



First Gathering of Native Weavers of Oregon keeps tradition alive

At a conference on the Oregon Coast hosted by the Portland All Nations Canoe Family, traditional weavers of all ages and skill levels shared stories and knowledge, stitch by stitch

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During the first week in March, snowflakes the size of dollar coins melted into the ocean waves and sandy shores at Lincoln City. Nearby, elders and community members from across the state and beyond convened at the inaugural Gathering of Native Weavers of Oregon.

In a room at Chinook Winds Casino Resort overlooking the beach, the sounds of the waves hitting the shore and the rain pelting the windows blended together with the chimes of laughter. Nearly 150 people gathered to learn various weaving techniques from 12 Native American master weavers from across the Pacific Northwest. The event was organized and hosted by the Portland All Nations Canoe Family.

“The feel here is like family. It just feels like it was supposed to be here,” said Katy Holland, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians. “For the Portland Canoe Family to bring this to pass, it’s really special.”

The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians contributed by providing a conference room at Chinook Winds Casino Resort and offering discounted rooms to attendees. Other Tribes in Oregon also contributed, mostly by sponsoring travel for their elders and master weavers to attend.



Courtesy photo by Jarrette Werk for Underscore News / Report for America

Carlotta Lane, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, started weaving back in the 1980s, but this was her first time working a loom. By the end of the conference, she had woven a purple and cream-colored wool headband. “I do basket weaving for my tribe, but this is something new for me. It’s a challenge and something I needed,” she said.

Stephanie Ironheart, an enrolled member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma, hopes this Gathering of Native Weavers of Oregon is just the beginning.

“We hope this is the first of many,” said Ironheart, cultural programming coordinator for the Portland All Nations Canoe Family. “It was very exciting that this came to be.”

From near and far

While some attendees came from an hour away or less, others commuted from as far away as Pendleton, Oregon, and near the border with Canada in Lummi Nation,

Washington. Many shared stories about braving weather extremes along the way.

In a large white van packed with elders from the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Carrie Campbell-Turk, Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center senior center coordinator, drove for over six hours, much of it in the pouring rain.

Campbell-Turk, descendant of the Walla Walla Tribe of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation and Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, brought with her a group of six elders, many of whom already take part in weekly basket weaving classes at the Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center.

“It’s really important to get them out connecting,” Campbell-Turk said. “When you know where these people come from, it’s amazing to see them smile. Genuinely smile.”

The first night was filled with smiles as the elders sat in their rooms at Sea Gypsy Rentals, windows open listening to the healing sound of the waves, some seeing the ocean for the first time in decades.

Traveling from Lummi Nation, over 350 miles north, Floyd Warbus brought armloads of cedar bark he had harvested the year prior. The vibrant greens and blues of his Seattle Seahawks Native

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Interior, Justice departments outline commitment, next steps in effort to address missing and murdered Indigenous peoples and human trafficking crisis

WASHINGTON – The Departments of the Interior and Justice have released their response to the Not Invisible Act Commission’s recommendations on how to combat the missing or murdered Indigenous peoples and human trafficking crisis.

The federal response issued March 5 recognizes that more must be done across the federal government to resolve this longstanding crisis and support healing from the generational traumas that Indigenous peoples have endured in the United States.

“Addressing violent crimes against Indigenous peoples has long been underfunded and ignored as a cause of intergenerational trauma that has affected our communities since colonization,” said Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland. “Through historic efforts like the Not Invisible Act Commission, we’re identifying recommendations created by Indian Country for Indian Country. This will ensure that epidemics like the missing and murdered indigenous peoples crisis and human trafficking are addressed with the resources they demand.”

“These recommendations are an important and necessary step toward healing the trauma, pain and loss that Tribal communities have endured for generations,” said Attorney General Merrick B. Garland. “The Justice Department is committed to working with our partners at the Department of the Interior to put an end to the missing or murdered Indigenous persons and human trafficking crisis. We are deeply grateful to the Not Invisible Act commissioners and the survivors and family members of victims who testified before the commission about their heartbreaking experiences. Those testimonies and the commission’s recommendations will continue to guide our work.”

The departments’ response addresses the commission’s areas of concern, including:

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Photo by Andy Taylor

Jonathan Reginald Palominos-Butler listens to stories of undersea adventure at Family Literacy Night in Siletz on Feb. 21. See more photos on page 9.

Chairman's Report

Boldt Decision – Commemoration

Bud Lane and I attended the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Boldt decision on fishing rights on the Columbia River. Many Tribes were in attendance along with lawyers, advocates and judges who participated in the decision.

Much appreciation was given to Billy Frank, Nisqually advocate who spent much of his life fighting for those rights.

Chemawa School Board

The Department of Education/Bureau of Indian Affairs recently appointed me to the Chemawa School Board. I have long been an advocate for the school and for

protecting the land where the cemetery and old school site existed. The land is not being used and often is abused by people throwing their trash on the land.

Our Tribe has received a small amount of money to mow on the old campus a few times a year, but the funds are not guaranteed. I will work toward getting the care that the old campus and cemetery deserve and ensuring the school provides a quality education for all students.

Legislative Commission on Indian Services (LCIS)

The LCIS recently met in Salem. The commission consists of all nine Oregon

Tribes, a representative of NARA (Native American Youth & Family Center) and the State Legislature and Senate.

Agenda items included Oregon's fentanyl problems, Department of Corrections issues and Oregon's water policy among many other important issues. The meetings are open to the public.

Chemawa Station LLC

There has been lots of activity on the Chemawa Station property. We are close to getting a hotel, pizza parlor, tire center and other interested business.

Housing in Salem

Housing in Salem is moving along, thanks to our Housing Department. Roads have been in, lots of ground being moved. If you drive on Blossom Road close to the Salem Area Office, you can observe the development.



Delores Pigsley

It will include one-, two- and three-bedroom units for low-income and affordable-income residents.

Housing Committee

Current Vacancy – Term Ending February 2025

Application deadline for consideration to fill the vacant committee position is May 8, 2024

Any Tribal member interested in serving on the Housing Committee must fill out the following form and return it to the address below prior to close of business on May 8, 2024.

Please mail your application to Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Attn: Executive Assistant to Tribal Council, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549 or email celestal@ctsi.nsn.us.

Name: _____ Roll No.: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Telephone: Day () _____ Evening () _____

Appointment to the committee will be made at the Regular Tribal Council meeting in May.

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

Elders Council Meeting

The Elders Council will host an in-person/Zoom hybrid meeting on Saturday, April 13, 2024, at 1 p.m. at Aces Sports Bar & Grill in Lincoln City, Ore.

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

Siletz News is free to enrolled Siletz Tribal members. For all others, a \$12 annual subscription fee applies. Please make checks payable to CTSI and mail to Siletz News.

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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:

Siletz News

P.O. Box 549

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 May issue is April 10. Submission of articles and photos is encouraged.

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



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12:30-LANGUAGE AND LUNCH

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Information for 2024 per capita

Tribal Court would like to remind Tribal members to keep their address current with Enrollment. Per capita notices will be mailed May 1, 2024, to the address on file with Enrollment.

The 2024 per capita hearing dates are July 8-9, 2024.

The Division of Child Support will have their liaison available to meet with individuals for assistance with child support issues on April 3, 2024, from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Tribal Court.

You can appear in person or by phone. You will need your case number and appointments can be made by contacting Tribal Court at 541-444-8218.

For any questions regarding per capita, contact Tribal Court at 541-444-8218.

Any request to update addresses must be sent to Enrollment.

The Portland Area Office is now located at:

3220 SW First Ave., Suite 200
Portland, OR 97239

Phone: 503-238-1512
Fax: 503-238-2436

2024 College Students Summer Internship Program

Tribal students attending college can apply for the Tribe's 2024 College Students Summer Internship Program. To be eligible, you must be at least a half-time student attending a two-year or four-year college and in good academic standing.

Applications will be emailed to known students, but if you do not receive one, please contact 477 Job Development Specialist Jamie Bokuro or the 477 staff at any Tribal area office to request an application.

The purpose of the program is to provide funding for a paid internship for Tribal students to gain work experience in their field of study that will help them be

competitive in the job market after graduation. Ten slots are available, paid at Tribal minimum wage for up to 350 hours.

Students will be responsible for securing their own placement. We are available to assist, but ultimately it is the student's responsibility to locate and develop a placement. There are a limited number of placements available with the Tribe.

Students selected for the program must complete an orientation, criminal history background check and drug screening

Placements can begin in June and must be completed by Sept. 30, 2024.

Students should send a completed application and an unofficial copy of your transcripts to:

Mail: CTSI
Attn: Summer Internship Program
P.O. Box 549
Siletz, OR 97380-0549

Online: <https://www.ctsi.nsn.us/summer-interns/>

Email: 477SSP@ctsi.nsn.us
Fax: 541-444-8334

The deadline to apply for the program is 4:30 p.m. on April 30, 2024. If you have questions about the program, please contact Jamie Bokuro at 541-444-8266.

