

Save the dates! Community meetings scheduled for first three months of 2022

Because of the positive feedback the Planning Department has received from previous meetings – especially the out-of-the-area meeting – it has been suggested that we increase the number of meetings.

In addition to the four traditional meetings for the four service areas, we will add an annual fifth meeting focused on the out-of-service-area members. Further, we plan to hold an additional three quarterly meetings by Zoom open to all members (a request generated by our first out-of-area community Zoom meeting).

The meetings for each of the five areas will be similar to the meetings we've had in the past and will be dedicated primarily to listening to member concerns and bringing updates. The three **new** quarterly meetings will be focused on a single topic, such as housing, education and medical, or an important event, such as changes in COVID-19 protocols.

It is anticipated that the community meetings would be about two hours long and the quarterly meetings would last about one hour. A structured meeting with a host and a Zoom technical support person seemed to help the meetings run smoothly.

We are planning the following **tentative** dates for 2022:

| Community outreach meetings | Quarterly meetings via Zoom | Tentative agenda format |
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| Jan. 27 – Salem | April 21 | Community concerns |
| Feb. 10 – Eugene | July 14 | Announcements (i.e., required FTA civil rights declaration for transit) |
| Feb. 24 – Siletz | Nov. 13 | Grant development/stakeholder outreach |
| March 3 – Portland | | Department of focus (by quarter, i.e., Housing, Natural Resources) |
| March 17 – Out-of-service-area (Zoom) | | |



Photo by Katrina Hudson
Members of the Siletz Tribal Color Guard carry the flags at the end of the annual Veterans Ceremony at Siletz Valley School on Nov. 10, including (l to r) Jonathan Kosydar, Tony Molina, Nick Sikiller, guest speaker Cory Glenn and Kevin Goodell. School Superintendent Sam Tupou (white shirt), served as emcee for the ceremony.

See information about the Virtual Candidates Fair for the 2022 Tribal Council election on page 3.

Biden-Harris administration announces steps to improve conditions for salmon in the Columbia River Basin, including additional water spill for fish passage

WASHINGTON – The Biden-Harris administration has announced an important step to chart a path forward in a long-standing Columbia River Basin conflict about the operation of 14 federal dams and their impacts on the region's salmon and steelhead populations.

In an effort to take a fresh look at the important issues affecting the communities, economy and resources of the Pacific Northwest, the United States, the State of Oregon, the Nez Perce Tribe and a coalition of plaintiffs led by the National Wildlife Federation have reached a compromise on key disputed elements of 2022 Columbia River system operations.

The agreement, filed Oct. 21 in the U.S. District Court for the District of Oregon, outlines how eight dams in the Columbia River Basin will be operated over the coming year. This will include additional fish passage spill of water past the dams at certain times of year while still preserving reliable hydropower production, transportation and other services provided by the dams.

The agreement also asks the court to stay the litigation until the end of July 2022 to afford affected states, Tribal nations and stakeholders the opportunity to identify and review alternative and durable solutions to longstanding challenges in the Columbia River System.

"The Columbia River System is an invaluable natural resource that is critical to many stakeholders in the basin. Today's filing represents an important opportunity to prioritize the resolution of more than 20 years of litigation and identify creative solutions that improve conditions for salmon for years to come," said Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland. "While it is important to balance the region's economy and power generation, it is also time to improve conditions for Tribes that have relied on these important species since time immemorial."

"I'd like to thank the parties on both sides of this issue, who worked hard to craft a plan for short-term operations of the Columbia River System, giving us the time and space to work on a comprehensive, long-term solution for everyone who

depends on the rivers of the Columbia Basin," said Oregon Gov. Kate Brown.

"We have no time to waste, with the basin's salmon and steelhead on the brink of extinction. We need a comprehensive solution that ensures robust and harvestable fish population and economic growth for agriculture and commodity transport, as well as an assessment of the replacement of the services provided by the Lower Snake River dams. The assessment should include the federal investments needed to upgrade the evolving portfolio of clean energy sources and transmission infrastructure for the region," continued Brown.

"I'd like to thank the Biden-Harris administration for their commitment to work cooperatively with us, the Tribes of the Columbia Basin and the other key parties to begin working towards implementation of a long-term solution in 2022. My administration stands ready to collaborate with all stakeholders on this effort, so we can start immediately to meet our shared goals for the region."

Other Biden-Harris administration officials also commented on the situation.

"Hydroelectric power plays an incredible role in integrating renewable resources and providing carbon-free power, a great example of the affordable and clean energy sources that are available in all pockets of this country," said Secretary of Energy Jennifer M. Granholm. "By joining forces with our interagency partners and key stakeholders in the Northwest, DOE will ensure that the reduction of carbon emissions remains a priority, alongside supporting a strong economy and affordable power for families and businesses, as we partner in the Northwest to meet the full range of the region's goals."

"The Columbia River System federal dams play a vital role in providing for flood resilience, low-carbon waterborne transportation of goods and public safety in the region. We remain committed to pursuing collaborative approaches to river management, public safety, and salmon restoration," stated Acting Principal Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works Vance Stewart.

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Tribal Restoration

Congratulations to every Siletz Tribal member on Nov. 18, 2021. It was the Tribe's 44th year of Restoration!

The Tribe has come a long way since Tribal member Joe Lane began the restoration process back in 1972. Many people involved in the early effort have since passed, but we need to be very grateful for their effort that led to Tribal restoration in 1977.

Art Bensell continued the effort in 1975 as Tribal chairman. The Tribal Council testified before Congress in March 1976; I was happy to be part of that delegation.

On Nov. 18, 1977, our Tribe was restored to federal recognition and as we celebrated at our pow-wow in Newport, Ore., President Jimmy Carter called to congratulate the Tribe.

Much work was required after restoration. The Tribe, working with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service, negotiated for funds to provide services. The state of Oregon and our congressman insisted on the Tribe settling any hunting and fishing rights the Tribe might have before any discussion on establishing reservation lands.

An agreement was reached (called the Consent Decree) that required legislation and a court action, then the Reservation Act was finally passed giving the Tribe small acreages of timber parcels to assist in funding Tribal programs.

Tribal Council has worked diligently to be rid of the Consent Decree that was tied to Restoration for Siletz and for the

Grand Ronde Tribe. We are the only restored Tribes that had to make this concession. I am happy to announce that our Sen. Jeff Merkley introduced a Senate bill (see page 12) to right the wrong and to abolish the Consent Decree. Considerable work must still be done to pass the legislation and to then have the U.S. District Court take the same action.

We've come a long way since 1972 and since Restoration in 1977. We still have a ways to go. Please remember and appreciate those early leaders who have given us what we have today.

Facebook

Lots of information gets posted to Facebook by many people. Some of the information is correct, some is misleading and some is incorrect. If you have questions or want to clarify information, you can call any Tribal Council member. Our phone numbers are posted and you can get answers.

Salem casino

The Tribal Council recently hired a public relations firm to assist with getting good information out to the general public about our efforts to build a casino in Salem. The results have been good as we continue to move forward on the project.

Consultations

Many requests for consultations have been made to Tribes on issues that affect our Tribe, both state and federal. Today I have to say there are more consultations requested than can be met.

Our congressional folks recently called a meeting with Tribal leaders in Bend, Ore. The meeting included Department of Interior officials and BIA officials who were interested in briefing them on Tribal issues and requests. Eight tribes had representatives attend. Deb Haaland, the new Secretary of Interior, was to be there but was called away because of a family emergency.

Gov. Kate Brown has also consulted with Tribes on gaming issues recently. The ongoing issue has been the Oregon Racing Commission's (ORC) plan to allow machines similar to video lottery machines in a designated facility in Grants Pass, Ore.

The ORC has applied for a license to operate the machines; it's not clear at this time if the license will be approved. If so, it will open a new gaming venue in Oregon that Tribes oppose.



Delores Pigsley

Housing

The new Mamook Tokatee housing units in Portland, Ore., will be open and occupied this month. This is a collaborative project with the Tribe and the Native American Youth and Family Center in Portland. It will provide housing to low- and middle-income Tribal members.

COVID-19

The Tribe and the county still have a ways to go to rid folks of the virus. The Tribe is still in phase one of our emergency plan. It's hard to predict what may happen next.

The clinic has been active in providing vaccinations throughout our service area. Unvaccinated people continue to get and spread the virus.

Be safe. Stay home. Get vaccinated. Stay well.

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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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2022 Virtual Tribal Council Candidates Fair

The CTSI Election Board will host the 2022 Tribal Council Candidates Fair virtually due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. It's our objective to protect the health and safety of the Tribal membership and candidates while also encouraging participation in the election process.

Date: Jan. 8, 2022
Time: 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Location: Zoom
Question Deadline: Jan. 5, 2022

The Candidates Fair will be held on the Zoom platform. For access to the meeting link and access code, please email Elections@ctsi.nsn.us. Please include your name and roll number in the email. The meeting link and access code will be distributed on Jan. 7, 2022, by 5 p.m.

Election rules approved by the Siletz Tribal Council (2020-345) state that the Election Board will not accept live questions from attendees. If you have questions for the candidates to be read by the moderator, please email the Election Board by the end of business on Jan. 5, 2022. Questions received after this date will not be considered or asked of the candidates. A recording of the fair will be available on the CTSI Tribal Member section of the website Jan. 10 – Feb. 5, 2022.

Voter Registration

If you are not registered to vote in Siletz Tribal elections or need to update your signature card, please contact the Election Board as soon as possible by emailing Elections@ctsi.nsn.us or by calling 800-922-1399, ext. 1256, or 541-444-8256.

Election Deadlines

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| 4 p.m. | Dec. 3, 2021 | Deadline to file for candidacy |
| 4 p.m. | Dec. 3, 2021 | Deadline to submit a photo and/or candidate's statement for inclusion in the Tribal Voter's Pamphlet |
| 4 p.m. | Dec. 8, 2021 | Deadline to withdraw in writing from the Tribal Elections |
| 4 p.m. | Dec. 8, 2021 | Certified Candidate's List posted |
| Days of: | Dec. 13-14 2021 | Voter's Pamphlet mailed out |
| Days of: | Dec. 16-17 2021 | Absentee ballots mailed out |
| 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. | Jan. 8, 2022 | Candidates Fair – Zoom (email for link and access code) |
| 4 p.m. | Jan. 28, 2022 | Deadline to request a mail-in ballot |
| 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. | Feb. 5, 2022 | In-person Voting – Tribal Elections, Tribal Community Center, Siletz |
| 4 p.m. | Feb. 5, 2022 | Deadline for returning absentee ballots |

USDA distribution dates for December

| Siletz | | | Salem | | |
|-----------|--------|-----------------|-----------|---------|--------------------|
| Wednesday | Dec. 1 | 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. | Monday | Dec. 13 | 1:30 – 6:30 p.m. |
| Thursday | Dec. 2 | 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. | Tuesday | Dec. 14 | 9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. |
| Friday | Dec. 3 | 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. | Wednesday | Dec. 15 | 9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. |
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Apply now for Siletz Tribal Head Start

The Siletz Tribal Head Start program is accepting applications now for the 2021-2022 school year. We have classrooms in Siletz, Lincoln City, Salem and Portland.

We offer services to promote children's school readiness skills and assist families with supporting their child's lifelong learning. Classrooms offer 3½ hours of service per day, Monday-Thursday, round-trip transportation and developmentally appropriate activities to promote each child's success.

To qualify, children must be age 3 or 4 by the local school district's age cut-off date, and income limits may apply.

Head Start applications can be found on the Siletz Tribal website or can be requested by calling 541-444-2450 or 800-922-1399 and asking for Head Start.

