



Restoration Pow-Wow
Nov. 16, 2019
Chinook Winds Casino Resort

Courtesy photo by Rachelle Endres

L to r: Bella Christensen, Alicia Keene, Tasha Rilatos, Shantel Hostler, Crystal Taylor and Lexi Christensen

See more photos on pages 9-11.

2020 CTSI Planning Department Community Meetings

Dates and Locations

Thursday, Jan. 9 – Eugene Area Office

Thursday, Jan. 16 – Siletz Tribal Community Center

Thursday, Jan. 23 – Salem Area Office

Thursday, Jan. 30 – Portland Area Office

General Schedule for Evening

5 p.m. – Mingle

5:15 p.m. – Welcome & Prayer

5:30 p.m. – Light Dinner

5:40 p.m. – Agenda

FEMA and Hazard Planning Update

2020 Census and the Tribal Complete Count

And more!

7 p.m. – Drawing, Open Discussion and Mingling!

For more information, contact the Planning Department at 541-444-8361 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1361; or 541-444-8127 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1127, for the Planning clerk.

Special instructions for completing Census 2020 questionnaire for Tribal members: Get ready to be counted

Census results are used to allocate seats and draw district lines for the U.S. House of Representatives, state legislatures and local boards; to target more than \$800 billion annually in federal assistance to states, localities and families; and to guide community decision making affecting schools, housing, health care services, business investments and much more.

Only one person in each household needs to respond. The only questions asked are:

The names of each person in the household; the total number in the house; their gender, their age and date of birth; relationship to each other; Hispanic, Latino or Spanish Origin; their race; do they live elsewhere; household owned or rented; and phone number (in case the Census Bureau needs to talk to you).

Your information is confidential and will only be released as an unidentified part of a much larger group.

The Census questionnaire will **not** ask about income, Social Security numbers, employment, food stamps, citizenship, tobacco or drug use, education, etc.

For households with members of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians

A Tribal member should be listed as Person 1. This ensures that the entire household will be credited as a Native American household. Below section 9. What is Person's 1's race?, place an X in the block next to "American Indian or Alaskan Native". In the area below that paragraph, write the "SILETZ Tribe" as the Tribal affiliation. Even those who are not enrolled but who have a Siletz ancestry should follow this guide.

If there is more than one Tribal member in the household, use the additional pages provided to record their information. Again, use an X in the block next to "American Indian or Alaskan Native". In the area below that paragraph, write the name "SILETZ Tribe".

Those who are not members of the Siletz Tribe but are American Indians should also place an X in the block next to "American Indian or Alaskan Native," but put the name of their Tribe in the blocks instead of the name Siletz.

Editor's note: The Chairman's Report will resume in a future issue of Siletz News.

American Indian College Fund announces new 2019 blanket

DENVER – The American Indian College Fund; Pendleton Woolen Mills, the acclaimed lifestyle brand headquartered in Portland, Ore.; and Nike N7 introduced a new shared-values blanket, 7 Generations, during Native American Heritage month in November.

Pendleton will contribute a portion of the sale proceeds to the American Indian College Fund, which helps Native people access higher education. Currently only 14% of American Indians and Alaska Natives have a college degree, less than half that of other groups.

The blanket, part of the Nike N7 line, was designed by Tracie Jackson (Diné), a fourth-generation artist from Star Mountain in Navajo Country, Ariz., and illustrates the past, present and future of the Navajo Nation. The College Fund is pleased to share the 7 Generations design with Nike N7 as an expression of mutual respect for American Indians.

The 7 Generations blanket design includes a central N7 motif, which represents the impact of each person (the diamond) on the three preceding generations before them and the three after them (represented by arrows). A storm pattern with zigzags of lightning honors heritage.

Squared corners echo the Four Sacred Mountains, surrounded by a dazzler design. Steps show the path to overcoming life's challenges. Jackson chose colors

inspired by traditional dyes, which also reflect the southwestern landscape.

7 Generations is available at Pendleton retail stores and on its website at pendleton-usa.com. Retail cost is \$319.

"The College Fund enjoys a wonderful spirit of collaboration with Pendleton and Nike. We are honored to recognize our shared community and commitment to indigenous people," said Cheryl Crazy Bull, College Fund president and CEO. "Pendleton support of the College Fund, through the 7 Generations blanket, is welcomed and appreciated. Proceeds from the sale of the College Fund blanket collection will provide scholarships for many students. We appreciate that support."

About Nike N7 Fund

Nike is committed to getting youth in American Indian and indigenous communities in North America moving so they can lead healthier, happier and more successful lives.

Through Nike's N7 Fund, we support organizations that provide sport and physical activity programming to youth in these communities. The N7 Fund helps them reach their greatest potential through play and sport, and creates more equal playing fields for all. Since 2009, the N7 Fund has awarded more than \$7.5 million in grants to 259 communities and organizations.

About Pendleton

Setting the standard for classic American style, Pendleton is a lifestyle brand recognized as a symbol of American heritage, authenticity and craftsmanship. With six generations of family ownership since 1863, the company recently celebrated 156 years of weaving fabrics in the Pacific Northwest.

Known for fabric innovation, Pendleton owns and operates two of America's remaining woolen mills, constantly updating them with state-of-the-art looms and eco-friendly technology. Inspired by its heritage, the company designs and produces apparel for men and women, blankets, home décor and gifts.

Pendleton is available through select retailers in the U.S., Canada, Europe, Japan, Korea and Australia; Pendleton stores; company catalogs; and direct-to-consumer channels, including the Pendleton website, pendleton-usa.com.

About American Indian College Fund

Founded in 1989, the College Fund has been the nation's largest charity supporting Native higher education for 30 years. The College Fund believes "Education is the answer" and provided \$7.72 million in scholarships to 3,900 American Indian students in 2018-19, with nearly 137,000 scholarships and community



Courtesy photo

7 Generations blanket designed by Tracie Jackson (Diné)

support totaling over \$208 million since its inception.

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. It 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 collegefund.org.

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Change of address: Tribal members – contact the Enrollment Department at 541-444-8258; 800-922-1399, ext. 1258; or enrollment@ctsi.nsn.us. All others – call the newspaper office.

Send information to:

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Siletz, OR 97380-0549

541-444-8291 or
800-922-1399, ext. 1291

Fax: 541-444-2307

Email: pias@ctsi.nsn.us

Deadline for the January issue is Dec. 10.

Submission of articles and photos is encouraged.

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



Member of the Native American Journalists Association

Elders Council Meeting

Dec. 14 • 1-4 p.m. • Chinook Winds Casino Resort

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

Nuu-wee-ya' (our words)

Introduction to the Athabaskan language

Open to Tribal members of all ages

Siletz

Siletz Tribal Community Center
Dec. 2 – 6-8 p.m.
Jan. 6 – 6-8 p.m.

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Jan. 7 – 6-8 p.m.

Portland

Portland Area Office
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Jan. 13 – 6-8 p.m.

Salem

Salem Area Office
Dec. 10 – 6-8 p.m.
Jan. 14 – 6-8 p.m.

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

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

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

Student Laptop Program

The Central Administration office is accepting applications for the Student Laptop Program. This program is specifically for Higher Education and AVT students who meet the following eligibility requirements and have not previously received a student laptop.

- ◇ Must be an enrolled Siletz Tribal member
- ◇ Must provide a copy of current-term class schedule of six credit hours or more
- ◇ Must provide an unofficial transcript/grade report of successful completion of two consecutive quarters/semesters (six credit hours or more) of Higher Education/AVT Program with a minimum 2.0 GPA
- ◇ Proof of residence is required.
- ◇ Applications are available on the Tribe's website or by contacting April Middaugh or Shantel Hostler at 800-922-1399 or direct at 541-444-8201 and 541-444-8200.

Childcare Assistance Program expands services

The CTSI Childcare Assistance Program has expanded the definition of an "Indian child" for the FY 2020 application.

We can now serve children who are under age 13 and live in the 11-county service area who are the descendent or dependent of an enrolled Siletz Tribal member. Parents must be working or enrolled in college or job training in order to be eligible for this program.

If you are interested in applying for the Childcare Assistance Program, call DeAnn Brown at 541-444-2450.

