Bob's Beach Books table of American Indian literature, including the Siletz Tribal history book (standing, third from right).

Below: Bud Lane gives a lecture on Siletz culture and history.





Native American Heritage Festival
Nov. 8, 2014 • Lincoln City Cultural Center





Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow

Attention Siletz Tribal Artists

The 2015 Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow Committee once again is having a logo contest for the upcoming pow-wow in August 2015.

All Siletz Tribal artists are encouraged to submit a pow-wow themed logo. The winning logo artist will receive a cash prize of \$250 and a professional banner with the logo. The winning artist will have his or her 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 it 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 2, 2015.

Royalty Crown Proposals

The 2015 Pow-Wow Committee is now accepting proposals for 2015-2016 royalty crowns for Miss Siletz, Junior Miss Siletz and Little Miss Siletz.

Proposals for a crown are required to 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 2, 2015. 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, or 541-444-8230.

Tribal Council Timesheets for October 2014

Lillie Butler - 10/1/14-10/31/14

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | Tvl | | |
|------|------|-----|------|-----|----------|---------------------------------|
| 3 | 3 | | | | 10/1 | Packets |
| 2.25 | 2.25 | | | 4 | 10/2 | UO |
| 2.5 | 2.5 | | | | 10/3 | Packets |
| 2.75 | 2.75 | | | | 10/6 | Forestry, packets |
| 7.5 | 7.5 | | | | 10/7-9 | Education, packets |
| | | 3.5 | 2 | 2 | 10/10 | Special TC – gaming, STBC mtg |
| 2.5 | 2.5 | | | | 10/13 | Packets |
| 3 | 3 | | | 3 | 10/14 | ICW |
| 2.5 | 2.5 | | | | 10/15 | Packets |
| 5.75 | 5.75 | | | 11 | 10/16-17 | Regular TC – Brookings, packets |
| 7.5 | 7.5 | | | 2 | 10/20-22 | Chemawa Station, packets |
| 3 | 3 | | | | 10/23 | Enrollment, packets |
| 9 | 9 | | | | 10/24-29 | Budget wkshp, packets |
| 4.5 | 4.5 | 1.5 | | 2 | 10/30-31 | CW, packets |

Loraine Y. Butler - 10/1/14-10/31/14

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | Tvl | | |
|------|------|-----|------|-----|----------|--------------------------|
| 8 | 8 | | | 11 | 10/2-5 | NNABA |
| .75 | .75 | | | | 10/9 | CEDARR |
| | | 3 | | 1 | 10/10 | Special TC – gaming |
| 1.25 | 1.25 | | | 3 | 10/14 | Mtg w/BIA |
| 3.25 | 3.25 | | | 13 | 10/16-18 | Regular TC – Brookings |
| 4 | 4 | 2 | | 2 | 10/20-22 | Chemawa Station, packets |
| 1.5 | 1.5 | | | | 10/23 | Enrollment |
| 1.25 | 1.25 | | | | 10/24 | Budget wkshp |
| | | | | 2 | 10/25 | Concert travel |
| | | 1.5 | | | 10/27 | Packets |

Reggie Butler Sr. - 10/1/14-10/31/14

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | Tvl | | |
|------|------|-----|------|-----|----------|---------------------------------|
| 2 | 2 | | | | 10/1 | Packets |
| 2.25 | 2.25 | | | 4 | 10/2 | UO |
| 2 | 2 | | | | 10/3 | Packets |
| 6.75 | 6.75 | | | | 10/6-8 | Forestry, packet |
| 2.5 | 2.5 | | | | 10/9 | CEDARR, packets |
| | | 3.5 | 4 | 2 | 10/10 | Special TC – gaming, STBC mtg |
| 2.5 | 2.5 | | | | 10/13 | Packets |
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| 7 | 7 | | | 2 | 10/20-22 | Chemawa Station, packets |
| 2.75 | 2.75 | | | | 10/23 | Enrollment, packets |
| 2.5 | 2.5 | | | | 10/24 | Budget wkshp, packets |
| 7.5 | 7.5 | | | | 10/27-29 | Packets, sign checks |
| 4 | 4 | 1.5 | | 2 | 10/30-31 | CW, packets |

