



Tribe invites the community to annual Restoration Pow-Wow at Chinook Winds

The public is invited to join the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians on Saturday, Nov. 18, as it holds its annual Restoration Pow-Wow at Chinook Winds Casino Resort in Lincoln City, Ore.

This free event begins with a grand entry at 6 p.m. American Indian vendors with jewelry, beadwork and other items for sale will be available throughout the day.

This is the 46th year that the Siletz Tribe has celebrated the signing of Public Law 95-195, which re-established government-to-government relations between the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians and the federal government. The Siletz Tribe was terminated from federal recognition in August 1954.

In the late 1960s, it became apparent that the only way to preserve and revitalize Siletz Tribal sovereignty, community and culture was for the Siletz Tribe to regain its status as a Tribe recognized by the United States.

In November 1977, after years of intense lobbying, Congress and President Jimmy Carter approved Public Law 95-195, which reinstated recognition of the Siletz as a federal Indian Tribe. The Siletz Tribe was the second in the nation – and the first in Oregon – to achieve restoration.

Dedicated to improving the quality of life of its more than 5,600 members, the Tribe puts strong emphasis on the education, health and social well-being of all its members.

Significant Tribal accomplishments since Restoration include opening the original health clinic in 1991 and a new



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Those leading the Grand Entry at the 2022 Restoration Pow-Wow include (l to r) Carlos Calica, Raymond Ben, Wayne Chulik, Ed Ben, Ed Ben Jr., Creed Taylor and Wilson Wewa

much larger clinic in 2010; building more than 150 homes and multiple dwellings for Tribal members, including 28 units at Neachesna Village in Lincoln City that have opened since 2009, 19 apartments in Siletz that opened in 2010, 20 homes in the Tillamook subdivision in Siletz that have opened since 2013 and 10 Workforce Housing townhouses in Lincoln City that opened in 2021.

The Siletz Tribe has helped fund two affordable housing projects in Northeast Portland, each of which has 20 units designated Indian Preference, with Siletz households having first preference in admissions. It currently is in the process of building 30-40 units of affordable housing in Salem.

Additionally, the Tribe completed the Siletz Dance House in 1996 and opened

the Tenas Illahee Child Care Center in 2003, the Tillicum Fitness Center and a new USDA food distribution warehouse in Siletz in 2008, and the Siletz Rec Center in 2009.

Through its economic development division, the Siletz Tribal Business Corporation, the Tribe purchased the Lincoln

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STAHS receives large grant for new cultural museum from Spirit Mountain fund

The Siletz Tribal Arts & Heritage Society (STAHS) recently received a \$100,000 grant from the Spirit Mountain Community Fund at the Grand Ronde Governance Center. The grant will be used to support the administrative operations and provide continued support to the development of Ghii De-Nee Dvn, A Place for the People cultural museum in Siletz, Ore.

STAHS and the Siletz Tribal Council had a goal of raising funds to build a cultural center and museum. With the contributions from foundations, community partners and individual donors, STAHS exceeded its two-year capital campaign goal of \$2.5 million.

“We are so grateful for the support from Spirit Mountain Community Fund,” said Stephanie Chamberlin, STAHS development director. “This grant will allow STAHS to continue their mission



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L to r :Shawna Gray, STAHS board; Angela Schlappie, SMCF program coordinator; Glendora Osborn, STAHS vice-chairman; Stephanie Chamberlin, STAHS development director; Jesse Knight, SMCF grants coordinator; Cynthia Farlow, STAHS chairman; Angela Ramirez, STAHS treasurer/secretary and Siletz Tribal Council representative; Angela Sears, SMCF executive director; Michael Cherry, SMCF board and Grand Ronde Tribal Council; and Brenda Tuomi, SMCF board and Grand Ronde Tribal Council

of supporting and promoting the practice, conservation and restoration of the Tribal cultures of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians. This grant is a significant investment towards STAHS’ work and will help the organization secure funding for future exhibits and programs to benefit members of the Siletz Tribe.”

The Spirit Mountain Community Fund is the philanthropic arm of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Community of Oregon. The Oregon Tribal Grant is an annual Tribal grant program available to the nine federally recognized Tribes in Oregon.

The Confederated Tribes of Siletz has implemented a steering committee to oversee the construction and development of Ghii De-Nee Dvn. The committee met on Oct. 24 and will continue to meet monthly during the planning and construction phases.

Siletz Tribal offices will be closed Friday, Nov. 10, for the Veterans Day holiday; Friday, Nov. 17, for the Tribal Restoration holiday; and Thursday-Friday, Nov. 23-24, for the Thanksgiving holiday.

AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM (ACP)

ACP is a benefit program offered by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) that aims to help households connect to broadband internet services in the community. If approved for benefits, ACP would simply pay up to **\$30 per month per qualified household** on your internet bill, and up to **\$75 per month per qualified household on Tribal land**.

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CONTACT

If you are interested in learning more or would like to see if you qualify for ACP benefits, please contact our Affordability Connectivity Program Navigator, Lynetta Cuomo

Phone: 541-270-4351
Email: LynettaC@ctsi.nsn.us



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

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Elders Council Meeting

The Elders Council will host an in-person/Zoom hybrid meeting on Sunday, Nov. 19, 2023, at 11 a.m. in the banquet room at Aces Sports Bar & Grill in Lincoln City, Ore.

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

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

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Send information to:

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P.O. Box 549
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Deadline for the December issue is Nov. 9. Submission of articles and photos is encouraged. Please see the Passages Policy on page 20 when submitting items for Passages.



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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 2024. All Siletz Tribal artists are encouraged to submit a pow-wow-themed logo.

The winning logo artist will receive a cash prize of \$350 and a professional banner with your logo. The winning artist will have their logo highlighted on Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow flyers and merchandise.

Please submit your artwork to the cultural education director's office at the 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. 29, 2024.

Royalty Crown Proposals

The Pow-Wow Committee is now accepting proposals for 2024-2025 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. 29, 2024.

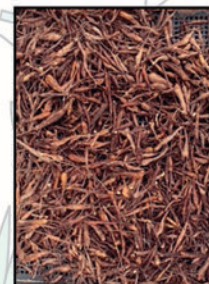
Proposals can be sent to Siletz Pow-Wow Committee, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

If you have any questions on either of these two items, contact Buddy Lane at 800-922-1399, ext. 1230; 541-444-8230; or buddyl@ctsi.nsn.us.

Open Garden Event



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Join us at the garden property during the month of November to plant for the future. We will plant First Foods such as camas, fruit trees and medicinal herbs. Sign up for the garden program email list to receive upcoming event dates and times.

Event details are weather-dependent and will be sent out accordingly. Email AJ at ajw@ctsi.nsn.us to receive updates.

Homeowner Assistance Fund (HAF) Program

The Siletz Tribal Housing Department (STHD) is pleased to announce that it has funding available to provide significant mortgage and utility assistance through the Homeowner Assistance Fund (HAF) Program.

The purpose of the HAF Program is to mitigate financial hardships associated with the coronavirus pandemic by providing funds to prevent homeowner mortgage delinquencies, defaults, foreclosures, loss of utilities or home energy services, and displacements of homeowners experiencing financial hardship after Jan. 21, 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The HAF Program is designed to assist Tribal households with incomes at or below 150 percent of the median income who face potential foreclosure or homelessness because they are unable to make mortgage and utility payments due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Applicants who want to participate in the HAF Program need to complete a written application provided by STHD. The HAF application can be obtained by contacting STHD at 541-444-8310 to have the application emailed or mailed to their home address. Applications are also available at the STHD office at 555 Tolowa Court, Siletz, OR 97380.

Any questions regarding the HAF Program can be directed to:

K.C. Short, Financial Services Manager/HAF Program Processor
Phone: 541-444-8310
Email: kerrys@ctsi.nsn.us

USDA distribution dates for November

Siletz

Wednesday	Nov. 1	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Thursday	Nov. 2	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Friday	Nov. 3	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Monday	Nov. 6	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Tuesday	Nov. 7	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Salem

Tuesday	Nov. 14	9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Nov. 15	9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Thursday	Nov. 16	By appt only

LIKE us on Facebook at **Siletz Tribal FDPIR**. We would like to see more people sharing their recipes on our FB page.



Sammy Hall
USDA Program Director
541-444-8279 or 541-390-0763
sammyh@ctsi.nsn.us
Fax: 541-444-8306 or 503-391-4296

In-person Language and Culture Classes

November: Madishes and Planning

Siletz (Community Center)-Monday, November 6 at 6 pm

Portland Area Office -Thursday, November 9 at 6 pm

Eugene Area Office-Monday, November 13 at 6 pm

Salem Area Office-Thursday, November 16 at 6 pm

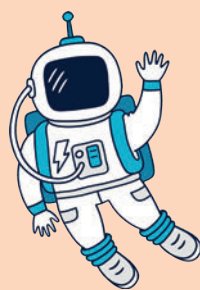
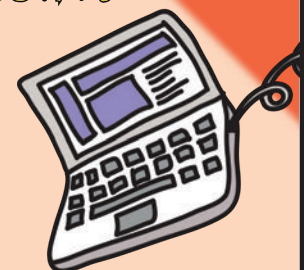
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November 1 at 6 pm: Fall Foods

November 29 at 6 pm: Nee-dash



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December: Nee-dash 'vm-nith-ts'it (Learning Feather Dance

Come and learn our traditional dances. Both sessions open to all:
Valley (Salem Area Office): Tuesday, December 5 at 6 pm
Siletz (Community Center): Wednesday, December 6 at 6 pm

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Most Often Requested Numbers

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

Arneva C. Pyle – 1935-2023

Arneva was born in Siletz, Ore., to Charles and Helen (Nellie) Orton on Sept. 9, 1935. She married her husband, Doyle (Bud) Pyle, in 1951. She passed on Oct. 6, 2023.