Census, continued from page 1

Person 1 is credited as the head of household and is important in the calculation of grants and other funding

for our programs for transportation, welfare and education, so it is vital that our members be fully counted as Siletz and American Indians.

Don't forget – jobs as Census Bureau workers are available! Apply online at 2020census.gov/jobs or call 855-JOB-2020.

Person 1

5. Please provide information for each person living here. If there is someone living here who pays the rent or owns this residence, start by listing him or her as Person 1. If the owner of the person who pays the rent does not live here, start by listing any adult living here as Person 1.

What is Person 1's name? Print name below:

First Name: _____ MI: _____

Last Name: _____

6. What is Person 1's sex? Mark ONE box.

Male Female

7. What is Person 1's age and what is Person 1's date of birth? Do not include the year 00. Do not write the age in months. Write 0 as the age.

Age on April 1, 2020: _____

Month: _____ Day: _____ Year of birth: _____

8. Is Person 1 of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

No, not of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin

Yes, Mexican, Mexican American, or Chicano

Yes, Puerto Rican

Yes, Cuban

Yes, another Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin – Print, for example, Salvadoran, Guatemalan, Colombian, Guatemalan, Salvadoran, etc. _____

9. What is Person 1's race? Mark one or more boxes AND print origins.

White – Print, for example, German, Irish, English, Italian, Lebanese, Egyptian, etc. _____

Black or African Am. – Print, for example, African American, Jamaican, Haitian, Nigerian, Ethiopian, Somali, etc. _____

American Indian or Alaska Native – Print name of enrolled or principal tribe(s), for example, Navajo Nation (Blackfeet Tribe, Mayan, Aztec, Native Village of Barrow, Inupiat Traditional Government, Nome Eskimo Community, etc. _____

Chinese

Vietnamese

Native Hawaiian

Filipino

Korean

Samoan

Japanese

Chamorro

Other Pacific Islander (Print or example, Tongan, Fijian, Marshallese, etc.) _____

Some other race – Print race or origin _____

CTSI Jobs

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

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

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.

Most Often Requested Numbers

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| 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 |

Website – www.ctsi.nsn.us

Culture Craft Night Nee-Dash 'vm-nitlh-ts'it (Feather Dance we are learning)



Come and learn to dance our traditional dances. The Feather Dance is handed down to us from our ancestors. Come and learn about our ancient dances and protocols. Tribal members and their families welcome.

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Culture Craft Nights Feather Tying Ch'ee-ta' yee-li'



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Siletz Tribal members of all ages are welcome. Young people under age 10 need an adult to accompany and assist them.

Come and learn how to tie feathers for regalia and other uses. The Siletz Culture Department will provide material and instructors. If you have your own feathers/project, please bring them.

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

Sponsored by the Education and Culture Departments

Make a Vegetarian Soup Mix for Gift-Giving Class

This class features a Soup Mix that is healthy, easy, and cost-effective way to spread some holiday cheer. Just select a few bags of your favorite beans, create a seasoning packet, divide them up and decorate.

You will go home with one jar, instructions and a recipe for doing this project at home!



Thursday, Dec. 19th - 5:30pm

Class is open to Siletz Tribal members and their families, one member per household please. Must pre-register

Please call Healthy Traditions to reserve your space. 541) 444-9627

Sponsored by: CTSI Community Health and Healthy Traditions

Natural Resources Updates

Remember to turn in your cultural salmon fishing report to the Natural Resources department. Each tribal member who reports a successful harvest is automatically entered in an incentive drawing for a Cabela's gift card. If you fill your first tag, you can get another salmon tag while supplies last. **The last day to fish the cultural salmon sites is December 16, 2019.**

The fishing incentive drawing will be held in January

In 2020 the **Lhuuke Illahee Fish Hatchery** will become the home of thousands of steelhead smolts for rearing and release into Rock Creek, a tributary of the Siletz River.

Contact the **Natural Resources department** **541-444-8227** to learn about this project and how to volunteer to help with the feeding and care of the smolts and future returns.



Siletz Community

What are Adverse Childhood Experiences?

Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) is a term used to describe all types of neglect, abuse, violence, or distressed family environments that children under the age of 18 may experience.

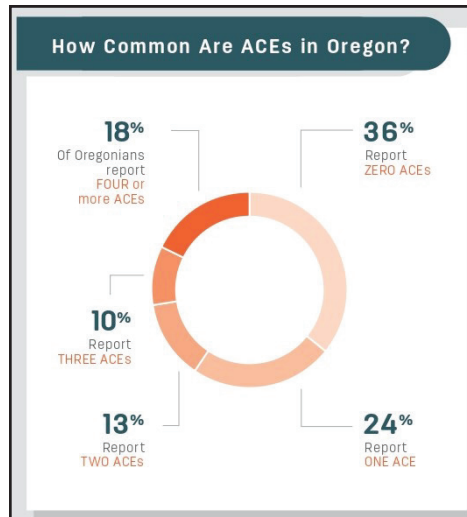
ACEs include:

- Abuse
 - physical
 - sexual
 - emotional
- Neglect
 - physical
 - emotional
- Household Dysfunction
 - mental illness
 - divorce
 - domestic violence
 - incarcerated relative
 - substance abuse

1 in 6 1 in 6 adults experienced four or more types of ACEs.

5 of 10 At least 5 of the top 10 leading causes of death are associated with ACEs.

44% Preventing ACEs could reduce the number of adults with depression by as much as 44%.



How do ACEs affect our lives?

Our childhood experiences have a tremendous lifelong impact on our health and the quality of our lives. The ACE study showed links between adverse childhood experiences and future risky behavior, psychological issues, and serious illness.

What can be done about ACEs?

Safe, stable, and nurturing relationships and environments are essential for the health and well being of children and families. Strategies that address the needs of children and families include:

- Home visiting to families with newborns
- Mental illness and substance abuse treatment programs
- Intimate partner violence prevention
- Sufficient economic supports for families with lower incomes
- Parent support program
- High quality child care
- Family friendly work

Events

Every Wednesday
Youth Game Night
Siletz Valley Library
4:00 - 6:00pm

December 4th
Women's Trauma Support Group
Behavioral Health Group Room
5:30 - 7pm

December 11th
Women's Talking Circle
Siletz Clinic - Yurt
5:30pm

December 18th
Letting Go Ceremony
Siletz Dance House
6pm

December 25th
Christmas Day
All Tribal Offices Closed

Tobacco's impact on early American history

The cultivation of tobacco in America led to many changes. During the 1700s tobacco was a very lucrative crop due to its high demand in Europe. The climate of the Chesapeake area in America lent itself very nicely to the cultivation of tobacco. The high European demand for tobacco led to a rise in the value of tobacco. The rise of value of tobacco accelerated the economic growth in America. The cultivation of tobacco as a cash crop in America marks the shift from a subsistence economy to an agrarian economy. Tobacco's desirability and value led to it being used as a currency in colonies. Tobacco was also backed by the gold standard which meant that there was an established conversion rate from tobacco to gold.

The increasing role of tobacco as a cash crop led to a shift in the labor force that would shape American life and politics up through the Civil war. In order to keep up with demand tobacco plantation owners had to abandon the traditional practice of indentured servitude in the Americas. In order to pursue maximum profits, the plantation owners turned to slavery to supply them with the cheap, fungible labor that they needed to keep up with increasing production.



Commercial Tobacco Quitline 1-800-QUIT-NOW

Health Department



Pathways to Healing

Emotional Trauma is a normal response to a deeply distressing or disturbing event. It can leave a person with feelings of helplessness or hopelessness. Trauma can diminish a person's sense of self and can have long lasting effects. A person who has experienced trauma may also experience depression, sleep disturbances, anxiety, panic attacks, flashbacks, shame, anger, trust issues, and many other conditions which can continue long after the initial traumatic event. While it may sometimes feel like trauma has no end, there are many pathways to healing. There are several options to choose from, some are simple and can be practiced at home, others are offered within the Siletz community or individually. Each person's path to wellness will look different and be unique to their own personal preferences and experiences. If you are looking for ways to heal or have someone in your life who is seeking healing, there are some great ideas below.