Jessie Davis - 10/1/14-10/31/14

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | Tvl | | |
|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | 1 | | | | 10/7 | Packets |
| | | 3.5 | | 3 | 10/10 | Special TC – gaming |
| 1 | 1 | | | | 10/14 | Packets |
| 1 | 1 | | | | 10/23 | Budget wkshp |
| | | 1 | | 3 | 10/25 | CW event |
| 1.5 | 1.5 | | | | 10/30 | Packets |
| | | | | 2 | 10/31 | Travel for Health, Housing and |
| | | | | | | General Council mtgs |

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| | Addiesses |
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Sharon Edenfield - 10/1/14-10/31/14

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | Tvl | | |
|------|------|-----|------|-----|----------|-------------------------------|
| 5 | 5 | | | 10 | 10/2-5 | NNABA |
| 1.5 | 1.5 | | | | 10/6 | STCCF |
| | | 4.5 | 2 | 2 | 10/10 | Special TC – gaming, STBC mtg |
| 3.25 | 3.25 | | | 11 | 10/16-18 | Regular TC – Brookings |
| 1.25 | 1.25 | | | 2 | 10/21 | STRCP |
| 1.25 | 1.25 | | | | 10/23 | TC wkshp |

Gloria Ingle - 10/1/14-10/31/14

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | Tvl | | |
|------|------|-----|------|-----|----------|-------------------------------|
| 1.5 | 1.75 | | | .75 | 10/6 | Health Comm, NR |
| | | 3.5 | 1.5 | 1 | 10/10 | Special TC – gaming, STBC mtg |
| | | | .25 | 1 | 10/15 | Sign STBC checks |
| 3.25 | 3.25 | | | 7.5 | 10/16-17 | Regular TC – Brookings |

Alfred Lane III - 10/1/14-10/31/14

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | Tvl | | |
|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|----------|-----------------------------------|
| 1.5 | 1.5 | | | 3 | 10/14 | Meet w/BIA |
| 3.5 | 3.5 | | | | 10/22 | Budget Comm, packets |
| 1.5 | 1.5 | | | | 10/23 | Enrollment |
| 2 | 2 | | | | 10/24 | TC wkshp, Investment & Audit Comm |
| 12 | 12 | | | 24 | 10/26-30 | Mtgs in Washington, D.C. |
| 1 | 1 | | | | 10/31 | Packets |

Delores Pigsley - 10/1/14-10/31/14

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | Tvl | |
|------|------|-----|------|-----|---|
| 4 | 4 | 1.5 | .5 | 5 | 10/1-9 Sign STBC checks, admin, mail, sign casino docs, agenda items, |
| | | | | | prep for council |
| 1.5 | 1.5 | 5 | 1.5 | 2.5 | 10/10-11 Special TC – gaming, STBC mtg, |
| | | | | | mail, sign docs, prep for council |
| 1.25 | 1.25 | 2 | | 2.5 | 10/12-13 Candidates Fair – Lincoln City, mail |
| 1.5 | 1.5 | | | 5 | 10/14 Mtg in Florence, mail |
| 3.5 | 3.5 | .5 | | | 10/15-19 Mail, agenda items, news article |
| 3.25 | 3.25 | | | 2.5 | 10/20-21 Chemawa Station, mail, agenda items |
| 5.25 | 5.25 | | | 2.5 | 10/22-23 Budget Comm, mail, prep for mtg, agenda items |
| 3 | 3 | | | 4 | 10/24 Budget wkshp, Audit and Invest- ment Comm, mail |
| 1.5 | 1.5 | | | 2 | 10/25 Westmoreland Park Celebration, mail |
| 5.75 | 5.75 | .5 | | | 10/26-31 Mail, agenda items, prep for council |

CTSI Jobs

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

Note: "Open Until Filled" vacancies may close at any time. The Tribe's Indian Preference policy will apply. Tribal government will not discriminate in selection because of race, creed, age, sex, color, national origin, physical handicap, marital status, politics, membership or non-membership in an employee organization.