She is survived by her daughters, Debi (Mike) Wagner of Ferndale, Wash., Judy (Ian) Ashdown of San Clemente, Calif., and Wendy (Rory) Swedelius of Ferndale. She is also survived by eight grandchildren: Kim, Stacey, Michael, Erin, Leslee, Ed, Jessica and Olivia; and 12 great-grandchildren, with her 13th due in 2024.

She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; sons, James (Jim) and Jeffery; and her brother and sister, Charles (Chuck) Orton and Willa Daugherty.

The most important thing in Arneva's life was her family. She was proud of and supported all of us. You would often find her playing ball outside with them or sitting around the table playing cards or board games.

Arneva had a great sense of humor, up until the end. She was known for making



beautiful crocheted afghans and made them for her family. She also loved all pets, especially Chihuahuas, and had several throughout the years.

She was a member of Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians and embraced her Native heritage.

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

Traditional fat facts for health: Good fats found in nature are best to consume

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

As part of my role as a consultant nutritionist to Siletz Tribal Head Start, I offer information for families. This segment focuses on information about fats, traditional uses and how to make healthy choices today. This topic returns from March 2014 and remains important, including mention of treating symptoms that I'm blue about.

Historically, traditional diets have varied in total fat intake. Amount often is determined by climate. People in colder climates, such as in the arctic, require higher fat intake.

The Salish Food Mound, as described by Drs. Korn and Ryser, comprises 33% leafy greens, berries and fruits; 45% meat, fish and fowl; 20% fats and fish oils; and 2% roots and sweets.

Salish peoples include the Siletz. Because the traditional diet is low in starch and leaves are not very filling, caloric needs are met primarily through proteins and fats.

There is a great deal of fear and conflicting interpretations around fat. Fats and oils are vital in nutrition. While total amount consumed is important, our primary focus in this article is about choosing healthy fats.

Traditional sources of healthy fats include bear fat, crab, herring, fish eggs, nuts and seeds, halibut, oolichan, salmon oil, seal oil and whale oil. Many of these sources have become rare or impossible to get.

Oolichan (smelt) oil is one of the most important foods of the Salish people. Major trade routes were known as The Oolichan Grease Trails, likely because as families traveled from the Pacific North-

west eastward to trade the precious oil, drops fell along the way.

The decline of oolichan has been a great concern. It is not only a favored condiment for dipping foods and binding dried fish or berry cakes for winter food, it is also very healing for the skin.

Oolichan oil is very high in DHA (docosahexaenoic acid) and EPA (eicosapentaenoic acid), which are used to treat diabetes, depression, post-traumatic stress disorder, addictions, auto-immune diseases, learning disorders and chronic pain. Can you believe it? Specific fats for depression, chronic pain and more?

A simplified way to look at which fats are healthy is to look toward nature. Oils that are found in nature, such as foods containing oils that are consumed or easily extracted, are natural and likely to be healthy when fresh. Fats that are highly processed, such as those extracted with solvents, heated to high temperatures or hydrogenated are not considered to be natural.

Trans fats occur during the hydrogenation process with a catalyst, whereby the position of the carbon changes and makes it unlike what is found in nature. The human body does not recognize trans fats.

Trans fats are associated with inflammation and coronary heart disease. These unhealthy fats are often hidden in baked goods, fried foods, cookies and snack foods.

Essential fatty acids, referred to as omega 3 and 6, are important for health and are found in fish, meats, nuts and seeds such as flax oil, evening primrose oil, borage oil, black currant and cattail. The term essential means we can only get it by consuming it. Our bodies cannot make them from other fats.

The modern American diet tends to be quite low in omega-3 fatty acids. Deficiency symptoms include weakened vision, learning and growth problems,

insulin resistance, poor immune function, inflammation, high blood pressure, allergies, dry skin and low energy. EPA and DHA are two types of omega 3s.

While omega 6 fatty acids are also essential, most Americans get too much in relation to omega 3s. It is probably best to focus on cold-water fish for Omega 3 fatty acids.

The problem of availability of traditional healthy fat sources brings the focus to nutritional equivalents that are found in our grocery markets and from other cultures. Good choices for cooking oils can include olive, grapeseed, safflower, sesame, coconut, palm and sunflower, plus unsalted butter.

It is extremely important to avoid rancid fats. Any of the already mentioned oils can become rancid, so keep in mind to treat them with care by storing them away from heat, light and air. Remember when using fats and oil, "smell" before using them. If they develop an "off" smell in storage, this is likely rancidity and can cause damage in your body.

As a special note, some Native cultures such as Inupiat or Inupiat prize aged or ripened oils, such as seal oil. My previous husband lived in bush Alaska many years and described some of the seal oil as having a very strong aroma (some might say stinky). He said the elders, especially, liked it that way.

My longing to taste seal oil never occurred as it is protected and can only be purchased by Natives. I understand it warms the body in cold temperatures and is therefore valuable to carry in winter conditions.

While I have a master's degree in food science and technology and training in lipid science, I need further study to understand the nuance of the traditional ways as I wonder whether it is fermentation, rancidity or putrefying that produces the stink.

Sometimes it takes many years of scientific research to explain traditional practices. New risks emerge, such as botulism, when traditional methods of fermenting meat or fish are modernized. This highlights the wisdom of traditional ways.

Also, there is nutritional importance for using raw fat, which preserves lipase, an enzyme. There is no evidence of heart or blood vessel disease in whole nations of people eating high fat foods when the fat is consumed in the raw state. This has been the case with the indigenous Inupiat on their high meat and fat diet. Once the fat is heated, the nutritional advantage is lost.

Please know that 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. We want to support your children and families.

Resources

Preventing & Treating Diabetes Naturally The Native Way by Leslie E. Korn, Ph. D., MPH and Rudolph C. Ryser, Ph.D., DayKeeper Press, Olympia, WA, 2009

Feeding the People Feeding the Spirit – Revitalizing Northwest Coastal Indian Food Culture, by Elise Krohn, Valerie Segrest and the Northwest Indian College, 2010

Plants That We Eat – From the Traditional Wisdom of the Inupait Elders of Northwest Alaska by Anore Jones, University of Alaska Press, 2010

<https://www.discovermagazine.com/health/this-aint-yo-mommas-muktuk-fermented-seal-flipper-botulism-being-cold-and-other-joys-of-arctic-living>



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Once you have your hearing evaluation and referral for hearing aids, you'll need to make a request for the Gatekeeping Review Committee to approve the first pair. Once approved, you will be sent an approval letter and a copy of the protocol for purchasing hearing aids. Hearing aids can be purchased every three years.

Contact PRC at 541-444-9677 for more information.

Siletz Salem Casino Project: Tribal Member Town Hall



**Note: This event is open to enrolled members
of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians.**

**Join us Thursday, November 9, 2023, from
6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Hee Hee Illahee RV Resort
Club House for a presentation and project
updates on the Siletz Salem Casino Project.**

- Learn about this unique opportunity to grow the economy and improve the lives of Siletz Tribal members.
- Get the latest information about the authorization timeline.
- Hear about the growing support in the Salem and Keizer Community.
- Sign up to advocate for the project!

Event Location: Hee Hee Illahee RV Resort
4751 Astoria St NE, Salem, OR 97305

Space is limited. RSVP at:
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If you have paid out of pocket for your prescriptions, Pequot can reimburse you up to \$500 for the calendar year. Please do not wait until the end of the year to send in receipts as there is no guarantee how far back Pequot will do reimbursements.

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Purchased/Referred Care

Email: siletzprc@ctsi.nsn.us

Website: www.ctsi.nsn.us

P.O. Box 320, Siletz, OR 97380

Toll-free: 800-628-5720; Local: 541-444-1236; Fax: 541-444-9645

If you would like to mail them yourself and avoid the PRC middleman, please email Selina Rilatos via selinar@ctsi.nsn.us to receive a Pequot reimbursement form by email or mail.

Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians

46th Annual Restoration Pow-Wow

Saturday, Nov. 18th, 2023

The Confederated Tribes of
Siletz Indians invites you to
our Annual 46th
Restoration Pow-Wow to
be held at:



Chinook Winds
CASINO RESORT

1777 NW 44th Street,
Lincoln City, OR.

**All Dancers and Drummers
Welcome**

Information:

Buddy Lane: BuddyL@ctsi.nsn.us
1-800-922-1399 ext. 1230 or 541-444-8230



Grand Entry at 6:00 PM

Whip Man
Jeff Williams

Whip Woman
Sonya Moody-Jurado

MC
Nick Sixkiller

*This is a family event; drugs and alcohol will not be tolerated.
The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians and Chinook Winds Casino Resort are
not responsible for injuries and lost or stolen items.*

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Shores office complex in Lincoln City in 2001 and opened the Logan Road RV Park in Lincoln City in 2004 and the Hee Hee Illahee RV Resort in Salem in 2006. It opened Siletz Market & Gas earlier this year. Tribal offices in Portland, Salem and Eugene are housed in Tribally owned buildings

The Tribe also played a lead role in opening Siletz Valley School in 2003 and Siletz Valley Early College Academy in 2006.

The Siletz Tribal Arts & Heritage Society (STAHS) was formed in 2011 as a nonprofit to enhance the Tribe's ability to develop the Siletz Tribal Cultural Center. It recently completed its \$2.5 million capital campaign to build the center and broke ground on it earlier this year. STAHS also helps the Tribe with acquiring object and archival collections.

The Tribe is also developing a property in Keizer, Ore., co-owned with the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde. The property, called Chemawa Station, is right on I-5 and currently includes a

7-11 Fueling and Convenience Store plus a Chick-fil-A. More tenants are slated to be developed in the near future.

Chinook Winds Casino in Lincoln City opened in May 1995. In 2004, the Siletz Tribe purchased the former Shilo Inn adjacent to the casino and opened Chinook Winds Casino Resort. Chinook Winds Golf Resort opened in 2005 when the Tribe purchased the former Lakeside Golf and Fitness Center in Lincoln City.