Childcare Assistance Program expands eligibility for Tribal families in service area

The Tribal Childcare Assistance Program has received an increase in funding from the CCDF Coronavirus Relief and Response Supplemental Act. With this increase in funding, we requested approval from the Office of Child Care to temporarily waive the income eligibility requirement for all Tribal families living in the 11-county service area and to increase payment rates for family home providers.

The approval to waive the income eligibility will be in affect while the state and/or Tribe is in a declared emergency and can continue for three months following the suspension of the declared emergency as long as funding is sufficient.

Families must meet other eligibility requirements, which include living in the 11-county service area; parents must be working, engaged in education or in a job training program; and children must be enrolled Siletz Tribal members or eligible to enroll Siletz, or be the descendant or dependent of an enrolled Siletz Tribal member.

To request an application, contact DeAnn Brown by email at deannb@ctsi.nsn.us or by telephone at 541-444-2450.

Elders Council Meeting

The Elders Council will hold a virtual Zoom meeting on Saturday, Dec. 11, 2021, at 1 p.m.

If you are interested in participating in the virtual meeting from your phone, computer or smart phone, please contact Brian Crump in the Elders Program at 541-444-8233 by Wednesday, Dec. 8, 2021.

CTSI VIRTUAL CULTURE NIGHTS



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Children in the Siletz Tribal Head Start classroom in Lincoln City, Ore., show off the daubers that were donated by Chinook Winds Casino Resort. The donated case of bingo daubers are for the children to take home and use during math activities with their families.

Salmon, continued from page 1

“A healthy and vibrant Columbia River Basin is good for the economy and it’s good for the people of the Pacific Northwest,” observed Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo. “The Columbia River Basin is essential to salmon and steelhead production on the West Coast, providing a key refuge for salmon and steelhead from the effects of climate change. Finding effective solutions to conserve and rebuild these species and their habitat is of critical importance to our work.”

“For the sake of everyone who lives in the Northwest, it is time to chart a more sustainable path in the Columbia River Basin,” said White House Council on Environmental Quality Chair Brenda Mallory. “This agreement opens an opportunity for states, Tribes, federal agencies, Congress, and all stakeholders to work together to forge enduring solutions that are so badly needed. The administration is committed to reaching a long-term solution in the region to restore salmon, honoring our commitments to Tribal nations, ensuring reliable clean energy and addressing the needs of stakeholders.”

2021/2022 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 seasons end and could receive one of the following Cabela’s gift card incentives.

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

We can’t eat money: Consequences of our decisions plus potential rewards

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

Chief Seattle may have made this statement, “When the last tree has been cut down, the last fish caught, the last river poisoned, only then will we realize that one cannot eat money.” I had an opportunity to hear Pat McCabe share wisdom in *A Gathering of Stories: The Pandemic is a Prism*. She seems to believe we are almost reaching the state described in this quote.

As we support our young ones to be healthy and grow into wisdom, we are experiencing consequences for many of the decisions made without regard for the next seven generations. I offer information for families as part of my role as consultant nutritionist to Siletz Tribal Head Start.

Pat McCabe (Weyakpa Najin Win, Woman Stands Shining) is a Diné (Navajo) mother, grandmother, activist, artist, writer, ceremonial leader and international speaker. She draws upon the Indigenous sciences of Thriving Life to reframe questions about sustainability and balance, and she is devoted to supporting the next generations, Women’s Nation and Men’s Nation, in being functional members of the “Hoop of Life” and upholding the honor of being human.

As a non-Tribal member, I paraphrase the words of Pat McCabe. I share her message as grounded inspiration, supported by Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians history as shared on the website.

Pat shared many points, including the power of prayer as we inquire into the truth with deep listening and curiosity. This allows deep conversation with the natural world and sense of place with all of our relations.

From this process, we sense guidance for how to be human because everything causes something else to happen. This human possibility includes how our actions cause mother earth to flourish with sustainability, leading to our mad love affair with earth and life. This brings joy!

Pat reminded us that anything gained by force will have to be redone. She explained that there is spiritual accountability on earth because of free will. We have been talked out of consent, due to the practices of “power over” that are part of the colonized rule. Our consent is powerful in the long story. The cultural mindset does not impose will on another. We can declare dissent in action, words and voice.

We ask, what is “right action” now? Pat said she senses that all possibilities are humming in the air. To uphold the honor of being human and to heal, we need to rectify harm. We need to tell the original story and allow this to shift consciousness and change the directive for the future.

We need to feel safe enough to step fully into our Eros to allow our sacred medicine to be released. What will it take to change us into the centeredness of life? Our future is present now.

A few excerpts of Tribal history from ctsi.nsn.us/the-early-days-on-the-siletz-reservation/:

All our families have stories about things that happened during the removal to the reservation and/or events in the early days of the Siletz Reservation. It was an unpleasant time for everybody involved, marked by starvation, disease, violence, poverty and depression of spirits. It is good for us to know and try to understand what our ancestors went through so that we can be here as healthy Indian people today. It’s Terry Tafoya who says something

like, “That which we forget – we always are ... that which we remember – we can overcome.”

“... One of the other hardships our ancestors faced was the federal policy of ‘civilizing’ our Indian people. Civilization meant in the U.S. government’s mind – cultivation of the soil at the time that the treaties were drafted, the purchase of farming equipment, seed and supplies, and the hiring of a “Boss Farmer” to teach farming on the reservation was a standard part of the treaty package. It definitely was not a voluntary or optional thing. All able-bodied Indians were expected to work long days – every day – except Sunday (another part of the civilization effort) – fencing fields, plowing, sowing, tending and harvesting crops that often failed. Our people worked diligently on farms that often didn’t produce much for all the labor that went into it. Wheat was a waste of time, but the worst part was that when the crop failed, then the people had to really scramble to gather and prepare enough salmon, venison, eels, seaweed, camas, hazelnuts, berries, etc. to make it through the winter. Some were not able to scramble fast enough.”

How do these concepts impact our plate and our nutrition? Food and seeds contain information. Growing indigenous cultivars (plant variety) is essential because they are the carriers of knowledge. Restoring or reclaiming relationships with landscape and “place” is part of remembering. Prayer and deep listening with the natural world is how we experience everything as sacred.

We are interconnected. Remembering and sharing our history and foods are keys to healing. Sustainability and balance come from our love affair with Mother

Nature. Seeking support for individual and collective unresolved grief and trauma, including the long history of assimilationist policies, is key for healing.

There is a call to participate in truth telling in public hearings for survivors, victims, families, communities, organizations and Tribal leaders to testify about the impacts of the physical, psychological and spiritual violence of Indian boarding schools.

November’s *Siletz News* shared many organizations that advocate for healing and safety as well as governmental movement. These organizations include StrongHearts Native Helpline, National Domestic Violence Hotline, National Indigenous Women’s Resource Center, National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA) and Siletz Tribal Arts and Heritage Society.

Governmental movement includes progress for Indian Country with Deb Haaland as the first American Indian to serve as U.S. Secretary of the Interior and the proposed Native American Voting Rights Act.

We must know accurate American Indian history so we can grieve together, heal and build a better future for our children and our children’s children. These include efforts to heal trauma, increase our body’s ability to be nourished by foods, to be in relationship with Mother Earth, and to be healthy.

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.

Tribal Gardening Continues through the Pandemic



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Have a blessed and safe Winter Solstice!

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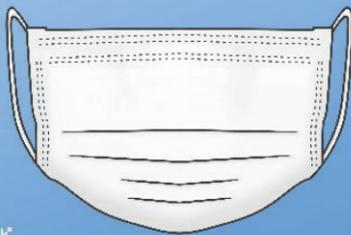


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Events

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December 13-15th, 2021

Is smokeless tobacco safer than smoking?

Smoking is a serious health risk and one that can have countless negative impacts on our health. Of course everyone would stop if they could, but the unfortunate reality is that smoking is also addictive and sometimes this can make it seem impossible to quit. One solution many people turn to is to try something different. It isn't the smoking itself that is addictive, you see, rather it is the nicotine that causes a release of dopamine in the brain and encourages neurotransmission resulting in a 'high' that we begin to crave. One strategy that some people will use themselves is chewing tobacco that contains nicotine but doesn't involve inhaling anything into your lungs.

Types of Chewing Tobacco—Chewing tobacco goes by many names: smokeless tobacco, chew, snuff, snus, pinch, dip and more.

Is Chewing Tobacco a Safe Alternative?

The addiction to cigarettes is deeper than just the physical addiction to tobacco – it's also a psychological addiction. It becomes a habit and it becomes a crutch that many use to lean on emotionally. If you are used to going outside for a 10-minute break and lighting the end of a match, then you will be used to the warmth this creates, to the feel of the cigarette in your mouth – generally to the entire rigmarole and culture and not just the chemical kick. You can change to chewing tobacco and think that you're curing yourself of smoking, but in fact you are just replacing one dangerous and damaging habit for another.



Addiction

The big problem with chewing tobacco is that it actually results in your taking in more tobacco than a cigarette. This occurs because you leave the chew in your mouth for a longer time, which causes you to get a steady stream of nicotine throughout the day. In other words, your body becomes accustomed to getting more nicotine and getting a constant flow of it.

Cancer

There are more than 30 different cancer-causing agents in chewing tobacco. You will be less likely to experience lung cancer because these won't make it to your lungs, but the chances of getting it in your mouth, throat, cheek, gums, lips or jaw are increased as the substance will spend much time here. This can be fatal, or if you have to have it removed it can result in serious disfigurement. Pancreatic cancer and kidney cancer are also more likely. To drive home just how dangerous chewing tobacco is, look inside your mouth. If you already chew tobacco then you might see that there are some tiny white lesions there. These tiny white lesions are called leukoplakia and are "precancerous," and if you continue these lesions can grow and become cancerous.

Heart Problems

Chewing tobacco speeds up your heart rate and increases your blood pressure. This then increases your chances of heart problems and circulatory diseases. You are more likely to experience poor circulation leading to nerve damage and you are more likely to suffer a heart attack or stroke.

Conclusion

Neither chewing tobacco nor smoking are advised and both can lead to serious problems. They are both addictive, unattractive, unsociable and frankly expensive. More importantly, both can lead to various forms of cancer and heart disease. While you won't get tar in your lungs or bloodstream with chewing tobacco, higher amounts of nicotine and the long amount of time the substance spends in your mouth means that addiction and mouth cancer are actually even more likely.

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In Memoriam

Elaine Pearl Rilatos was born on March 12, 1947, in Toledo, Ore., to Edward Rizal Rilatos and Dolores Gloria Caston. She has three siblings: her sister, Gloria Ann Ingle, and her two brothers, Donald Leslie Rilatos and Edward Rizal Rilatos, Jr.

When she was a small child living in Siletz, her uncle Manuel would call her "Jeremiah." You could sometimes find Elaine napping in the berry fields. After moving from Siletz to Alaska when she was 13 years old, Elaine met Robert Smith and they have been together for more than 50 years.

For all of Elaine's life, she was determined, passionate and always willing to work hard for the people she loved. Elaine was the first freshman to earn a varsity letter in her high school. She owned her own business as a certified nurse's assistant and was justifiably proud of this accomplishment. Elaine also worked as an aide to disabled children on a bus.

A natural nurturer, Elaine took care of her parents when their health started

to decline. If someone ever needed something, Elaine was always there to help.

Elaine and Robert have one child together, daughter Shawna Marie Rilatos Smith Gray. Elaine has another daughter, Naida Warren. Elaine has several grandchildren, including grandson David (whom she likes to call "Billy"), and granddaughters Nicole and Aria.

Elaine enjoyed many things in life, but most importantly, she loved to sing and spend time with her family. Whether she was whistling to the SiriusXM radio in her car or getting a sandwich with her grandson at Burger King, Elaine always enjoyed music and quality time.