Get Out & Moving

- Exercise, specifically something rhythmic that engages both your arms and legs like walking, running, swimming, basketball or dancing.
- Deep breathing and gentle stretching can be relaxing
- Do something outside of your home that brings you joy and comfort
- Get involved in a cause you are passionate about
- Participate in social activities and events with people you feel safe with

Ceremony & Culture

- Connecting with culture and ceremony is an essential piece of healing
- Attend events and activities hosted by Tribal programs
- Practice or learn traditional arts and crafts
- Attend talking circles, sweats and ceremonies
- Get involved in language or dance classes
- Share your cultural knowledge or skills with others & help to pass on important traditions

Connection

- Reach out to your support system, connect with the people who love and care about you
- Connect with your community, get to know the people around you, find people who share your beliefs and interests
- Volunteering can be a great way to challenge the sense of helplessness that often accompanies trauma
- Reconnect with old friends
- Join a support group to talk with other people who have had similar experiences

Find a Professional

There are many options for professional help available at the Siletz Community Health Clinic, some of the options are:

- Reach out to a counselor for support and therapy options
- Speak with a healthcare provider
- Reach out to an Alcohol and Drug Counselor for assistance with substance use
- Contact the Medication Assisted Therapy Program to discuss options
- Contact the CARE Program for Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault services

541-444-1030

One great way to start the healing process is by letting go of something you have been holding on to. The CARE Program is hosting a **Letting Go Ceremony on December 18th** at the Siletz Dance House at 6pm. It will be a time to send off prayers and thoughts and start the new year off with a sense of renewal.



World AIDS Day

December 1st is World AIDS Day, an opportunity to work together to stop new HIV infections, support those affected by HIV, and remember those who have lost their lives to HIV related diseases.

Everyone has an HIV status, and knowing your HIV status will help you plan for the future. If you test negative for HIV, you can take steps to help you remain HIV negative. If you test positive for HIV, you can seek medical treatment earlier, gain access to HIV care, treatment, and support, as well as reduce the risk of transmitting to others.

Why Get Tested? To protect yourself and others. Learning your status and getting treatment early can help you stay healthy. You can have HIV and not know it. The only way to know for sure is to be tested.

Who Should Get Tested? HIV testing is recommended for everyone, regardless of age, gender, or risk. HIV testing should be as normal as getting a blood pressure check or cholesterol screening. Ask your doctor for an HIV test.

How is the Test Done? There are several different types of HIV tests that can be done using blood, oral fluid, or urine. Some tests take a few days to get the results. Rapid HIV tests can give you results in about 20 minutes.

You have the power to help stop the spread of HIV. Know Your Body. Know Your Status. To find an HIV testing site near you, visit www.hivtest.org or call the CDC's National STD/HIV Hotline at: 800-CDC-INFO (800-232-4636)



Know your status

6 out of 10 Oregonians don't know their HIV status

For a **FREE 15 minute HIV test** contact:
Francisca Rilatos
franciscar@ctsi.nsn.us
541-270-9643





I would like to congratulate my son, Amir, for making the Oregon Hall of Fame football team. He will be going to Ohio to compete against the best from around the country. He has worked so hard for this. Good luck, we are so proud!
Love you – Mom, Dad and family

Help make ‘A Place for the People’ a reality through payroll deduction

The Siletz Tribal Arts & Heritage Society (STAHS) has, for the past few years, been working to complete the long-held dream of a Cultural Center with a museum component, to be called “A Place for the People”, a reality for the Siletz people.

The architectural plans for the center, to be located on Government Hill, are complete and the STAHS board is now raising funds toward the actual construction. It’s a big undertaking, but one the STAHS board is committed to fulfill.

Now we are reaching out to our Tribal members and the community to seek out all funding possibilities available to see this project through to completion.

Tribal staff has the opportunity to share in this dream by assisting with the

building of the Cultural Center through a payroll deduction to the capital fund created by STAHS. Capital fund donations will be used exclusively for the construction of the building.

Payroll deduction forms will be available at the All-Staff Meeting/Holiday Gathering in December.

Please consider joining Denise Garrett, Natural Resources administrative assistant/STCCF board secretary, who is a sustaining member of Friends of STAHS. Since 2016, when it first became possible for Siletz Tribal employees to make regular payroll deductions to support STAHS, Garrett has contributed with each and every paycheck.

The very first member of the staff to lend support through payroll deduction,



Courtesy photo

Denise Garrett

Garrett says, “It’s easy. I don’t even miss my donation ... it’s just the cost of a couple of lattes.”



Courtesy photo left by Katy Holland, CTSI staff; courtesy photo right by Ken Rumbaugh, Portland Parks & Recreation



The Portland Parks Foundation and Portland Parks & Recreation held a ribbon-tying event on Oct. 27 to celebrate the Barbara Walker Crossing, the bridge connecting the Wildwood Trail over West Burnside Street. Tribal Council member Angela Ramirez helped welcome people to the event. Walker was an ardent supporter of parks and open spaces, and the walking and bike trails between them.

CTSI Jobs

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

477/SSP Siletz Tribal Home Visiting Program is coordinating monthly trainings/presentations on a variety of topics in all of our area offices. These are open to the community and anyone is welcome to join.

December 2019 – Presentation by the Siletz Housing Department, with an overview of programs and services.

10 a.m.-Noon – Light snacks will be provided

Dec. 2 – Portland Area Office

Dec. 3 – Salem Area Office

Dec. 4 – Eugene Area Office

Dec. 5 – Siletz Area Office (Housing conference room)

January 2020 – Presentation by Kathy Kentta with Healthy Traditions

1-3 p.m. – Light snacks will be provided

Jan. 7 – Eugene Area Office

Jan. 14 – Salem Area Office

Jan. 21 – Portland Area Office

Jan. 28 – Tribal Community Center

February 2020 – Presentation by Eli Grove on Emergency Preparedness

10 a.m.-Noon – Light snacks will be provided

Feb. 6 – Eugene Area Office

Feb. 13 – Portland Area Office

Feb. 20 – Salem Area Office

Feb. 27 – Tribal Community Center

Contact Jessica Hibler, 477/SSP coordinator, at 541-484-4234 if you have any questions.

Correction

From Drew Viles: My recent report in the Siletz News, October 2019 edition incorrectly identified the author of an article published in the Yaquina Bay News setting forth the supposed origins of the DePoe family name.

The actual author of that 4 May 1933 newspaper article was Joseph Patterson (son of Robert Wilson Patterson and Elisabeth Stewart Johnston Patterson) of Pittsburgh, Penn., not the more famous journalist, author and publisher Joseph Medill Patterson (son of Robert Wilson Patterson and Elinor Medill Patterson) of Chicago, Ill.



Funded Orthodontic Treatment Screening



The 2020 Funded Orthodontic Treatment Program is fast approaching! All interested parties should contact the dental department to schedule a screening. **The screening dates for this year are April 15 and May 20, 2020.**

The program and amount of accepted applicants will be dependent on the funding for the year. An additional screening date may be added if the need is great.

Applicants are selected by case severity, motivation of the patient and guardian, reliable transportation, routine dental check-ups and the oral hygiene history, to name a few. We want the best results possible for the patient and thus place emphasis on these items. The unbiased selection process is performed under the guidance of an orthodontic specialist and chosen through a committee.

This program is open to all ages who are PRC-eligible only. To be eligible for the 2020 program year, you must complete a screening appointment during one of the screening days. Each year’s selection process is independent from previous years and does not carry over. Selected and treated individuals can only be selected once for the duration of the program. All applicants will be notified by mail if they have been chosen.

Please contact the Siletz Dental Clinic, 541-444-9681, to schedule an appointment. Individuals who have been placed on the waiting list will receive a postcard notifying them to call and schedule an appointment.

2019 Restoration Celebration and Pow-Wow



Top two photos by Diane Rodriguez

Tribal Chairman Delores Pigsley and Vice Chairman Bud Lane (right) wrap Oregon Sen. Jeff Merkley in a Tribal Pendleton blanket following his speech at the Restoration Celebration.



Mark Van Norman (Cheyenne River Sioux), attorney and former executive director of the National Indian Gaming Association, speaks to attendees.