FUEL YOUR Holiday Dreams

You could win a 2015 **Chevy Tahoe or CASH!**









COLLECT FREE ENTRIES WEEKLY

with your Winners Circle Card now through January 4. Collect even more while you play!

Exchange player points earned during the week for Gas Cards every Sunday!

3000 Base Points = \$20 Gas Card 6000 Base Points = \$50 Gas Card



TWO DRAWING DAYS

We'll draw for the first 3 finalists on January 1, 2015 at 12:30am! The last 3 finalists will be drawn on January 4, 2015 at 6pm.

> All six finalists will draw envelopes on January 4 to determine who wins the 2015 Tahoe or a share of \$10,000 CASH!

> > Complete rules at Winners Circle. Management reserves the right to alter or withdraw promotion at any time.





December 12 & 13 8pm-\$15

For tickets call 1-888-MAIN ACT (1-888-624-6228) or purchase online at chinookwindscasino.com

Discount available for Winners Circle Members. 21 and over event.







SATURDAY December 20 • IOPM Only \$5 to play every game in the session!

Dance club music, no-host bar, prize giveaways and lots of fun. Don't miss out on this late-night session paying out \$1,400!

Must be 21 or older to play this session. \$20 minimum purchase for machines.

SEE OUR STARS SHINE

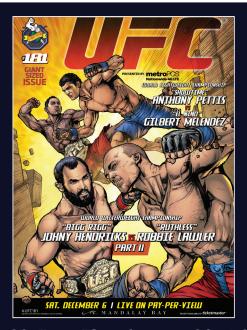


The Beach Boys December 5 & 6, 8pm Tickets \$33.50-\$48.50



Willie Nelson and Family January 30 & 31, 8pm Tickets \$50-\$65

For tickets call 1-888-MAIN ACT (1-888-624-6228) or purchase online at chinookwindscasino.com Discount available for Winners Circle Members.



ACES SPORTS BAR & GRILL

SATURDAY DEC. 6, 6PM

3245 NE 50TH ST • LINCOLN CITY • 541-994-8232



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Chinook Winds Casino Resort

Entertainment

Dec. 5-6: The Beach Boys 8 p.m., \$33.50-\$48.50

Jan. 30-31: Willie Nelson and Family

8 p.m., \$50-\$65 March 13-14: Foreigner 8 p.m., \$40-\$55

April 17-18: Travis Tritt 8 p.m., \$23.50-\$38.50

Rogue River Lounge

Fri & Sat: Ultrasonic DJ, cover 10:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

Chinook's Seafood Grill

Wed: Kit Taylor (pianist), no cover 5 to 9 p.m.

All events, concerts and promotions are subject to change at the discretion of Chinook Winds Casino Resort.

Tickets go on sale 90 days in advance.

Concerts in the showroom are for ages 16 and older. Comedy on the Coast in the convention center is for ages 21 and older.

For more information or to obtain tickets for all concerts, call the Chinook Winds box office at 888-CHINOOK (888-244-6665) or 541-996-5825; or call 888-MAIN-ACT (624-6228).

Follow us on Twitter, find us on Facebook or visit our website at chinookwindscasino.com.

For more information about events in North Lincoln County, visit lcchamber.com, oregoncoast.org or lincolncity-culturalcenter.org.



Would you like to be a part of the Chinook Winds team? Find out why "Employment is Better at the Beach" at:

www.chinookwindscasino.com

Job Line: 541-994-8097 Toll Free: 1-888-CHINOOK ext 8097

Human Resources Office: 541-996-5800 Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm

Be Passionate Embrace Change Accountability Customer Service Happiness

Special Events

Sun: 100% Payout Blackjack Tourney

Tue: Boomers Club

Two-dollar Tuesdays at Aces

Sports Bar & Grill

Wed: Wine Wednesdays at Chinook's Seafood Grill

Thu: South of the Border Specials at Aces Sports Bar & Grill

Fri: Happy Hour specials at Aces Sports Bar & Grill

Aces Cracked Texas Hold'em Poker

First Tuesday: Senior (Boomer) Slots Third Monday: Mayhem Mondays Slots Last Tuesday: Boomer Sunrise Slots
Last Thursday: Twilight Slots

Through Dec. 25: Splash Pot Wednesdays Texas Hold'em Poker

Through Dec. 25: Boss Bounty Thursdays No-limit Texas Hold'em Poker

Through Dec. 28: Group Sales Punch Card Program

Through Dec. 30: Boomer Tuesdays, Boomer Club meals, Blackjack specials

Through Dec. 31: Aces Full for Cash Texas Hold'em Poker

Caring continues with Operation Christmas Spirit; volunteers, hats, gloves, blankets, desserts needed

Operation Christmas Spirit provides a free traditional Christmas dinner to our community every year on Christmas Day from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Lincoln City Community Center.

