

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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United Way Urges "Earn It – Keep It – Save It" During Tax Time

Tax filing season is here and United Way urges eligible taxpayers to take advantage of free tax help, free filing of federal and state tax returns, and to apply for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

If you worked during 2014 and your household earned income was less than \$52,427, you may be eligible to claim and receive the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) of up to \$6,143. To qualify for EITC, taxpayers must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, have a valid Social Security number and be between 24 and 65 years old.

You can get help filing for EITC and with all your tax forms at three Lincoln County locations from the first week of February through April 15.

The free help comes from Tax-Aide, an AARP program that is the nation's largest volunteer tax assistance program. Tax-Aide helps all moderate- and low-income taxpayers regardless of age with an emphasis on those over age 60. It has served millions of taxpayers at no charge since 1968.

Taxpayers also can find free online resources about EITC and other programs at myfreetaxes.com, including tools for getting organized, links for filing and information about using your refund wisely.

Tax-Aide volunteers are available to prepare current year, prior year or amended returns; determine whether or not you need to file a return; or answer any other tax questions you might have.

AARP membership is not a requirement to receive assistance and no appointment is necessary except as indicated below.

Free walk-in tax help begins in Lincoln County on Feb. 3:

↳ Newport: Newport Senior Activities Center, 20 SE Second St., from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday from Feb. 3 through April 14. (NOTE: Saturdays are by appointment only – no walk-ins. Call 541-265-8298.)

↳ Waldport: Washington Federal Savings Bank, 325 NW Hemlock St., from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Tuesday and Wednesday from Feb. 3 through April 15

↳ Lincoln City: Lincoln City Community Center, 2150 NE Oar Place, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday from Feb. 3 through April 14

What to bring with you:

- ✓ **New this year:** Form 1095-A, if you purchased health insurance through the marketplace
- ✓ Photo identification for taxpayer and spouse (mandatory)
- ✓ Social Security cards or ITIN letters for every person on the return (also mandatory)
- ✓ W-2 forms from each employer
- ✓ W-2-G if you had gambling winnings
- ✓ All 1099 forms (SSA, INT, DIV, MISC, B, G, R, etc.) and all 1098 forms
- ✓ All forms indicating federal or state income tax paid
- ✓ Dependent care provider identification
- ✓ Itemized deductions for Schedule A
- ✓ Routing and bank account numbers for directly depositing refund
- ✓ Copy of last year's tax return
- ✓ Any other paperwork you think might be helpful

Come to Siletz Valley Early College Academy Title I Family Night

Please join us on Feb. 26 for our annual Title I Family Night. Activities begin at 6 p.m. in the school's little gym.

Snacks and festive entertainment will be brought to you by high school students and staff.

The name says it all – don't miss this opportunity for a family-friendly evening at SVECA. A guaranteed good time will be had by all!

For more information, call Kevin Van Zee at the school at 541-444-1100.

For more information about Lincoln County sites, call Darlene at 541-265-8298.

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**Community Efforts
Demonstrating the Ability
to Rebuild and Restore**

Mission Statement

Working together as a whole community, we will utilize our resources to eradicate and prevent the use of all illegal drugs, underage drinking and abusive use of alcohol, delinquency and community violence.

Feb. 12 • 5:30 p.m.

**Siletz Valley School
245 NW James Frank Ave., Siletz**

STBC Looking for Tribal Member Resort Managers

The Siletz Tribal Business Corporation (STBC) is seeking Tribal members who are interested in working with the current Hee Hee Illahee RV Resort management, TLC Holdings, to manage the resort in Salem, Ore., with the potential to take over management operations of the resort from TLC Holdings.

Contact STBC at 541-994-2142 or 877-564-7298, or visit stbcorp.net for more information.

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

General Council Meeting

Feb. 7, 2015 • 1 p.m.