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

Pandemic Emergency Assistance Fund (PEAF)

Available throughout Oregon, including outside of the service area

Funds are available at local State of Oregon DHS offices for Tribal members throughout Oregon to meet a short-term need designed to deal with a specific short-term situation, episode or need.

In addition, there must be a specific need or crisis related to the COVID pandemic; this can be ongoing residual effects. **Funds are only available through April 30, 2024.**

Examples of benefits include:

- Housing and utility payments
- Emergency food aid
- Back-to-school assistance
- Pantry and household supplies
- Diapers/infant hygiene care

The following are NOT an allowable benefit:

- Child care
- Transportation
- Short-term education and training

Eligibility

1. Open SNAP or TANF with the State or Tribe.
2. There must be a specific need or crisis related to the COVID pandemic; this can be ongoing residual effects.
3. Must be a member of a federally recognized Tribe.
4. Participating counties: Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook, Multnomah,

Marion, Polk, Yamhill, Linn, Benton, Lincoln, Lane, Douglas, Coos, Curry, Josephine, Jackson, Hood River, Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam, Wheeler, Jefferson, Crook, Deschutes, Klamath, Lake, Morrow, Umatilla, Baker, Union, Wallowa, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Clackamas and Washington.

You can contact the local State DHS office for more information. If you are unsure about how to contact your local state office, contact Kelley Ellis, 477-SSP coordinator, at 800-922-1399 or by email at 477ssp@ctsi.nsn.us.

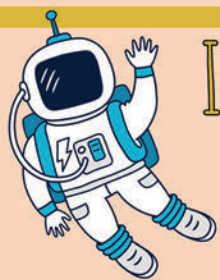
CTSI VIRTUAL CULTURE NIGHTS

Upcoming Dates:

Wednesday, March 13 at 6 pm: Hazel

Wednesday, April 10 at 6 pm: Spruce Root

Wednesday, May 1 at 6 pm: Run to Rogue



IN-PERSON LANGUAGE AND CULTURE CLASSES

Bear Grass Jewelry (Make-up date)

Siletz - Monday, April 15 at 6 pm

April: Gathering Basketry Materials

Spring is the time to gather basketry materials. Exact dates will depend on weather and conditions and occur between late-March and April at locations near Portland, Eugene, and Siletz. Keep an eye on the CTSI facebook page or sign up to receive email updates by contacting Nick Viles at nickv@ctsi.nsn.us.

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Questions? Contact Nick Viles at nickv@ctsi.nsn.us or 541-270-5814



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Come Join Us! April 23rd through May 28th

Offered via Zoom and in person in Eugene with dinner provided.
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Sessions will be Tuesday evenings April 23rd to May 28th. Dinner served at 5:30pm.

Sessions begin at 6:15 pm

Childcare provided

RSVP to Lori Christy

503-390-9494

loric@ctsi.nsn.us

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Temporary Tribal Student Assistance Program

The Siletz Tribal Housing Department's Temporary Tribal Student Assistance Program (TTSAP) will accept applications for the 2024-2025 academic year beginning May 1, 2024.

Program Information

- ❖ TTSAP assists Tribal students who will attend a college, university, vocational or trade school.
 - ❖ TTSAP is a time-limited program. Funding is for one academic year.
 - ❖ TTSAP assists students with rent or room and board in a dormitory.
 - ❖ The student's share of the rent is 30% of their adjusted annual income.
- Important note: The student is required to remit a portion of the rent. For example, if a student is working, the wages earned will affect the student's share of the rent.

STHD will accept applications May 1-31, 2024. Applications received after May 31 will not be accepted.

To obtain an application, please stop by the STHD office at 555 Tolowa Court, Siletz OR, 97380; or call 800-922-1399, ext. 1315, or 541-444-8315. Applications can also be downloaded from the Tribe's website at www.ctsi.nsn.us.

Cecelia De Anda
ceceliad@ctsi.nsn.us
Rental Assistance Program Coordinator/Resident Services Advocate

USDA distribution dates for April

Siletz

Monday	April 1	1 pm. – 3 p.m.
Tuesday	April 2	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Wednesday	April 3	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Thursday	April 4	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Friday	April 5	9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Salem

Tuesday	April 16	9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	April 17	9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Thursday	April 18	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

Frybread

4 cups all-purpose flour
1 tablespoon baking powder
2 tablespoons powdered milk
1 teaspoon salt
½ cup shortening
1½ cups warm water
1 cup shortening or oil for frying

1. Place flour, baking powder, powdered milk and salt in bowl and mix well, then add shortening. Work it in with your fingers until it is all combined well.
2. Add the warm water and mix with your hands until soft dough forms. You may need to add little more water at a time.
3. Let it rise for about 20 minutes.
4. Form the dough into 2" balls. Flatten and stretch the dough into circles.
5. Poke a hole into the center of the circle and place into heated shortening. Cook until golden brown, turning once.

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

Interconnectedness of nourishment involves food growth, production and more

By Nancy Ludwig, MS, RDN, LD,
Siletz Tribal Head Start Nutritionist

As part of my role as a consultant nutritionist to Siletz Tribal Head Start, I offer information for families and the community. Many things can go wrong in the process of nutrition. Often this is what my articles address. This month my focus is on the interconnectedness of life that sets the framework to support nourishment for us as well as for our environmental systems.

One of the definitions for interconnectedness is a state of being connected reciprocally. With readiness and receptivity in mind, I will walk through some concepts to highlight the interconnectedness of nourishment and suggest that small shifts in our awareness may ripple into large benefits.

The information below is not an ordered list for sequenced action. It is meant to be a way to focus on consciousness through many phases of food growth, production, preparation, consumption, mindset, fellowship, pleasure, reciprocity, sustainability and so much more.

When we source our food, we may purchase it from others. We can also grow, harvest or raise it ourselves. Either way, the conscious awareness and attention to this process is likely to impact the quality of the food and how beneficial it is to those who consume it.

Some of this attention and consciousness is addressed in agriculture and farming practices with a focus on inputs. While inputs and practices are extremely important, my suggestion is broader, more inclusive and less well-studied. When our food comes from natural wholistic systems, we who eat this food benefit in profound and subtle ways.

A loving attitude is important in the kitchen or wherever food is prepared. Ancient cultures knew to not allow angry cooks to prepare food for others because they knew it would impact those who ate it.

I invite you to think back on your personal experience, to consider what you noticed with the interplay of different moods during food preparation and the outcome for those who shared in its consumption. Moving forward, this attitude can be practiced in the simplicity of knowing the importance of this role in the kitchen. Chopping vegetables can become a meditative practice of love.

Stillness matters, as well as a place free from distraction while eating. This means that sitting in a chair at a table or on the ground vs. driving in a moving car, supports our bodies to receive, allowing greater benefits to our health.

The distraction of watching TV during mealtime or playing on your phone does not allow your focus to tune in or benefit from the meal. Distraction can make eating unconscious and allow over or under consumption, without enjoyment or readiness to receive the food.

Gratitude and giving thanks for all the hands, and many beings, who participated at each stage along the way awakens our awareness of our interconnectedness. It can change us as well as our food. This practice of gratitude can be considered a form of prayer, or meditation, extended out into our globe with knowing we are interconnected.

In addition to gratitude, our intention or prayer can be directed in two specific ways:

1. For transformation and purity of the food and water
2. For its assimilation in the body for optimal function and right action

Again, this focus appears to be apparent in ancient cultures and biblical accounts, as well as people who survived internment camps or prisons without access to clean food or water. We don't need to "turn water into wine," but this biblical account captures the power behind transformation and assimilation.

We too can put our attention on this request to clean up our food and water, as well as for our bodies to fully benefit in our personal health. We extend our health to others with right action in the world. Again, we realize our interconnectedness.

Savoring each bite with pleasure is another way to bring about conscious awareness of the food while benefiting in the experience. Furthermore, this can be a time to focus on the balance of the many aspects of nourishing body, soul and spirit.

While pleasure can be misused, the solution is not denial. Nourishing food can be delicious and pleasurable. This experience is healthy and reverberates outward through our interconnectedness.

Fellowship with others can bring a state of joy, peace and relaxation during a meal. Companions can include classmates, family and friends. The time shared can include music, singing, laughing and storytelling.

On the other hand, please remember that even solitude can be joyful, peaceful and relaxing. Our state of mind while eating helps us receive and benefit from our food and water.

Fellowship is another reminder of our interconnectedness. While alone, fellowship is not lost when our focus is on the greater interconnectedness with all life.

The realization of reciprocity, giving and receiving, is another layer of our interconnectivity. We engage in exchange of food for money or barter. We share gifts of food with our friends and neighbors as an offering and sometimes a hope of reciprocity.

We also know that sometimes our gifts are paid forward and received from others in different timing, rather than direct exchange. Furthermore, we return food scraps to compost.

We even deposit our human waste after we extract what our bodies use. These deposits ideally return to the soil to support our land, root structures and respiration of the soil for the earth and all inhabitants.

Exudates (substances that ooze out from plant pores) from the root structures of plants feed the microbial life to create bioavailable nutrients for soil health. Soil health transfers to the health of our food and to us. This reciprocity is at work in the natural world of interconnectedness.