Photos by Andy Taylor

Below: Alicia Keene (left), Jazmyn Metcalf and Alice Keene
Right: Layla Harmon





Photos by Diane Rodriguez

Above: A dancer with a beautiful shawl

Below: Sophia Andaverde-Butler and Hazen Butler Hill

Below right: Darcy Jimenez and Winona Butler



Courtesy photo by Dona Lou James

Nick Sixkiller (left), Tony Molina, Alfred Lane Jr., Alan Fish, Kevin Goodell and John Roe Jr.



Photo by Andy Taylor

Chet Clark (left), Ed Ben, Carlos Calica, Ed Ben Jr., Raymond Ben and Bill DePoe





Photos by Andy Taylor

Above: Participants in the Red, Teal and Purple Dress Dance

Below: Rollie Rilatos

Photo by Diane Rodriguez

Jonathan Palomonis-Butler, carried by Logan Butler



Photo by Andy Taylor

Izaiah Fisher





Love Wins

LGBTQ and Two-Spirit Tribal members are invited to a celebration of love on Valentine's Day 2020. To tie the knot with your partner, call Hannah Glaser at 541-444-9613 or email at hannahg@ctsi.nsn.us

**2019/2020
Hunting * Fishing * Gathering
REPORTING INCENTIVES**

To all Siletz Tribal members:
Please report all harvests with your Tribal license of deer, elk, salmon and shellfish to the Natural Resources Dept. Once reported, the name on the Tribal tag/permit will be submitted into a drawing at the end of the season for one of the following *Cabela's gift cards*:

HUNTING INCENTIVES
(3 Drawn)


\$100 ~ \$75 ~ \$50


FISHING INCENTIVE
\$50 (1 Drawn)

SHELLFISH INCENTIVE
\$50 (1 Drawn)

Report all harvests to:
Mike Kennedy, 541-444-8232
mikek@ctsi.nsn.us
-OR-
Denise Garrett, 541-444-8227
deniseg@ctsi.nsn.us

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLICLY Posted from 11/21/2019 to 12/11/2019

Tribal Council Actions Affecting the Tribal Membership Roll

POSTING #307

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

On 11/14/2019, the Siletz Tribal Council by Tribal resolution made the following 60 actions affecting the Tribal membership roll. Contact the Enrollment Department for a copy of the Tribal resolution. This notice has been published on the Tribal website under the Enrollment Postings in the Tribal Member Area.

Enrollment Ordinance §2.304 (e)(6)

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

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

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

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

Siletz Tribal Court Rules and Procedures Ordinance §3.009(a) Time for Filing

Civil actions to review Tribal Council action, or other Tribal action, shall be presented to the court clerk in writing not more than 60 days after an action of the Tribal Council, or Tribal officials as specified in the Tribal code, is alleged to have violated the plaintiff's right or rights, or not more than 60 days after the alleged harm first manifested itself if such harm was not apparent on the date of the Tribal Council's, or other official's, action.

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

1. Removal from Roll – Deceased **Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval** **Tribal Council Decision: Approval** **Resolution #: 2019-383**

1. Donald Walter Bellinger 0060
2. Evajene R. Hamilton 0375
3. Elaine Jeanette Jackson-Butler 1571
4. Michael Morse Mann 2569
5. Deborah Jean Pirtle 1496
6. Rayna Beth Robertson 1310
7. Clifford Lee Tiedt 2319
8. Sheila Marie Warren 0985

2. Relinquishment – Adult

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval **Tribal Council Decision: Approval** **Resolution #: 2019-384**

1. Patrick Leonard Billie 4352-REL

3. Name Change

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval **Tribal Council Decision: Approval** **Resolution #: 2019-385**

1. Samantha Starr Gamboa 3774
2. Holly Lavon John 1718
3. Jessica Eugene Phillips 3578
4. Rachel Ann Severson 2451
5. Nawitka Chee-Chako Taylor 3731

4. Blood Quantum Correction: Jeanette Bauman **Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Rejection** **Tribal Council Decision: Reject** **Resolution #: 2019-386**

1. Anthony Jeronimo Tolentino 4500
2. Cecilia Doreen Tolentino 1820
3. Julian Elias Tolentino 5663

5. Blood Quantum Correction: Louis Youngman

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval **Tribal Council Decision: Approval** **Resolution #: 2019-387**

1. Camden Taylor Flock* Sr. 2768
2. Taylor Erin Pettit* 1211

6. Blood Quantum Correction: Robert Service

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval **Tribal Council Decision: Approval** **Resolution #: 2019-388**

1. Glendora Lee Osborn 0455

7. Blood Quantum Correction: Robert Riding In

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval **Tribal Council Decision: Approval** **Resolution #: 2019-389**

1. Holly Sue Jackson 3117

8. Blood Quantum Correction: Mary Goodell

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval **Tribal Council Decision: Approval** **Resolution #: 2019-390**

1. Dennis Calvin Holmes* 1105
2. Apolinar Robert Howell 4062
3. Felisha Ivonne Howell 4063
4. Joshley Donald Howell 4293

9. Blood Quantum Correction: Elmer Reed

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval **Tribal Council Decision: Approval** **Resolution #: 2019-391**

1. Eric Thomas Dixon 3140
2. Veronica Jean Poersch 0730
3. Anthony Charles Siniscal 4617

10. Blood Quantum Correction: Rachel Carson

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval **Tribal Council Decision: Approval** **Resolution #: 2019-392**

1. Glendora Lee Osborn 0455

11. Blood Quantum Correction: Doris Riding In

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval **Tribal Council Decision: Approval** **Resolution #: 2019-393**

1. Holly Sue Jackson 3117

12. Blood Quantum Correction: Donna Kessinger

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval **Tribal Council Decision: Approval** **Resolution #: 2019-394**

1. Harrison Rey Kessinger 5970
2. Troy Lynn Kessinger Jr. 2604
3. Troy Lynn Kessinger Sr. 1250

13. Blood Quantum Correction: Hoxie Simmons

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval **Tribal Council Decision: Approval** **Resolution #: 2019-395**

1. Jeffery Kindall Joseph Lee Sweet 2469

14. Application for Enrollment

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Rejection **Tribal Council Decision: Reject** **Resolution #: 2019-396**

1. Kendrick Trent Buckner

15. Application for Enrollment

Enrollment Committee Recommendation to Tribal Council: Approval **Tribal Council Decision: Approval** **Resolution #: 2019-397**

1. Easton Joseph Arndt 6370
2. Joseph Clarence Arndt 6371
3. Belva Jean Bell 6372
4. Larry Andrew Botswick Sr. 0103
5. Mercedes Lee Butler 6373
6. Amanda Tamar Cornette 6374
7. Tanner Dwayne Dahack-Herring 6375
8. Freya Danika-Ann Ferguson 6376
9. Camden Taylor Flock 6377
10. Colton Timothy Flock 6378
11. Aleta Su'tahu Morningstar Gonzalez 6379
12. Dewey Lee Goodell 6380
13. Raymond Lee Goodell 6381
14. Judy Lynn Greene 6382
15. Meraki Cha Mv Naa Ghaa McKnight 6383
16. Saphira Moon Milam 6384
17. Tialisa Loree Miller 6385
18. Grayson Lindsey Edward Mitchell 6386
19. Maliky Alton-Michael Mitchell 6387
20. Priscilla Ella Chanel Mitchell 6388
21. Grace Ann Morlan 6389
22. Rozalynn Marica Spencer 6390
23. Dane Jordan Sullivan 6391
24. Dymond Rae Sullivan 6392
25. Samantha Jane Zeine 6393

Natural Resources Department Contractors List

The Tribal Natural Resources Department periodically solicits bids from contractors for a variety of work.

If your company would like to be included on our lists to receive requests for bids/proposals for any of the services listed below, please contact Natural Resources Manager Mike Kennedy at 541-444-8232 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1232, to be put on the appropriate list.

