

Duu Lhlan Wee-ya'

Duu Lhlan Wee-ya', "not many words" or "in so many words," is mailed to Lincoln and Tillamook County tribal members each month. Information includes youth activities, events, meetings, program updates, and more.



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Attention Oregon Veterans

The Toledo Elks is inviting all veterans who have not, as yet, received the Veterans of Oregon Honorable Service Medal to apply for it. The application, which is for Oregon vets, living or deceased, is available on the Toledo Elks website, www.toledoelks.com. It also can be obtained by contacting either Trisha Daniel at 961-0428 or Tony Molina at 444-2828.

Information about (and the application for) the medal is available at www.veteransoforegon.com. The medal is free. If you wish your name to be engraved, the cost is \$8. Since it takes some time to process for engraving, please get your application in by Oct. 31.

The medals will be presented at the Toledo Elks Lodge on Veterans Day at the annual Veterans Day dinner, where all veterans eat free of charge. More information will be forthcoming regarding the dinner as the date gets closer.

Sign Up for Diabetes Retreat

The 2009 Siletz Diabetes Retreat is scheduled for Oct. 22 at the Eola Vitaculture Center in West Salem from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Transportation will be provided from Siletz.

Tribal members who have diabetes are invited to attend and to bring a support person.

To register, please call Connie Anicker at 444-9661 no later than Oct. 9.

Attention Prospective or Current Siletz Foster Parents

Registration is open for free trainings in October!

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD)

Oct. 9, 2009

9 a.m. - Noon

Siletz Valley School

Infant to Adult First Aid and CPR

Oct. 23, 2009

9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Siletz Tribal Community Center

Call Shawna Henarie ASAP to register at 444-8275.

If you need child care, please let her know when you register.

General Council Meeting

Nov. 7, 2009 • 1 p.m.

Siletz Tribal Community Center

Agenda

Call to Order

Invocation

Flag Salute

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes

Programs:

Culture Department – Pow-Wow

Candidate's Declaration for

Tribal Council

Tribal Members' Concerns

Chairman's Report

Announcements

Adjourn

Emergency Housing Assistance Funding is Exhausted

Emergency Housing is for Tribal members and non-Tribal members with Tribal member children living anywhere in the United States.

Funding will be available again Jan. 1, 2010.

Please contact Rachelle Endres at 444-8311 if you have any questions about this program.

Indian Education Seeks Parent Committee Members

Lincoln County School District's Indian Education Program Parent Committee has vacancies on the committee. Staff and current parent committee members have nominated LCSD parents, high school students, a teacher and a high school counselor to be placed on the ballot. Of these nominees, those with the most votes will be elected to serve in the two-year positions. Parents of American Indian students enrolled in school can submit nominations to add to the ballot.

The LCSD Indian Education Program serves all American Indian students enrolled in school. The program is designed to meet the special educational and culturally related academic needs of Indian students.

The objective of the parent committee shall be to assist the school district to bring about the most effective Indian Education program possible and to achieve program objectives.

Parent Committee meetings are held once a month. Elections are held annually. The Parent Committee shall have no less than 10 members and no more than 18.

All parents/guardians of American Indian youth, teachers, classified staff (except Indian Education staff) and enrolled Indian Education high school students are eligible to serve on the committee and vote in the election. Ballots will be distributed by the Title VII (Indian Education) staff to high school students enrolled in the program on Oct. 7-8. Parents can obtain a ballot from their area representatives from Oct. 7-14.

All ballots need to be returned to the representative school by Oct. 16 in order to be counted.

For more information, contact Patty Paul, Indian Education Program Coordinator, at 444-1100.

Opportunities for Homebuyers

Become a Successful Homeowner

**Find out about Low Interest Rate Mortgage
Loans and Down Payment Assistance**

Oct. 10, 2009 • 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Newport High School, Annex C, 322 NE Eads St.

Free Financial Fitness Class

Oct. 17 and 24 (both sessions required)

9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Newport High School, Annex C, 322 NE Eads St.

This class meets the requirements of the Valley Individual Development Account savings program.

For more information, contact Community Housing Services toll-free at 866-245-1780 or e-mail kramsdn@csc.gen.or.us.

Provided by CSC's Community Housing Services

Green STEPs

The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians recently was awarded a grant from the Administration for Native Americans to create an energy management program. Part of the program will be called Green STEPS.

Green STEPs (Siletz Tribal Energy Partnerships) will consist of Tribal staff working with other federal, state and local partners, Tribal member partners and others to learn about and implement the conservation of our natural resources.

Our goal is to empower Tribal members with the ability to maintain healthier, more livable homes, control utility costs and conserve natural resources. We plan to reach these goals by providing education and assistance for home weatherization, energy conservation and lead poisoning prevention.

An energy fair is being planned for the fall of 2009. For more information, contact the Planning Department at 444-8276 or e-mail STEPS@ctsi.nsn.us.

Census 2010

by Claire Wood, Data Coordinator, Tribal Planning

The 2010 Census questionnaire will be distributed in March 2010. It is quick, easy and confidential. With only 10 short questions, the 2010 Census questionnaire is one of the shortest in history and takes just 10 minutes to complete. By law, the Census Bureau cannot share an individual's responses with anyone, including Tribal housing authorities and other federal agencies and law enforcement entities.

The questionnaire will be mailed to households with a street address. If you get your mail at a P.O. Box, the questionnaire will be delivered right to your home and some households will be surveyed in person. If you receive a survey in the mail or on your door, please fill it out right away and return it as instructed.

Be sure to put your race as Native American and list your principal Tribe as the Tribe in which you are enrolled. For most of you reading this newsletter, that will be Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians.

Tribal Council is an official partner of the U.S. Census Bureau and encourages you to fill out your questionnaire. If you do not return the questionnaire by April 1, 2010, a Census Bureau employee will come to your door and survey you in person.