Chinook Winds staff has started planning, supported by generous local support from volunteers and businesses. Thus far, a big "thank you" goes to the Lincoln City Community Center for the use of its kitchen and banquet room and North Lincoln Sanitary Service for free garbage pickup after the event.

The program still needs desserts to round out the tasty holiday meal. We've been able to count upon our generous bakers' contributions in years past. This year, we expect about 500 people to stop in for a traditional hot Christmas dinner.

If you would like to contribute a dessert, please drop it off at the community center on Dec. 24 between noon and 4 p.m. or on Christmas Day between 8 a.m. and noon.

Please donate new blankets, sleeping bags, hats and gloves desperately necessary for those without during the coming coastal cold weather. You can drop any of these new items off at Aces Sports Bar & Grill, Chinook Winds Marketing Department, Little Antique Mall, North Lincoln Sanitary, Kenny's IGA North and the community center right through Christmas Eve.

This annual event created years ago by Betty Fry feeds people who might otherwise have a bleak and hungry holiday or simply would otherwise be alone for their holiday meal. It is now sponsored by Chinook Winds, the community center and North Lincoln Sanitary.

Families and individuals join the celebration with Santa, Christmas music and a complete hot turkey dinner. From those who help serve to those who partake, this is a heartwarming event.

For further information and to volunteer your time on Christmas Day, contact Monica Logan at 541-557-4313 or Heather Hatton at 541-996-5766.

If you would like to deliver hot meals or you know someone who should be on the delivery list, please call 541-994-7731.

Event Staff Temp Positions Available For Siletz Tribal Members!



is looking for individuals who are interested in working fun and exciting events! From concerts to tournaments, you can be a part of the excitement and get paid for it! Anyone 18 years or older is eligible for this part-time on-call position. Wage compensation will be at the current minimum wage rate of \$8.95. Contact the Chinook Winds Casino Human Resources office at 541.996.5800 for more information.

It's Better at the Beach!

Chinook Winds Casino Resort in Lincoln City, Ore., offers 24-hour Las Vegas-style gaming, an 18-hole golf course, headline entertainment from some of music's most legendary stars, three full-service restaurants, a secure child care facility and arcade, and a 227-room ocean-view hotel.

For more information, visit chinookwindscasino.com, or call 888-CHINOOK (244-6665) or 541-996-5825.

Tribal members enjoy free golf, other discounts

Siletz Tribal members can play golf at Chinook Winds Golf Resort at no charge. Golf cart fees are \$10 per seat for 9 holes and \$15 per seat for 18 holes.

Tribal members also receive a 50 percent discount on lessons from golf pro Aaron Johnson and a 20 percent discount on all merchandise (certain restrictions apply).

Please call Chinook Winds Golf Resort at 541-994-8442 for tee times or to schedule a golf lesson.

Calling all Tribal member business owners

If you would like to be on the preferred Tribal members business list with Chinook Winds, please fax, mail, email or drop off your business card, brochures, or business information to:

Chinook Winds Casino Resort Attn: Purchasing Dept. 1777 NW 44th St. Lincoln City, OR 97367 Phone: 541-996-5853 Fax: 541-996-3847 erica@cwcresort.com

Chinook Winds rolls out red carpet for several New Year's Eve parties

New Year's Eve will be here before vou know it and Chinook Winds Casino Resort is ringing in the New Year with a party for everyone! Dressed to the nines or casual, you are certain find a party just for you.

The casino floor will be full of excitement as party hats and favors will be passed out throughout the evening. To kick off Chinook Winds' 20 years in business, New Year's guests have an opportunity to win a share of \$20,000 in cash.