The combination of Tribal employees and those at Chinook Winds Casino Resort has made the Siletz Tribe the largest employer in Lincoln County.

The Siletz Tribe has honored its tradition of sharing within the community by distributing more than \$21.2 million through the Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund and other Tribal resources. Chinook Winds has donated more than \$6.5 million in cash and fundraising items since 1995. It also provides in-kind donations of convention space for various fundraisers as well as technical support, advertising and manpower for events.



Siletz Community

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**JOIN THE CARE PROGRAM FOR
NATIVE AMERICAN SEXUAL ASSAULT
AWARENESS MONTH.**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2023

4:00 - 7:00 PM

SILETZ TRIBAL COMMUNITY CENTER

Everyone is welcome

Snacks will be provided

Youth under 12 must be
accompanied by an adult

For more information or
any questions, please contact

Rachelle Endres at 541-444-
9638 or rachellee@ctsi.nsn.us

November is Native American Heritage Month. While we celebrate the diverse and vibrant cultures of Indigenous peoples in the Americas, it is also important that we take a look at the way a history of marginalization has uniquely impacted Native Americans' experiences with domestic and sexual violence. Here are the facts:

- Native Americans age 12 and older experience an average of 5,900 sexual assaults each year.
- Native Americans are 2.5 times more likely to experience sexual assault than all other races in the United States.
- More than one in three Native American women are raped in their lifetimes.
- 39% of Native American women are victims of domestic violence.
- Most of the intimate partner violence against Native American women is perpetrated by non-Native men.

These startling statistics are a breach of social equity and are reflective of a complex accumulation of multi-generational oppression. A history of genocide, dehumanization, forced assimilation and land seizure disrupted cultural norms and implanted seeds of trauma that were passed down from generation to generation. Adding to this trauma are the structural barriers that make access to supportive services difficult. Many Native American reservations are located in remote and isolated regions of the country, making it hard for law enforcement, social services and other supports to even reach survivors and perpetrators. Furthermore, as a result of the 1978 Oliphant vs. Suquamish Supreme Court decision, Tribal courts did not have the legal authority to prosecute non-Native people who committed crimes. Because much of the sexual and domestic violence experienced by Native Americans was perpetrated by non-Natives, many such crimes saw no legal consequences. These are just a few reasons that contribute to the alarming rates at which Native Americans experience sexual and domestic violence.

Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month

Jamie Boe, Community Health Advocate - EAO

As we age, it's normal to become forgetful every once in a while. It's important to know the difference between normal forgetfulness and more serious cognitive problems. The best way to know is to speak with your doctor to determine if your ability to think clearly and learn are normal symptoms of MCI (mild cognitive impairment) or something more severe, like Alzheimer's. There are many different types of dementia and many different conditions that cause them. Alzheimer's accounts for the majority of dementia diagnoses at 60-80%. Dementia is not a normal part of aging and is caused by damage to brain cells that gets progressively worse over time. It can affect thinking, feelings and behavior. While the biggest risk factor for Alzheimer's disease is age, with most cases in people over age 65, more than 200,000 Americans under age 65 are living with younger-onset Alzheimer's. Although there is no cure for Alzheimer's, if caught early enough the progression can sometimes be slowed down with medication. If you experience any of these early signs or symptoms, speak with your doctor right away.

Memory loss that disrupts daily life

Challenges in planning or solving problems

Difficulty completing familiar tasks

Confusion with time or place

Trouble understanding visual images and spatial relationships

New problems with words in speaking or writing

Misplacing things and losing the ability to retrace steps

Decreased or poor judgement

Withdrawal from work or social activities

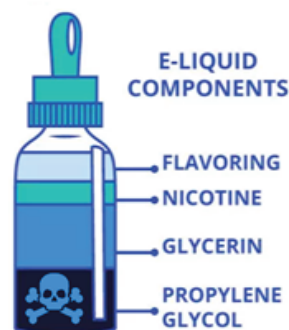
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For more information visit: <https://www.alz.org/> and <https://alzfdn.org/>

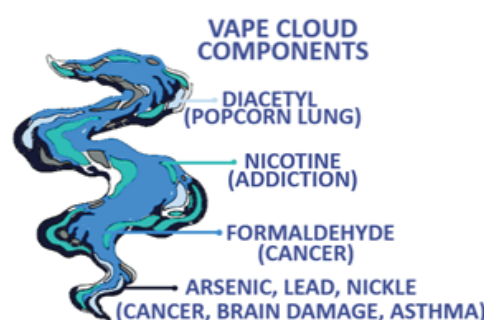
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Native Quit Line
1-800-quit-now and press "7"
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Everyone is Welcome to join us for

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November 1, 2023

5:30PM-7:00PM

*Siletz Community Center
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We will have a fun activity or two.

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*If you have any questions, comments or concerns please reach out to
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Fire Safety

Learn About Fires

- **Fire is FAST!** In less than 30 seconds, a small flame can turn into a major fire. It only takes minutes for thick black smoke to fill a house or for it to be engulfed in flames.
- **Fire is HOT!** Heat is more threatening than flames. Room temperatures in a fire can be 100 degrees at floor level and rise to 600 degrees at eye level. Inhaling this super-hot air will scorch your lungs and melt clothes to your skin.
- **Fire is DARK!** Fire starts bright, but quickly produces black smoke and complete darkness.
- **Fire is DEADLY!** Smoke and toxic gases kill more people than flames do. Fire produces poisonous gases that make you disoriented and drowsy.

Smoke Alarms

A working smoke alarm significantly increases your chances of surviving a deadly home fire.

- Replace batteries twice a year, unless you are using 10-year lithium batteries.
- Install smoke alarms on every level of your home, including the basement.
- Replace the entire smoke alarm unit every 10 years or according to manufacturer's instructions.
- Never disable a smoke alarm while cooking – it can be a deadly mistake.

Audible alarms are available for visually impaired people and smoke alarms with a vibrating pad or flashing light are available for the hearing impaired. For more information, go to <https://www.ready.gov/home-fires>.

ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER IS TO HAVE A FIRE ESCAPE PLAN. MAKE SURE ALL KIDS AND ADULTS KNOW WHERE TO MEET IF THERE IS A FIRE IN THE HOME.



Siletz Re-Entry Program

Admission Criteria: An enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe can qualify for this service if they have been incarcerated within the last ninety (90) days for more than thirty (30) days. This includes jail or other incarcerated settings such as halfway house or other medium, for more than thirty (30) days

Assistance with:

- Resume Building
- Obtaining Oregon ID/Oregon Drivers License
- Identify and Execute Goals
- SUD treatment referral
- Mental Health referral
- Limited Transportation

Contact:
Isaac Palomo
Re-Entry Mentor
Cell: 541-270-1403
Email: isaacp@ctsi.nsn.us
3160 Blossom Dr NE Ste 105
Salem, OR 97305

Contact:
Jess Ramsey
Re-Entry Coordinator
Cell: 541-819-4021
Email: jessr@ctsi.nsn.us
PO Box 320
Siletz, OR 97380

LAUNCHING OUR NEW PATIENT PORTAL

The Siletz Community Health Clinic has launched a new NextGen® Patient Portal that is easier to use, navigate, and has additional features for patients to utilize.

**The previous portal will only be accessible up until August 25th, when it will no longer be available.*

ABOUT

A patient portal is a personalized, secure website that enables you to manage healthcare interactions and communicate with your healthcare providers at any time. This convenient online connection puts you in control of your healthcare from any web enabled device.

HIPAA COMPLIANT & EASY TO ACCESS HEALTHCARE INFORMATION

REGISTRATION

Any SCHC staff member can give you access to the new portal, as long as you have a valid email address.

Once requested, you will just need to enter your DOB and zip code, then you will be instructed to create a password.

You will then be able to log in to the new patient portal.

REQUEST ACCESS



REGISTER ACCOUNT



VIEW PORTAL



FEATURES

Direct Messaging	Access to Health Records	Access to Visit Summaries
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Review, Download and Share Health Records	Access Minor Children's Accounts	Additional Feature to Be Added...

Forms are not currently available on the patient portal, but efforts are being made to complete that feature.

CTSI Jobs

Employment information available at ctsi.nsn.us

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

CTSI constantly is looking for temporary employees to cover vacancy, vacations, maternity leave and extended sick leave. If you are looking for temporary work that can last from 2-12 weeks, please submit an application for the temp pool.

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541-444-9611

Siletz Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation Program (STVRP)

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

Examples of Services

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

Spirituality

Intellectual & mind

Emotional

Physical

Siletz

Tribal

Voc.

Rehab



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

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

Tamra Russell
Self-Sufficiency Counselor 1
Portland Area Office
12790 SE Stark St., STE 102
Portland, OR 97233
503-238-1512, ext. 1411

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

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

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A Legend from Bobby Simmons

Submitted by Teresa Simmons on behalf of STAHS; originally printed in the Siletz Newsletter in September 1992

We all know Robert "Bobby" Simmons as a man who not only believes in the Siletz culture, but a man who lives it and shares it. Bobby is a multi-talented person: he's a silversmith, artist, wood carver and much more. Over the years he has taught Native languages and promoted the Native culture in many, many ways. Bobby has taken the time to write down

some of the Native legends. We would like to share with you.

Tenas-Man – The Littlest Eel Hooker

For many moons, Tenas-Man yearned to hold the eel poles of his grandfather and to hook the eels for his people, but he was always too small.

He would wait faithfully every year for the nights of the hot wind, when the eel ants began their flight. These were the times of the night eel. They would swim

from the ocean and up the rivers and streams to spawn, and he would be ready. Yet, he was told he was still too small.