Sustainability honors our sense of symbiosis that in a perfect world, all parts matter and work together without depletion. Again, sustainability is at work in nature and has become an important concept recently due to human practices that did not honor it. Tribal culture knows well that what we do today impacts our future generations. This is another expression of our interconnectedness.

Perfection is not the model I describe, yet our awareness of the interconnectedness of life is what allows us to do the impossible for maximal benefit. What we bring to the world, our families and ourselves is not in isolation. This interconnectedness is beyond nutrition, yet at the very same time I see the same principles at work.

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.

Crooked River Coffee House celebrates with grand opening

The aroma of freshly roasted coffee beans and the warm hum of conversation filled the air on Feb. 19 as Crooked River Coffee House held its grand opening. The charming new coffee shop, located on the corner of Logsdan Road and Gaither Street in Siletz, drew in a steady stream of eager customers throughout the day.

The Siletz Tribal Arts & Heritage Society's vision was to establish a non-profit coffee shop that would not only nourish the community with caffeine and outreach, but also support the mission of promoting and supporting the cultures of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians.

This mission was evident throughout the shop's inviting atmosphere. Tribal artists had items for sale in the gift shop along with, blankets, books and cups.

Siletz Tribal Arts & Heritage expresses its gratitude to the community, Siletz Tribal Council, Chinook Winds Casino Resort and Elk City Coffee Company for the overwhelming support and excitement surrounding Crooked River Coffee House, with its focus on quality coffee, cultural outreach and a welcoming atmosphere.

Stop in and say hello – and know every purchase goes to a nonprofit that supports and promotes the cultures of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians.



Courtesy photo from STAHS

Above, from left: Jenifer Metcalf, STAHS Board; Bill John, STAHS Board; Judy Muschamp, Tribal Council; Kent Rilatos, STAHS Board; Bonnie Petersen, Tribal Council; Angela Ramirez, STAHS Board; Cynthia Farlow, STAHS Board; Harold Baugus, Chinook Winds general manager; Shawna Gray, STAHS Board; Delina John, coffee and gift shop manager; and Jim Salisbury, owner of Elk City Coffee, at the grand opening of Crooked River Coffee House



Photo by Diane Rodriguez

Jennifer Easter (left) and David Butler will serve up your order at the Crooked River Coffee House in Siletz

STAHS board sharpens strategy with workshop and partnerships

The board of directors for the Siletz Tribal Arts & Heritage Society recently took a strategic trip to Portland, Ore., aiming to sharpen their knowledge and build stronger ties with key partners within the Native community.

The trip kicked off with a focused workshop led by Reichard & Associates to strategize the board's goals. The workshop delved into partnerships, community outreach and communication tactics.

Following the workshop, the board members met with the Native Arts & Culture Foundation in Portland to tour their building and discuss future partnerships that support Native arts.

The trip concluded at the Tribe's Portland Area Office. This workshop focused on communication and ended on a high note with the board feeling more equipped to tackle challenges and guide STAHS toward continued success.

The enhanced knowledge and strengthened partnerships position STAHS for significant growth and a more impactful presence within the Native community.



Courtesy photo from STAHS

Left to right: Stephanie Chamberlin, STAHS development director; Angela Ramirez, Shawna Gray and Cynthia Farlow, STAHS board; Shyla Spicer, NACF president/CEO; Kent Rilatos, STAHS board; and Bonnie Petersen, Tribal Council

Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow • Aug. 9-11, 2024

Tipi Drawing

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Roll #: _____

For Siletz Tribal members to use during the Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow on Aug 9-11, 2024. One entry per household. Must be a Siletz Tribal member to enter. **Deadline for entries is June 3, 2024, by end of work day (4:30 p.m.).** Names will be drawn soon after the deadline.

Return the form to Siletz Pow-Wow, Attn: Tipi Drawing, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-549. Applications are located on the Tribal website under the Pow-Wow tab – <https://www.ctsi.nsn.us/heritage/pow-wow/>.

Note: You do not win the tipi. The drawing is only for a stay in the tipi over pow-wow weekend.

2024-2025 Siletz Royalty Applications

Applications are being accepted for 2024-2025 Miss Siletz, Junior Miss Siletz and Little Miss Siletz.

Applications must be turned in by the end of the workday (4:30 p.m.) no later than May 28, 2024. Applications should be sent to Siletz Pow-Wow Committee, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

Applications can be downloaded from the Tribal website under the pow wow tab – <https://www.ctsi.nsn.us/heritage/pow-wow/>.

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

CTSI Jobs – Tribal employment information is available at [ctsi.nsn.us](https://www.ctsi.nsn.us).



Siletz Community

Find us on Facebook! Siletz Community Health Department

Transportation Program

The program provides non-emergency medical transportation for Siletz tribal members in the 11-county service area.

To request a transport, please call Richard Faber at 541 444-9633.



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SILETZ CORE PROGRAM

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Sonic Journey - sound meditation with gongs, crystal bowls and more

Starting Feb 21st, then every 2nd Wednesday of the month
(Event Dates: 2/21, 3/13, 4/10, 5/8, 6/11, 7/9, 8/14)

Location: Siletz Community Health Center in the Shell Room (2nd floor)

Signup and information - email Serenad@ctsi.nsn.us

Please note: Ages 18 and up, limited space available, MUST arrive 10 minutes early, cannot hold spaces for other people, must sign yourself up prior to arrival

SonicJourney.org

From Seed to Ceremony: A Journey with Sacred Tobacco

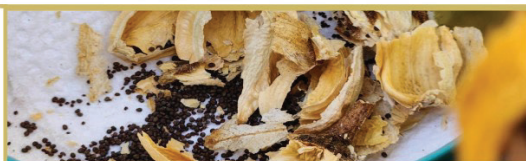
With the Siletz Garden Program, we are hosting a series of events for tribal members throughout the growing cycle to create a community access point to Siletz's own sacred tobacco as a traditional medicine.



April 19th from 10-3pm, we will be planting more seeds and transplanting the first plants into the greenhouse. Plan 30-90 minutes. For regular updates email AlexH@ctsi.nsn.us or call Alex Lane at 541-444-9682 to be added to our email list. I Hope to see you there!



Siletz Farm Property, April 19th 10-3pm, 5213 Logsdan Rd, Logsdan, OR 97357
Lunch will be provided!



APRIL
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April is STI Awareness Month
help keep yourself/others safe
& aware come get tested
@Siletz Clinic
M-F 8:00-4:30

Health Department



APRIL IS SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

In honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Wear Teal on Tuesdays!

All April




Join the CARE Program
Wednesday, April 24th for Denim Day!

Wear jeans with a purpose—support survivors and educate yourself and others about all forms of sexual violence.

CARE Program
541-444-9638



The Denim Day story begins in Italy in 1992, when an 18-year old girl was raped by the 45-year old driving instructor who was taking her to her very first driving lesson. He took her to an isolated road, pulled her out of the car, removed her jeans and forcefully raped her.

She reports the rape and the perpetrator is arrested and prosecuted. He is then convicted of rape and sentenced to jail. Years later, he appealed the conviction claiming that they had consensual sex. The Italian Supreme Court overturned the conviction and the perpetrator was released. A statement from the Court argued that because the victim was wearing very tight jeans, she had to help him remove them, and by removing the jeans it was not rape but consensual sex. This became known throughout Italy as the “jeans alibi.”


Enraged by the verdict, the women in the Italian Parliament launched a protest wearing jeans on the steps of the Supreme Court. This protest was picked up by international media which inspired the California Senate and Assembly to do the same on the steps of the Capitol in Sacramento. Patti Occhiuzzo Giggans, Executive Director of Peace Over Violence, saw this in the media and thought everyone should be wearing jeans to protest all of the myths about why women and girls are raped. Denim Day in LA was born. The first Denim Day in LA event was held in April of 1999, and has continued annually since.

PLEASE SEND PICTURES OF YOUR PARTICIPATION TO RACHELLEE@CTSI.NSN.US.

SAFESTAR 40-hour training coming to Siletz, May 20th-24th, 2024. Empowering the community together to help heal our people. This training is for people interested in coming alongside to help provide emergency response services to sexual assault survivors in our community. For more information, please reach out to Serena DePoe @ Serenad@ctsi.nsn.us.


The 40-hour training course covers emergency first aid (utilizing the American Heart Association's curriculum); human anatomy; an overview of the prevalence, dynamics and responses to sexual violence in American Indian/Alaska Native communities; forensic evidence collection (rape kits); health care referrals; confidentiality; federal and Tribal sexual assault laws; service referrals; and community outreach.

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Jessica Garcia at 541-444-9680 or JessicaG@ctsi.nsn.us for more information.

Of the Native victims of “other sexual violence” in the U.S., 1 in 4 women and 1 in 10 men experience sexual coercion; 1 in 3 women and 1 in 8 men experience non-contact unwanted sexual experiences; and roughly 1 in 2 (2.4) women and 1 in 8 (7.7 men) experience unwanted sexual contact.