Elaine would often suggest hosting huge family dinners during her daily phone calls and visits with Shawna and the two would plan these gatherings together with Gloria.

Elaine was adored by pretty much every person she ever met. As she liked to say, she had "personality" and she could strike up a conversation with anyone.



Courtesy photo

Elaine Pearl (Rilatos) Smith

Whether you caught her at Chinook Winds Casino Resort or you stumbled into her house while she was mid-click on Double Down Casino Slots on her laptop, she was always happy to talk to people.

Elaine was many things to many different people. To some, she was like a sec-

ond mother. To others, she was an excellent cook. Her signature dish, black bean spare ribs, was one of the ways Elaine showed her love for her culture. But altogether, Elaine was an honest and strong woman. Elaine never gave up and she gave it her all to beat cancer for the love of her family.

Life Well Lived

A life well-lived is a precious gift
Of hope and strength and grace,
From someone who has made our world
A brighter, better place
It's filled with moments, sweet and sad
With smiles and sometimes tears,
With friendships formed and good times
shared
And laughter through the years.
A life well lived is a legacy
Of joy and pride and pleasure,
A living, lasting memory
Our grateful hearts will treasure.

--Author Unknown

Most Often Requested Numbers

Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians – 800-922-1399
Salem Area Office – 503-390-9494
Portland Area Office – 503-238-1512
Eugene Area Office – 541-484-4234

Purchased Referred Care (PRC) – 800-628-5720
Tribal Veterans Rep – 541-444-8330 or 541-270-0569
Siletz Community Health Clinic – 800-648-0449

Siletz Behavioral Health – 800-600-5599
Chinook Winds Casino Resort – 888-244-6665
Chemawa Health Clinic – 800-452-7823
Bureau of Indian Affairs – 800-323-8517
Website – www.ctsi.nsn.us

Annual Deadlines for Enrollment

The deadline to submit an Application for Enrollment, name changes, blood quantum correction and requests for relinquishment of Tribal membership is the **first Friday** in the months of January, April, July and September. The request must be complete by the deadline, including supporting documentation and DNA results when required.

The Enrollment Committee reviews the applications and requests at its meetings in February, May, August and October. Tribal Council takes action on the committee's recommendations in March, June, September and November.

There is a blackout period for enrollment actions from Dec. 1 to Election Day (first Saturday in February) annually.

Robocalls and email

With the COVID-19 pandemic, the Siletz Tribe has been using the phone numbers and email addresses on file with the Enrollment Department to reach out to Tribal members. Please email angelar@ctsi.nsn.us with your name, roll number and email address so we can add it to your contact information if you have not been receiving group email messages.

If you are unsure if the Tribe has your current phone number, call the Enrollment Department at 541-444-8258 to ensure we have it.

Change in death benefit policy

Obviously, none of us wants to think about passing away and our funeral. Inevitably, it will happen ... to all of us. We should do our best to make sure we have arranged what we can. One simple thing you can do is submit your Designation

of Death Benefit Beneficiary form to the Enrollment Department.

The Siletz Tribe provides funeral assistance and benefits to all enrolled Tribal members, including children, for funeral and burial costs. **As of Oct. 10, 2021, there are 1,599 Tribal members who have no beneficiary listed.** Are you, a family member or your children one of them?

A mail out was done in November to people with no beneficiary on file and for those who have not updated their beneficiary in the last 10 years. The mail out included a copy of the updated Funeral Assistance & Benefits Policy.

Please check with your family members to see if they have submitted their paperwork for this important benefit. If you designated a beneficiary in the last 10 years, is their contact information current?

Do you know whom you have listed as your beneficiary? If not, you can update the form as often as needed. The form is on the Tribal website or you can email angelar@ctsi.nsn.us or call 800-922-1399, ext. 1258.

While the Tribe is in Phase I of its reopening plan, the notary signature is not required. Notary services are available by calling Tribal Court if you are in Lincoln County.

The Funeral Assistance and Benefits Policy was changed by Tribal Resolution 2021-320. The effective date of the change is Jan. 1, 2022. The policy can be found on the Tribal website or call 541-444-8258 to have one mailed to you.

The primary update was the change to the payout of any unused funds for funeral and burial expenses. There will no longer be a payout of unused funds to the beneficiary. The beneficiary will only receive the

\$1,000 payment once the death certificate is received in the Enrollment Office. See items XI. Death Beneficiary Benefit and X. Prepaid Funerals (pages 8-9).

Please note, the policy still requires the designated beneficiary be age 18 or older at the time the form is completed (see item XI, L).

Things you need to know:

- The designated beneficiary needs to be age 18 and older at the time the form is completed (see item XI, L in the policy, page 10).
- Tribal members need to fill out and maintain an updated Designation of Death Benefit Beneficiary form. The form can then be updated at any time to name a different beneficiary or to update the contact information for your beneficiary. It is extremely important to update your Death Benefit Beneficiary Designation form anytime you marry or divorce, or if your designated person is deceased.
- Are your children age 18 or older now? They need to update their beneficiary. You can now update your beneficiary to include them.
- The Enrollment Department keeps the original form with the Tribal member's Enrollment file. In the event of your passing, the most recent form that has been submitted is what will be used to determine the beneficiary for this benefit.
- The beneficiary can be anyone over age 18 when the form is completed. They can be a Tribal member or a non-Tribal member, a family member or not. The most common beneficiary

is a parent, spouse, adult child or someone close to the Tribal member.

- The current death benefit amount is \$6,000 and is for burial and funeral expenses. Most funeral homes are willing to work with the Tribe so families do not have to pay out-of-pocket costs up to the benefit amount. Some funeral homes are not, so please be aware of that.
- If the funeral expenses are less than \$6,000, then the unused balance remains in the Tribal budget.
- If the funeral expenses are more than \$6,000, the balance of the expenses is the responsibility of the person making the funeral arrangements.
- The current beneficiary benefit amount is \$1,000 and will be paid directly to the beneficiary once the death certificate is provided to the Enrollment office.
- If there is no beneficiary listed, the funeral and burial expenses are still paid and the Enrollment Staff will work with the family and the funeral home.
- The Tribe has caskets on hand that can be purchased with death benefits or directly.
- If you have specific wishes for your burial, please let your family members know this. You may also want to research costs for plots and fees if you wish to be buried someplace other than the Paul Washington Cemetery in Siletz.

If you have questions about death benefits, Tribal caskets or completing the form, please contact Angela Ramirez, enrollment officer, at 800-922-1399, ext. 1258, or 541-444-8258.

Introducing Randy Storms, Tribal Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

I'd like to thank everyone for the warm welcome I've received here at CTSI. This is an exciting place to work and I'm very pleased to join you in my new position as emergency preparedness coordinator.

I hope we can all work together toward the goal of making this community safer, healthier and better prepared to respond to natural disasters and other emergencies.

I look forward to serving you. If you have preparedness questions, concerns or ideas, please let me know!

Randy Storms, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

Office – 541-444-8253

Email – randalls@ctsi.nsn.us



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Community members and visitors can **CHOOSE UP TO 3** ways to receive emergency notifications and community information from Public Safety, City, Tribal, and County Officials for Lincoln County, Oregon.

HOW DO I SIGN UP FOR EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS?

1 Residential and business landline numbers are automatically included in the emergency contact list and do not require any action.

2 Sign-up each person in your household to receive alerts to your mobile phone, mobile text, e-mail, fax, and mobile app.

- Create a personal profile (username and password).
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- Enter address locations of those areas you want alerts for (your home, work, school, business, other family members, vacation properties, recreational areas).



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Text your zip code and/or any of the following keywords to: **888-777**

To Receive Via Text, Community Information

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LINCOLNCITY TOLEDO
NEWPORT WALDPOR
SILETZCITY YACHATS

To Receive Via Text, Lincoln County Information

LINC4ALERTS LINC4RIVERS
LINC4COUNTY LINC4ROADS
LINC4ESPANOL LINC4TRANSIT

ROAD & WEATHER INFO



oregontsunami.org- tsunami evacuation maps and routes.



tripcheck.com- roadside images, traffic congestion, incidents, and weather conditions for state and federal roads.



fema.gov/mobile-app- download the FEMA app for safety tips, shelters, and weather information. Available at the Apple App Store and Google Play.



weather.gov- weather, river, tidal information, warnings, advisories, and watches.



NOAA Weather Radio- Newport frequency 162.550Mhz. For surrounding Lincoln County area.



Lincoln County Sheriff's Office
Emergency Management
225 W. Olive St.
Newport, Oregon 97365
lcemergencymanagement@co.lincoln.or.us
(541) 265-4199
www.co.lincoln.or.us/sheriff

Portable Heater Fire Safety



Follow these portable heater tips to help prevent winter fires and to stay safe this winter season.

Place space heaters on a solid, flat surface. Keep them at least three feet from things that can burn.



Check your space heater for cracked or damaged cords and plugs. Plug space heaters directly into wall outlets, don't use an extension cord or power strip.



For more information and free fire-safety resources, visit

www.usfa.fema.gov



Lincoln County Sheriffs' Office – Emergency Management When to Call 911



| | Emergency Call 911 (Dispatch) | Non-Emergency Call Non-Emergency # | Other Agency Resources |
|--|---|---|---|
| Examples | <p>Any immediate danger to life, limb or property</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • House or building fires • Medical emergencies, i.e., chest pains, trauma injuries • Someone is threatening or attacking you • Crime in progress • Aggressive dog attack • You have heard gun shots in your area • Vehicle accidents • Impaired/unsafe driver | <p>Non-Emergency Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerns or to report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unpermitted neighborhood burning – yard debris, etc. • Lost or loose animals in your neighborhood • Noise disturbances • Vehicle break ins • <i>*See the Non-Emergency Phone Numbers for Dispatch Centers serving Lincoln County Communities</i> | <p>No Crime or Emergency Involved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-emergency ambulance transfers • Copies of police/fire reports • Power outages • Driving directions or road closures (tripcheck.com) <p><i>*See the Lincoln Co. Public Safety Info Sheet for additional contact numbers</i></p> |
| When calling from landline or cell phone | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speak clearly, be calm – when a caller is upset, it is hard to understand what they are saying or to get vital information quickly. • State which emergency service is needed and why (e.g. Fire, Police, Ambulance). • State your exact physical address (where you are at the time of the emergency). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ <i>Mobile (cell) Phone Calls:</i> If you do not know the exact address look for landmarks, i.e., mile markers, addresses on mailboxes, street signs, highway signs, nearby parks, businesses, etc. • Stay on the line until your Call Taker tells you to disconnect. | | |
| If you can't speak or hear when calling 911 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After dialing, leave the phone off the hook and make noise to let the Call Taker (Dispatcher) know you have an emergency. • Calling from a landline (hard wired phone): Your address will appear on the call taker's screen. • Calling from a mobile (cell) phone: The Call Taker may get latitude/longitude close to your location. • Text-to- 911: Give clear identifiers to where you are located and what your emergency is. | | |
| Public Safety Tips | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make sure your address is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Visible on the outside of your house or at roadway, especially at night. ◦ Posted in your home for guests or babysitters to use if they are calling from a mobile phone • Teach children when to call 911, when not to, and their home address • Keep mobile phones secure so they don't accidentally call 911; but if that happens do not hang up, stay on the line and explain the situation to the Call Taker. • Deactivated cell phones still call 911, they are not toys. Keep them turned off and charged. In an emergency you can turn it on and call 911. | | |
| Other Resources | <p>Police: Lincoln County Sheriff's Office (541) 265-0777</p> <p>Fire: Siletz Valley Rural Fire Protection District (541) 574-5812</p> <p>Report Power Outage: Central Lincoln PUD (877)-265-3211</p> <p>Road Conditions: www.tripcheck.com or "511" on your mobile or landline phone.</p> | <p>Non-Emergency #</p> <p>(541) 265-0777 (541) 574-5812 (877)-265-3211</p> | <p>Business #</p> <p>(541) 265-4277 (541) 444-2043 (877)-265-3211</p> |

Home Fire Safety Checklist



- Cooking Safety**

 - "Keep an eye on what you fry." Stay in the kitchen when frying, grilling or using an open flame.
- Fireplaces, Space Heaters, Baseboards, etc.**

 - "3 feet from the heat." Furniture, curtains, dish towels and anything that could catch fire are at least 3 feet from any type of heat source.
- Smoking Safety**

 - Never smoke in bed.
- Electrical and Appliance Safety**

 - Large and small appliances are plugged directly into wall outlets.
- Children Playing**

 - Matches and lighters are locked away.
- Smoke Alarms**

 - Make sure you have working smoke alarms. Different types of smoke alarms, ionization and photoelectric, detect fire in different ways. Experts recommend having both types in your home.
 - Change smoke alarm batteries every year unless it has a long-life battery.
 - Replace smoke alarms every ten years.
 - A combination of working smoke alarms and fire sprinklers decreases the risk of dying in a home fire.