- Tree Planting
- Precommercial Thinning
- Hazard Tree Removal/Tree Trimming
- Mechanical Brush Cutting
- Logging Road Construction/Maintenance
- Logging
- Log Hauling
- Timber Falling
- Herbicide Spraying
- Concrete Construction
- Statistical Analysis
- Macroinvertebrate Identification
- Water Quality Monitoring/Analysis



Forever in our hearts
Elizabeth Jane John
1946 ~ 2019

Elizabeth Jane John – 1946-2019

It is with deep sadness we announce the passing of a great woman. Liz's courageous battle with cancer ended on Oct. 25. She was in her home, surrounded by her family.

Liz was born Oct. 23, 1946, to Clark and Eva John in Toledo, Ore. She lived in the area throughout her life and Siletz is where she resided at the time of her passing.

For 25 years Liz worked in the fish processing industry on the Newport bayfront. She had been retired for the last 20 years.

Liz loved her family like no other, they are her rocks. She cherished time spent with her daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She loved spending her days beading, gardening and going to elders activities. She

also enjoyed her culture and participated in all things that kept her traditions alive. She was proud to be a Siletz Tribal member.

Liz had two very dear cousins/sisters, Kristi Martin-Bayya and Bonnie Petersen. Each one had a unique bond with Liz from weekend getaways to date nights. The three had many adventures throughout Liz's life.

She is survived by her brothers, David and Ron John, and sister, Josephine John; her two daughters, Anna and Delina

(Shane); four grandchildren, Darian, Daniel (Alondra), Zoey and Zaiden; two great-grandchildren, Amelia and Rayne; along with many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Clark and Eva; her brothers, Jr., Johnnie, LeRoy and Lyndsey; and her sister, Gylene.

A celebration of life was held Nov. 2 at the Siletz Tribal Community Center, with a potluck following.

For more information about the Siletz Tribal Arts and Heritage Society, visit siletzartsheritage.org.

Native purification ceremony at Waterfront Center

From the Edmonds (Wash.) Beacon; originally posted Sept. 26, 2019

More than 30 board members, friends and supporters gathered recently at the future site of the Edmonds Waterfront Center for a Native American purification and blessing ceremony. Chief William DePoe of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians conducted the ceremony.

"We wanted to pay tribute to the Coast Salish people who have been stewards of the region's land and Salish Sea for thousands of years," said Senior Center Executive Director Farrell Fleming. "Sometimes we forget that Edmonds' history did not start with George Brackett?"



Chief William DePoe of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians



Courtesy photos by Daniel Johnson

Diana White speaks with Chief William DePoe at the Native American purification and blessing ceremony.

Senior Center supporter Diana White – a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Tribe (and) Edmonds School Board president – introduced DePoe.

"I am so gratified that we are having this ritual here, at this place and this time," said White, who is running for a seat on the Edmonds City Council. "The new center will be full of happy memories, events and celebrations, and this cleansing ceremony sets the stage for safety, good luck and health for all that will happen here."

Following the traditional smudging ritual involving the burning of sage, DePoe looked to those gathered and said, "We are all new again."

He also spoke about how people are interconnected with all things – the environment, the past and the future.

The Edmonds Senior Center serves about 4,000 seniors a year with a range of programs and activities. During the year of construction, programs are being provided at 16 temporary locations throughout Edmonds.

The new Edmonds Waterfront Center will be built on the same site but will operate as a multi-generational activity center and will serve a much larger demographic in an expanded timeframe.

More than \$13 million has been raised toward the \$16 million goal.

2020 Tribal Council Application

Application for names to be placed on the 2020 ballot for candidates in the Siletz Tribal Council election

Name: _____ Roll # _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Telephone: _____

Email Address: _____

I understand I must be an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon and 18 years of age or older. This application must be filed with the Election Board by **4 p.m. on Dec. 13, 2019**. 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. 20, 2019**. 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.

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. 13, 2019**.

Candidate statements must be no longer than 750 words and must not be derogatory or contain personal attacks on any one individual. Statements and photos will appear in the Voter's Pamphlet. Photos will be included on the ballot. Mail your statement and photo to CTSI Election Board, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

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

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

Election Deadlines

4 p.m.	Dec. 13, 2019	Deadline to file for candidacy
4 p.m.	Dec. 13, 2019	Deadline to submit a photo and/or candidate's statement for inclusion in the Tribal Voter's Pamphlet
4 p.m.	Dec. 20, 2019	Deadline to withdraw in writing from Tribal election
4 p.m.	Dec. 20, 2019	Certified Candidate's List posted
Days of	Dec. 30-31, 2019	Absentee ballots mailed out/Voter's Pamphlet
9 a.m. – Noon	Jan. 11, 2020	Candidates Fair – Aces Bar & Grill, Lincoln City
4 p.m.	Jan. 24, 2020	Deadline to request a mail-in ballot
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Feb. 1, 2020	In-person Voting – Tribal Election, Tribal Community Center, Siletz
4 p.m.	Feb. 1, 2020	Deadline for returning absentee ballots

Contact the **Siletz Community Dental Clinic** if you experience dental pain or a dental emergency. Staff will do everything they can to see you as soon as possible.

Morning check-in time is Monday-Thursday from 8:15-8:45 a.m. and Friday from 9-9:30 a.m. Afternoon check-in time is Monday-Friday from 1:30-2 p.m.

Siletz Clinic: No-show optometry patients must use walk-in clinic

In the Siletz Clinic's Optometry Department, after one no-show patients will not be able to schedule appointments for six months.

Patients will have access to our walk-in clinic on the last Thursday of the month from 8:15 – 11:15 a.m.

Thursdays

Dec. 19

Jan. 30

Patients will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis.

Siletz Tribal Behavioral Health Programs

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

Siletz: 800-600-5599 or

541-444-8286

Eugene: 541-484-4234

Salem: 503-390-9494

Portland: 503-238-1512

Narcotics Anonymous Toll-Free Help Line – 877-233-4287

For information on Alcoholics Anonymous: aa-oregon.org

CEDARR

Community Efforts Demonstrating the Ability to Rebuild and Restore

Mission Statement

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



Dec. 4 • 6 p.m.

Siletz Tribal Community Center
402 NE Government Hill Drive

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 2020. All Siletz Tribal artists are encouraged to submit a pow-wow themed logo.

The winning logo artist will receive a cash prize of \$300 and a professional banner with your logo. The winning artist will have his/her logo highlighted on the 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 March 2, 2020.

Royalty Crown Proposals

The Pow-Wow Committee is now accepting proposals for 2020-2021 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 March 2, 2019.

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

If you have any questions, contact Buddy Lane at 800-922-1399, ext. 1230, or 541-444-8230.

Dental Walk-In Clinic

1. Dental and Optometry

a. First No-Show

Patient will receive a letter providing notice about the no-show appointment and their requirement to utilize the department's Walk-In Clinic for appointments. Walk-in availability is first-come, first-served. Patient will be required to utilize the Walk-In Clinic for six months, after which patient will be able to return to scheduling appointments.

The Dental Clinic will see walk-in patients every other Tuesday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. with check-in by 3:30 p.m. Patients will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis.

Services offered at the walk-in clinic include denture/partial adjustments and chairside relines, fillings, first step root canal, extractions and exams.

Walk-in dates

Dec. 10 and Dec. 24

Jan. 7 and Jan. 21

Excluded visit types: Partials, dentures, crowns, implants and hygiene appointments will need to be addressed during a regularly scheduled appointment with your primary dentist.



It takes **courage** to change. It takes **courage** to step up and help a friend.

Text **BRAVE** to 97779.

You'll receive videos, tips, and resources to fill your wellness toolbox.

We R Native is doing a study to evaluate a text messaging program for American Indian and Alaska Native teens and young adults (15-24 years old). The videos and text messages are designed to improve healthy relationships, mental health and wellness skills, and promote cultural pride and resilience.

- Are you American Indian or Alaska Native?
- Are you 15-24 years old?
- Can you receive text messages on your phone?

If you answered "yes" to these questions, we'd like your help!

To enroll, text BRAVE to 97779.

Participants will receive \$40 for completing 4 surveys over 9 months.

Questions? If you have questions, you can contact Stephanie Craig Rushing (email: scraig@npaihb.org).
We R Native Project Director, Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board

To protect participants: Our study protocol has been reviewed by the Portland Area (PA) Indian Health Services' (IHS) Institutional Review Board (IRB) [1384639], a Tribal committee responsible for protecting the rights and welfare of research participants and NW Tribal members. If you have any concerns about your rights as a participant, please contact Thomas Weiser, MD, MPH, at 877-664-0604. Dr. Weiser is co-chair of the PA IHS IRB that reviewed this project.