Congratulations to the state champion Toledo High School wrestling team!

Photos by Diane Rodriguez

Coach Tony Blomstrom (left photo) and his son, Ash Blomstrom, participate in a parade in Toledo, Ore., on March 7 celebrating the team's 2A-1A championship. Ash and three of his teammates finished the season as state champions in their respective weight classes while two other Toledo wrestlers placed third at the state tournament.

Siletz Salem Casino Project takes center stage at Tribal member town hall

From the Siletz PR Team; originally posted at <https://www.siletz.org/the-siletz-salem-casino-project-takes-center-stage-at-tribal-town-hall/>

In early November 2023, the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians hosted an exclusive town hall for enrolled Tribal members on the progress of the Siletz Salem Casino Project. Chairman Delores Pigsley updated members from the Salem and Keizer communities on the project authorization timeline, the economic benefits of the project and how casino revenue will help enhance the lives of Siletz Tribal members.

The town hall started with an overview of the Siletz Salem Casino Project, emphasizing its significance as a transformative force for the local economy. The project is a unique opportunity to invest in the local Salem community and local small businesses will play a significant role.

During the two-year construction phase, the project will generate about 2,300 jobs and \$141 million in wages, stimulate \$492 million in economic impact and produce \$54 million in indirect

purchases or spending through supply chains in the local economy.

Tribal members expressed overwhelming support for the Siletz Salem Casino Project. According to a survey conducted in April, 66% of the Salem and Keizer communities support the project. Support has grown steadily from 57% in 2017 when we started testing public support.

So, how can you support the project?

- Sign the petition – More than 3,100 people have signed the petition sup-

porting the development of the Siletz Salem Casino Project! If you haven't already, please sign the petition. And please encourage your friends and family to sign it too!

- Sign up for important updates – Sign up to receive important updates about the project and learn about more opportunities to support the Siletz Salem Casino Project!
- Like and share – Follow us on Facebook and Instagram to be the first to know about the latest updates to share with your friends and followers!

CTSI Jobs

Tribal employment information is available at ctsinsn.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.

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)

ABC's of Siletz Tribal Athletes

By Tiffany Stuart

The journey of Siletz Tribal athletes started in 2020. I wanted to write a story that my son and Tribal youth would be interested in reading.

I interviewed 24 people and researched the other athletes in this book. I conducted all the interviews over the phone during the pandemic. These pages are just a glimpse into the lives of Tribal people. I hope to put all the interviews together in another collection for our Tribal museum.

I completed this work in my own free time. I have a list of more Tribal athletes to interview when time allows. If you have a Siletz Tribal athlete you think should be in this collection, please email me at siletztiffanydawn@gmail.com.

Thank you to everyone who has helped with this book. In the upcoming months, you can enjoy reading these stories in our *Siletz News*.

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is for **FOOTBALL**

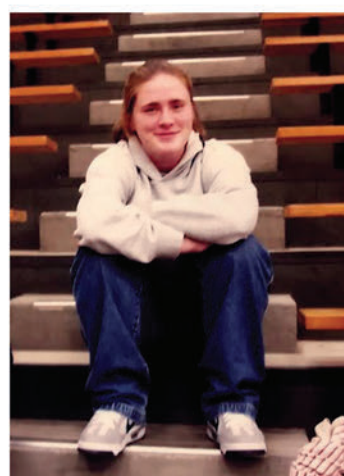


BLOCK like Rueben Sanders.

He was quoted as "one of the great fullbacks of the country." Rueben attended Chemawa Indian School until 1900. Living most of his life in Salem, he was an all-around athlete. After graduating from Chemawa, he went to Willamette Preparatory College in 1904. He belonged to many athletic clubs and played multiple games a week. He was inducted into the American Indian Athletic Hall of Fame in 1972 for his many athletic accomplishments. Later in his life, he coached at Chemawa Indian School. He met his wife at Chemawa and had 3 sons. He would hunt with bow and arrow. Rueben enjoyed watching sport games and making bows and arrows in his retirement.

G

is for **GUARD**



PLAY GUARD POSITION like Lynette Ashue.

Basketball has been a lifetime sport for Lynette. Starting at 8 years old, Lynette grew to love basketball. Youth leagues in the Siletz area provided her a chance to play basketball. Not all sports were available in the Siletz area because of the small number of kids. Growing up, Lynette also played softball and volleyball. During high school, Lynette traveled with her softball team to Walt Disney World to play in a tournament. Lynette also danced at pow-wows, beaded and ran in Run to the Rogue.



Family Literacy Night
Feb. 21, 2024
Siletz Tribal Community Center

Photos by Andy Taylor

Top left: Peter Hatch, history and archaeology specialist, holds an otter pelt and tells a story about otters to go with the *Under the Sea* theme of the evening.

Top right: Mark Pullam tells stories about the ocean.

Bottom right: Akneesha Silva and her daughter, Marlow Paul, play bingo that has pictures of sea life instead of numbers and letters.

Above: Tribal Council member Selene Rilatos (left); Jamie Arreola, health data clerk; and Creed Taylor also play sea life bingo.

General Council Meeting
Saturday, May 4, 2024 • Siletz, Oregon • 1 p.m.

Call to Order Invocation Flag Salute Roll Call Approval of Agenda Approval of Minutes Special Presentation Program Reports 477 Self-Sufficiency • Home Visiting	Tribal Member Concerns Chairman's Report Announcements Adjourn Please note the General Council Meeting will be livestreamed through the Tribe's website.
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Photo by Andy Taylor

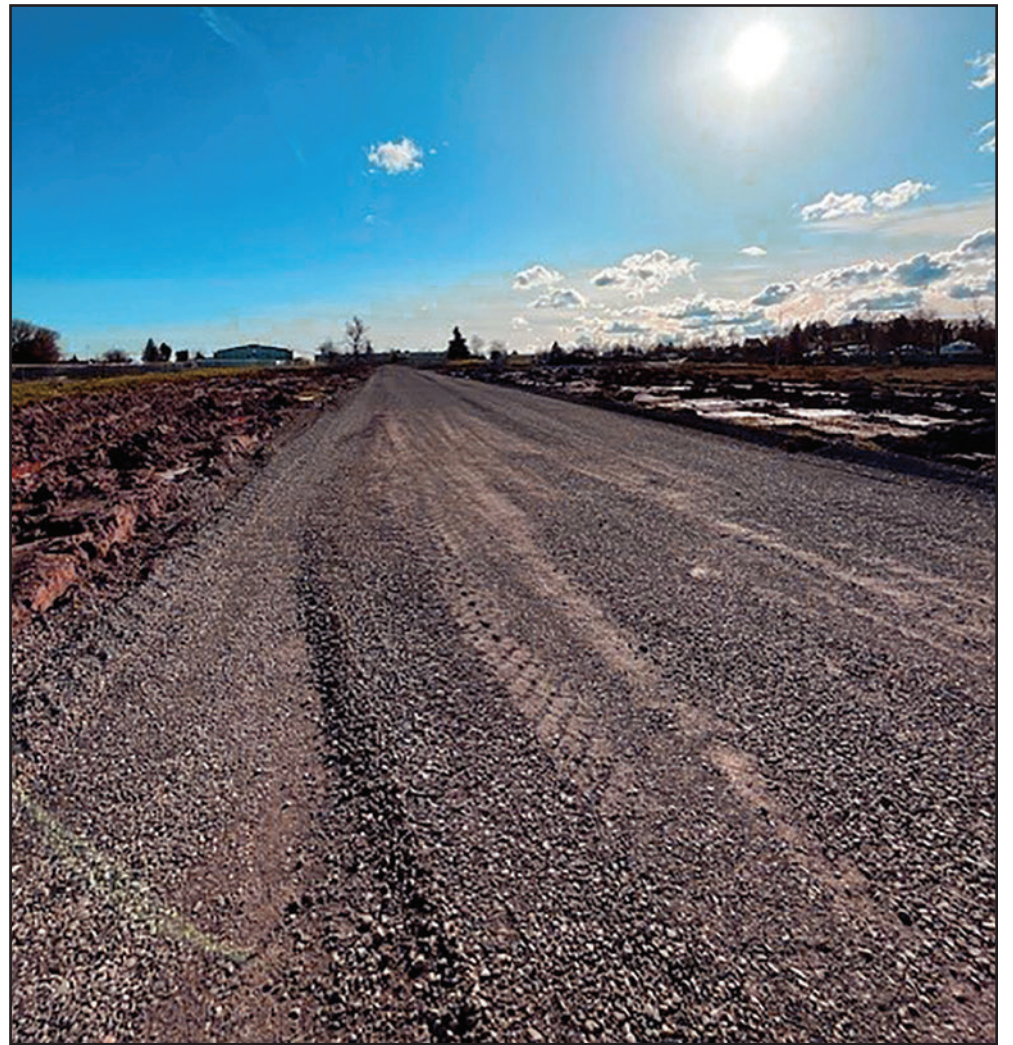
The road on Government Hill in Siletz undergoes changes in anticipation of the construction of the new cultural museum, Ghii Dee-Ne Dvn.