Home Fire Escape Plan

At least twice a year, use your home fire escape plan to practice your 2-minute drill with all your family members. Practice makes perfect! After each fire drill, mark down your escape time.

Practice your 2-minute drill.

Make sure everyone can escape in 2 minutes or less.

Purchased/Referred Care



New Hours

Effective December 6th, 2021
PRC's new phone availability
will be:

**8 AM to 12 PM
and
2 PM to 4:30 PM**

PRC will be closed between 12-2 PM,
Monday through Friday.

Patient calls to PRC between 12-2 PM will
not be sent to a voicemail or answering
service; Tribal members, patients, and/or
vendors are being asked to call during the
new effective hours.

*Due to ongoing staffing
availability and increased
number of claims being
received, PRC is
adjusting their work
schedule in order to
manage workload.*

We apologize if this causes an inconvenience and we hope to restore
hours soon.

Dental services will be closed for 3 weeks in January

The Dental Department will be closed Jan. 1-21, 2022, to replace
the flooring. Dental Department staff will continue to be
available by phone.

We apologize for this inconvenience.

Siletz Community Health Clinic Flu Shot Access

In response to COVID-19, the clinic is unable to offer flu clinics in the area
offices. We hope to return to providing flu clinics next year but for now want to
do our part in keeping you safe.

2 ways to get your flu shot

- ❖ **At the Siletz Community Health Clinic or your primary care provider during regular business hours**
 - Schedule an appointment
 - Drive through flu clinics @ SCHC – watch for more info
- ❖ **Your Pequot card at your local pharmacy**
 - Pequot is accepted at all CVS network pharmacies that currently accept your Pequot card.
 - You or your pharmacist can contact Pequot at 888-779-6638 if you have any questions.
 - Using your Pequot card will **not** reduce your annual Pequot benefit

Be safe. Wear a mask. Get vaccinated. Stay well.

How to Ensure Medical Bills are PAID

Timely by Purchased/Referred Care

When a medical bill (doctor, emergency room, ambulance, laboratory, radiology, etc.) is sent directly to you, please contact the medical facility at your earliest convenience. Purchased/Referred Care (PRC) can only process bills sent directly from medical facilities, which allows us to apply discounts – essentially PRC pays less. Although PRC contacts facilities on your behalf, unfortunately we're not always successful in updating your billing information.

Also, watch for mail from PRC in case your visit is denied. Your visit may be denied for the following reasons: you're due for an Annual Update; you need to apply for OHP or provide income verification; or you did not call PRC with visit date.

If you are billed, please do one of the following to ensure a quicker billing process:

- Call the facility and give them your PRC information and other insurance if applicable.
- Write a note on the billing statement 'Please Bill, information attached' and mail the statement along with your insurance information to the medical facility.

Sample bill:

Quest
Diagnostics

LOG ON NOW. Pay your bill online securely at
QuestDiagnostics.com/Bill
or call 1-866-846-4027.

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS also accepts:

Please make checks payable to QUEST DIAGNOSTICS.
Be sure to include bill number on your check.

Check here if address has changed.
Please provide your new address information on the back.
Quest Diagnostics reserves the right to assign this receivable to any of its affiliates.

Amount Due: \$309.49

Due Date: UPON RECEIPT Bill Number: 12345678910

Patient Name: Your Name

Amount Enclosed: \$

If you received an explanation of benefits showing your responsibility is less than the amount shown on this bill, please pay the lesser amount. To fully resolve your bill, please provide a copy of your explanation of benefits.

OR MAIL PAYMENTS ONLY TO:

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS
PO BOX 740783
CINCINNATI, OH 45274-0783

Cut out a copy and send with your bill:

Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians
Purchased/Referred Care (PRC) Instruction Card

PRC
P.O. Box 320, Siletz, Oregon 97380
PRC Phone: (800) 628-5720 or (541) 444-1236
Fax: (541) 444-9645

- Please check to be sure you and your physician follow these steps.
- ✓ Each appointment must be pre-authorized by calling PRC within 24 hours.
 - ✓ You should have an authorization number for each appointment.

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Diabetes Virtual Dinner!

Criteria: You must be a Siletz Tribal member/Siletz Tribal household within the 11-county service area and actively have diabetes. Applications are due Dec. 31, 2021, so we can ensure everyone's boxes arrive on time for our January luncheon.

Supplies are limited, only 60 spots are available so hurry and get your application in! Please send applications to Kimberlyl@ctsi.nsn.us or P.O. BOX 320, Siletz OR 97380, Attention: Diabetes.

Applicant Information

Full Name: _____ Date: _____
Last First M.I.

Address: _____
Street Address Apartment/Unit #

City State ZIP Code

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Siletz Tribal Roll Number: _____

Our dinner/ luncheon will be virtual and the food will be sent to you a few days before the event each month. It will require you cook it at home and participate in one of the dinner/ luncheon sessions regularly or the food service box we utilize will be canceled. We will have a mid-day and evening Zoom each month to accommodate people's schedules; participants are only expected to attend one each month.

You must provide documentation of a diabetes diagnosis with your application to participate in the program.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the program parameters above.

Your application must be complete and we must be able to contact you or your application will not be accepted.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLICLY Posted from 11/17/2021 to 12/7/2021

Tribal Council Actions Affecting the Tribal Membership Roll

POSTING #315

Per the Enrollment Ordinance §2.302 (c)(2), the Enrollment Committee, with the assistance of the Enrollment staff, shall post notice of final Enrollment actions taken by the Tribal Council under this ordinance in the same manner it posts notices of proposed actions.

On 11/17/2021, the Siletz Tribal Council by Tribal resolution made the following 20 actions affecting the Tribal Membership Roll. Contact the Enrollment Department for a copy of the Tribal resolution.

This notice has been published on the Tribal website under the Enrollment Postings in the Tribal Member Area.

Enrollment Ordinance §2.304 (e)(6)

When the Tribal Council approves an application for enrollment, the applicant shall be notified by certified mail, shall be posted as required by Section 2.302(c) and the Enrollment Committee and Enrollment staff shall enter the name of the applicant on the official Tribal membership roll.

If the Tribal Council decides to reject an application for enrollment, the applicant shall be so notified by certified mail and advised of his or her right to appeal in accordance with §2.315 of this ordinance or to request reconsideration of the decision in accordance with §2.314 of this

ordinance. Such Tribal Council decisions shall be enacted in the form of resolution.

If the Tribal Council rejects the recommendation of the Enrollment Committee either as to approval or rejection for enrollment, Enrollment staff shall post the council's action in a manner consistent with §2.302(c) and in the Tribal newspaper, so as to notify the Tribal membership of the council's action, and shall notify the applicant and any interested parties by certified mail of the council's action.

Any appeal period for Tribal members who do not receive notice directly by mail of Tribal Council action approving or rejecting an enrollment application shall commence 10 days after notice of such action pursuant to this section was received.

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
Tribal Council Decision: Approval
Resolution #: 2021-375

- | | |
|-------------------------------|------|
| 1. Jacqueline Mae Belgarde | 0049 |
| 2. Jaimi Jill Breck | 0597 |
| 3. Willa Roberta Daugherty | 0233 |
| 4. Glenda Maree Elwell | 6463 |
| 5. Ulysses Matt Simmons | 0864 |
| 6. William John Wentworth Jr. | 0998 |

2. Name Change

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval
Tribal Council Decision: Approval
Resolution #: 2021-376

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|--------------------------------|------|
| 1. Larissa Mae Adkins | 1637 |
| 2. Karen Doreen Fielder | 1549 |
| 3. Beth Ann Maria Hernandez | 2713 |
| 4. Tela Rose Lind | 2707 |
| 5. Shawna Lee Mottner | 2608 |
| 6. Shantel Kristalrose Peacock | 2097 |

3. Application for Enrollment

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval
Tribal Council Decision: Approval
Resolution #: 2021-377

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|-------------------------------------|------|
| 1. Journey Cascade Bessette-Everett | 6546 |
| 2. Addam Ka'epaoka'awela Burke | 6547 |
| 3. Logan Ryan Davies | 6548 |
| 4. Nova Rose Hinton | 6549 |
| 5. Troy Louis Robison | 6550 |
| 6. Charly Grace Rodriguez | 6551 |
| 7. Riley Jesse Lee Telmar | 6552 |
| 8. Isabella Celeste Washington | 6553 |

Legal Aid Services of Oregon and the Oregon Law Center, civil legal service providers for low-income Oregonians, operate a **public benefits hotline** where low-income Oregonians can talk to lawyers and paralegals to get advice on public benefits, including unemployment benefits: 800-520-5292 or Oregonlawhelp.org.

Alternative Health Care Benefit Changes

Effective April 1, 2021, Tribal Council approved an increase to the alternate health care benefit from \$50 per visit to \$75 per visit.

Available services include three visits quarterly for either: massage, chiropractor or acupuncture. Eligibility: Enrolled Tribal members

LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER - 12/20



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RAFFLES — GUEST SPEAKERS — ACTIVITIES

YOUTH SIGNED UP AFTER THE NOV 15TH DEADLINE ARE NOT GUARANTEED A GIFT BAG

SIGN UP BY AREA

| | | |
|---|---|--|
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| SALEM SONYA MOODY-JURADO SONYAMJ@CTSI.NSN.US | EUGENE CANDACE HILL CANDACEH@CTSI.NSN.US | |

7TH-12TH GRADE SILETZ TRIBAL YOUTH

Farewell to Chief Judge Gantenbein

Judge Calvin Gantenbein will resign his position as chief judge of the Siletz Tribal Court at the end of this year to spend some quality time with his family.

He has served the Siletz Tribe as the chief judge of the Siletz Tribal Court for about 22 years. Prior to being appointed as the chief judge, he served on the Siletz Tribal Appellate Court. Other credentials include having been a police officer, a private practice attorney and a detective, to mention a few.

Over the years, as the chief judge, he reviewed and heard many cases, always mindful of the legal parameters of Tribal and other law pertinent to a case. Judge Gantenbein performed his job in accordance with applicable laws and did it very well.

The Tribe is losing another great judge and it will be difficult to find another judge to fill his shoes. The court staff is losing a great boss. He was considerate and fair to his staff. We have enjoyed working as his court staff for all the years he has been here.

Farewell to a great judge, great boss and all-around great person to be around.

Tribal Court staff

CALLING ALL CTSI AREA TRIBAL YOUTH AGE 12-17 YEARS

Ropes Course River Rafting Camping Trips
 Games Night Beach Trips Hikes
 After School Programs and more!

Sign up with the Prevention program today!