Five lucky winners will be drawn at 11:15 p.m. on Dec. 31, 2014, and again at 12:15 a.m. on Jan. 1, 2015, for a chance at their share of \$20K! Complete rules and how to earn entries can be found at chinookwindscasino.com or at Player Services.

Party band Five Guys Named Moe will play a variety of dance music in the convention center from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. This is free and open to those age 21 and older.

At the Rogue River Lounge, DJ Metal will spin songs from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tickets for this party are \$20 and include party hat, favors and a champagne toast at midnight.

Seating for dinner in the Rogue River Lounge is from 5-9 p.m. and will close for one hour between dinner service and

Party for free at Aces Sports Bar & Grill at Chinook Winds Golf Resort starting at 9 p.m. with the sounds of Much More Country. Or join the band Cadillacs for Everyone at Chinook's Seafood Grill from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

For those who hope to start the New Year off with a big win, there's New Year's Eve Bingo with cash drawings all evening. Buy-in includes holiday dinner buffet, party favors and noisemakers.

Dinner buffet will be served from 4:15-6 p.m., with the first session starting at 7:30 p.m. The buy-in is \$100 until 10 p.m. on Dec. 30. Door sales begin at 1 p.m. on New Year's Eve for \$125.

While mom and dad party at the resort, kids can have some fun at Chinook Winds Play Palace and Arcade! This party is for children age 3-11 who are potty trained.

Children 12 and older are welcome in the arcade. The party is from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. Admission is \$30 in advance and \$35 on New Year's Eve.

Be a Foster Parent-Help a Child in Need "When the Children Grow Old... We Want Them to Know We Fought for Them" There are many ways to fight to protect our children. One of those ways is by being a foster parent. The Siletz Tribal Indian Child Welfare Department is accepting and recruiting foster homes on behalf of our Tribal children. If we see a child in need, We meet the needs of that child. It is the way of our people. For more information and an application, call: Leah Suitter, Case Manager III Foster Parent Certifier, CTSI-ICW 800.922.1399, ext #12<mark>75, or 541.444.8275</mark>

Siletz News Letters Policy

Siletz News, a publication of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, is published once a month. Our editorial policy encourages input from readers about stories printed in Siletz News and other tribal issues.

All letters must include the author's signature, address, and phone number in order to be considered for publication. Siletz News reserves the right to edit any letter for clarity and length, and to refuse publication of any letter or any part of a letter that may contain profane language, libelous statements, personal attacks, or unsubstantiated statements.

Not all letters are guaranteed publication upon submission. Published letters do not necessarily reflect the opinions of Siletz News, Tribal employees, or

Please type or write legibly. Letters longer than 450 words may be edited for length as approved by Tribal Council Resolution #96-142.

Please note: The general manager of the Siletz Tribe is the editor-in-chief of Siletz News.

Editor-in-Chief: Brenda Bremner Editor: Diane Rodriquez

To the editor:

Siletz Voting Procedures

In three months, we will again vote to elect individuals to represent Tribal members on council. I made a suggestion a few years ago about making changes to our Tribal Council structure and voting procedures.

The reason I propose this is to provide a true representative Tribal Council. Currently we have three area offices in Portland, Salem and Eugene. I propose that we change our current structure in which we choose two persons from each area office.

This would mean that the Portland area would choose two people to represent them on Tribal Council. Salem would choose two, Eugene would choose two and Siletz would choose two people. This would make eight Tribal Council. The last remaining council position would be chosen by the Tribal members who live outside the 11-county service area.

This would provide a true representative government. All of the Tribe's service areas would be represented, plus out-of-area Tribal members.

While representation is the main goal, this method would also ensure that the individual representing each area would be familiar with the problems facing the Tribal members in their area and would be better able to ensure that those issues would be presented properly and coherently.

I am assuming that this will take at least a year to get enough Tribal members on board and to clarify the voting procedures.

There are some issues which need to be clarified, such as rotation of council members, voting procedures for each area office and determining geographical voting areas. Also, we need to get enough signatures to get this idea on either a special elections ballot or on the regular voting cycle.