**Siletz Tribal Community Center
Siletz, Oregon**

Call to Order
Invocation
Flag Salute
Roll Call

Approval of Agenda
Approval of Minutes

Healthy Family Healthy Child
Program

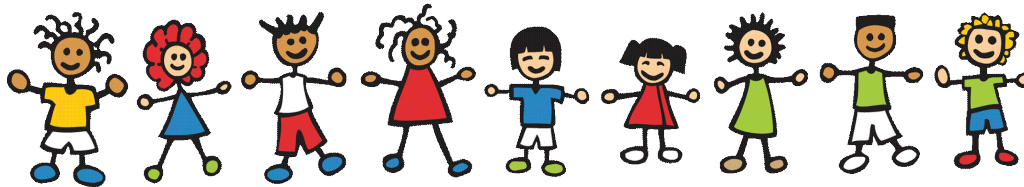
Diabetes Program

Tribal Members' Concerns

Chairman's Report

Announcements

Adjourn



Babies Learning Together

A FREE Get-together Open to ALL 0-3 Year Olds & Their Caregivers

WHERE & WHEN

Lincoln City: St. Peter the Fisherman Lutheran Church, 1226 SW 13th Street. 2nd Wednesday of each month: 2/11, 3/11, 4/8, 5/13, 6/10.

Newport: Yaquina View School, Early Intervention Classroom, 351 SE Harney Street. 1st Friday of each month: 2/6, 3/6, 4/3, 5/1, 6/5.

Toledo: The Flowerree Center, 321 SE 3rd Street. 2nd Saturday of each month: 2/14, 3/14, 4/11, 5/9, 6/13.

Siletz: CTSI Head Start, 245 James Frank Avenue. 3rd Friday of each month: 2/20, 3/20, 4/17, 5/15, 6/19.

Yachats: Yachats Commons, 441 Hwy 101. 3rd Wednesday of each month: 2/18, 3/18, 4/15, 5/20, 6/17.

9:30—10:30 AM INFANT TIME Infant (12 months) and non-walkers. This is an interactive class where babies and caregivers play and learn together. Bring a baby blanket and wear clothes that are comfortable for being on the floor.

10:30—11:30 AM CAREGIVER TIME Moms, Dads, Grandparents, Foster Parents, etc. Time to be creative while making things for baby, learn how to care for yourself and baby, and meet new people. Light snack included.

11:30—12:30 PM TODDLER TIME 13 months to 3 years old. It is an interactive time where toddlers can be active, while they play and learn with caregivers. Wear comfortable clothes for being active and on the floor.

During all three hours there are activities for children 5 and under to enjoy, while the rest of the family is busy.

Get-togethers offered by Terry Persson, Parenting Coach & Trainer in partnership with Lincoln County School District and The Early Learning HUB. Call Terry to let her know you plan to come and if you have older children who will need sibling activities.

However, come even if you forgot to call. **If you need help with transportation, please call Terry Persson, 541-351-1325.**

Culture Craft Night

Feb. 17 • 4 – 7 p.m.

Siletz Tribal Community Center

Rope/String Making

Stvs, hii-chu stvs-chu yvlh-sri
(String also rope making)

Siletz Tribal members are invited to come and learn how to make string and rope the old way.

All ages welcome. Young people under age 10 need an adult to accompany and assist them. The Siletz Culture Department will provide material and instructors. If you have your own materials, please bring them.

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

Sponsored by the Education and Culture Departments

Family Literacy Night

Feb. 19 • 5 – 7 p.m.

Siletz Tribal Community Center

Hii-da'-ye'-yu wee-ya'vm-nvlh-ts'it t'et

(Family words learning night)

Open to the entire Siletz community, youth in grades K-6 are invited to explore their *Love of Reading* through a variety of reading games and challenges. Along with a lot of fun, a light meal will be provided. Participants also will have a chance to win a Kindle Reader (two will be raffled off at the end of the evening).

Contact: Alissa Lane, 541-444-8373 or alissal@ctsi.nsn.us

Sponsored by Youth Development Coalition of Lincoln County and Tribal Education, Culture, Healthy Families and Head Start Departments

Don't Forget to Vote!

Be sure to cast your ballot in the Tribal Council election by Feb. 7. You can vote in person on Feb. 7 at the Tribal Community Center in Siletz from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Culture Craft

Feb. 22 • 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Siletz Tribal Community Center

Dream Catchers

Ch'an'-ghee-lvlh yvlh-chut-ne
yvlh-sri

(Dream Catcher making)

Siletz Tribal members of all ages welcome. Young people under age 10 need an adult to accompany and assist them. Come and learn how to make beautiful dream catchers. The Siletz Culture Department will provide material and instructors. If you have your own materials, please bring them.