Please note: Prevention activities are not open to the public. For questions please call, Elizabeth Madden at 541-444-9606 or email at elizabethm@ctsi.nsn.us

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 2022. 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. The winning artist will have his/her logo highlighted on Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow flyers and merchandise.

Please submit your art work to the Cultural Education director's office at the 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 Feb. 28, 2022.

Royalty Crown Proposals

The Pow-Wow Committee is now accepting proposals for 2022-2023 royalty crowns. Proposals are being accepted 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 Feb. 28, 2022. 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.

See the Chairman's Report on page 2 in reference to the item below.

117th CONGRESS: 1st Session

S. 3123

To amend the Siletz Reservation Act to address the hunting, fishing, trapping, and animal gathering rights of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

November 1, 2021

Mr. Merkley (for himself and Mr. Wyden) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

A BILL

To amend the Siletz Reservation Act to address the hunting, fishing, trapping and animal gathering rights of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SILETZ RESERVATION ACT AMENDMENT.

Section 4 of Public Law 96-340 (commonly known as the "Siletz Reservation Act") (96 Stat. 1074) is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 4. HUNTING, FISHING, TRAPPING AND ANIMAL GATHERING.

"(a) Definitions. — In this section:

"(1) CONSENT DECREE — The term 'Consent Decree' means the final judgment and decree of the United States District Court for the District of Oregon, in the action entitled 'Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon against State of Oregon,' entered on May 2, 1980.

"(2) INDIAN TRIBE. — The term 'Indian Tribe' has the meaning given the term in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).

"(3) SILETZ AGREEMENT. — The term 'Siletz Agreement' means the agreement entitled 'Agreement Among the State of Oregon, the United States of America and the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians of Oregon to Permanently Define Tribal Hunting, Fishing, Trapping and Gathering Rights of the Siletz Tribe and its Members' and entered into by the United States on April 22, 1980.

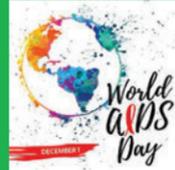
"(b) Hunting, Fishing, Trapping, And Animal Gathering Agreements.

"(1) IN GENERAL. — The Siletz Agreement shall remain in effect until and unless replaced, amended or otherwise modified by 1 or more successor government-to-government agreements between the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians and the State of Oregon relating to the hunting, fishing, trapping and animal gathering rights of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians.

"(2) AMENDMENTS. — The Siletz Agreement or any successor agreement entered into under paragraph (1) may be amended from time to time by mutual consent of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians and the State of Oregon.

"(c) Judicial Review. — In any action brought in the United States District Court for the District of Oregon to rescind, overturn, modify or provide relief under Federal law from the Consent Decree, the United States District Court for the District of Oregon shall review the application of the parties on the merits without regard to the defense of res judicata or collateral estoppel.

"(d) Effect. — Nothing in this section enlarges, confirms, adjudicates, affects or modifies any treaty or other right of an Indian Tribe."



AIDS (Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome) – HIV (Human

Immunodeficiency Virus) is a complex disease that compromises an individual's immune system. It is a sexually transmitted disease. It can also be caused by needles and syringes that are contaminated with infected blood or it can be passed from mother to child during pregnancy, childbirth or breastfeeding. AIDS has been in existence since 1988, yet there is still no cure.

In the American Indian and Alaska Native communities, HIV/AIDS is increasing and there needs to be more awareness and outreach. As many as **34%** of AI/NA are living with HIV infection and may not know it. People who don't know they are living with HIV do not seek medical care. Overcoming stigma of any sort is key to successful healing of individuals with AIDS and their communities. Participation in healing traditions and/or cultural activities helps them transition and accept their situation with dignity and resolve.

Signs and symptoms:

- Fatigue
- Swollen lymph nodes
- Fevers
- Weight loss
- Diarrhea
- Thrush on the tongue or throat
- Memory loss
- Confusion
- Disorientation

Getting appropriate medical treatment for HIV can slow down the process of getting AIDS. By following a strong medication regimen, individuals can prolong their health and wellness, and avoid full-blown AIDS.

An individual with HIV/AIDS may struggle to get or keep employment. For instance, they may experience fatigue that limits the types of jobs and how long they can work. Some accommodations are placing the employee in a modified job with limitation of tasks, i.e., no lifting or carrying, or providing a warm office space with a heater and recliner so the individual can adjust to changes in body temperature.

If you or a loved one's work performance is impacted, then talk to Siletz Vocational Rehabilitation Program staff who may be able to assist you with workplace accommodations. Feel free to contact:

Tamra Russell, SSP/Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor/Job Developer (Part-Time) – Portland, 503-238-1512, ext. 1414; or Toni Leija, Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor/Job Developer – Salem, 503-390-9494, ext. 1861.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS – STAY SAFE!

For more information about the Siletz Tribe, visit 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 Services
- Employment Services
- Résumé Writing
- Interviewing Techniques
- Job Coaching
- Culturally Relevant Individualized Services
- Evaluations and Assessments
- 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:

Salem Area Office

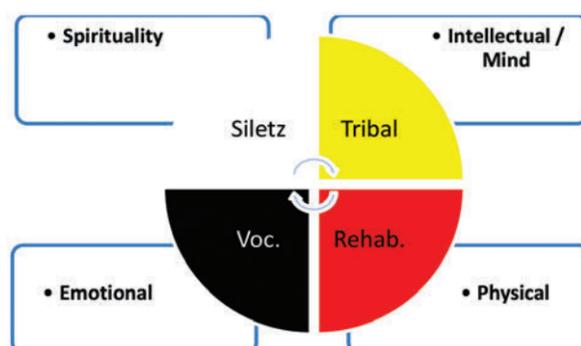
3160 Blossom Drive NE, Suite 105
Salem, OR 97305

Siletz Admin Office

201 SE Swan Ave.
Siletz, OR 97380

Salem/Portland Area – Toni Leija, Counselor/Job Developer

Siletz/Eugene Area – Rachele Endres, Counselor/Job Developer





Siletz Tribal Veterans

For information and assistance from Tony Molina, Tribal Veteran Representative, call 541-270-0569 or email tonym@ctsi.nsn.us

2022 Tribal Council Application

Application for names to be placed on the 2022 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. 3, 2021**. 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. 8, 2021**. 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. 3, 2021 | Deadline to file for candidacy |
| 4 p.m. | Dec. 3, 2021 | Deadline to submit a photo and/or candidate's statement for inclusion in the Tribal Voter's Pamphlet |
| 4 p.m. | Dec. 8, 2021 | Deadline to withdraw in writing from the Tribal election |
| 4 p.m. | Dec. 8, 2021 | Certified Candidates List posted |
| Days of: | Dec. 13-14, 2021 | Voter's Pamphlet mailed out |
| Days of: | Dec. 16-17, 2021 | Absentee ballots mailed out |
| 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. | Jan. 8, 2022 | Candidates Fair – Location TBD |
| 4 p.m. | Jan. 28, 2022 | Deadline to request a mail-in ballot |
| 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. | Feb. 5, 2022 | In-person Voting – Tribal Elections, Tribal Community Center, Siletz |
| 4 p.m. | Feb. 5, 2022 | 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. 3, 2021**.

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.

2022 Standing Committees Applications due by Feb. 9, 2022

Any Tribal member interested for consideration in 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. 9, 2022.

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: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Telephone: Day () _____ Evening () _____

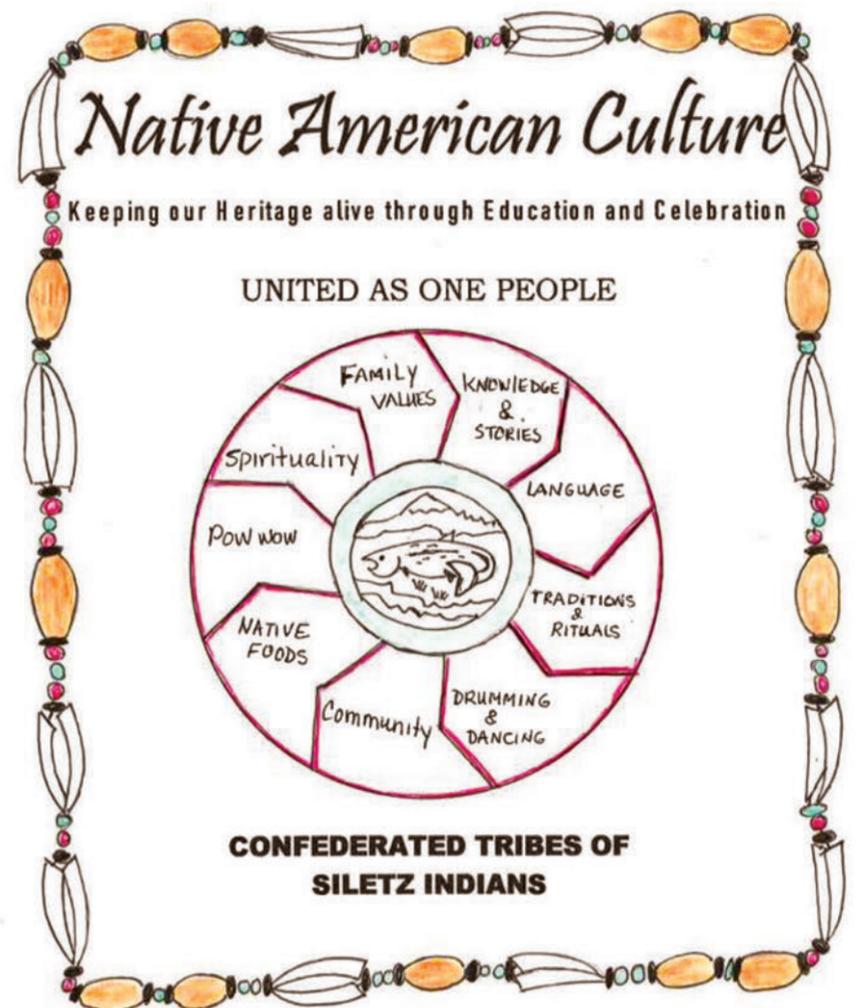
Email Address: _____

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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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| _____ Education Committee (3) | _____ Housing Committee (3) |
| _____ Natural Resources Committee (3) | _____ Pow-Wow Committee (2) |
| _____ Health Committee (3) | _____ Budget Committee (1) |
| _____ Cultural Heritage Committee (3) | _____ Enrollment Committee (3) |

Committee appointments will be made at the Regular Tribal Council meeting in February 2022. If you have any questions, please call the executive assistant to Tribal Council at 800-922-1399, ext. 1203, or 541-444-8203.

This fundraiser replaces the Elders raffles that usually take place at the Nesika Illahee and Restoration pow-wows. Neither event took place in 2020 and both have been canceled in 2021. Help this group continue to buy flowers and gift cards for elders who fall ill by purchasing a steel blue T-shirt or sweatshirt.



ELDERS COUNCIL FUNDRAISER

The Elders Council is holding a T-Shirt fundraiser. We are now taking orders. T-shirts and V-necks are \$20 each and sweatshirts are \$30 each. Please contact Shelley UpChurch at 541-992-5095 or email shellmeister09@gmail.com to reserve yours today!

SERVICES AVAILABLE

Mental Health Services & Life Alert

Mental Health Services

➤ What services are available?

- Counseling Services – individual or family
- Psychiatry Services
- Psychology Services
- Up to 8-visits annually (more if medically necessary)

➤ Who's eligible?

- Siletz Tribal members eligible for Purchased/Referred Care (PRC), formerly Contract Health Services (CHS).

➤ How do I get benefits?

- CALL PRC at 800-628-5720 or 541-444-9648 to speak with a PRC representative.
- Prior to making an appointment with a provider – confirm the provider will accept PRC as payment.
- Benefits are limited, first-come, first-served.