Photos from the Siletz Tribal Housing Department

Construction continues at the new satellite clinic in Lincoln City, Ore., as the interior of the building is gutted so it can be redone to meet clinic standards.





Photos from the Siletz Tribal Housing Department

A future parking lot (above) and street (above right) at the Kloshe Illahee Haws affordable housing project in Salem, Ore.

Siletz Housing Department breaks ground on Salem affordable housing project, Kloshe Illahee Haws

From the Siletz PR Team, originally posted at <https://www.siletz.org/the-siletz-housing-department-breaks-ground-on-salem-affordable-housing-project-kloshe-illahee-haws/>

The history of the Siletz Tribe and its ancestors dates from time immemorial and includes nearly a third of the land in Oregon. The Tribe's roots in the Willamette Valley remain strong today.

In 2021, the Siletz Tribal Housing Department secured funding for a 40-unit affordable housing development in Salem, known as Kloshe Illahee Haws, that is being built on 8.8 acres of trust land.

Salem's affordable housing challenge is a symptom of a shortage of nearly 2,900 dwelling units, driving up the cost of existing units. Additionally, the Salem Metro area is projected to welcome 60,000 additional residents by 2035.

The Siletz Tribe sought funding for the new multi-family affordable housing complex to reduce housing burdens for Siletz Tribal members and others in the Salem community.

Half of the complex's 40 units are reserved for residents whose income is below 80% of the median income, with rent payments not exceeding 30% of their household income. The remaining half of the units will be rented at an affordable rate for individuals living above 80% of the median income.

These two measures help ensure housing is available to those who need it most, prevent families from being further burdened by rent and allow residents to save for the future or focus on other financial needs.

Located on the corner of Blossom Drive in Northeast Salem, Kloshe Illahee Haws will feature various living spaces from townhomes and triplexes, a modest community-use facility with staff offices, and an outdoor greenspace. The south end of the property is reserved for a future multi-family apartment complex.

Construction of the infrastructure began with the contract awarded to North Santiam Paving in December 2023 and the remainder of the project is expected to be bid in the second quarter of 2024.

While this project is separate and unique from other endeavors in the Salem community, like the casino project, it serves as an example of how the Siletz Tribe and the City of Salem can work together to identify areas of need and elevate the level of services in the community.

As the Siletz Tribe works to help address unmet housing needs within the City of Salem, the Tribe is hopeful the success of Kloshe Illahee Haws will serve as an example of how cooperation between the Siletz Tribe and the City of Salem can benefit the community.

Kloshe Illahee Haws demonstrates the potential for the significant benefits of ongoing cooperation between the Tribe and the City of Salem, including through the Siletz Casino Project and other projects that seek to bring jobs and revenue to the city of Salem. The Siletz Tribe remains committed to working with Salem's city leaders to help mitigate the housing crisis and bring jobs and economic development to the community.



Photo above from Daniel Walsh, Baldwin General Contracting Inc.

Photo below by Diane Rodriguez

Construction continues in snowy weather (above) and sunshine (below) at the site of the new pharmacy building in Siletz.



Pequot Reimbursement Reminders

How to make sure you are reimbursed for your out-of-pocket pharmacy expenses.

1. The receipt to be submitted looks like the label on your prescription.
2. Send receipts in quarterly. Receipts more than 1 year old may not be eligible for reimbursement.
3. Make sure PRC has your current mailing address.

Once you have used your \$500 benefit, we can no longer get you reimbursed. In order to stretch that \$500 benefit, have your prescriptions mailed to you. You can have your provider, or the pharmacy that your prescription was sent to, fax or call the Siletz Community Health Clinic Pharmacy and the pharmacy will mail the medications out to you.

Out-of-area patients

Just a reminder to Tribal members who live outside of the 11-county service area: You need to request your OOA benefits yearly. This is how we track the funding for that benefit. If you have any questions, please call PRC at 541-444-9677 or email SiletzPRC@ctsi.nsn.us.

Siletz Tribal Behavioral Health Programs

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

Siletz: 800-600-5599 or
541-444-8286


Eugene: 541-484-4234

Salem: 503-390-9494

Portland: 503-238-1512

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Missing Moccasins

What is a Missing Moccasin? A Tribal member who has an invalid or missing address with the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians Enrollment Department resulting in mail returned as undeliverable.

Enrollment staff attempts to contact the Tribal member by the email and/or phone number on file. If the Tribal member does not respond, Enrollment staff adds them to the Missing Moccasin list for publication in *Siletz News* and on the Tribal website member's area. Enrollment does not publish minor Tribal members' names.

In order to receive any mail from the Tribal administration, including per capita checks, 1099-MISC tax form, elections, *Siletz News*, etc., the Tribal member must submit their address change in writing. If you are on this list, you can update Enrollment by email at EnrollmentDepartment@ctsi.nsn.us; by mail at P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549; or in person at the Enrollment Department in Siletz or the Tribal area offices.

If you have questions, call Enrollment staff at 541-444-8258.

As of March 12, 2024, there are 99 ADULT Siletz Tribal Missing Moccasins.

Ashley Janice Kelsy **Adams**
Manuel Joseph **Bayya**
John Paul **Bostwick**
Breena Mia **Butler**
Randall Lee **Butler Jr.**
Breonna Rae **Case**
Margaret Marie **Cochran**
Elise Marie **Cook**
Shayla Breanne **Doherty**
Alexis Michelle **Fisher**
Kayonda Lin **Flores**
Jedediah Joseph **Fuhrer**
Antonio Solomon **Gonzalez**
Robert Nelson **Harrison**
Sylvia Rose **Hutchinson-Hernandez**
Felicia Ann **Johnson**
Colton Scott **Jordan**
Devon Bruce **Lane**
Toniette Leigh **Lindsey**
Haily Annamaria **Magrum**
Ashley Pearl **Marzan**
Brittany Jade **Medina**
Charlotte Anne **Nelson**
Christopher Scott **Prevatt**
Tee'hun Marcelino **Reese**
Charles Eugene **Richardson**
Raylynn Kay Louise **Rogers**
Jesse James **Sampson**
John Eugene **Snider**
Doniven David **Tompkins**
Mannito Hawkshaw Yontocket **Vera**
Craig Daniel **Wallace**

Clayborne William **Arden**
Jason Leonard **Bennett**
Rene Marie **Bowar**
Clayton Lee **Butler**
Teresa Melissa May **Butler**
Darod Anthony **Cheek**
Henry Luther **Cole Jr**
Larell Lee **Covington**
David Roy-Lee **Erickson**
Frank Bensell **Fisher**
Sonya Rae **Foster**
Jack Otis **Fultz**
Jonathan Bradley **Gonzalez**
Marcella Carmel **Hull**
James Merrill **Ingle**
Johnnie Ray **Johnson III**
Crystal Nichole **LaChance**
Virgil Alan **Lane**
Marnisha Rochelle Frances **Lucas**
Joseph Luis **Martin**
Roman Meril **McCarty**
Nahni Lavonne **Metcalf**
Christopher Ray **Oleman**
Jonathan Alex **Prevatt**
Tobias Tee **Reese Jr.**
Tisha Marie **Roark**
Jennifer Louise **Russell**
Joshua James **Scott**
Starr Redlighting **Strong**
Kyle Jacob **Towner**
Yolanda Gheit'Sigh **Vera-Simmons**
Derek Kirk **Washington Jr.**

Amy Marie **Bayya**
Jesse Matthew Dean **Bostwick**
Joseph Grant **Brents**
Daniel Tyler **Butler**
Sadie Mateya **Camacho Bravo-Hudson**
Johnathon Adam **Cherry**
Wesley Derrick **Cole**
Christopher James **Crawford**
Tara Lynn **Fields**
Nichole May **Fisher**
Theodore Josef **Fry**
Emma Bertha **Gilila**
Kendall Margaret **Hammer**
Gary Duane **Hutchinson Jr.**
Tawny Elan **Jenkins**
Cassandra Alyssa **Jones**
Bobbie John **Land-Hutchinson**
Jerald John **Law**
Natani Naomi **Lyth**
Steven Dean **Martin**
Joshua Jesse **McKnight Sr.**
Joshua Lennon **Mullins**
Mariah Justine **Pigsley**
Daniel Lee **Randall**
Diego Alfredo **Reyes**
Quiana Shanice **Rodriguez**
Dustin Raymond **Ryan**
Yolanda Louise **Simmons**
Kianna Marie **Swartout**
Louise Roberta **Towner-Flure**
Timothy Alfonso **Villegas Sr.**
Willie Joseph **Williams**

Visit www.ready.gov for information about how to prepare for the next emergency or disaster.



CTSI Enrollment Department

Enrollment Committee Meeting

Enrollment Committee meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month, excluding December. Tribal members interested in attending the next Enrollment Committee meeting in person or by Zoom should contact the Enrollment Department.