His father and the elders would take him along every year for the purpose of building the fire, carrying the wood, and picking up the eels when the men would hook them and throw them on the bank for him to pick up and put them in a sack to take home. Again, he would wonder, "Why am I too small?"

Then one night when the summer wind blew and the elders were fast asleep, he went by himself to prove to himself and the Tribe that he wasn't too small. He took his father's lantern to see the eels at night where they swam. He took his grandfather's eel pole to hook them when they swam. All the while, his heart beat

fast. His father watched on, for he was also too small himself at one time.

As he hooked, he seen visions of wonder, how he would show the elders and his father that he was not too small. And all the while his father's smile grew wider, for he knew his son was still too small.

While dreaming of becoming a man, he reached out too far for an eel swimming on the other side and fell from the cliff to the ruffle below and thought to himself, "Maybe, just maybe, I am too small."

As he, Tenas-Man, reached up from the boiling water, a strong arm reached down and pulled him from the foam. Afraid, he looked up and wondered at the warm, knowing eyes of his father. He wondered also at his father's words when he said, "Next year, my son, you will be ready. And you will no longer be too small."

Hello Tribal Members,

Are you receiving your mail from the Tribe?



If not, you might need to update your address with the Enrollment Department.

You can obtain the Address & Contact Information form online or ask that we send it to you by email or U.S. Postal Service.

You can return this update form to us by:

Email: EnrollmentDepartment@ctsi.nsn.us

Fax: 541-444-8296

Mail: P.O. Box 549; Siletz, OR 97380-0549

If you have questions, you can call us at 541-444-8258. ~Thank you~

Siletz Tribal Veterans

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

SILETZ TRIBE REVOLVING CREDIT PROGRAM

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541-351-9152

WILDFIRE PREVENTION CREW

SAVING FORESTS, SAVING LIVES.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Community Services Consortium (CSC) is partnering with state and local agencies on fuels reduction and defensible space projects in Lincoln County.

CSC is recruiting a five person crew that will work under the supervision of a crew leader to perform fuels reduction work on selected sites. Participants do not need any prior experience, but should have an interest in forestry or natural resources work and a desire to work outside.

JOB DUTIES & ACTIVITIES

To participate in this program you must be 18-26 years of age.

- During this program participants will:
- Learn how to create defensible space around buildings including:
 - Removal of ladder fuels
 - Chipping and hauling of debris
 - Vegetation management.
 - Gain training and certifications in:
 - Wilderness First Aid
 - OSHA 10
 - Chainsaw Safety
 - NFPA Reducing Wildfire Risk to Property
 - Explore Forestry and Natural Resources Careers
 - Job search assistance
 - Job Talks with Professionals in the Field
 - Career Exploration



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In partnership with a caring community, we help people in the counties we serve to access tools and resources to overcome poverty and build brighter and more stable futures.

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Cultural burn at Camp Creek property

So proud of these ladies' support at Camp Creek burn! Jessica Douglas (above) is one to watch and worked hard for the Tribe bringing good fire back!
— Melanie Viles



Mitzi Brown (l) and Tonya Fawver

Courtesy photos

Google announces \$10 million grant to introduce 300,000 students to robotics, AI

From Suzanne DePoe, Test Engineer and Google Aboriginal and Indigenous Network – Leader, who has spent 12.5 years at Google

In addition to the funds in the article below, Google.org has given the Google Aboriginal and Indigenous Network and GAIN Leader Suzanne DePoe \$550,000 to deliver robotics and drones to Indigenous students.

In 2023, the Student Inclusion Programs and GAIN were able to secure funding for **Chemawa Indian School (Salem, Ore.)**, Todd County School District (Rosebud Reservation) and Heritage High School on the Tulalip Nation Reservation.

This grant will be dispersed over three years. It is focused on creating pockets of Indigenous students who can engage in robotics and drones on rural reservations and growing from there. The vision is to create a similar showcase as the White Mountain Apache, after engaging with Tribal and educational leaders to secure permission to engage students.

Google Inc has partnered with VEX Robotics and First Robotics, splitting the \$10 million between the two partners.

By Justin Steele, Director for the Americas, Google.org; originally posted Sept. 27, 2023 at Google.org announces \$10 million in grants for robotics and AI education (blog.google)

Google was created by two young people exploring the possibilities of the internet, the most advanced technology of their time. As we celebrate Google's 25th birthday, it's important that we support the next generation of curious minds and give back to the communities Google calls home.

Google.org is providing a total of \$10 million in grants to For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST) and the REC Foundation (RECF) to help 300,000 U.S. middle schoolers participate in robotics programs. These programs will introduce students to the latest technology, like AI, and prepare them for the jobs of tomorrow.

As a father of four, I'm constantly thinking about what I can do to help my daughters succeed. Recently, I was lucky enough to bring my daughter, Jaelyn, and 20 of her fellow middle schoolers from Oakland, Calif., to Mark Rober's CrunchLabs. Mark is a NASA engineer

turned YouTube creator who founded CrunchLabs to help young people "think like an engineer" through hands-on play with build-it-yourself STEM toys.

What Mark emphasized to the kids throughout the event, and what stuck with me, is that thinking like an engineer doesn't necessarily mean pursuing a certain degree or profession. It's about having relentless curiosity and believing you can solve whatever problem you put your mind to.

Tomorrow's jobs are full of possibilities. And what Mark, FIRST and RECF all understand is that by combining timeless skills – creative problem solving, communication and teamwork – with excitement for new ideas, concepts and technology, you're helping build resilient, creative young minds.

When I was a kid, that meant tinkering with the motorized engines in Capsela kits. Now, for Jaelyn, it means understanding how AI can help her engineer a better robot.

In addition to helping weave emerging technologies into their curricula, Google.org's grant funding will allow FIRST and RECF to better support their existing com-

munities and create new student teams across the U.S., including in every state where Google has an office or data center.

Knowing that opportunities to participate in robotics programs are not equally distributed, this grant funding will also help FIRST and RECF continue their efforts to connect with communities and students who have traditionally lacked access. In some states, that will mean a more concerted effort to reach rural communities, while in others it may mean outreach to students of color or non-native English speakers.

These grants build on our longtime support and passion for robotics. Over the years, Googlers have volunteered more than 22,000 hours of time to youth robotics nonprofits, created robotics-focused programs specifically designed for girls and lent their technical knowledge to help youth robotics teams build out new programming.

And this month, we're hosting dozens of volunteer events and inviting our employees to lend a hand with local clubs. If you want to join in, you can learn more about how to get involved with your local FIRST or RECF team.



Photos by Diane Rodriguez

Lillie Butler (left photo) and Rich Faber (right photo) participate in fire extinguisher training in front of the Siletz Rec Center on Oct. 6. Chris Cabanag, Newport manager with Valley Fire Control (right photo, at left), lit fires in a designated container to help people practice PASS – pull (the pin on the extinguisher), aim, squeeze and sweep (the base of the fire). Each participant in the training received a small fire extinguisher to take home.



McCord joins Independence Day celebration in Papua New Guinea

From Aaron McCord, Clinical Supervisor Operations – Emergency, Critical Care Flight Paramedic (HEMS), Ambulance Service

I am currently working in Papua New Guinea. On Sept. 16, the country celebrated its Independence Day and had a big celebration with cultural dancing. It was really amazing.

It's also amazing how much in common we have. Even some of beadwork and the elder tattoos are very similar. I know it's a big ocean between Oregon and PNG, but you have to think at some point back in antiquity there might have been some contact.



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.

For more holiday cooking safety information, visit

<https://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/home-fires/prevent-fires/cooking/index.html>.

Cook Safely!

Prevent Kitchen Fires



Did you know?

Cooking is the main cause of home fires and fire injuries. You can prevent cooking fires. Take these steps to keep your family safe!



✓ Stand by your pan:

If you leave the kitchen, turn the burner off.



✓ Watch what you are cooking:

Fires start when the heat is too high. If you see any smoke or the grease starts to boil, turn the burner off.



✓ Turn pot handles toward the back of the stove:

Then no one can bump them or pull them over.



✓ Keep a pan lid or baking sheet nearby:

Use it to cover the pan if it catches on fire. This will put out the fire.

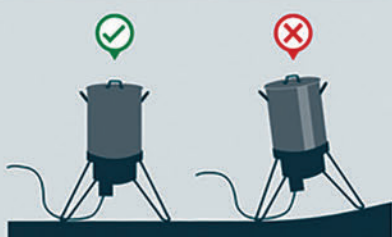
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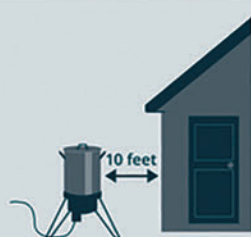
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Frying food puts you at the greatest risk of cooking fires. Before you fry a turkey, review these tips to keep you and your loved ones safe.



Turkey fryers can tip over easily, spilling hot cooking oil over a large area. Make sure your turkey fryer is on a sturdy, level surface and do not move it once it is in use.



Make sure it is at least 10 feet from your home and not under roof eaves.



An overfilled cooking pot will cause cooking oil to spill when the turkey is put in.

Test the amount of oil you need by filling your fryer with water. Place the turkey in the pot making sure the water doesn't get too close to the top. Measure the water and use that as a guide for filling the pot with oil.



A partially frozen turkey will cause cooking oil to splatter when you put it in the cooking pot.

Make sure your turkey is fully thawed without frost on it before you fry it.



Without thermostat controls, deep fryers can overheat oil to the point of starting a fire.

If your turkey fryer does not have a thermostat, use a kitchen thermometer that attaches to the side of the pot. This will help you monitor the temperature of the oil.



The sides of the cooking pot, lid and pot handles can get dangerously hot.

Always use protective oven mitts. Keep children and pets at least 3 feet from the turkey fryer.



Consider using an electric or air fryer.



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resources.