➤ What you need to know:

- After calling PRC for benefits, the patient will receive a letter with program details. The letter also provides information that the patient can give to their provider for payment processing information.

- You will not be required to use other resources first. This will allow you to go to a provider who does not accept Oregon Health Plan/Medicaid or your private insurance.

Life Alert

- Please contact your local community health advocate (CHA) if you think you or another Tribal elder could benefit from Life Alert.

• Eligibility Criteria:

- Enrolled Tribal member eligible for PRC
- Work with CHA to determine need/apply for local services

➤ Steps to get Life Alert:

- Contact your local CHA –

- The CHA will determine if you meet the criteria for Life Alert (examples: live alone, health condition, etc.)
- The CHA will assist you in applying for Life Alert at no cost through community options. If you do not qualify for Life Alert at no cost, the Siletz Community Health Clinic will cover the cost.

➤ You can reach the community health advocates at:

- Siletz – Amy Garrett at 541-444-1030
- Salem – Cecilia Tolentino at 503-390-9494
- Eugene – Adrienne Crookes at 541-484-4234
- Portland – Andrew Johanson at 503-238-1512

2022 Out of Area Benefits

The Tribal Council has approved Out of Area Benefits for 2021. These benefits are for Tribal members who live outside the 11-county service area. To qualify, Tribal members must be registered for health care with the Siletz Community Health Clinic AND reside outside of the Tribe's 11-county service area. These funds are intended for Tribal members who are not eligible for Purchased/Referred Care.

All Benefits are Dependent on Available Funding

| Annually | Biannually |
|--|---|
| \$2,000 Total in Medical + Mental Health + Dental + Hearing Plus \$500 Pharmacy Card Benefit | \$450 in Total Vision Care for Adults* *Available Annually for Elders, Children, Students or Diabetics |

Call PRC — 800-628-5720

Prior authorization by PRC is required and benefits must be used within 90 days. Any funds not used within 90 days, or claims not received, will be returned to the pool for redistribution. An individual may access benefits up to \$2,000 annually by calling on the authorization date. For example, an individual may call in January for medical of \$500 and then call again in October for dental of \$1,500 for a total of \$2,000. All benefits are subject to funding availability. When you call for pre-authorization, PRC will authorize for household members only and voice messages do not hold funds. The individual must speak to PRC staff and obtain an Out of Area (OOA) number to secure funds.

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 | Alissa Lane-Keene (541) 444-8373 alissal@ctsi.nsn.us | Sonya Moody-Jurado (503) 390-9494 sonyamj@ctsi.nsn.us | Candace Hill (541) 484-4234 candaceh@ctsi.nsn.us |

2022 Call-In Dates

Jan. 3 - April 1 - July 1 - Oct. 3

“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

Native Youth Leadership Gathering

Dec. 16-17, 2021 • 6-8 p.m. PST

FREE! No Registration Required

Join Zoom Meeting! • Meeting ID: 827 1664 2085 • Passcode: 232667

About the Training

Native youth need caring adults to provide guidance, support, direction and skills for their personal growth and development. The Native Youth Leadership Gathering does just that. Activities focus on their physical, mental, emotional and spiritual well-being and help prepare them to be positive contributing members in their school, family and community.

Youth participants engage in a journey of ceremony, sharing, learning and experiencing leadership development. Youth from throughout Indian Country will have an opportunity to join virtually to learn about healing, Native wellness, leadership, spirituality and healthy risk-taking. They will meet other youth who are on similar paths and will be able to network and connect with other amazing youth.

Trainers include a team from the Native Wellness Institute.

Training Topics

- Native Wellness
- Culture and Spirituality
- Leadership
- Healthy Lifestyles
- Power of Positive Thinking
- Finding Your Voice
- Traditional Games
- Healthy Relationships
- Healthy Sexuality

Who Should Attend

- Native youth age 12-18 who want to create and maintain a healthy life
- Native youth who are drug-, alcohol-, tobacco- and violence-free

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

Scholarships

- NBCU Academy Scholarship
Deadline: Dec. 3, 2021
- Fastweb (scholarship search engine)
- Big Future (scholarship search engine)
- Pacific Northwest Scholarship Guide (scholarship search engine)
- OregonStudentAid.gov
- USDA 1890 National Scholars Program
Deadline: Jan. 31, 2022
- USDA 1994 Tribal Scholars Program
Deadline: Jan. 31, 2022
- Truman D. Picard Scholarships
Deadline: March 11, 2022
- VFW Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest (grades 9-12)
Deadline: March 31, 2022
- AIS Scholarship
Deadline: Varies
- Open Education Database Graduate and Ph.D. Scholarships
Deadline: Varies
- Tribal College and 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
- Catching the Dream Scholarships
Deadline: Ongoing
- College Board Scholarship
Deadline: Ongoing
- National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering
Deadline: Varies
- NOAA Scholarships
Deadline: Ongoing

Other Opportunities

- Shaufler Prize in Journalism
Deadline: Nov. 15, 2021
- International Women's Media Foundation's Kim Wall Memorial Fund
Deadline: Dec. 16, 2021
- Medill-Northwestern Journalism Institute's Cherub Program
Deadline: March 14, 2022
- 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

Important information for college-bound Tribal seniors

- | December | January |
|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 plan to apply for Tribal assistance for college must apply for FAFSA by June 30 at fafsa.ed.gov. |

Internships

- NOAA Internships
Deadline: Ongoing
- Code Switch Internship
Deadline: Various
- HP 3D Printing Engineering Intern
Deadline: Open until filled
- WOTE Agricultural Incubator Internship
Deadline: Various
- Saturday Academy Internships
Deadline: Multiple
- EPA Environ. Research/Bus. Support
Deadline: Multiple
- National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates
Deadline: Multiple
- Indian Land Tenure Foundation
Deadline: Multiple
- Environmental Protection Agency
Deadline: Multiple
- American Fisheries Society
Deadlines: Multiple
- Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (OMSI)
Deadline: Multiple

Visit OregonStudentAid.gov to check out more than 500 grant and scholarship opportunities.

Fellowships

- The John Alexander Project Fellowship
Deadline: Jan. 15, 2022
- Institute for Citizens and Scholars Fellowships
Deadline: Various
- American Indian Graduate Center
Deadline: Ongoing
- NOAA Fellowships
Deadline: Ongoing
- NBC News Summer Fellows Program
Deadline: Ongoing
- Master of Forest Resources Fellowships
Deadline: Open until filled
- NW Native American 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 Native American Fellowship
Deadlines: Multiple

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

Outside Scholarships for NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENTS

Cobell Scholarship
<http://cobellscholar.org/>
various scholarships available
*essay required
Open to descendants/enrolled members

American Indian Services
<https://www.americanindianservices.org/>
various scholarships available
*essay may be required
Open to descendants/enrolled members

American Indian College Fund
<http://www.collegefund.org/>
various scholarships available
*essay required
Open to descendants/enrolled members

Bureau of Indian Education
<http://www.bie.edu/ParentsStudents/Grants/>
various scholarships available
*essay may be required
Open to descendants/enrolled members

Native American Scholarship Fund
<http://catchingthedream.org/>
various scholarships available
*essay may be required
Open to descendants/enrolled members

Siletz Tribal Members Online Academic Support

- * 24/7 On-Demand Access to Online Professional Tutors**
- * All Subjects and Grade Levels- From Kindergarten through College/University**
- * Individualized Help in All Subjects**
- * SAT & ACT Prep; College Course Level Help and More**
- * All Tribal Students Eligible to Apply, Regardless of Residence.**

Contact your local Education Specialist to sign up:

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|--|---|
| Siletz & Out-of-Area | Salem |
| Alissa- AlissaL@ctsi.nsn.us | Sonya- SonyaMJ@ctsi.nsn.us |
| Portland | Eugene |
| Katy- KatyH@ctsi.nsn.us | Candace- CandaceH@ctsi.nsn.us |

Please Note:

On-line tutoring access is funded with US CARES Act Funds: Students MUST complete a COVID-19 Tutoring Application to register. Tutoring hours are available on a first come first serve basis as resources are available

Tribal Council Timesheets for October 2021

Frank Aspria – 10/1/21-10/31/21

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | ED | Tvl | |
|-----|------|-----|------|----|-----|---|
| 1 | 1 | 2.5 | | | | 10/1-5 Email, packets |
| 1.5 | 1.5 | 1 | | | | 10/6 Council-to-Council mtg, reports |
| | | | 2 | | | 10/7 Meeting |
| | | 3 | | | | 10/8 Special TC – gaming |
| 6.5 | 6.5 | 3 | | | | 10/9-14 Packets, email |
| 4 | 4 | | | | | 10/15 Regular TC, reports, email |
| .25 | .25 | 1.5 | | | | 10/18 Casino mtg, email |
| 1.5 | 1.25 | .25 | | | | 10/25 Enrollment & STAHS wkshps, email, reports |
| 2 | 2 | 2.5 | | | | 10/27-30 Email, reports, notebooks |

Lillie Butler – 10/1/21-10/31/21

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | ED | Tvl | |
|------|-------|-----|------|----|-----|-------------------------------------|
| 4.5 | 4.5 | | | | | 10/1-5 Packets |
| 2 | 2 | | | | | 10/6 Coquille, packets |
| | | | 3 | | | 10/7 Meeting, packet |
| | | 5 | | | | 10/8 Special TC – gaming, packet |
| 3.75 | 3.75 | | | | | 10/10-11 Packets |
| 5.5 | 5.5 | | | | | 10/12-13 NCAI, packets |
| 2.75 | 2.75 | | | | | 10/14 NIEA, packets |
| 11 | 10.75 | | | | | 10/15-22 Packets |
| 4 | 4 | | | | | 10/25-26 Enrollment, STAHS, packets |
| 5.5 | 5.25 | | | | | 10/27-29 Chemawa LLC, packets |

Lorraine Y. Butler – 10/1/21-10/31/21

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | ED | Tvl | |
|------|------|-----|------|-----|-----|----------------------------------|
| | | | 1.5 | 3.5 | | 10/3-4 Salem casino, packets |
| 2 | 2 | | | | | 10/5 Culture Comm, packets |
| .5 | .5 | | 3.5 | | | 10/6 Gov't to Gov't, STBC packet |
| | | | 2 | | | 10/7 Meeting |
| | | 3 | | | | 10/8 Special TC – gaming |
| 2.25 | 2.25 | | | | | 10/11-13 Packets |
| 1.75 | 1.75 | | | | | 10/14 CPT, packets |
| 3.25 | 3.25 | | | | | 10/15 Regular TC |
| 1.5 | 1.5 | | | | | 10/21 Deposition |
| 1.25 | 1.25 | | | | | 10/25-26 Packets |
| 1 | 1 | | | | | 10/27-28 Chemawa LLC, packets |

More good fundraising news from STAHS

The Siletz Tribal Arts and Heritage Society board began meeting several years ago with only a vision of a Siletz museum to guide them. Countless hours of volunteered time by a handful of individuals has brought the dream into focus with its attainment close at hand.

It's an exciting time for all the members of the board, both past and present. A Place for the People, where the history and the culture of the peoples of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz can be celebrated and shared, is becoming a reality!

The campaign for A Place for the People continued to gather momentum in October. We received news from Sen. Ron Wyden's office that our request for a congressional appropriation of \$750,000 had been approved by the Budget Committee for \$500,000. While this is not a guarantee of funding, it means that the appropriation is very likely to be approved.

In addition, STAHS received a \$50,000 grant from the Roundhouse Foundation, which was founded by Gert Boyle, the matriarch of Columbia Sportswear. We received a visit in early October from Erin Borla, executive director, and Kathy Deggendorfer, a founder and trustee of the foundation.

We also received a \$12,000 gift from the Juan Young Charitable Trust.