Enrollment Committee Regular Meeting
Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

Enrollment Department Contact Information

In Person: Enrollment Department
107 SE Swan Ave., Siletz, Oregon

Phone: 541-444-8258

Email: EnrollmentDepartment@ctsi.nsn.us

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



PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLICLY Posted from 02/21/2024 to 03/11/2024
Tribal Council Actions Affecting the Tribal Membership Roll
POSTING #324

The Enrollment Staff has publicly posted the Enrollment Committee's recommendation for 20-days before the Tribal Council's regularly scheduled meeting. In the absence of a protest, Tribal Council will act on applications and requests. ~ Reference Enrollment Ordinance §2.316(i), Public Posting ~

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 officials', action.

1. Removal from Roll – Deceased Enrollment Committee Recommendation for approval to Tribal Council: Resolution 2024-075

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| 1. Lori Suzanne Whitaker | 0259 |
| 2. Jessie Lorraine Thomas | 0361 |
| 3. Arneva C. Pyle | 0742 |
| 4. Joel Mark Strong | 0902 |
| 5. Janice June Flores | 1558 |
| 6. Todd Wesley Williams | 2041 |
| 7. Gary Charles Butler | 2440 |
| 8. Jack Wade McCord III | 3150 |
| 9. Ediberto Avila | 3478 |

2. Roll Removal – Ineligible Enrollment Committee Recommendation for approval to Tribal Council: Resolution 2024-076

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| 1. Alanna Jordan RainingBird | 4424 |
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3. Name Change Enrollment Committee Recommendation for approval to Tribal Council: Resolution 2024-077

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| 1. Mitsy Redstar Graham | 1301 |
| 2. Marietta Cook Larsen | 1969 |
| 3. Sequoia Christopher DePoe | 2081 |
| 4. Kaydee Susanne-Agnes Hoff | 2431 |
| 5. Dreonna Mari Weber | 2553 |
| 6. Julie Ann Dow | 3052 |
| 7. Tadee William Hatfield | 5514 |
| 8. Wendy Lou Stevens | 6186 |

4-1. Blood Quantum Correction – Jerry Paul Myrland roll#1470 Enrollment Committee Recommendation for approval to Tribal Council: Resolution 2024-078

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| 1. Joshua Cole Myrland | 3637 |
| 2. Owen Wolf Myrland | 5726 |

4-2. Blood Quantum Correction – Gylene Mae Jones roll#0480 Enrollment Committee Recommendation for approval to Tribal Council: Resolution 2024-079

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| 1. Gregory Dewain Towner | 0935 |
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4-3. Blood Quantum Correction – Clark Wilbur Martin roll#0613 and Roberta Jean Martin roll#0606 Enrollment Committee Recommendation for approval to Tribal Council: Resolution 2024-080

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| 1. Merrill Tebby Austin | 1101 |
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4-4. Blood Quantum Correction – Harding Warren Simmons roll#0848 Enrollment Committee Recommendation for approval to Tribal Council: Resolution 2024-081

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| 1. Harding Warren Simmons | 0848 |
| 2. Savannah Rae Worman | 3298 |
| 3. Finn Dean DeAnda | 6340 |

4-5. Blood Quantum Correction – Dolores May Hirata roll#1954-374 Enrollment Committee Recommendation for approval to Tribal Council: Resolution 2024-082

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| 1. Mary Kikue Loy | 1143-REL |
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4-6. Blood Quantum Correction – Martina Agatha Gilbert roll#0352-REL Enrollment Committee Recommendation for approval to Tribal Council: Resolution 2024-083

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| 1. Joseph Jesse Gilbert SR | 1089-REL |
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4-7. Blood Quantum Correction – Hoxie Augustus Simmons roll#1954-766 Enrollment Committee Recommendation for approval to Tribal Council: Resolution 2024-084

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| 1. Raven Caleb Payne Hatfield | 3420 |
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4-8. Blood Quantum Correction – Theodore Maurice Logsden Enrollment Committee Recommendation for approval to Tribal Council: Resolution 2024-085

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| 1. Jordan Christopher Laymen | 4674 |
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5. Application for Enrollment Enrollment Committee Recommendation for approval to Tribal Council: Resolution 2024-086

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| 1. Presley Gracelyn Butler | 6713 |
| 2. Solia Aniyah Cole | 6714 |
| 3. Marceline Rae DeAnda | 6715 |
| 4. Natalia Lori Fuller | 6716 |
| 5. Promise Marie Renee Gilbert | 6717 |
| 6. Opal Adaline Heddings | 6718 |
| 7. Talynn Castle Annalea Hoff | 6719 |
| 8. Kacie Nicole Johnson | 6720 |
| 9. Isabella Rayne Lindsay | 6721 |
| 10. Reina Mary Elizabeth Loy | 6722 |
| 11. Mason Riley Robinson | 6723 |
| 12. Melody M Ruth | 6724 |
| 13. Rodney Junior Tryon | 6725 |
| 14. Owen Toll Welch | 6726 |
| 15. Rylan Bear Williams | 6727 |



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U.S. Department of Energy to Hold Tribal-Only Listening Sessions on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Activities in Support of Commercial HALEU Production

DOE released a draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) evaluating the potential impacts of the Department's proposed action to acquire high-assay low-enriched uranium (HALEU) for commercial nuclear energy use and demonstration projects and to establish domestic commercial HALEU production. DOE is hosting two virtual and one in-person Tribal-only listening sessions to explain the process used to analyze the proposed action and alternatives and seek oral comments and feedback from Tribes on the draft EIS.

Please see below for information on the tribal-only listening sessions. For anyone unable to attend, the virtual sessions will be recorded and made available on the project website.

All attendees must register to attend these tribal-only listening sessions. Please visit <https://www.energy.gov/ne/haleu-environmental-impact-statement> to register.

Tribal-Only Virtual Listening Sessions:

1. Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at 6:00 pm ET via Zoom.
2. Thursday, April 11, 2024, at 9:00 pm ET via Zoom.

In-Person Tribal-Only Listening Session:

1. Tuesday, April 16, 2024, in Chandler, AZ at 5:30 p.m. MST
 - Upon registration, you will receive additional logistics and meeting details.

In addition to comments provided during the listening sessions, written comments may be submitted by mail or email now through April 22, 2024.

Written comments received through the mail must be postmarked by April 22, 2024, to ensure consideration. Comments can be submitted to the following addresses:

Mail:
 Mr. James Lovejoy
 DOE EIS Document Manager
 U.S. Department of Energy,
 Idaho Operations Office,
 1955 Fremont Avenue, MS 1235,
 Idaho Falls, Idaho 83415

E-mail: HALEU-EIS@nuclear.energy.gov

Tribal comments and feedback will help DOE further refine its analysis, identify new information, and consider additional alternatives in preparation of the final EIS. Responses to comments and any associated revisions will be included in the final EIS.

For more information on the Tribal listening sessions and registration, and to access the draft EIS, please visit <https://www.energy.gov/ne/haleu-environmental-impact-statement>

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CONTACT AN EDUCATION SPECIALIST FOR AN APPLICATION

Katy Holland Portland/Washington Area KatyH@ctsi.nsn.us	Jeff Sweet Siletz Area JeffS@ctsi.nsn.us	Sonya Moody-Jurado Salem Area SonyaMJ@ctsi.nsn.us	Candace Hill Eugene/Out-of-Area CandaceH@ctsi.nsn.us
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Applicant must be an enrolled Siletz Tribal member at time of completion/graduation.

2023-2024 CTSI College Information Nights

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Education Department

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Topics include: Financial Aid (FAFSA); Oregon Tribal Student Grant; Tribal funding; Meet representatives from colleges here in Oregon and across the nation and more!

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
Sonya Moody-Jurado Salem Area SonyaMJ@ctsi.nsn.us	Candace Hill Eugene Area CandaceH@ctsi.nsn.us

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

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 to check out the more than 500 grant and scholarship opportunities.

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

APPLY FOR THE OREGON TRIBAL STUDENT GRANT

Visit <https://oregonstudentaid.gov/grants/oregon-tribal-student-grant/> for information on deadlines, instructions, and a link to apply.

You can also reach them by phone at (503) 509-7624 or email at PublicPrograms@hecc.oregon.gov

Students must: be enrolled in one of Oregon's 9 federally recognized tribes, be attending an Oregon-based institution, submit the FAFSA/ORSAA, and complete the Oregon Tribal Student Grant (and verify their Tribal enrollment).

The final deadline to apply for the 2024-25 academic year is April 5, 2024.