After-hours crisis line now available at 541-444-8286 or 800-600-5599

Because mental health and relapse crises do not always happen during business hours, Siletz Behavioral Health has arranged a collaboration with an after-hours crisis line called Lines for Life.

On weekends and during the weekday hours of 5 p.m. to 8 a.m., the number to the Behavioral Health front desk is forwarded to Lines for Life, where you will be connected with a live mental health counselor.

The counselor will do everything he/she can to help de-escalate, advise and support.

Afterwards, this information can be shared with our mental health counselor so follow-up care can be provided.

Of course, if there is an emergency and you fear that you or someone else is in imminent danger, please call 911. That's always the fastest way to get help.

Scholarships

- Fastweb (scholarship search engine)
- Big Future (scholarship search engine)
- Pacific Northwest Scholarship Guide (scholarship search engine)
- OregonStudentAid.gov
- AfterCollege STEM Inclusion Scholarship
Deadline: Dec. 31, 2019
- Daughters of the American Revolution American Indian Scholarship
Deadline: Feb. 15, 2020
- USDA/1890 National Scholars Program
Deadline: Jan. 31, 2020
- University of Idaho College of Natural Resources McCall Outdoor Science School Scholarships
Deadline: Rolling

Outside Scholarships for NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENTS

Cobell Scholarship

<http://cobellscholar.org/>

various scholarships available

*essay required

Open to descendants/enrolled members

American Indian Services

<https://www.americanindiandiservices.org/>

various scholarships available

*essay may be required

Open to descendants/enrolled members

American Indian College Fund

<http://www.collegefund.org/>

various scholarships available

*essay required

Open to descendants/enrolled members

Bureau of Indian Education

<http://www.bie.edu/ParentsStudents/Grants/>

various scholarships available

*essay may be required

Open to descendants/enrolled members

Native American Scholarship Fund

<http://catchingthedream.org/>

various scholarships available

*essay may be required

Open to descendants/enrolled members

Fellowships

- McGraw Fellowship for Business Journalism,
Deadline: Jan. 3, 2020
- John S. Knight Journalism Fellowships Class of 2021
Deadline: Jan. 30, 2020
- Oregon Sea Grant – Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship
Deadline: Feb. 7, 2020
- Tribal Researchers' Cancer Control Fellowship Program
Deadline: March 22, 2020
- NBC News Summer Fellows Program
Deadline: Ongoing
- Master of Forest Resources Fellowships
Deadline: Open until filled
- NW Native American Research Centers for Health Research Support Fellowship
Deadline: Rolling
- Northwestern University's Center for Native American and Indigenous Research Undergraduate Fellowships
Deadline: Rolling
- Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center Post-Doctoral Research Fellow
Deadline: Multiple

Internships

- The Native American Congressional Internship Program
Deadline: Jan. 31, 2010
- Code Switch Internship
Deadline: Various
- HP 3D Printing Engineering Intern
Deadline: Open until filled
- Pearson Packaging Systems Engineering Internship
Deadline: Open until filled
- Wisdom of the Elders Agricultural Incubator Internship
Deadline: Various
- Saturday Academy Internships
Deadline: Multiple
- EPA Environmental Research and Business Support Program
Deadline: Multiple
- National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates
Deadline: Multiple
- Indian Land Tenure Foundation
Deadline: Multiple
- Environmental Protection Agency
Deadline: Multiple

Other Opportunities

- Oregon Native Youth Conference
Dec. 7-8, 2019 • Portland, Ore.
- National Park Service Community Volunteer Ambassador Program
Deadline: Jan. 3, 2020
- National Park Service Tribal Stewards Inclusion Program
Deadline: Ongoing
- Center for Native American Youth at the Aspen Institute – Generation Indigenous Network Youth Ambassador
- National Youth Leadership Forum STEM Program Nomination Form
Deadline: Various
- The Student Conservation Association
- Northwest Youth Corps
- Saturday Academy - FREE Classes for Native American Students
- ON TRACK OHSU!
- Caldera Youth Program
- The SMART Competition

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

Important information for college-bound Tribal seniors

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).

January

- FAFSA forms can be submitted Jan. 1!
- Complete scholarships that are due.
- Check for Student Aid Report (SAR) on the FAFSA website several days after filing out the FAFSA).
- Request mid-year transcripts be sent to colleges to which you have applied.
- Request transcripts needed for OSAC scholarship application.
- Send thank you notes to people who have helped you.
- Students who plan to apply for Tribal assistance for college must apply for FAFSA by than Jan. 31 at fafsa.ed.gov.

February

- First semester grades and mid-year reports are sent to some colleges.
- Check your school counseling office or ASPIRE center for scholarship info.
- Complete scholarships.
- Check with colleges applied to for verification they have received all necessary documents. Continue to monitor status of submitted applications.
- Check to see if your mid-year transcripts have been sent to the schools to which you have applied.
- Wrap up any scholarship application, essays and activities chart (for OSAC). OSAC early bird deadline is in February.

Portland Street Art Alliance receives OCF grant for mural district in Central Eastside

PORTLAND, Ore. – The Portland Street Art Alliance has secured a competitive Oregon Community Foundation (OCF) Creative Heights grant to seed a new mural arts district in Portland's Central Eastside Industrial District (CEID).

For the fifth consecutive year, Creative Heights has funded innovative and impactful projects that take artists and arts organizations to new heights.

Founded in 2012 as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, the Portland Street Art Alliance (PSAA) has managed more than 100 commissioned and publicly funded projects across Portland. PSAA builds a community of street artists, documents the history of Portland street art, and advocates for artists and for greater inclusion and equity among art programs.

PSAA's mission is to cultivate a more democratic culture of artistic expression by activating public spaces and broadening perspectives to build a more engaged and diverse city.

CEID is an historic and unique industrial sanctuary. It has been a hub of

exchange for more than a century – home to the manufacturers, merchants and makers who built, fed and creatively engaged this city for more than 150 years.

This is all quickly changing – old warehouses are being renovated or torn down and new developments are going up. As a result, CEID is losing many of its historically accessible spaces for artists and grassroots creatives.

The goal of Viaduct Arts is to promote more inclusive engagement and access to public art-making.

This new district-wide Viaduct Arts initiative will begin in 2020 by painting murals along five-block sections beneath the Morrison-Belmont and Hawthorne-Madison Bridge Viaducts and several walls along Southeast Second and Third Avenues, connecting the two viaduct areas.

Viaduct Arts will not only contribute to the overall vibrancy of CEID, but also to the creative capital in all of Oregon by including and compensating artists from every corner of the state with a focus on those who are underserved. Central to the success

of this project is providing and preserving equitable access for artists across Oregon to push their creative limits and make their voices heard in urban public spaces.

The grant provides funding for ongoing graffiti art production walls as well as mentorship opportunities for Oregon-based artists from underrepresented communities (BIPOC+, LGBTQ, women, disabled, low SES, Tribal, farmworker, etc.). The OCF grant provides funding to support artists for their time and supplies, and for visiting artists, their travel and lodging as well.

A statewide call to artists is now open (viaductarts.org). Applications are due Dec. 20, 2019.

Viaduct Arts is supported by several community partners including the Central Eastside Industrial Council, the City of Portland's Office of Community & Civic Life, the Regional Arts & Culture Council, local businesses, property owners, and numerous regional art collectives.

Viaduct Arts aligns with several municipal and CEID goals, including public placemaking, maintaining acces-



Courtesy photo by Tiffany Conklin

sible spaces for local art, facade upgrades and increasing public safety. PSAA will network with local property and business owners to secure additional financial support and walls for murals.

If you own a property in the Central Eastside Industrial District and would like to donate your wall, or want to volunteer to assist PSAA with this community project, please send an email to info@pdxstreetart.org.