The recent grants and gifts bring the campaign total to more than \$2.15 million out of a campaign goal of \$2.5 million. We look forward to bringing you more good news about the campaign in the months ahead.

If you would like to add your name to the growing list of supporters of the campaign for A Place for the People and get your name on the donor wall in Ghii Dee-Ne Dvn, you can send your donation to STAHS, 170 SE Swan Ave., Siletz, OR 97380.

Sharon Edenfield – 10/1/21-10/31/21

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | ED | Tvl | |
|------|------|-----|------|----|-----|--------------------------------|
| 2 | 2 | | | | | 10/1-2 ODFW mtg, packets |
| 1 | 1 | | | | | 10/4 STCCF |
| 1 | 1 | | | | | 10/6 Gov't to Gov't – Coquille |
| | | 3 | | | | 10/8 Special TC – gaming |
| 1 | 1 | | | | | 10/14 Packets |
| 3.25 | 3.25 | | | | | 10/15 Regular TC |
| | | | | 1 | | 10/25 Salem project |

Delores Pigsley – 10/1/21-10/31/21

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | ED | Tvl | |
|------|------|-----|------|----|-----|---|
| 3 | 3 | | | | | 10/1 Conf call w/ ODFW, ABC News |
| 2.75 | 2.75 | 1 | | | | 10/2-4 Mail, agenda items |
| .5 | .5 | | | | | 10/5 Audit Comm, mail |
| 2.5 | 2.5 | 1 | .5 | | | 10/6 Legislative Comm on Indian Services, meet w/ Coquille Tribe, prep for STBC |
| .75 | .75 | .25 | 2 | | | 10/7 STBC mtg, mail |
| 1.75 | 1.75 | 3 | | | | 10/8-10 Special TC – gaming, mail, agenda items, prep for council |
| 2 | 2 | | | | | 10/11 Chemawa video, mail |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | 10/12 OTGA, prep for council |
| 1.5 | 1.5 | | | | | 10/13 Conference call, mail |
| 2.25 | 2.25 | | | 5 | | 10/14 BIA mtg, meet w/ Sen. Merkley, mail, agenda items |
| 1 | 1 | | | | | 10/15 Regular TC, mail |
| 6.25 | 6.25 | .5 | | | | 10/16-24 Mail, agenda items |
| 2.5 | 2.5 | | | | | 10/25-26 Enrollment & STAHS wkshps, call w/ governor's office, mail, prep for council |
| 1.75 | 1.75 | .25 | | | | 10/27 Chemawa Station, mail |
| 3.25 | 3.25 | 1 | | | | 10/28-31 Mail, agenda items, prep for cncl |

Angela Ramirez – 10/1/21-10/31/21

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | ED | Tvl | |
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| .75 | .75 | .25 | | | | 10/1-2 Email, packets |
| 1 | 1 | | | | | 10/4 Health Comm, email, packets |
| .5 | .5 | | | | | 10/5 Education Comm, email, packets |
| 1.25 | 1.25 | .5 | 2 | | | 10/6-7 Gov't to Gov't – Coquille, STBC mtg, email, packets |
| .25 | .25 | 3 | | | | 10/8 Special TC – gaming |
| 2 | 2 | 1.25 | | | | 10/9-14 Email, packets |
| 3.25 | 3.25 | | | | | 10/15 Regular TC |
| 1.75 | 1.75 | .5 | | | | 10/16-23 Email, packets |
| 2.75 | 2.75 | | | | | 10/24-25 STAHS, STAHS mtg w/ TC |
| 1 | 1 | .25 | | | | 10/28-30 Email, packets |

Selene Rilatos – 10/1/21-10/31/21

| TC | Ind | Gmg | STBC | ED | Tvl | |
|------|------|-----|------|----|-----|---|
| 1.5 | 1.5 | | | | | 10/1-3 Email, packets |
| 1 | 1 | | | | | 10/4 Health Comm, email, SCP |
| 2 | 2 | | | | | 10/5 COVID, packets, email |
| 1.25 | 1.25 | | | | | 10/6 Coquille, COVID, email |
| 1 | 1 | | 2 | | | 10/7 STBC mtg, email, packets |
| 1.75 | 1.75 | 3 | | | | 10/8-9 Special TC – gaming, email, pkts |
| 1.25 | 1.25 | | | | | 10/11 SCP, email, packets |
| 4.25 | 4.25 | | | | | 10/12-13 COVID, JI, email, packets |
| 3 | 3 | | | | | 10/14 TICCC, email, packets |
| 3.5 | 3.5 | | | | | 10/15 Regular TC, email |
| 1.75 | 1.75 | | | | | 10/18-20 Email, JI |
| 6.5 | 6.5 | | | | | 10/21-24 NPAIHB mtg, email, JI, packets |
| 3 | 3 | | | | | 10/25 TC wkshp, SCP, email |
| 6 | 6 | | | | | 10/26-30 COVID, email, packets |

Chinook Winds

CASINO RESORT

On the first draw of Costco, Chinook Winds gave to me...Gifts just in time for the holidays!

The 12 Draws of **COSTCO WHOLESALE**

We'll draw a total of 12 winners for great merchandise from Costco!
Drawings Saturday, December 4, 11 & 18 • 1pm • 2pm • 3pm • 4pm



Free Entries weekly with your Winners Circle Card beginning November 29!

Activate your entries starting one hour before each drawing up until each drawing time by inserting your Winners Circle card in any slot machine or swiping into any promotional kiosk, and activating the "12 Draws of Costco" entries on the Promotions tab.

\$150,000 BRONCOS BUST LOOSE

One Bronco, two Bronco Sports and CASH are under wraps at Chinook Winds this holiday season. Round up drawing entries for the gift of gallop or CASH when you play with us!



DECEMBER CASH DRAWINGS
 Sundays at 7PM

FINALE BRONCO DRAWINGS - 9pm
 December 30 • December 31 • January 1



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Comedy on the Coast

HEADLINER
BOB ZANY

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JAMES CONNOLLY

HOST
GEOFF LOTT

DECEMBER 10 & 11
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Tickets available at the Chinook Winds Casino Resort Box Office. Buy by phone at 1-888-MAIN-ACT (1-888-624-6228), 541-996-5776 or online. 21 and over event, doors open at 9pm with a no-host bar.

Let's GLOW crazy!

NEW YEAR'S EVE 2021

CONVENTION CENTER
 Friday, Dec. 31, 2021 and Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022
 Public Party • 9:00pm - 1:30am
 Music performance by Dance Hall Days
 Open seating/dance floor • No host bar

SHOWROOM
 Friday, Dec. 31, 2021 and Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022
 Public Party • 9:00pm - 1:30am
 Music performance by DJ Metal
 Open seating/dance floor • No host bar

CORRAL FREE ENTRIES WEEKLY STARTING NOVEMBER 29TH

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|--|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| | MEMBER: 1 FREE ENTRY | | MVP: 2 FREE ENTRIES |
| | PREMIER: 3 FREE ENTRIES | | ELITE: 4 FREE ENTRIES |

GATHER EVEN MORE ENTRIES WITH EVERY 100 POINTS EARNED ON SLOTS, TABLES, BINGO, KENO AND SPORTS WAGERING.

Activate your entries starting one hour before each drawing up until each drawing time by inserting your Winners Circle card in any slot machine or swiping into any promotional kiosk, and activating the "\$150,000 Broncos Bust Loose" entries on the Promotions tab.

Complete rules at Winners Circle. Sports Wagering entries will be applied 24 hours after ticket has closed. Management reserves the right to alter or withdraw promotion at any time.

American Indian College Fund launches *This Is Indian Country* to raise awareness

New visibility campaign urges Americans to stop ignoring Indigenous people

DENVER, Colo. — *This Is Indian Country*, a new visibility campaign by the American Indian College Fund, launched in November during Native American Heritage Month. The provocative campaign is designed to increase awareness of and conversation about Indigenous people and issues at a time when Native people are still not seen and heard by most Americans.

Last year there was a move toward national acknowledgment of the racial inequity that has been ignored, rewritten or deleted entirely from history for 400 years. Despite this positive movement, Indigenous people and cultures remain largely out of sight and out of mind. They were undercounted in the U.S. Census, were undertreated during COVID and continue to be underreported when it comes to murdered and missing Indigenous people.

Yet Indigenous people are Americans and Indigenous culture is American culture. People live in places with names like Manhattan, Minneapolis or Chicago; vacation in Montauk; and swim in Malibu. But they can't out of ignorance — or won't out of guilt — discuss the people whose lands they occupy.

This campaign invites America to not only name check the rivers, lakes, schools, sports teams and every single cabin at summer camp, but more importantly, understand Native people are here and acknowl-

edge their contributions and their right to be fully visible and have their voices heard.

The American Indian College Fund launched *This Is Indian Country* to ensure Americans think about Indigenous people every time they talk about them.

“For the narrative of American history to be inclusive and for Indigenous people to have equity in all areas of American life, our neighbors must know that we are here and acknowledge that there is work to be done to build a better and more equal society. The *This Is Indian Country* campaign is intended to be an entry point for all people to greater understanding across the United States,” said Cheryl Crazy Bull, president and CEO of the American Indian College Fund. “Through this entry point, all people can learn about the rich, diverse cultures of the original people of what is now the United States and all people can take action to create a more just society. We can be united in our quest for abundant lives for ourselves and for future generations. We believe in education, both for the knowledge that education provides and for the opportunity it presents. We invite all learners to join us in this quest.”

The campaign was created in partnership with advertising agency Wieden Kennedy, a 30+-year partner and collaborator with the College Fund. It soft-launched with a full-page public service announcement in *The New York Times* print edition on Indigenous Peoples' Day.

The full campaign debuted in Novem-

ber. A website, series of films, social, print, and out-of-home public service announcements are geared to educate, inspire and acknowledge people nationwide, including the American history, cities and monuments that depended on Indigenous people's contributions:

- *This Is Indian Country* — “Indian Country” is an official legal term, noted in numerous Supreme Court opinions and referenced in multiple areas of federal law. It has been used in treaties, policies and laws that ordered Indigenous assimilation and erasure. Yet, Indian Country is more than just a legal phrase. Indian Country is in the words we speak on reservations and the stories Native people tell. It is in community. It is empowerment. This term may have been used against Native people, but it has been reclaimed.
- *Manhattan* — New York City currently has the largest urban population of Native Americans in the U.S. The presence of Indigenous people is evident in what is arguably the world's greatest city and exists in everything, right down to the history of its Indigenous name.
- *Democracy, Indian Country* — The Iroquois Confederacy was united by the Great Law of Peace in 1722. The Stacked Government model of separate nations united for common good planted the seed for representative democracy in the United States. Yet, it

is white leaders who are memorialized with monuments and in history books.

Over the years for each College Fund campaign, W+K has used its relationships with generous media partners and legendary artists to produce sophisticated, cutting-edge advertising on a pro-bono budget. For *This Is Indian Country*, W+K tapped television/film director Joe Pytko, who has played a pivotal role in the College Fund's advertising campaigns for several decades.

The film *Democracy, Indian Country* was also co-directed by Indigenous filmmaker Robin Máxkii (Mohican), a W+K copywriter who worked on the campaign alongside W+K art director Samantha Perry.

“We wanted to create something simple, provocative and above all, empowering, which meant avoiding stereotypes that often exploit Indigenous pain, reduce cultures to background production design or wield dehumanizing slogans. We are over begging people to acknowledge Natives as people. There is such a power in laying it out boldly with no ambiguity. These are Indigenous words. This is Indigenous truth,” Máxkii and Perry said in a joint statement.

“I love the graphic nature of *This Is Indian Country*. The very short, simple spots are special, too. They make their point in an imaginative and powerful way,” said the campaign's director and filmmaker, Joe Pytko. “I'm grateful that I have been privileged to be involved in College Fund campaigns over the years, as these issues have become very close to my heart.”