Contact Your Education Specialist About Other Support Available to You

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Who: Workshop is open to High School-Aged Siletz Tribal Youth

How: To sign up contact Nick Viles at nickv@ctsi.nsn.us or 541-270-5814

Deadline: Sign up by Wednesday, April 10, 2024 by 4:30 pm

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Deadline: April 26, 2024
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- IJA-AAJA Pacific Islander Journalism Scholarship
Deadline: May 31, 2024
- American Indian College Fund Scholarships
Deadline: May 31, 2024
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- 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

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- Wisconsin Public Radio News Fellows
Deadline: Various
- 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
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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
- WOTE Agricultural Incubator Intern
Deadline: Various
- Saturday Academy Internships
Deadline: Multiple
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Deadline: Multiple
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Deadline: Multiple

Other Opportunities

- Oregon Promise Grant
- Portland Community College Career Pathways Program
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- UC Native American Opportunity Plan
- Indigenous Food Sovereignty Emerging Leaders Program
Deadline: April 25, 2024
- High School Journalism Institute
Deadline: May 10, 2024
- THRIVE Conference (Portland, Ore.)
June 24-28, 2024
- NPAIHB Youth Intern Host Sites
Deadline: Rolling
- Fund for Indigenous Journalists: Reporting on MMIWG2T
Deadline: Rolling
- Fund for Women Journalists
Deadline: Rolling
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Deadline: Ongoing
- Center for Native American Youth at the Aspen Institute – Generation Indigenous Network Youth Ambassador
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Deadline: Various

Important information for college-bound Tribal seniors

April

- Send thank you notes to people who have helped you.
- Make final decision about which college or university you will attend.
- If you decide to decline enrollment to a college or university to which you have been accepted, send notice indicating this to the college's admissions office.

May

- This is the deadline for final decisions for universities.
- Send letter of intent to registrar.
- Line up a summer job.
- Attend your Senior Awards Night.
- Review any award letters and be sure you understand the terms and conditions that accompany each type of aid.
- If necessary, arrange for housing and a meal plan (at school).
- Send thank you notes to any person/committee from which you received a scholarship.

Fellowships

- Native American Journalism Fellowship (The Oklahoman)
Deadline: Various
- NHPR Reporter/Producer Fellowship
Deadline: Various
- 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
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Deadline: Rolling
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Deadline: Multiple
- Claremont NA Fellowship
Deadlines: Multiple

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Tribal Council Timesheets for February 2024

Frank Aspria – 2/1/24-2/29/24

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
2.75	2.75	.5			2/1-2	Email, packets
4.5	4.5				2/3	Health, Housing, General Council, packets

Gerald Ben – 2/1/24-2/29/24

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
					1.75	2/4 Special TC
1	1	1	.5		2.5	2/7-8 IT mtg, packets
.75	.75					2/13 Packets
3	3				3.5	2/16 Regular TC
.5	.5					2/19 Packets
.75	.75	1.75			3.75	2/20 TC wkshp, gaming wkshp
.25	.25	4.25			2.5	2/23-25 Special TC – gaming, packets

Loraine Y. Butler – 2/1/24-2/29/24

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
1.75	1.75				2/1-2	TC wkshp, packets
4	4				2/3	Health, Housing, General Council
1.25	1.25				2/4-6	Special TC, packets
.5	.5	2.5			2/8	IT/gaming, CPT
4	4				2/12-15	Packets
3	3				2/16	Regular TC
2	2				2/18-19	Packets
.75	.75	1.75			2/20	Enrollment wkshp, CW wkshp
		2			2/22	Packets

Sharon Edenfield – 2/1/24-2/29/24

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
					4	2/1 ATNI travel
3	2.75				2/2	TC wkshp, packets
4	4				2/3	Health, Housing, General Council

Robert Kentta – 2/1/24-2/29/24

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
.75	.75				2/4-5	Special TC, reading
1	1	2			2	2/8 IT audit, review gaming budget
1.25	1.25	1.5			2	2/10-15 Attend MMA, packets
3	3				2/16	Regular TC
.75	.75				2/19	Packets
.75	.75	1.5			2/20	Enrollment wkshp, CW wkshp
2.5	2.5	5.5			1	2/22 Interviews, SF&Wine (CWCR), packets

Alfred Lane III – 2/1/24-2/29/24

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
3.5	3.5				2/3	Health, Housing, General Council
.5	.5				2/15	Packets
3.5	3.5				2	2/16 Regular TC, UO mtg
.75	.75	1.75			2/20	Enrollment wkshp, CW wkshp
		3.5			2/23	Special TC – gaming
1.75	1.75				2/27	STRCP mtg

Alfred Lane IV – 2/1/24-2/29/24

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
1	1				2/1	Packets, email
1	.75				2/2	TC wkshp
3.5	3.5				2/3	Health, Housing, General Council
.75	.75				2/4	Special TC, reading, email
.75	.75				2/5	Natural Resources Cmte
1.25	1.25				2/8	TC wkshp, email, reading

Judy Muschamp – 2/1/24-2/29/24

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
.5	.25				2/4	Special TC
.75	.75				2/6	TC orientation
1.25	1.25				2/8	IT audit
3	3				2/9-14	Packets, reports
2.75	2.75				2/15	Interviews, IS, HR
3.25	3.5				2/16	Regular TC
1	1				2/17	Packets
.75	.5				2/19	Portrait
.75	.75	1.75			2	2/20 Enrollment wkshp, CWCR wkshp
1	.75				2/24	Email
.25	.5				2/26	Tribal caucus re: IHS IT
1	.75				2/27-28	NPAIHB update, email
1.5	1.5				2/29	WOSU Gov. Board mtg

Bonnie Petersen – 2/1/24-2/29/24

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
1.5	1.25				2/1-2	TC wkshp, email, mtg prep
3.5	3.5				2/3	Health, Housing, General Council, email
.75	.75				2/4	Special TC, email, mtg prep
1.5	1.5				2/5	Health Cmte, IGN, email
1	1				2/6-7	Meet w/ Sen. Merkley, email
3	3			.5	2/8-12	IT wkshp, CPT, econ dev, email
2	1.75				2/13	NPAIHB, Bridge Aesthetics mtg
3	3				2/14-15	Housing Cmte, MAT training, email, mtg prep
3.5	3.5			1.5	2/16	Regular TC, UO mtg, email
2.5	2.75	.25			2/18-19	Email, mtg prep
1.5	1.75	.25			2/20	Enrollment wkshp, CW wkshp, mail
1.5	1.5				2/21	Housing Cmte, email, mtg prep
1.25	1.25	1			2/22	CWACT mtg, email, signing
		3			3	2/23 Special TC – gaming, email, mtg prep, reading
3.75	3.75				3	2/24-25 STAHS retreat, email
3	3				2/26-27	Email, research, reading
.75	.75	.25			2/28	NASRAC mtg, email
.75	.75				2/29	STAHS wkshp, email

Delores Pigsley – 2/1/24-2/29/24

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
1.5	1.5	.25			1	2/1 ATNI, mail
2	2				1.5	2/2 TC wkshp, mail
5	5				2	2/3 Health, Housing, General Council, election
.25	.25				2.5	2/4 Special TC, mail
6	6				6.5	2/5-7 Boldt decision mtg, mail
1	1	1	.5		2.5	2/8 Casino & audit wkshp, STBC audit, mail
3.5	3.25				2/9-15	Interview, mail, prep for council, agenda items
4	4				4	2/16 Regular TC, UO mtg, mail
2	2				2/17-19	Chemawa Pow-Wow, mail, agenda items
5	5	1			2.5	2/20-22 LCIS, mail, admin
3.25	3.25	1			2/23-25	Special TC, Chemawa board, mail, agenda items
2.25	2.25				2/26-27	Chemawa Station, mail, agenda items
2.5	2.5				6.5	2/28-29 First Peoples Fund event, mail

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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 can provide emergency assistance for the payment of mortgages and utilities for low-income Siletz Tribal households that have disproportionately suffered from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The HAF Program is designed to assist Tribal households with incomes at or below 150 percent of the median income that face potential foreclosure or homelessness because they are unable to pay 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. This 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
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For more information about the Siletz Tribe, please visit ctsi.nsn.us.

Gathering, continued from page 1

sweater vest stood out among the natural wood colors of the cedar bark he prepared to be made into cedar headbands. He split the bark into smaller sections and then placed the strips into a red bucket to soak.

For Warbus, this event marked his first time leaving Lummi Nation since his wife passed away last March.

He learned how to pull cedar at a young age but did not start weaving until later in life, learning from his mother and wife. Around the room, Warbus pointed to a few different women in cedar fedoras, made through the instruction of his wife.

“My mom taught me how to do this, my wife taught me how to do this,” Warbus said, working the long strips of cedar between his hands. “But I’m doing this all by myself now.”

Sharing knowledge

Inside a gray tub at Siletz weaver Laurae Hughes’ table, thin strips of cedar sat soaking in water. She instructed par-

ticipants in her weaving class to choose four strips to form the base of a small basket and three thinner strips to weave into a pattern.

The earthy smell of wet wood permeated the air as Hughes diligently went around the table to help each participant create their very own cedar container.

Dozens of tattoos adorn Hughes’ arms, telling the story of where she comes from. On her left arm is a portrait of Lakota chief Hollow Horn Bear, based on a poster her father drew. Basket patterns snake across her forearms and biceps and bees hint at her life as a beekeeper.

Hughes pointed to a raven tattoo on her arm, a creature she identifies with. Like the raven, Hughes has been called both a wise one and a trickster.

Through the wisdom she has gained learning to harvest, process and weave materials such as cedar, Hughes gives back to her Siletz community by teaching others to carry on that knowledge,

especially during each summer’s Siletz Culture Camp. She originally taught herself to weave while living on the east coast, traveling back and forth to harvest the materials from her traditional homelands.