Tribal Council Timesheets for October 2019

Lillie Butler – 10/1/19-10/31/19

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
8.5	8.5					10/1-4 Packets
12.25	12.25				15.5	10/6-9 ATNI
		4				10/10 Packets
		5		2		10/11 Special TC – gaming
6.5	6.5					10/14-16 Packets
2.5	2.5				10	10/17-18 Regular TC
14	14				21	10/20-23 NCAI
1	1					10/24 Packets
3.25	3.25					10/25 Enrollment, Housing wkshp
7.5	7.5					10/28-31 Packets

Loraine Y. Butler – 10/1/19-10/31/19

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
10	10				16.5	10/6-9 ATNI
1.75	1.75	1				10/10-13 Packets
		5		1		10/14 Special TC – gaming
2	2					10/15-16 CPT, sign checks, packets
2.5	2.5				10	10/17-18 Regular TC
11.5	11.5				16.5	10/20-23 NCAI
1	1					10/24 Packets
3	3					10/25 Enrollment, Admin wkshp, Culture
4	4					10/28-31 Packets

Reggie Butler Sr. – 10/1/19-10/31/19

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
7.25	7.25					10/1-4 Packets, sign checks
12.5	12.5	3.5			15.5	10/6-10 ATNI
		5		2		10/11 Special TC – gaming
3.75	3.75	3.5				10/14-16 Packets
4	4				10	10/17-18 Regular TC, packets
13.75	13.75				21	10/20-23 NCAI
1.5	1.5					10/24 Packets
3.25	3.25					10/25 Enrollment, Housing wkshp
7.75	7.75					10/28-31 Packets, sign checks

Sharon Edenfield – 10/1/19-10/31/19

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
.5	.5					10/2 City of Siletz budget wkshp
.5	.5					10/3 Mtg w/ City of Siletz
		5		2		10/11 Special TC – gaming
1	1			2		10/15 STRCP
2.5	2.5				11	10/17-18 Regular TC
1.5	1.5					10/25 TC wkshp
1.75	1.75					10/29 Interviews, City of Siletz

Gloria Ingle – 10/1/19-10/31/19

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
.25	.25				1.5	10/3 Census welcome/prayer
.5	.5				.75	10/4 Interviews
3.75	3.5				1.5	10/6-7 STAHS, Health Comm
		5		.75		10/11 Special TC – gaming
.5	.5			9		10/14 Springfield, Philomath
2.5	2.5				12	10/17-19 Regular TC
.5	.25				.75	10/22 Sign checks
.25	.25			5		10/23 Tillamook watershed welcome/prayer
2.5	2.25				.75	10/24 Interviews
3.5	3.75				.75	10/25 Enrollment wkshp, Housing plan, clinic interviews
.5	.5				1.5	10/31 CW Superstar luncheon

Robert Kentta – 10/1/19-10/31/19

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
8	8				16	10/3-6 NNABA
		1				10/10 Packets
3.75	3.75				10.5	10/17-19 Regular TC
.5	.5					10/25 TC wkshps

Alfred Lane III – 10/1/19-10/31/19

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
		2			2	10/11 Special TC – gaming

Delores Pigsley – 10/1/19-10/31/19

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
3.25	3.25					10/1-3 Mail, agenda items
2.5	2.5					10/4-6 North Salem HS event, mail
8	8				11	10/7-9 ATNI, mail
1.25	1.25	.5				10/10 Mail, prep for council
		5			2.5	10/11 Special TC – gaming, STBC mail
2.25	2.25				4	10/12-13 Newport Performing Arts Center, mail, news article
5	5				2.5	10/14-16 Budget Comm, mail, prep for cncl
3	3				12	10/17-19 Regular TC, mail
5.5	5.75				13	10/20-23 NCAI
1.25	1.25					10/24 Mail, agenda items
3	3				4	10/25 Enrollment & admin wkshp, mail
.75	.75					10/26-27 Mail, agenda items
2.5	2.5				2.5	10/29-30 Restoration Comm, mail, prep for council
.5	.5	1			2.5	10/31 CW Superstar luncheon, mail

Angela Ramirez – 10/1/19-10/31/19

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
1.5	1.5	1.5				10/3-4 Email, packets
.75	.75					10/7 Health Comm
1.75	1.75					10/8-10 Sign checks, email, packets
		5			3.5	10/11 Special TC – gaming, casino event
1	1				7	10/14 Indigenous People's Day – Springfield & Philomath
.5	.5					10/15 Email, packets
5	5				8	10/16-18 Regular TC, garden tour, email, packets
12	12				20	10/20-24 NCAI
1	1					10/25 Admin wkshp
1	1					10/27 Email, packets
1.5	1.5					10/29-30 Interviews, email, packets
1	1	2			2.5	10/31 Casino events, email, packets

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 Dwight Slade



FEATURING
 Art Krug



HOST
 Cory Michaelis

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New Year's Eve Celebration

Free Parties Resort-Wide December 31, 2019

9pm ~ "Big Night Out" plays the Convention Center.
 "Flexor-T/Shades of Huey" plays Chinook's Seafood Grill.
 "Time Machine" plays Aces Sports Bar and Grill.
 "DJ Metal" spins in the Showroom.

10pm ~ Aviator Grand Finale Drawing in the Casino.

Midnight ~ Ring in 2020!

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Soar into the '20s behind the wheel of a new Lincoln Aviator!

WEEKLY CASH DRAWINGS

Sundays, Tuesdays & Thursdays at 6pm beginning December 8
 Five contestants win a share of \$4500 at each drawing!

AVIATOR GRAND FINALE

Tuesday, December 31 at 10:00pm
 One contestant takes the 2020 Lincoln Aviator, four win a share of over \$18,000!



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 1 FREE ENTRY	 2 FREE ENTRIES
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Entertainment

Dec. 6-7: Phil Vassar and Lonestar
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Dec. 20-21 Comedy on the Coast
8 p.m., \$15

Jan. 10-11: Three Dog Night
8 p.m., \$30-\$60

Feb. 7-8: Dwight Yoakam
8 p.m., \$45-\$85

May 29-30: Rodney Carrington
8 p.m., \$30-\$60

Rogue River Lounge
Fri & Sat: Ultrasonic DJ, cover
10:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Chinook's Seafood Grill
Weds: Kit Taylor (pianist) – 5 - 9 p.m.

Dec. 6-7: Briana Renea (country/rock)
Dec. 13-14: Fun with Jo (variety)
Dec. 20-21: Perry Gerber Band (classic rock)
Dec. 27-28: Branded Band (country/rock)

All 8 p.m. to Midnight

Special Events

Sun: 100% Payout Blackjack Tourney
Sparkling Sunday Brunch at Siletz
Bay Buffet (SBB)

Mon: Bearable Mondays
Monday Night Football at Aces
Sports Bar & Grill

Tue: Boomers Club
\$2 Taco Tuesdays at Aces

Wed: Wine Wednesdays at Chinook's
Seafood Grill

Fri: Seafood Feast at SBB
Sat: Filet Saturdays at SBB

Mon-Fri: Happy Hour at Rogue River
Lounge (3-6 p.m.)

First Friday: Fruit Frenzy Friday Slots
Third/Fourth Tuesday: Boomer Slots
Second Thursday: Twilight Slots

Dec. 6-21: North Pole Express
Dec. 14: UFC Viewing
Through Dec. 29: Pigskin Challenge

Tickets go on sale 90 days
in advance.

Concerts in the showroom are for
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for ages 21 and older.

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All events, concerts and promotions are subject to
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For more information about events in North Lincoln County, visit
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www.chinookwindscasino.com/careers

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

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If you would like to be on the
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Chinook Winds Casino Resort
Attn: Purchasing Dept.
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Lincoln City, OR 97367
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Tribal members can maintain monthly golfing privileges at Chinook Winds Golf Resort

Tribal members receive free greens fees and can walk nine or 18 holes at no
charge. If a cart makes golf more enjoyable, it is only \$10 for nine holes or \$15
for 18 holes. New this year – We offer Tribal members monthly cart lease and
golfing privileges starting at \$75/month.

- Tribal individual cart lease \$75/month
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Cory Camilleri is our golf pro at Chinook Winds Golf Resort.

Special needs students to receive adaptive swimming lessons through STCCF grant

NEWPORT, Ore. – The Lincoln County School District Adaptive PE program has been awarded \$9,469.09 from the Siletz Tribe for adaptive PE swimming lessons.