To facilitate this process, I have created a Facebook page called "Siletz Voting." You can access it via my Facebook page or just do a Facebook Search for it.

Initially, I have made it a member-only page, so you will have to click on the "join" link and then you would be accepted into the group. This page would be for the discussion about changing the voting process and a process to obtain enough Tribal member support for change.

If you have questions you can write me at Ray Blacketer, 151 Chetco Ct.; or email me at rblacketer@yahoo.com; or find me on Facebook and leave an email there. You can also call me at 541-992-9799.

Thank you.

Ray Blacketer

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



US Military Veteran Fire Corps Expense-Paid Training and Internship thesca.org/vfc







Serve with SCA's Veterans Fire Corps (VFC) and obtain the skills and certifications you need to become competitive in a wildland fire and /or forestry career. Members gain experience in disciplines like: wildlife ecology; botany; trail work; ecological restoration and resource management.

Participate in projects like:

- Fuels Reduction
- Fire effects monitoring Educational outreach
- Pre-fire preparation of burn units
- Prescribed burns

Internship Details:

- Teams consist of five members with one SCA project leader Schedule is typically four consecutive 10-hour days (where camping is required) and three days off
- 40-hour/week commitment; members must stay for duration of program

Training and Certifications

- Two weeks of field based training
- Wildland Fire Chainsaw Certification
- Basic Wildlife Firefighter and Red Card Certification

■ Wilderness First Aid, CPR

Questions or to apply, contact VFC Coordinators:

Cynthia Bevacqua: cbevacqua@thesca.org, 603-543-1700 x 1499

Program Dates:

Jan. 12 - April 6, 2015 - traveling in the Southeast

Benefits

- Living allowance of \$280 per week • Round trip travel allowance of \$650
- · Eligible for AmeriCorps Education award
- · Worker's compensation
- Over \$1200 worth of certifications received

Requirements

- Post 911 US Military Veteran
- DD 214 with Honorable Discharge (General Discharge under Honorable positions considered)
- Pass Work Capacity (Pack) Test at the "arduous" level: 3 miles hike with 45-pound pack in 45 minutes
- · Valid driver's license
- · Pass a criminal background, FBI Fingerprinting, and motor vehicle check
- Ability to hike long distances while carrying a heavy pack and remain composed under
- pressure while serving in rugged terrain · Comfort and ability to use a chainsaw and
- Comfortable living and serving with veterans from all service branches

Read the Veteran's Fire Corps blog at thesca.org/VFC



Happy 2nd Birthday, Aviana Kasha! Love Mom, Dad and big brother



Congratulations to Turtle Metcalf for taking second place in the Punt, Pass and Kick event in Salem, Ore.

Love you, Grandma Renee, Greatgram Loraine and the whole fam damly

Happy Birthday to my little babies! Louis on Dec. 1 and Sierra on Dec. 22. I can't believe how big you both are getting! I love you both!

Love, Mom



Congratulations to my mom, Nora, and step-dad, Randy, on getting married. I love you both very much.

Rheanna

Emergency dental visits available

Contact the Siletz Community Dental Clinic if you experience dental pain or a dental emergency. The staff will do everything possible to see you as soon as reasonably possible.

Check-in time is Monday-Thursday from 8:30-9 a.m. and Friday from 10-10:30 a.m. Afternoon check-in time is Monday-Friday from 1-1:30 p.m.



Happy 4th Birthday on Nov. 27 to our wonderful, handsome, amazing grandson, Brayden Nolan Adams! Grandma Stephanie and Grandpa Jerry love you so much!

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.

Tribe continues to give back to community through charitable fund

The Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund distributed \$89,834.98 to 36 organizations on Nov. 7 as it continued 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 \$9 million since its inception in 2001.

Overall, the Tribe has honored its tradition of sharing within the community by distributing more than \$11.4 million through the charitable fund and other Tribal resources.

Chinook Winds has donated more than \$2.8 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 Dec. 17, 2014. 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 counties)
- Native American entities and activities located anywhere in the U.S.

Applications and requirements can be obtained at ctsi.nsn.us/charitablecontribution-fund; by calling Rosie Williams at 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.