“I feel like it’s my obligation or my duty and my honor to be able to teach,” Hughes said. “I had to learn from 3,000 miles away. So guess what? Now you got to know. I have to teach you.”

Healing through the generations

Two young Siletz women in ribbon skirts, Jeidah DeZurney, 25, and Savanna Rilatos, 26, sat at their table working on small cedar baskets that would eventually be strung on braids of cedar, turned into necklaces.

The baskets grew taller in their hands with each row of cedar carefully woven into place. Meanwhile, the two women reflected on the importance of the conference.

“There is just incredible intergenerational learning going on,” said Rilatos. “So much storytelling goes on and it’s so important because there’s so much history being passed on during the process.”

She said she is excited to go gathering with her 2-year-old son. Eventually, she will teach him how to weave as he grows in hopes that he too will one day do his part to keep the tradition of weaving alive.

As participants completed their carefully crafted weaving projects, instructors raised the finished piece into the air. Each one met with an eruption of applause from around the room.

Projects included cattail baskets, yarn baskets, wool bags, wool headbands, pine needle baskets, beargrass bracelets, cedar baskets, cedar jewelry and a soap root brush.

Sitting together weaving, people shared stories and knowledge. An auntie told her niece about a great aunt who she remembers weaving baskets. An elder shared her story about reconnecting to her Siletz heritage after growing up in a boarding school. A grandma talked about how excited she was to teach her grandson how to weave.

“When you do these things, it’s healing for generations and it sends good medicine clear down to three, four generations down the road,” Carrie Campbell-Turk said.

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Left: Nora Williams-Wood weaves cattails.

Below: Katy Holland (left), Savanna Rilatos and Jeidah DeZurney weave cedar containers.





Justice, continued from page 1

- Law enforcement and investigative resources
- Recruitment and retention of law enforcement
- Data collection and reporting
- Cross jurisdictional coordination
- Family and survivor resources
- Improving public safety resources
- Alaska-specific issues

The Not Invisible Act Commission was created by the Not Invisible Act, led by Haaland during her time in Congress.

The commission included federal, state and Tribal law enforcement, Tribal leaders, federal partners, service providers, family members of missing and murdered individuals, and survivors.

The commission developed recommendations on actions the federal government can take to help combat violent crime against American Indian and Alaska Native people and on Tribal lands, and to address the epidemic of missing persons, murder and trafficking of American Indian and Alaska Native peoples, as specified under the law.

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Angela Ramirez – 2/1/24-2/29/24

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
2.5	2.25					2/1-3 Packets, email
2	1.75					2/2 TC wkshp, STAHS
3.5	3.5					2/3 Health, Housing, General Council

Selene Rilatos – 2/1/24-2/29/24

TC	Ind	Gmg	STBC	ED	Tvl	
4.25	4.25					2/1-2 Tribal Nav mtg, OHA mtg, TC wkshp, email, packets
4	4			1	2/3	Health, Housing, General Council, email, packets
.25	.25			1	2/4	Special TC
1.5	1.5			1	2/5	Health Cmte, email
1.75	1.75				2/6-7	NPAIHB mtg, packet, email
1.75	1.75				2/8	TC wkshp, ECHO mtg
5.75	5.75				2/9-12	OHA mtg, email, packets
3.25	3.25				2/13-14	NPAIHB mtg, email, packets
2	2				2/15	Tribal Nav mtg, Siletz community mtg, email, packets
3.5	3.5			1	2/16	Regular TC
2.75	2.75	1.75			2/19-20	Enrollment wkshp, CWCR wkshp, email, packets
2.5	2.5			2	2/21-22	Family Literacy Night, email, packets
.75	.75	3.75			2/23	Special TC – gaming
2.25	2.25				2/26-27	OHA, NPAIHB, email, packets
3	3				2/29	OHA, Portland community mtg, email

To the editor:

Chemawa Indian School has a mentor program and one of the elements is that the students go out with their mentor and do community service (in a **good** way). Well, over Super Bowl weekend I got a picture from one of the students that was in front of the Salem Area Office. I asked what he was doing over there. He told me a couple students were over there doing their community service cleaning up the front parking lot, etc. I thanked him on behalf of the Tribe.

The students were Alryan Secody (Navajo), Delmer Lamson (Hopi) and Kato Janis ((Oglala Sioux-Pine Ridge).

Cindy Jackson

To the editor:

Here's my take on the following controversy: Does the Clatsop Tribe belong to Siletz?

Best evidence in support

Several trusted Siletz officials have recently proclaimed that the Clatsop Tribe belongs to Siletz.

The Coast Treaty of 1855, a treaty long claimed by Siletz, includes language limiting its potential applicability to the entire Oregon Coast – including Clatsop homelands.

Many dozens – perhaps hundreds – of Siletz Tribal members have a Clatsop ancestor. Starting about 2018, Siletz began enrolling Clatsop leaders.

Dozens of Tribal Council resolutions have recently been enacted with addenda christening a long-deceased Clatsop/Lower Chinook individual who'd married into the Siletz Tribe as a "Siletz ancestor."

An 1851 treaty signed at Tansy Point by Clatsop leaders is listed under the heading "Siletz Treaties" within the Siletz Geographic Areas of Tribal Interest Ordinance.

Best evidence against

Until recently, all Tribal leaders and historians alike had long agreed that the Clatsop Tribe is closely affiliated with other Chinook-speaking Tribes living near the mouth of the Columbia River – not with Siletz. That agreement held from the time of Lewis and Clark (1804) virtually until the 21st century.

In 2019, a U.S. federal court found in favor of Chinook Indian Nation (CIN) and against Siletz after Siletz claimed entitlement to 1970 judgment funds awarded to Clatsop and allied peoples.

In 2021, the Bureau of Indian Affairs held a hearing and also found in favor of CIN concerning those funds.

All CIN leaders claim the Clatsop Tribe as a constituent Tribe and have done so for decades – if not centuries.

Like any treaty, the 1855 Coast Treaty, had it been ratified, would've applied only to parties signing it and no Clatsop leaders – everybody agrees – signed the 1855 Coast Treaty. Additionally, language in the treaty specifically excluded Tribes from its provisions in the event that they didn't accede to its terms.

Most Indians with Clatsop ancestry are **not** enrolled at Siletz and the Siletz-enrolled Clatsop descendants result overwhelmingly from intermarriage.

Official denomination of a long-deceased Clatsop/Lower Chinook person as a "Siletz ancestor" has proceeded at Siletz despite these three difficulties: 1) the Clatsop/Lower Chinook ancestor never identified as Siletz; 2) the Siletz Tribe never enrolled them during their lifetimes; 3) the practice of posthumously changing a person's citizenship status is questionable especially when it's opposed by the person's living Siletz descendants.

The Siletz ordinance listing the 1851 Tansy Point Clatsop treaty as a "Siletz Treaty" nullifies a long-held legal understanding first promulgated in a 1912 Act of Congress identifying the 1851 Tansy Point Clatsop treaty as a non-Siletz treaty and subsequently affirmed by federal case law.

That Siletz people say "**shinook**" while Clatsop people favor "**chinook**" offers linguistic support for differentiating the two Tribes (cf. "shibboleth").

Drew Viles

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Run to the Rogue 2024 Update

This year, R2R will take place
May 31st - June 2nd

This change is to avoid cancellations
due to wildfire season.

We look forward to seeing you for
Run to the Rogue this spring!



Happy 42nd Birthday, Eddie, on April 4
and Happy Birthday, Sister, on April 12. I
love you both.
Selina



On March 7, Merle R. Kalb Jr. and
Marjorie Kalb have been married for 60
years. Still in love and still have fun. Love
our family.

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All birthday, anniversary and holiday wishes will appear in the Passages section. Siletz News reserves the right to edit any submission for clarity and length.

Not all submissions are guaranteed publication upon submission.

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

Culture Camp July

9th, 10th and 11th

Registration forms are available on the CTSI website
at www.ctsi.nsn.us/culture-language or at your area office.

If you have any questions, contact Buddy Lane at:
1-800-922-1399 or 541-444-8230 or BuddyL@ctsi.nsn.us

Applications can be submitted online or mailed to:
PO Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380 or faxed to 541-444-8392

Registration is open to Siletz Tribal members and Siletz Tribal households.



Round Dance March 15-16, 2024 Siletz Valley School

Photos by Andy Taylor

Top photo: Drummers prep for their
next song by taking a water break.

Above: Ginger Redlinger, Rachele
Endres, Cassidy Werder, Bella
Christensen and Crystal Taylor

Left: Al and Mary Warren dance
with their great-granddaughter,
Journey Rose.



NATIVE AMERICAN YOUTH & FAMILY CENTER'S

18th Annual Native American Housing to
HOMEOWNERSHIP FAIR

Free Workshops Lunch Provided Open to All (Future Homebuyers, Homebuyers & Homeowners) Connect with Community Resources Downpayment Assistance Raffle Meet with Loan Officers & Real Estate Agents

**SATURDAY
APRIL 27TH
2024**

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
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