Historic ocean action: 3 federally recognized California Tribal nations declare first U.S. Indigenous Marine Stewardship Area of nearly 700 square miles

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – Three federally-recognized California Tribal Nations recently announced the Yurok-Tolowa-Dee-ni’ Indigenous Marine Stewardship Area (IMSA) – the first ocean protection area designated by Tribal governments in the United States.

The Resighini Tribe of Yurok People, Tolowa Dee-ni’ Nation and Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria each took action to protect nearly 700 square miles of their ancestral ocean and coastal territories and waters. This also will advance long-term Tribal stewardship and governance as well as Tribal and state co-management of critical ecosystems to protect and support cultural lifeways and economies while directly addressing climate impacts.

The Yurok-Tolowa-Dee-ni’ IMSA stretches from the Oregon/California border to just south of Trinidad in Humboldt County, about 290 miles north of San Francisco, and will directly help the state of California achieve its biodiversity and durable conservation goals by 2030.

This first IMSA in the U.S. and California is home to species of high cultural value to the Tribal nations including mussels, seaweed, kelp, clams, abalone, surf and night smelts, salmon, candlefish, green sturgeon, shorebirds and eels, or lamprey.

“We do not seek the permission of other governments and can no longer wait to act to preserve and protect this culturally and ecologically important place,” the three Tribes proclaimed in Tribal designation documents for the IMSA announced Sept. 22 from California’s state capitol on California Native American Day.

In June, the Tsawout First Nation in British Columbia declared an Indigenous Protected and Conserved Area (IPCA) for 155 square kilometers – approximately 60 square miles – of its territorial ocean waters in a substantive move for the reclamation of rights, lands and waters. Other successful Indigenous-led protected areas can be traced back decades globally.

The Yurok-Tolowa Dee-ni’ declaration protects more than 11 times the amount of ocean space as the Canadian example and together these consequential designations show the Indigenous sovereignty and leadership advancing the protection of 30 percent of waters and lands across North America by 2030.

The Resighini Tribe of Yurok People, Tolowa Dee-ni’ Nation and Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria each acknowledge the need to have direct participation in how their waters and lands are managed, as well as the future of their cultural resources and traditions associated with these sacred places as the climate crisis accelerates.

“This declaration is the culmination of years of hard work to protect our ocean and coastal waters. As Yurok people, we take our stewardship responsibilities very seriously and are proud to work with other sovereign Tribal governments to do the work we were meant to as Tribal people,” said Fawn C. Murphy, chairperson, of the Resighini Tribe of Yurok People. “We are so excited to be the leaders in this effort!”

The Yurok-Tolowa Dee-ni’ IMSA designation is the first such Tribal designation in U.S. history and it aims to safeguard an area under threats that include sea level rise and coastal erosion by enhancing Tribal stewardship and applying traditional ecological knowledge (TEK) across a range of important management needs facing the region such as, poor water quality, ocean acidification, species and habitat loss, offshore development, and other climate crisis impacts affecting the health of their communities.

The three Tribes are actively involved in several ongoing ocean and coastal research and species-monitoring projects.

“The intent of IMSAs is to recognize Tribal governance of unceded ocean and coastal waters through continued stewardship to support cultural lifeways and economies, to enhance biodiversity and to provide durable conservation measures designed to protect and restore

ocean health that are rooted in Indigenous traditional knowledge,” said Jeri Lynn Thompson, chairperson of the Tolowa Dee-ni’ Nation.

“A resilient marine ecosystem is essential for the well-being and protection of cultural and traditional species of importance to Trinidad Rancheria,” said Garth Sundberg, chairman of the Trinidad Rancheria. “Since time immemorial, we have honored the inherent balance and interconnectedness of ocean resources and coastal communities. Today, we celebrate this historic action with our partnering sovereign Tribal governments.”

The resolution reads, in part:

“Our Tribes hereby declare and designate the ocean and coastal territory from what is commonly known as the California-Oregon border (north) to Little River (south), mean high tide (east), and out three (3) nautical miles beyond the outermost islands, reefs and rocks, and including all waters between those and the coast (west), which encompasses to be the Yurok-Tolowa Dee-ni’ Indigenous Marine Stewardship Area or IMSA; and be it further resolved, these waters are also claimed by the State of California who, through its California Natural Resources Agency Pathways to 30x30: Accelerating Conservation of California’s Nature Report, support the concept of Indigenous Marine Stewardship.”

The Tribes also acknowledge there are other Tribal nations who share this ocean

space and have welcomed those Tribes to participate at any time in the future.

In April 2022, the California Natural Resources Agency released its Pathways to 30x30 California report that commits the state to strengthening partnerships with Tribes and specifically identifies IMSAs as a priority action.

The mission of the Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria is to preserve and promote our cultural and traditional beliefs; improve quality of life and self-sufficiency; uphold Tribal sovereignty; create positive partnerships; and protect the environment in order to provide a healthy community, honor our elders and guide our youth. Learn more at www.trinidad-rancheria.org.

The Resighini Rancheria Tribe of Yurok People exercises sovereignty and self-determination through stewarding our ancestral lands and waters and maintaining our Yurok traditions. We work to preserve our natural resources and promote the social, cultural, political and economic survival of our Tribe for future generations. Learn more at www.resighinirancheria.com.

The mission of the Tolowa Dee-ni’ Nation is to exert and protect the inherent sovereignty endowed upon the Tolowa Dee-ni’ Nation to promote our Tribal identity and the well-being of our people, community and environment by building a strong foundation, managing resources and perpetuating our cultural lifeways and legacy. Learn more at www.tolowa-nsn.gov.

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Siletz Tribal Student Incentives Program

If you have completed any of these milestones, please send a copy of your certificate or diploma to your area education specialist. The Siletz Tribal Student Incentive Program rewards student achievements as follows:

High School or GED	\$100
Adult Vocational Training	
One-year program	\$100
Two-year program	\$200
Higher Education	
Bachelor's Degree	Pendleton blanket plus \$75
Master's Degree	\$300
Doctorate Degree	Pendleton blanket plus \$300
Head Start/Preschool	\$10
Kindergarten	\$10
Elementary School	\$20
Middle School	\$50

Tribal Education Specialists

Portland Area Office: Katy Holland, 503-238-1512, 12790 SE Stark St., Suite 102, Portland, OR 97233

Salem Area Office: Sonya Moody-Jurado, 503-390-9494, 3160 Blossom Drive NE, Suite 105, Salem, OR 97305

Eugene Area Office: Candace Hill, 541-484-4234, 2468 W 11th Ave., Eugene, OR 97402

Siletz Area Office: Jeff Sweet, 541-444-8207, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549

General Council Meeting

Saturday, Nov. 4, 2023 • 1 p.m.
Tribal Community Center • Siletz, Oregon

Call to Order	Declaration for Tribal Council
Invocation	Tribal Member Concerns
Flag Salute	Chairman's Report
Roll Call	Announcements
Approval of Agenda	Adjourn
Approval of Minutes	
Minor Trust Report	Please note the General Council Meeting will be livestreamed through the Tribal website.
Tribal Council Committee Reports	

2024 Tribal Council Application

Application for names to be placed on the 2024 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. 15, 2023**. 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. 22, 2023**. 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. 15, 2023	Deadline to file for candidacy
4 p.m.	Dec. 15, 2023	Deadline to submit a photo and/or candidate's statement for inclusion in the Tribal Voter's Pamphlet
4 p.m.	Dec. 22, 2023	Deadline to withdraw in writing from the Tribal election
4 p.m.	Dec. 22, 2023	Certified Candidates List posted
Days of:	Dec. 26-27, 2023	Voter's Pamphlet mailed out
Days of:	Dec. 28-29, 2023	Absentee ballots mailed out
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Jan. 6, 2024(Tentative)	Candidates Fair – Location TBD
4 p.m.	Jan. 26, 2024	Deadline to request a mail-in ballot
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Feb. 3, 2024	In-person Voting – Tribal Elections, Tribal Community Center, Siletz
4 p.m.	Feb. 3, 2024	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. 15, 2023**.

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.

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



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

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

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Receive program updates; add parent insight & input;
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other JOM parents.

Meeting Location
On Zoom

Meeting Dates & Time
6:00 - 7:30 PM
November 8th
January 10th
April 10th

Contact Jeff Sweet, Siletz Area
Education Specialist, to sign up!

Jeff Sweet
JeffS@ctsi.nsn.us
541-444-8207

Siletz Tribal Youth Fall STREAM Kits

Register for a STREAM kit and
enhance your learning experience!

October

Deadline to submit your
application is October 16th
at 4:30 PM.

November

Deadline to submit your
application is November
13th at 4:30 PM.

December

Deadline to submit your
application is December
11th at 4:30 PM.

If you apply the previous month, you will not need to
apply for the following month(s).

Contact your Education Specialist for an application.

Katy Holland Portland Area KatyH@ctsi.nsn.us 503-238-1512	Sonya Moody-Jurado Salem Area SonyaMJ@ctsi.nsn.us 503-390-9494	Candace Hill Eugene Area CandaceH@ctsi.nsn.us 541-484-4234	Jeff Sweet Siletz Area JeffS@ctsi.nsn.us 541-444-8207	Raina Mason Out-of-Area RainaM@ctsi.nsn.us 541-444-8347
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Kits available on a first-come, first-served basis.
All enrolled Siletz Tribal youth between the ages of 3-18 are eligible.

2023-2024 CTSI College Information Nights

Sponsored by the
Education Department

6PM VIA ZOOM

Topics include: Financial Aid (FAFSA); Oregon Tribal
Student Grant; Tribal funding; Meet representatives from
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College Information Night II 01/25/24
@ 6PM via Zoom
<https://zoom.us/j/96048817766>

College Information Night III 04/25/24
@ 6PM via Zoom
<https://zoom.us/j/97441781453>

Contact an Education Specialist to Sign Up!