Keep watching future issues of this publication for more information and remember, "It's in our hands."

The U.S. Census Bureau will have an informational booth at the Restoration Pow-Wow in November. Please stop by for more information. If you can't see us there, you can check the census website at <http://2010.census.gov/2010census/> or call me with questions at 444-8276.

Help Our Young Women Walk in Beauty and Continue Native Traditions

Oak Creek Youth Correctional Facility invites you to The Creek Pow-Wow for drumming, dancing and dining. Nick Sixkiller will be emceeding the event.

Special thanks to all the Tribal people who are attending, planning and making donations to support this event.

Oct. 10, 2009 • 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

4400 Lochner Road SE, Albany

**To RSVP or for information, please contact
Robyn Eicks at 541-791-5926.**

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Welcome Back to Head Start

The Siletz Head Start classroom started on Sept. 9 just in time to participate in the annual first mile of Run to the Rogue. Many students and extended families joined in.

Returning staff members at the Siletz Center are Robin Limbert, Lori Case, Tony Blomstrom, Vicki Butler, Nancy Simmons and Elouise Case. We are happy to announce we have extended our program by adding a small Head Start class at the Tenas Illahee Childcare Center, which is being taught by one of our new teachers, Mary Shaller.

The other new teacher for our area is Sandy Strickland-Colye and she will teach at the recently opened classroom in Lincoln City. Sandy will be assisted by Tribal member Corliss Attebury. Lincoln City classroom started on Sept. 28. Welcome Mary and Sandy to our Head Start family and welcome Corliss to our area.

The months of September and October are very busy. We invited grandparents in on Sept. 17 to share a meal with the children and had an overwhelming turnout. It was great to see how happy our students were to share who their grandparents are. Even Teacher Tony shared his Grandma Marie. Thank You Elders.

Other events happening in September and October include school pictures; health, vision and hearing screening; DIAL R testing; and practicing classroom and bus rules.

The first parent meetings will be on Oct. 1 for Lincoln City and Oct. 15 for Siletz. Both meeting will start at 5:30 p.m. in their respective classrooms and dinner is provided for our families.

Another point of interest for our classrooms is sharing on Thursdays (no weapons please). We welcome any parent or community volunteers. Our program always can use any type of donations like magazines, toilet paper rolls, feathers, beads, yarn, Styrofoam, meat trays, buttons, flour, beans and other items. All donated items or time can be counted for in-kind.

Out of the mouth of a student: One little girl was given the job of calendar person. When it was time to post the weather for the day, she went to the door, looked out on a very foggy morning in the Siletz Valley and returned to announce that it was "fuzzy outside."



October is National Halloween

Safety Awareness Month

by Sharon L. Mason, CHAI

Everyone enjoys and even looks forward to Halloween and the fun that comes with it, especially the parties and who can get the most candy at the end of the night. Let's keep the good memories coming by following these guidelines and tips:

Wear safe costumes: Make sure that while wearing a mask, children can see to the side while looking forward. The costume should not be so big that it will get caught in car doors or shrubbery or cause children to trip. Be sure to wear appropriate clothing for the weather conditions.

Let's be bright: Wear bright costumes so children can be easily seen in the dark. If a costume has to be dark (for instance, a witch outfit), use a long piece of tape that reflects in the dark. Make sure it will not come off with movement (i.e., safety pin it on).

Take your children: Do not let children go trick-or-treating alone, even if they are 12 years old. Always go in a group. If this is not possible and your children insist on going, suggest that you follow a distance away but close enough to help if needed. Things can happen quickly.

Check the candy: Do not let children eat any candy until you have had a chance to check it for tampering or suspicious marks (i.e., pinholes or possible re-glued candy wraps). Never let any child eat homemade treats unless you were there in person and know the person who made the treat.

Homes: Do not allow children to go into dark areas. Again, go in groups and stay together. Only approach houses that have a porch light on. If the porch light is off, this usually means people do not want to be disturbed. They could be sick or not have treats available. A lot of people could have been to their home before your children got there and they ran out of candy to hand out.

Name tags: It's an especially good idea to identify small children with their name, address and telephone number on a tag that will not come off of their costumes in case they accidentally get separated from their group.

Parties: Get the telephone number of the home in case of an emergency and the address if you don't know them but a friend has suggested it's a safe home. Have children phone home before leaving a party to come home or go to a friend's home in case they get separated.

With all of these wonderful tips and ideas, have a great Halloween!

October USDA Distribution Dates

Siletz

Monday, Oct. 5 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 6 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 7 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 8 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 9 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Salem

Monday, Oct. 19 1:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 20 10:30 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 21 10:30 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 22 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Happy meals!

Joyce Retherford, FDP Director, 444-8393

Narcotics Anonymous Help Line - 877-833-4287

Alcoholics Anonymous - www.aa-oregon.org/

CEDARR

Community Efforts

**Demonstrating the Ability to
Rebuild and Restore**

Oct. 7 • Noon

**Siletz Community Health Clinic
Conference Room**

Please join us!

Elders' Council

Meeting

Oct. 17 • 1-4 p.m.

Chinook Winds Golf Resort

**For more information, contact
April Bender at 444-8225 or
e-mail aprilb@ctsi.nsn.us**

Nuu-wee-ya' (our words)

**Introduction to the
Athabaskan Language**

Open to Tribal members of all ages

Siletz Tribal Community Center

Oct. 6 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Eugene Area Office

Oct. 5 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Salem Area Office

Oct. 13 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Portland Area Office

Oct. 12 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Come and join other members of your community and Tribe in learning to speak one of our ancient languages.

For more information, contact Bud Lane at 444-8320 or e-mail budl@ctsi.nsn.us.

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