Chinook Winds Casino Resort

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.

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@cwresort.com



If you want to be part of a great team and looking for a new career opportunity, Please call Human Resources at (541) 996-5800 or (541) 996-5806.

www.chinookwindscasino.com/careers

Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8am-4:30pm

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 243-room ocean-view hotel.

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



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Calling all Gamers, K-12

CTSI Minecraft Gathering

DECEMBER 11, 2021 @ 10:30 AM

Contact:

elizabethm@ctsi.nsn.us
for registration

Tribe helps communities through STCCF

The Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund has distributed \$123,344.29 to 38 organizations as it continues its quarterly donations to nonprofit groups. Due to the current conditions of the coronavirus pandemic, the reception originally scheduled for Nov. 5 was canceled.

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 \$15.4 million since its inception in 2001.

Overall, the Tribe has honored its tradition of sharing within the community by distributing more than \$19.7 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, 2022. 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/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.**

Distribution of \$123,344.29

Arts – \$5,000

Lincoln City Cultural Center – sponsorship of nationally known traveling exhibit Washed Ashore: Art to Save the Sea; Lincoln City, OR; \$5,000

Education – \$18,622.08

Alsea Community Effort – tools, components and manuals for hands-on training for science students at Alsea Charter School to build and use ham radios; Alsea, OR; \$1,700

Clemens Primary School – books for students during school-wide Book Week activities; Philomath, OR; \$3,160

Eddyville Charter School – spiny dogfish sharks for facilitated dissection activity to learn about body systems; Eddyville, OR; \$600

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

Oregon Coast Aquarium – reduced admission fee program for Lincoln County residents and school field trips; Newport, OR; \$2,500

Oregon Coast Community College – replace desktop computers in computer lab; Newport, OR; \$5,000

Salem-Keizer Public School, Native Education – supplies for Native graduates' presentations and culturally based graduation ceremony; Salem, OR; \$2,000

Siletz Valley Friends of the Library – liability insurance for members and volunteers; Siletz, OR; \$670

Toledo Elementary School – The Inquiry Project: Investigating Earth Materials curriculum kits for fourth-grade classes; Toledo, OR; \$1,492.08

Environment & Natural Resource Preservation – \$9,800

Elakha Alliance – stipends for 2-4 Native youth interns, software, supplies and supervision-related costs to elevate the youth voice in sea otter restoration; Siletz, OR; \$5,000

Long Tom Watershed Council – native bulbs and seed for restoration work on 12 acres of oak and prairie habitat following a prescribed burn; Eugene, OR; \$4,800

Health – \$40,270

ALS Association, Oregon and SW Washington Chapter – support for Medical Services Program through loaning adaptive and augmentative equipment and case management; Portland, OR; \$5,000

Coastal Range Food Bank – food to assist people within the service area; Blodgett, OR; \$2,000

Corvallis Environmental Center – rototiller, porta-potty rental, seeds, starts, soil and supplies to create fresh produce for food share and community gardens; Corvallis, OR; \$4,500

Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon – food and support for hot meals at the day center and meal delivery service for people living with HIV/AIDS; Portland, OR; \$10,000

Liberty House – art and sensory therapy books, games, toys and supplies for child services; Salem, OR; \$2,250

Marion Polk Food Share – compost, soil, seed and plant starts for youth farm and community gardens; Salem, OR; \$5,000

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

Returning Veterans Project – veterans health providers' continuing education, including registration, processing fees and speaker fees; Portland, OR; \$1,500

Siletz Community Thanksgiving Dinner Committee – food boxes with turkeys and other supplies to cook a Thanksgiving meal to distribute to families in need; Siletz, OR; \$3,170

Yamhill County Master Gardener Association – lumber, soil, containers, plant materials and hand tools to distribute raised bed and container gardens; McMinnville, OR; \$4,850

Historical Preservation – \$8,610.96

Lebanon Museum Foundation – recording equipment and supplies for oral history project with local elders; Lebanon, OR; \$929.25

North Lincoln County Historical Museum – purchase and install signage and acrylic donation boxes; Lincoln City, OR; \$1,859.71

ShIPLEY Historical Marker Association – prepare and install historical marker near Reuben Shipley's family farm

To the editor:

My name is Cynthia Farlow, #58 of CTSI. I announced my TC candidacy at our General Council meeting on Nov. 6.

I have been encouraged by my Tribal family and co-workers at CWCR and CTSI to run for Tribal Council 2022. My first and foremost interest is the matter of Tribal descendency. Currently, by vote of the General Council, our Tribe has elected to enroll members who can prove at least 1/16 BQ. I would like to see this lowered to 1/32 or in the alternative provide descendency I.D. cards by plebiscite.

The Siletz Elders Program is in dire need of an overhaul. There is a severe lack of communication in serving our reservation elders and those underserved elders living out of area. Rather than focus on the ongoing problems, I would like focus on the solutions to resolve the issues.

Tribal member employment is a hot topic and since I too have worked alongside of Tribal members in STBC, CWCR and CTSI, I am well-aware of the challenges we face. Our key Tribal positions go vacant while we have talented educated Tribal members who want to fill those positions. I would like to see succession planning for these key positions.

As a way of expanding economic development funds for the direct benefit of our members, we will need to expand funding of STRCP for housing loans, to include a Community Development Financial Institution.

For these reasons, I am asking for your vote in the upcoming election.

Cynthia Farlow



Courtesy photo

Cynthia Farlow

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 Tribal Council.

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: Mike Kennedy
Editor: Diane Rodriguez
Assistant: Andy Taylor

and Mt. Union Cemetery; Corvallis, OR; \$3,900

Willamette Heritage Center – supplies for rentable Backpack Buddies tailored for hands-on interactive activity for children and families; Salem, OR; \$1,922

Other – \$10,619.96

Albany American Legion Post 10 – toys and snacks for children through age 12 attending the community Christmas party; Albany, OR; \$2,000

Central Coast Humane Society – subsidize rabies vaccinations for dogs and cats; Newport, OR; \$5,000

Greater Jefferson Community Center – replace and upgrade desktop computer, monitor, printer and software to expand online visibility, improve recordkeeping and provide quality brochures; Jefferson, OR; \$1,619.96

Oregon Coastal Quilters Guild – batting/filling for handmade quilts to be presented to Lincoln County veterans; South Beach, OR; \$2,000

Prevention – \$7,000

Altrusa International of Albany – personal items and activity kits for homeless youth entering Jackson Street Youth Services shelters; Albany, OR; \$3,000

Altrusa International of Yaquina Bay – Project School Bell program to provide emergency clothing, shoes, coats and hygiene products to Lincoln County schools; Newport, OR; \$4,000

Public Safety – \$23,421.29

Adair Rural Fire and Rescue – replace/upgrade AED equipment; Adair Village, OR; \$5,757.24

Blodgett-Summit Rural Fire Protection District – replace AEDs used by fire and emergency volunteers; Blodgett, OR; \$3,100

Central Coast Fire and Rescue – firefighting hoses of various diameters; Waldport, OR; \$2,500

Emergency Volunteer Corps of Nehalem Bay – communications, medical, shelter, water and other supplies for disaster box kits for neighborhood emergency gathering sites; Manzanita, OR; \$3,500

Molalla Rural Fire Protection District #73 – wildland fire shelters, supplies, AED and other safety/medical equipment; Molalla, OR; \$4,064.05

Yachats Rural Fire Protection District – firefighting turnouts, boots, gloves, thermal imaging camera and hose nozzles; Yachats, OR; \$4,500



Siletz Tribal Youth Council! Dec. 19 11:00am Via Zoom



Area Office Contact Info

Portland: Katy Holland, (503)-238-1512, Katyh@ctsi.nsn.us

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Youth Council is for ages 12 to 24. Middle School, High School, & Higher Ed students welcome!

Experience
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Community



Happy Birthday to my big head cousin on Dec. 14. Hope you have a great day! We love you!

Love, Chels and the kids

Happy Birthday, son! Hope you have a great day! Love you.

Love, Mom

Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital seeks local art for healing

The new Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital is looking for local art to provide and inspire a nurturing, healing environment.

Samaritan Health Services was one of the first health care systems to implement the innovative Arts in HealthCare program that places artists in local hospitals to add the arts into the process of healing. Specially trained artists work regularly with patients in areas such as dialysis, ambulatory infusion, medical/surgical units, cardiac rehabilitation, cancer patients and mental health.

In addition, commissioned artwork is located in public spaces and patient care areas throughout the Samaritan system. Art infused within the healing environment positively impacts the physical and emotional well-being of patients, visitors and staff.

The new hospital in Lincoln City opened in early 2020. The ArtsCare Committee is selecting art to adorn the walls of the new hospital, the multiple clinics on campus and the facilities on Highway 101. We will feature local artwork that meets specific guidelines (outlined below) to create a soothing and healing environment for all who enter Samaritan facilities.

Samaritan Health Services values diversity, equity and inclusion, and believes that art is a wonderful way to celebrate these values.

We seek both donated artwork and art to purchase. We encourage artists to price their work at its true value. Selected artwork will be curated using the following criteria:

- Priority will be given to artists residing in Lincoln County, Oregon. Artists with a strong connection to the area will also be considered.
- All art must be suitable for a healing environment. Artwork should positively affect viewers, promoting a calming response from them. Avoid threatening imagery or imagery perceived as dangerous. Controversial, political or religious imagery will not be considered.
- Artwork should have a nature theme with regional imagery. Historic imagery is also permissible.
- Only artwork that needs minimal maintenance and cleaning that can be done within the normal cleaning duties of staff will be considered. Artworks must comply with infection control criteria. Therefore, any soft or textured art that cannot be wiped clean, or art with ridges/ledges that can harbor dust, will not be considered unless they are fully encased in a cleanable frame.
- Three-dimensional pieces will be considered, depending on safety considerations for both the artwork and

- for patients, visitors and staff. Electronic media will not be considered.
- Selected artwork will be a curated collection and the sole possession of Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital.

Installation will be completed by Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital plant engineering staff.

Those who wish to submit artwork for the SNLH ArtsCare Project must use the Artwork Proposal Application to apply, which is available through Sara Krainik at skrainik@samhealth.org. No physical submissions of art will be accepted during the Request for Proposal (RFP) process. The application procedure includes:

- A completed Artwork Proposal Application.
- Quality images (jpegs) of artwork that can be digitally projected. Feel free to include close-up shots and views from more than one angle, particularly if the artwork is 3-D. Jpegs should be labeled with the artwork's title.
- Artists may send up to four pieces to be considered; please fill out a separate proposal form for each piece.
- For donated pieces, the value of the artwork must be established by the donor for tax purposes. Appraisals are the sole responsibility of the donor.
- Submit the completed application form and jpegs, contact ArtsCare@samhealth.org with "SNLH Art Proposal Application" in the subject line no later than **Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2022**.

Projected timeline

- December 2021 – February 2022: RFP submissions accepted
- Feb. 15: Deadline to receive art proposals
- March: Review art proposals, determine purchases and donations
- March 30: Issue acceptance notifications
- April: Receive artwork at designated facility
- May: Installation of all artwork

Questions? Contact Sara Krainik, Samaritan ArtsCare Coordinator, at skrainik@samhealth.org.



Happiest of birthdays to Aaron John on Dec. 16! We love you! Thank you for all you do for us, praying 2022 brings you many blessings!

We love you, Dad and Mom

I would like to wish my brother, Aaron, a Happy Birthday on Dec. 16. Hope you have a good one, bro.

Love, Sis, your nephews and niece

Free child ID kits from the Oregon State Police

503-934-0188 or 800-282-7155

child.idkits@state.or.us

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.

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

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.