Jeff Sweet Siletz & Out-of-Area JeffS@ctsi.nsn.us	Katy Holland Portland & Washington KatyH@ctsi.nsn.us
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Website is one-stop shop for college grants

The Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) encourages
students and families preparing for college to go to [OregonStudentAid.gov](https://oregonstudentaid.gov) to
check out the more than 500 grant and scholarship opportunities.

It's a one-stop shop for information, including the Free Application for Fed-
eral Student Aid (FAFSA), Oregon Promise and the Oregon Opportunity Grant.

Thinking of attending college during the 2024-2025 Academic year? Here's what you need to know

✚ FAFSA Opens for Applications Oct. 1st
(at www.fafsa.ed.gov)

**If applying for Higher Education funds for the 2023-2024
academic year, students must complete their FAFSA by June 30th*

✚ Oregon Tribal Student Grant
<https://oregonstudentaid.gov/grants/oregon-tribal-student-grant/>
**If applying for Higher Education funds for the 2023-2024
academic year, students must complete this application by June 30th*

✚ CTSI Higher Education Grant Application Due June 30th
www.ctsi.nsn.us/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Higher-Education-Application.pdf

✚ CTSI Graduate Application Due June 30th
www.ctsi.nsn.us/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Graduate-Student-Application.pdf

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Date: June 10 — Aug 2, 2024

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- This program is open to students who are US citizens or permanent residents and identify as (or have a family/cultural connection with) Native American/Alaska Native peoples.
- Applicants must have at least one semester/term of undergraduate coursework remaining after participation in the program.
- No Minimum GPA required.

Applications are due by 5:00 pm (PST) on November 15, 2023. Visit our website via the link and QR code below for more information about the program and application process!

This program is funded by the National Science Foundation, and hosted by the Department of Linguistics, University of Oregon, which is located on Kalapuya Ilihi, the traditional homeland of the Kalapuya people.

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Scholarships

- Fastweb (scholarship search engine)
- Big Future (scholarship search engine)
- Pacific Northwest Scholarship Guide (scholarship search engine)
- OregonStudentAid.gov
- LasikPlus "My Vision" Essay Scholarship
Deadline: Nov. 30, 2023
- TCU Four Directions Scholars Program
Deadline: November 2023
- Touchmark Foundation Nursing Scholarship
Deadline: Dec. 30, 2023
- OppU Achievers Scholarship
Deadline: Dec. 31, 2023
- AIANTA Tourism & Hospitality Scholarship
Deadline: April 26, 2024
- LA Tutors Innovation in Education Scholarships
Deadline: 20th of each month
- Scholarship Points \$2,500 Scholarship
Deadline: Monthly
- Nitro College Scholarship
Deadline: Monthly
- Smart Owl Scholarship
Deadline: Monthly
- Be Bold \$25,000 Scholarship
Deadline: Monthly
- CollegExpress Monthly Scholarship
Deadline: Monthly
- Christian Connector \$2,500 Scholarship
Deadline: Quarterly
- Scholarship for Social Impact
Deadline: Rolling
- AIS Scholarship
Deadline: Varies
- Open Education Database Graduate and Ph.D. Scholarships
Deadline: Varies
- Tribal College/University Scholarships
Deadline: Ongoing
- American Indian Service Scholarships
Deadline: Ongoing
- American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) Scholarships
Deadline: Ongoing
- American Meteorological Society Minority Scholarships
Deadline: Ongoing
- Army Emergency Relief Scholarships
Deadline: Ongoing
- Catching the Dream Scholarships
Deadline: Ongoing
- College Board Scholarship
Deadline: Ongoing
- National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering
Deadline: Varies

Internships

- Cronin and Company
Deadline: Open
- Roku
Deadline: Multiple/Open
- Nike N7 Undergraduate Internship
Deadline: Multiple
- Nike Internships
Deadline: Multiple
- DMS Internships
Deadline: Ongoing
- Apple Business, Marketing and G&A Internships
Deadline: Multiple
- Amazon Undergraduate Program Internships
Deadline: Multiple
- Habitat Restoration Internship
Deadline: Various
- Meta (Facebook) Data Center Engineering Internships
Deadline: Various
- Public Lands Internship Program
Deadline: Various
- NOAA Internships
Deadline: Ongoing
- Code Switch Internship
Deadline: Various
- HP 3D Printing Engineering Intern
Deadline: Open until filled
- WOTE Agricultural Incubator Intern
Deadline: Various
- Saturday Academy Internships
Deadline: Multiple
- EPA Environ. Research/Bus. Support
Deadline: Multiple
- 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
- OMSI Internship
Deadline: Multiple

Other Opportunities

- Oregon Promise Grant
- Portland Community College Career Pathways Program
- UO Home Flight Scholars Program
- Oregon Tribal Student Grant
- UC Native American Opportunity Plan
- THRIVE Conference (Portland, Ore.)
June 24-28, 2024
- Fund for Women Journalists
Deadline: Rolling
- Fund for Indigenous Journalists
Deadline: Rolling

Important information for college-bound Tribal seniors

November

- Take SAT tests.
- Set up scholarship search profiles on websites.
- Check your school counseling office or ASPIRE center for scholarship info.
- Proofread and have someone else proofread all documents completed so far (scholarship essays, résumé, etc.).

December

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

Fellowships

- MBA Special Advisor Fellowship
Deadline: Ongoing
- Franklin Talent Exchange Program
Deadline: Ongoing
- NYT Local Investigations Fellowship
Deadline: Rolling
- Institute for Citizens and Scholars Fellowships
Deadline: Various
- American Indian Graduate Center
Deadline: Ongoing
- NOAA Fellowships
Deadline: Ongoing
- Master of Forest Resources Fellowships
Deadline: Open until filled
- NW NA Research Centers for Health Research Support Fellowship
Deadline: Rolling
- Northwestern University's Center for Native American and Indigenous Research Undergraduate Fellowships
Deadline: Rolling
- Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center Post-Doctoral Research Fellow
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- Claremont NA Fellowship
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Please Note:

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

Tribal Council Timesheets for September 2023

Frank Aspria – 9/1/23-9/30/23

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
4.25	4.25	1.25		.25	9/1-12	Email, packets
3.75	3.75				9/13	Housing Cmte, packets
.75	.75	.5			9/14	Reports, updates, email
3.25	3.25	.25			9/15	Regular TC, email
1.5	1.25	.5			9/16-21	Email, packets, updates
1.75	2	3.5	2.5		2	9/22-25 Special TC – gaming, STBC email/packets, email, reports
3.75	3.75	.5	2	.25	9/26-29	STBC mtg, econ dev, Whitener mtg, BIA mtg, reports, email

Loraine Y. Butler – 9/1/23-9/30/23

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
.75	.75				9/5	Culture Cmte
3.5	3.5				9/11-13	Packets
1	1				9/14	CPT
3	3				9/15	Regular TC
		3			9/20	Packets
		3			9/22	Special TC – gaming
5.25	5.25		2.5		5.25	9/25-28 DHS conference, Whitener Group, STBC mtg/packet, packets
1.5	1.5				9/29	Blue Stone

Sharon Edenfield – 9/1/23-9/30/23

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
9	9				12	9/12-14 Washington, D.C., packets
3	3				9/15	Regular TC
.75	.75				9/19	STRCP

Alfred Lane III – 9/1/23-9/30/23

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
9	9				25.5	9/11-14 Congressional mtgs, packets
3	3				9/15	Regular TC
10	10				8	9/17-20 ATNI
1.5	1.25				9/21	Audit Cmte, email, packets

Alfred Lane IV – 9/1/23-9/30/23

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
1	1				9/4	Natural Resources Cmte
10	10				25.5	9/11-14 Congressional mtgs, packets
3	3				9/15	Regular TC
1	1				9/21	Packets, email
		3.5			9/22	Special TC – gaming
1	1		1		9/26-28	STBC mtg, reading, email

Bonnie Petersen – 9/1/23-9/30/23

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
1.75	1.75				4	9/1-4 NAAC mtg, email, calls, reading
2	2				9/5	CEDARR, email, minutes, research
2.25	2.25				9/8	OHA mtg, email
2	2				9/11-12	City of Siletz mtg, SVS mtg, email
1.25	1.25				9/13	Housing Cmte, email, mtg prep
3.25	3.25				9/14-18	CPT, email, mtg prep
2.25	2.25	2			9/19-21	Email, mtg prep, edit annual rpt
.25	.25	3			1.5	9/22-24 Special TC – gaming, email
				1.5	9/25	Econ dev mtg, email
1.25	1.25		1.5		9/26	STBC mtg, interviews, email
3	3				9/27	Restoration Cmte, NPAIHB mtgs, OMB consultation, Whitener Group – Tribal Court, email
.75	.75				9/28	Interview assessment, email
.75	.75				9/29	White House briefing, email

Delores Pigsley – 9/1/23-9/30/23

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
4.75	4.75				9/1-6	Mail, agenda items
3.5	3.5				9	9/7-9 Elders Honor Day (Pendleton), mail
1	1				9/10	Mail, agenda items
9.5	9.5				21.5	9/11-14 Congressional mtgs, mail, mtg prep
3	3				4	9/15 Regular TC
.5	.5				9/16	Mail, agenda items
10.5	10.5				6	9/17-20 ATNI, mail
1	1				9/21	Audit Cmte, mail
3	3	.5			19	9/22-24 Special TC – gaming, Charles Wilkinson memorial, mail
2.75	2.75				9/25	Presentation, mail
.25	.25				9/26	STBC mtg, mail, agenda items
2	2				2.5	9/27 Restoration Cmte, Tribal Court wkshp, mail
3	3	.5			4	9/28-30 Budget Cmte, mail, agenda items

Angela Ramirez – 9/1/23-9/30/23

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
8.5	8.5				9/1-30	Email, packets
1	1				9/2	STAHS
.5	.5				9/12	SVS mtg
.5	.5				9/15	Regular TC
		3			9/17	Packets
.25	.5				9/18	Education Cmte
.25	.25	2	.5		9/22-25	Special TC – gaming, STBC packets, welcome at NWHF event
			1		9/26	STBC mtg
.25	.5				9/27	Whitener Group – Tribal Court

Selene Rilatos – 9/1/23-9/30/23

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
4	4				9/1-6	Email, packets, calls
4	4				2.5	9/7-12 HTT mtg, email, packets, calls
1	1				9/13	Housing Cmte, email
1.25	1.25				9/14	Packets, calls
3.5	3.5				9/15	Regular TC
1.25	1.25				2	9/16 Vets ceremony, email, packets
1.5	1.5				9/17-18	Email, packets, calls
3.75	3.75				9/19-21	NPAIHB mtg, email, packets, calls
2.5	2.5	3			9/22-23	Special TC – gaming, email, calls

CTSI Jobs – Tribal employment information is available at ctsinsn.us.