Nov. 7, 2014 **Distribution of \$89,834.98** Cultural Activities - \$28,000

Lakota Oyate Ki – cultural craft supplies,

fliers, postage, camera equipment, imaging software and cabinet; Salem, OR; \$2,000

Northwest Indians Veterans Association (NIVA) – food, decorations and toys for holiday program; Portland, OR; \$500

Sacred Ground Baptist Church – drum kits, ribbon shirts, wing dresses, T-shirts, travel, hotel, workshop registration and food; Siletz, OR; \$500

Siletz Tribal Arts and Heritage Society - personnel, outside firm, cultural acquisition and operations; Siletz, OR; \$25,000

Drug and Alcohol Treatment – \$500

Community Helping Addicts Negotiate Change Effectively (CHANCE) -Wellbriety workbooks, craft supplies and instructor fees; Albany, OR; \$500

Education - \$14,144.70

City of Halsey – repair and insulate walls; Halsey, OR; \$2,300

Eddyville Charter School - LEGO robot kits and MATE ROV supplies; Eddyville, OR; \$2,100

Oregon Coast Community College Foundation – lunch and transportation costs for "Go to College Day" event; Newport, OR; \$1,750

Partnership Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (PAADA) - laptops and microphone; Newport, OR; \$1,226

Santiam Canyon School District – science lab supplies and lab kits; Mill City, OR; \$1,500

Santiam Jr/Sr High School – LEGO robotic kits; Mill City, OR; \$1,500

Santiam Jr/Sr High School – replacement motor, spare motors, encoder, controller, game elements and construction, tournament entry fee, travel, spare battery pack; Mill City, OR; \$1,414.70

Taft High 7-12, Native Student Association – books, paper plates, utensils, blankets, socks, hats and undershirts; Lincoln City, OR; \$500

Waldport High School - construction materials/supplies for mini-sailboat program and waterproof GPS devices; Waldport, OR; \$1,854

Health - \$29,631

Altrusa International of Yaquina Bay dental kits and dental education; Newport, OR; \$3,000

Canyon Gleaners – food; Mill City, OR;

Central Linn Gleaners (Central Valley Harvesters) - food; Brownsville, OR; \$1,500

Coastal Range Food Bank, Inc. - food; Blodgett, OR; \$3,000

Friends of Waldport – dental and prescription services for clients; Waldport, OR; \$3,100

Lebanon Gleaners – food; Lebanon, OR; \$500

Lincoln County Joint Transportation Committee - bus vouchers; Lincoln City, OR; \$2,000

Nestucca High School, Girls Basketball - home and away game uniforms; Cloverdale, OR; \$1,500

Nestucca Youth Football - gear and helmets; Hebo, OR; \$2,500

North End Senior Solutions – ADS nutrition and activities/supplies; Otis, OR;

Sharing Hands, Inc. – food; Brownsville, OR; \$1,000

Siletz, Eddyville, Toledo (SET) Baseball Association - pitching machine, baseballs/softballs and turface; Toledo, OR; \$1,000

Snackpack of Monroe – food and hygiene items; Monroe, OR; \$1,831

Toledo Elks – food for holiday baskets; Toledo, OR; \$2,500

Toledo Food Share Pantry - freezer; Toledo, OR; \$1,950

Historical Preservation – \$1,000

Chetco Historical Memorial Committee plank house entrance and structural elements; Brookings, OR; \$1,000

Housing – \$5,000

Community Development Corporation of Lincoln County – trash compactor; Newport, OR; \$5,000

Prevention - \$3,000

CASA of Lincoln County - website upgrades, design costs, maintenance and software; Newport, OR; \$2,500

Philomath High School, Senior All-Night Party Committee – alcohol- and drugfree graduation event; Philomath, OR; \$500

Public Safety – \$8,559.28

Lincoln County School District - twoway radios, antennas, chargers, bases, clips and programming; Newport, OR; \$2,375

Oregon K9 Search Teams - radios, speakers, mics and antennas; Salem, OR; \$1,184.28

Oregon State Police - child ID kits and postage; Salem, OR; \$5,000

TOTAL - \$89,834.98