Instructor: Lisa Paul

Contact: Buddy Lane, buddyl@ctsi.nsn.us; 541-444-8230 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1230

Sponsored by the Education and Culture Departments

Nuu-wee-ya'

(our words)

Introduction to the
Athabaskan language

Open to Tribal members
of all ages

Feb. 2 • 6-8 p.m.

Siletz Tribal Community Center

For more information, contact Bud Lane at the Siletz Cultural Department at 541-444-8320 or e-mail budl@ctsi.nsn.us.

Elders Council Meeting

Feb. 14 • 1-4 p.m.

Chinook Winds Casino Resort

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

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

Culture Craft Night

March 2 • 4 – 7 p.m.

Siletz Tribal Community Center

Feather Tying

Ch'ee-ta' yee-li'
(Feather tying)

Siletz Tribal members of all ages welcome. Young people under age 10 need an adult to accompany and assist them. Come and learn how to tie feathers for regalia and other uses. The Siletz Culture Department will provide material and instructors. If you have your own feathers/project, please bring them.

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

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Project Night

March 17 • 4 – 8 p.m.

Siletz Tribal Community Center

Finish any unfinished culture project
Yvlh-sri t'et
(Project night)

Siletz Tribal members of all ages welcome. Young people under age 10 need an adult to accompany and assist them. Bring your unfinished cultural projects and work on them. The Siletz Culture Department will provide assistance and instructors.

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

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Siletz Tribal Head Start Accepting Applications

Siletz Tribal Head Start always accepts applications.

Please call us today at 541-444-2532 or 800-922-1399 to request that an application be sent to you. Applications also are available on the Tribal website (ctsi.nsn.us) and at the Siletz, Salem and Portland area offices.

Community Invited to LOVE IS LOVE Valentine Party

Planning for the annual LOVE IS LOVE Valentine Party hosted by PFLAG is in full swing. This community party will be held from 2-4 p.m. on Feb. 9 in the lobby of Oregon Coast Community College in South Beach.

Volunteers will transform the commons area into a romantic hearts and flowers valentine party setting.

Past Forward, a popular local music group, will provide live music to celebrate the power of love in all its wonderful and surprising forms – young and old, gay and straight. Vocals by Patty Egan of Past Forward will delight the audience with traditional and modern love songs.

Teen poets and writers representing the Gay/Straight Alliance Clubs from Lincoln County high schools will read their work and adults will read striking modern and traditional love poetry.

Newlyweds, gay and straight, will be celebrated at the party.

Delightful and decadent valentine desserts donated by the best chefs from several local churches and by PFLAG members will make this celebration a really sweet treat and chocolate heaven.

Toledo United Methodist Church volunteers are preparing a table of hearts, flowers, glitter and glue for guests to create their own handmade valentine cards. You can surprise your sweetheart with a card from the heart, unique and special, just like your love.

Photographer Jerry Thompson will take sweetheart photos that can be purchased for only \$10, a great way to create a lasting memory with your valentine on this special day.

PFLAG is a national organization providing support, education and advocacy for the LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender) community, their families and friends.

The Oregon Central Coast Chapter focuses on creating safe and nurturing communities for young people in Lincoln County and opening hearts and minds of all ages. With this party, we're bringing people together to celebrate the power of love in our lives. After all, love is love!

Donations will support PFLAG's programs for LGBT youth. For more information about the valentine party or PFLAG, or to be included as newlyweds, call 541-265-7194.

USDA Distribution Dates for January in Siletz

Monday	Feb. 2	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Tuesday	Feb. 3	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Wednesday	Feb. 4	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Thursday	Feb. 5	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Friday	Feb. 6	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Joyce Retherford • CTSI FDPIR
541-444-8393

Lisa Paul • CTSI FDPIR
541-444-8279

Canoe Journey Family Meeting

Feb. 9, 2015 • 4 p.m.

Siletz Valley School
245 NW James Frank Ave. • Siletz

We are looking for canoe paddlers, cooks, camp setup crews, dancers, singers and grant writers. It takes many people to make Canoe Journey successful.

There is no canoe journey in 2015. We are planning for the July 2016 Paddle to Nisqually in Western Washington.

For more information, contact Tiffany Stuart at 541-444-1100.

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

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