Tribal Council Email Addresses	
• Tribal Chairman: Delores Pigsley	dpigsley@msn.com
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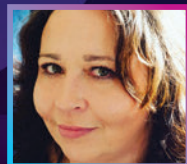
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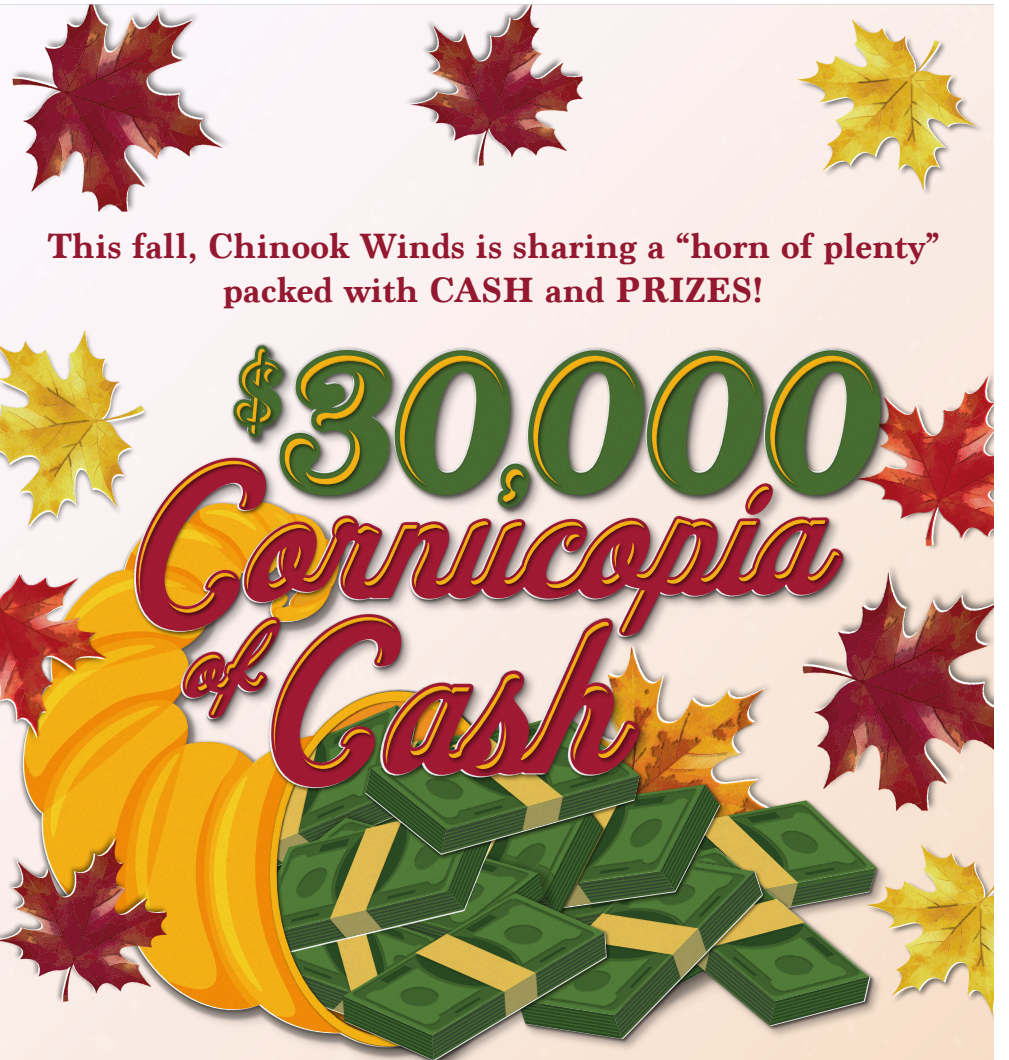
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Move Aside ad campaign for American Indian College Fund highlights potential of Tribal college graduates in the workplace; created by Portland ad firm

DENVER – At the heart of the American Indian College Fund’s latest PSA campaign, *Move Aside*, is the unwavering potential of Tribal college students.

Launching in October on Indigenous Peoples’ Day in partnership with Wieden+Kennedy Portland, the campaign shines a light on the growing number of American Indians with college degrees (more than 300,000) while centering on and celebrating the Indigenous experience.

W+K Creative Director Patty Orlando and creative team members Robin Maxkii and Brad Trost saw an opportunity to create something unapologetically Native – by subverting the formal and outdated everyday symbolism and language of corporate America and breaking Tribal stereotypes. Directed by Erica Tremblay of the Seneca-Cayuga (most notably known for her film, *Fancy Dance*), the ad is based on the simple concept of bringing to life a cover letter where we witness a Native graduate (her character played by *Reservation Dogs*’ Elva Guerra) preparing to take on her promising future ahead.

Guerra’s character explains that she has more than 20,000 years of experience and mentoring from the generations of Native elders’ hands who came before her. Tribal colleges helped her develop her skills; her culture helped her develop her knowledge; and in the final scene, she looks forward to taking this job opportunity – and other applicants can *Move Aside* – as seen in the ending tagline.

While creating the film, the W+K trio ensured every detail of the campaign was rooted in Native culture by present-

ing traditional elements in authentic and unexpected ways. The Indigenous crew, wardrobe, production design and props, and even the iconic muscle car symbolize freedom, happiness and confidence.

“The campaign line is *Move Aside* and that is what we tried to do. Rather than working in our usual way, we engaged an up-and-coming director from *Reservation Dogs*, Erica Tremblay,” Orlando said. “From there things just fell into place as she brought in Indigenous crew partners and actress, Elva Guerra, from Oklahoma. The shoot took on a life of its own, with Erica calling out crew calls in her native Iroquoian language. I think you can feel all these decisions and intentions in the finished work.”

In addition to being used by the College Fund to promote Tribal education awareness and the great potential of its graduates, the *Move Aside* campaign will also be used by Tribal colleges and universities to promote and market their institutions to their surrounding communities.

Beyond the film, the campaign also has extensions in social media, online banner advertisements, and out-of-home advertising placements in Times Square and on a billboard on the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade route to show employers the promising prospects graduating from Tribal colleges.

“I’m a former Tribal college student and remember applying for a College Fund scholarship after seeing a campaign poster in the hallway at school – and now I get to work on those very campaigns,” said Maxkii. “I don’t think I have fought

harder for any creative the way that I fight for Indigenous work because I know the impact this work has had and will have. As an Indigenous kid, it meant so much to me to see myself reflected in something – so I strive to continue to do the same by continuing to create authentic and dynamic Indigenous representation into my own work today.”

The launch of this campaign coincides with the two-year anniversary of W+K co-founder and longtime College Fund friend and ally David Kennedy’s passing. After nearly 35 years of partnership, the *Move Aside* campaign is the first work that Kennedy has not played an active role in since the start of the relationship.

While on set, Orlando and Jeff Selis, producer, marveled at how Kennedy would have loved this work and how his legacy lives on.

Cheryl Crazy Bull, president and CEO of the American Indian College Fund, said, “The arts and stories that are embodied in the *Move Aside* campaign are so reflective of the joyful and inclusive way that Native people engage with education and opportunity. Once again, the College Fund, with our great allies at W+K and our deep relationships with Native artists and actors, demonstrates through film that we are here to offer our knowledge and talents for a better society.”

Current and future American Indian college students can learn how to apply for scholarships at <https://collegefund.org/students/scholarships/>.

Tribal colleges and universities can contact the American Indian College Fund at 303-426-8900 to receive campaign materials.

About the American Indian College Fund

The American Indian College Fund has been the nation’s largest charity supporting Native higher education for 34 years. The College Fund believes “Education is the answer” and provided \$17.4 million in scholarships and other direct student support to American Indian students in 2022-23.

Since its founding in 1989, the College Fund has provided more than \$319 million in scholarships, programs, community, and Tribal college support. The College Fund also supports a variety of academic and support programs at the nation’s 35 accredited Tribal colleges and universities, which are located on or near Indian reservations, ensuring students have the tools to graduate and succeed in their careers.

The College Fund consistently receives top ratings from independent charity evaluators and is one of the nation’s top 100 charities named to the Better Business Bureau’s Wise Giving Alliance. For more information about the American Indian College Fund, please visit www.collegefund.org.

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Are you being evicted or facing homelessness?

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Have received shut-off notice for utilities (electric, water, sewer)

Native American

Enrolled Siletz Tribal member or enrolled in a federally recognized Indian Tribe and reside in the CTSI service area.

Exhausted All Resources

You have utilized all other funding resources, i.e., Housing Department, LIHEAP, and other community agencies.

100% of Federal Poverty Level

Not sure what your poverty level is? Call one of the area offices.