The school district received the check Nov. 1 at the Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund reception. This is the third year the district has received a grant for the Adaptive PE swimming program.

Connie Craddock, adaptive physical education assistant, was there to receive the check and gave her thanks.

“This is important for these kids – many of them had never had swimming lessons until they were able to participate due to the grant funding. The adapted swim lessons are taught at their level with adaptations so each child can progress at their level of ability,” said Craddock. “Many of the students look forward to these lessons as their favorite part of the school. At the beginning of this school

year, several of our students were asking when their swimming lessons would be!”

The funds allow for water safety and adaptive swimming lessons for approximately 70 students with special needs during the upcoming school year with support from the Newport Recreation Center, Toledo Community Pool and Lincoln City Community Center.

Students from Toledo Elementary School will receive lessons at the Toledo Community Pool. Students from Sam Case, Yaquina View, Crestview Heights, Newport Middle and Newport High schools will receive lessons at the Newport Recreation Center. Students from Oceanlake Elementary, Taft Elementary and Taft 7-12 will receive lessons at the Lincoln City Community Center.

The swim lessons are taught by the district’s Adaptive Physical Education Team of Nikki Holland and Craddock.



Courtesy photo

Student enjoys adaptive swim lesson (from last year’s sessions) thanks to an award granted through the Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund.

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Hotel rates for Siletz Tribal members

Siletz Tribe hotel rates all year round! No longer do you have to guess at what your rate is and worry about higher rates in the summer. One rate for each hotel type is now \$79 for standard deluxe oceanfront rooms and \$99 for oceanfront junior suites.

Tribal children in need of foster parents for:

Permanent care,
temporary foster care or
short-term emergency care.

Contact,
Indian Child Welfare
541-444-8272

2019 Cultural Salmon Season Open

October 18 to December 16, 2019

Tribal License and Tag REQUIRED

Tribal salmon tags may only be used to fish with DIP NET, GAFF HOOK, or SPEAR in posted areas at:

- Euchre Creek Falls (off Hwy 229)
- Little Rock Creek (above Hatchery off Logsden Road)
- Drift Creek (off Hwy 101)

License/Tags are available at:
CTSI Natural Resources Department 541-444-8227

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

Editor-in-Chief: Brenda Bremner
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I would like to send a huge “thank you” to Ralph and Cal Easter for rescuing myself and my friend Jolynne from Kernville when my car left us stranded one evening after work. They did a very nice thing and dropped us off in Lincoln City. Thank you, Rose and Jolynne

Happy Birthday to the best mom ever, Darlene Smith! I hope you have an amazing day and never forget how amazing you are.

Love, your one and only daughter
Danelle



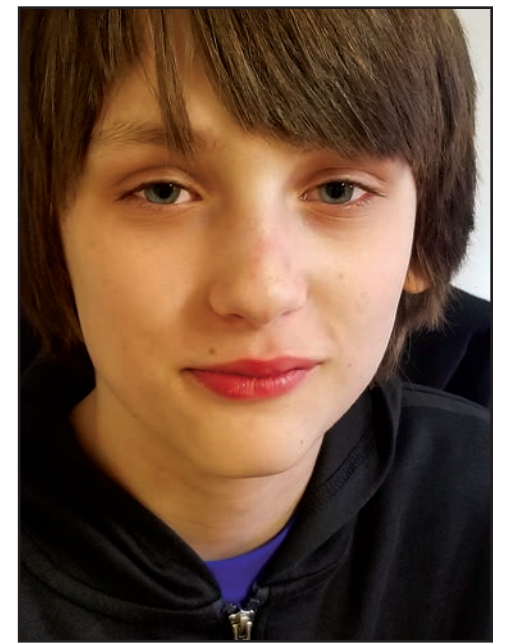
Happy 23rd Birthday, Tirzah! We love you so much and also congratulations on your baby boy. We cannot wait for him to be here!

Love, Casey, Josh, Kendra, Nola and Savanna



Congratulations to the recent engagement of Marlene Owen to Justin Perkins. May you enjoy your engagement season and may your marriage be filled with love, joy, adventure and laughter. We love you both! Love you, Didder!

Love, your family



Happy 13th Birthday to JR! We love you lots and wish you the best.

With love, Aunt Melinda, Uncle Andrew, and cousins John and Alanna

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Tenas Illahee Childcare Center Board of Directors Vacancies

Résumés are being accepted for the Tenas Illahee Childcare Center Board of Directors. Currently, there are two vacant board positions.

If interested, please submit your résumé to Siletz Tribal Council, c/o Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

Vacancies are open until filled.

Tribal RV park discounts available

Tribal members receive a **15% discount** on spaces at **Logan Road RV Park** located in Lincoln City, Ore. Call 877-LOGANRV or visit loganroad-rvpark.com for more information.*

Tribal members receive a **15% discount** on spaces at **Hee Hee Illahee RV Resort** located in Salem, Ore. Call 877-564-7295 or visit heeheeillahee.com for more information.*

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Please type or write legibly and submit via e-mail when possible.

Google, community partnership bring high-speed Wi-Fi to Celilo Village

CELILO VILLAGE – On Oct. 19, Celilo Village unveiled its new, high-speed Wi-Fi made possible by a grant from Google and in partnership with the Dufur School District. As part of the grant, all 16 homes in the village, the Celilo Education Center and the longhouse now have access to high-speed Internet.

“More than anything, this Wi-Fi represents opportunity,” Celilo Village Chief Olsen Meanus said. “From entertainment to taking online classes to growing businesses, our residents now have the power of the Internet at their fingertips and are more connected to opportunities throughout the state, the region and the world.”

Celilo Village is home to nearly 100 American Indians, including approximately 35 school-age children who attend school in the Dufur School District. The district operates the Celilo Preschool and the village’s Education Center. Through this project, the community has come together to bring Wi-Fi to village residents who previously had sporadic or no Internet access.

“Students today need reliable access to the Internet to compete on a global scale,” Dufur School District Superintendent Jack Henderson said. “We’re pleased to continue partnering with Google to bring educational opportunities to our students throughout the Columbia River Gorge.”

In addition to Wi-Fi access, this project enabled the development of a computer lab in the Celilo Education Center, including a printer, Google Chromebooks, new furniture and a modernized space. This



Suzanne DePoe

Courtesy photo

computer lab will help Celilo residents bridge the digital divide, enabling students to complete school projects, families to pay bills online, residents to attain higher education and business owners to access global markets.

“Google strives to ensure all people have access to everything the Internet has to offer,” Google’s Suzanne DePoe, a member of the Google American Indian Network, a Google employee group, said. “With this project, our hope is that Celilo residents can expand their educational

opportunities, grow their businesses and achieve greater connectivity through the online world.”

“Google employees are proud to have worked to make this computer lab a reality, as it aligns with our commitment to education and connectivity in the region that we call home” said Google Data Center Site Manager Richard Stillwell. “We applaud the efforts of school district leadership and the Celilo Village, and are looking forward to volunteering on future efforts.”

Celilo Village unveiled its new Wi-Fi and computer lab with Congressman Greg Walden, Google representatives and Dufur School District Superintendent Jack Henderson. Attendees celebrated this community milestone with a tour of the space and interactive demonstrations.

“Kudos to Google for helping the families in Celilo get access to high-speed Internet,” Walden said. “The addition of high-speed Wi-Fi to Celilo Village will help shrink the urban/rural digital divide and bring residents greater access to telemedicine, remote learning, news, next generation emergency services, video streaming and more.”

This project will be supported by the Google American Indian Network (GAIN) and was funded by a Google grant. GAIN is dedicated to leveraging Google’s resources and energy to make a positive impact in the American Indian community.

The group works to increase career opportunities at Google and promote STEM education for American Indians. GAIN also builds partnerships between Google teams and initiatives with external American Indian nonprofits and business groups.

To learn more about GAIN, visit diversity.google/commitments/.

Celilo Village lies 15 miles east of Google’s Data Centers in The Dalles. Since 2008, Google has supported more than \$2 million in data center grants to Wasco County schools and nonprofits.

To learn more about the Data Center community grants program, visit google.com/thedalles.