Taking Action

CTSI Area Offices

Siletz Administration Office: Jamie (541) 444-8266
Salem Area Office: Angelica (503) 390-9494
Portland Area Office: Anna (503) 238-1512
Eugene Area Office: Jen (541) 484-4234

Other criteria may apply

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Tribal nations stand with Bad River Band to eject Enbridge from reservation

CHICAGO – On Oct. 18, 2023, 27 Tribal nations and four Tribal organizations filed an amicus brief with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 7th Circuit outlining the U.S. trespass laws that protect the inherent sovereignty of Tribal nations and their lands from corporate land grabs.

The friend-of-the-court brief supports the Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians’ (Bad River Band) battle to eject the trespassing corporation Enbridge Energy Inc. and remove the Line 5 crude oil pipeline from the band’s reservation located in Northern Wisconsin along the shores of Lake Superior.

“No right-of-way means no right to operate on Tribal land, just like on any other type of land holding in the United States,” said Bay Mills Indian Community President Whitney Gravelle. “As sovereign governments and landowners, it is the absolute right of every Tribal nation to expel any entity operating on their lands without consent.”

In 2013, Enbridge’s right-of-way with the Bad River Band to operate the Line 5 pipeline through the Bad River Reservation expired. Despite the Bad River Band refusing to renew the right-of-way, the Canadian oil and gas giant continues to operate the pipeline and refuses to leave the reservation.

In June 2023, the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin ruled that Enbridge is consciously and willfully trespassing on the Bad River Band’s reservation.

The court ordered Enbridge to decommission the portions of the Line 5 oil and gas network the corporation operates without a right-of-way on Tribal lands. Enbridge appealed that decision to the 7th Circuit and the Tribal amicus brief supports the Bad River Band’s right to evict the trespasser.

“A foreign corporation that makes billions of dollars a year is asking the U.S. courts to also ignore its ongoing trespass and allow it to trample over the rights of sovereign Tribal nations in the name of profit,” said Native American Rights Fund (NARF) Staff Attorney Wesley James Furlong.

The amicus brief advocates for the sovereign rights of Tribal nations to expel trespassers from their lands and demonstrates how Enbridge’s trespass perpetuates the tragic history of stealing Native lands. The legal filing explains how U.S. courts could end corporate land grabs by upholding the inherent sovereign authority of Tribal nations to expel trespassers from their lands. NARF drafted the brief on behalf of the 27 Tribal nations and four organizations.

“Tribal nations certainly can evict and eject trespassers like Enbridge who operate illegally on Tribal lands without permission. The appeal court’s decision in this case will affect the rights that all Tribal nations have to protect themselves from corporate land grabs,” said Furlong.

The 27 Tribal nations and four organizations who submitted the amicus brief include:

1. Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians
2. Barona Band of Mission Indians
3. Bay Mills Indian Community
4. Chippewa Cree Tribe
5. Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
6. Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians
7. Jamul Indian Village of California
8. Keweenaw Bay Indian Community
9. Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians
10. Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe
11. Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
12. Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
13. Lower Sioux Indian Community of the State of Minnesota
14. Muscogee (Creek) Nation
15. Navajo Nation
16. Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi
17. Oneida Nation
18. Pueblo of Isleta
19. Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians
20. Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan
21. San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe
22. Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation
23. St. Croix Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin
24. Stockbridge-Munsee Community
25. Suquamish Indian Tribe of the Port Madison Reservation
26. Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians
27. White Earth Band of Ojibwe
28. California Tribal Chairpersons’ Association
29. Coalition of Large Tribes
30. National Congress of American Indians
31. United South and Eastern Tribes Sovereignty Protection Fund Inc.

The amicus brief is available at <https://www.narf.org/nill/documents/20231018bad-river-enbridge-tribal-amicus.pdf>.

About NARF

The Native American Rights Fund is a nonprofit 501c(3) organization focused on applying existing laws and treaties to guarantee that federal and state governments live up to their legal obligations to Native Americans.

Since 1970, NARF has provided specialized legal assistance to Indian Tribes, organizations and individuals nationwide to assert and defend the most important Native rights. In hundreds of major cases, NARF has achieved significant results in critical areas such as Tribal sovereignty, treaty rights, natural resource protection, voting rights and Indian education.

Like us on Facebook and follow us on LinkedIn and Twitter (@NDNrights) to learn about the latest fights to promote justice and protect Native American rights.

To the editor:

The truthfulness of the following statement (made by me in the October issue) was recently questioned: Some on the Siletz Tribal Council (TC) are helping to block the federal recognition of the Chinook Indian Nation (CIN). I have reviewed my statement and stand by its accuracy.

Two documents demonstrate my statement’s truthfulness: 4/7/2023 TC Resolution and 5/1/2023 letter sent to Oregon and Washington members of Congress by Chairman Pigsley.

Siletz support for CIN expressed in these documents is conditional. For example, the phrase Siletz “would like to support CIN’s recognition efforts if possible” appears in the Resolution. This is not a statement of support – it’s a statement of potential support. The Resolution’s lack of support is most clearly demonstrated in the following words:

“the Siletz Tribe Council can tentatively support the recognition efforts of the CIN so long as CIN restricts its claims of territory including but not limited to establishment of a reservation, tribal successorship and membership north of the Columbia River where CIN’s primary claims lie.”

Because CIN is situated on both sides of the Columbia River at its mouth and because two of CIN’s constituent Tribes – the Clatsop Tribe and the Kathlamet Tribe – are located in present-day Oregon, the statement above amounts to a partial denial of the existence of CIN. Such a partial denial of CIN’s past and current existence enacted as part of a TC resolution helps to impede CIN federal recognition efforts.

Chairman Pigsley’s letter offers more of the same. For example, she writes that the “Siletz Tribe would like to support the legislative efforts of CIN if possible” and the concluding paragraph includes these words: “The Siletz Tribe would like to be able to support appropriate CIN federal recognition” and the “Siletz Tribe may be able to support potential CIN federal recognition.” Expressions of potential support clearly communicate lack of present support and help to stall CIN federal recognition.

The letter repeats demands that CIN abandon two of its five constituent Tribes:

“The CIN is primarily a group descended from tribes and bands located north of the Columbia River and CIN jurisdiction and territory, including establishment of any reservation, should be limited to that geographic area.”

Making unworkable demands helps stall CIN restoration.

To be fair, Chairman Pigsley in a September TC meeting informed me that a U.S. congressional staffer had told her that Siletz is not blocking CIN restoration. This, of course, contradicts my statement. And yet I found it unwise (and still do) to allow an opinion expressed by a single congressional staffer to outweigh substantial evidence before my own eyes in the form of several apparently un-retracted statements written and signed by Chairman Pigsley and other TC members themselves.

Drew Viles

Need Rental Housing?

The Siletz Tribal Housing Department encourages you to apply for the Low-Income Rental Program waiting list in Siletz (1-4 bedrooms) and Lincoln City (2-3 bedrooms – Neachesna Village).

Applications can be obtained at any Tribal area office (Eugene, Salem, Portland, Siletz) or online from the Tribal website – cts.nsn.us; follow links – Tribal Services-Housing-Low Rent Apartments & Home Ownership.

For any questions, call 800-922-1399, ext. 1322, or 541-444-8322
Fax: 541-444- 8313

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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 chief executive officer of the Siletz Tribe is the editor-in-chief of *Siletz News*.

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Tribe seeks to update its record of Tribal veterans

It is important for the Tribe to keep a current updated record of our Siletz Tribal veterans. So often we are totally unaware of Siletz veterans who have served our nation, especially our younger veterans.

We are also trying to track how many Vietnam-era veterans have served and also how many were “boots on the ground.” I would appreciate it if you could help supply us with this much-needed information. Thank you!

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Information for Veterans

- A veteran or a family member whose veteran is enrolled in the VA only has 72 hours to report a non-emergency room hospital visit so as not to get billed.
- There is a new program for veterans called Veterans Appeal Improvement Modernization Act – for those veterans who have been waiting too long for their appeal to be

addressed. Again, this is a new program.

- For veterans who are enrolled into the VA system – you can also apply to join My Healthy Vet to have access to your local VA doctor, prescriptions, etc. This is a very useful tool.
- Also, some veterans have joined the EBenefits logon application to try and do their VA needs online, but first you must be eligible to apply for VA benefits. I’m here to help you in that VA enrollment process. It’s your choice to try EBenefits or let me assist you.
- The VA can be a very complex program and very trying to one’s patience – and I have experienced certain road blocks. So please give me a call and I will do everything within my means to make sure you can enroll in the VA system.
- Our VA presumes that spinal bifida in biological children of certain Vietnam-era veterans who were exposed to Agent Orange was caused by the veteran’s military service. Eligible children may receive VA benefits.

Contact Molina if you have questions on any of these items.



Happy Birthday to a very special lady! I don’t know if we tell you enough – you’re the rock in our family, the one who holds us all together (even if you’re super bossy)! Love you, Mom!

From Darcy, Lenny, Sunny and Bubby



Happy special day to this smiling full-of-spunk kid! We’re thankful and blessed to have you in our daily lives.

Love, Momma, Gabe, Sissy and Bubba

Dial 988

from any phone to get help.

If you need immediate help now,
Text **INDIGENOUS** to 741741.



Great Oregon Shakeout • Oct. 19, 2023

Several Tribal staff members participated in the Great Oregon Shakeout through the “Drop. Cover. Hold On” drill along with thousands of Oregonians throughout the state.

Emergency Management Specialist Randy Storms (with the “Yikes!” sign) coordinated a photo contest, which was won by Carter Mallaburn, IT user support tech II (right side, middle). Carter added text to his photo, which read: *IS will ensure there is no “DROP” in service. We’re “COVER”ing our vital organs while covering your vital services. So just “HOLD” on, we’re working on it.”*



Free child ID kits from the Oregon State Police

503-934-0188 or 800-282-7155;
child.idkits@state.or.us

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:

Oregon Public Benefits Hotline
800-520-5292
[Oregonlawhelp.org](https://oregonlawhelp.org).

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