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The People Gather for Sacred Salmon Ceremony

Contributed by Morgan Gaines, Communications Specialist

Coos Bay, Oregon – Tribal families gathered together on the cool and misty morning of Sunday, August 4, 2024 for the Annual Sacred Salmon Ceremony. Stepping off the shuttles provided from Coos Head to Baldija (Gregory Point), Tribal members embraced one another, smiles spread across faces, while the breeze carried their laughter out to sea.

Tribal families reunited and visited each other while enjoying some delicious fry bread made by Courtney Krossman, Ty Walton, and their family. They used beloved Tribal Elder Carolyn Slyter's recipe, which still brings joy to us all.

Smoke from the fire pit circled in the air as a number of people helped cook the Salmon in a traditional way, fireside on cedar stakes. Hiisa (thank you) to Jesse Beers, Ramil Beers, Mark Petrie, Dan Kirk, Angie Henry and all the others that put good energy into cooking the feast for ceremony. Over 200 people RSVP'd for Salmon Ceremony and well over 300 people attended. A huge thank you to Joey Barton and everyone who assisted with the food, and making it go so far as to feed all the extra people.

Chief Doug Barrett soon addressed the crowd, welcoming us all to his first Salmon Ceremony as the elected Chief of the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians. He asked the other members of Tribal Council in attendance to join him up front in welcoming everyone. "I look out here and see a lot of people, it's awesome to see this many people come to Sacred Salmon Ceremony."

Sofia Cisernos asked Chief Barrett to honor Beaver Bowen with a beautiful cedar basket cap that she made.

Chief then held up a beautifully carved and stained wooden salmon from Tribal Elder George Barton. His loving wife, Barb Barton donated the carving to the Tribe to be hung in the historic Tribal Hall in honor of his wishes that the Tribe have it.



Salmon Ceremony 2024 shirt design by Keileigh Dull



The Canoe Family was then called up to join Chief in front of the crowd. They had just returned from the 2024 Canoe Journey Youth Paddle to Puyallap. Chief shared that "We actually traveled with four different Tribes. There was us, Cowcreek, Siletz and Ko'kwel." Last year was the first Canoe Journey where two Tribal Nation flags were flown in the same canoe. This year they got to do so again; have an intertribal canoe crew, to pull canoe Lottie to the final landing in Washington.

Special guest Don Meyer was then asked to join the Canoe Family. Meyer's is the Captain of the Big Canoe, the Tribes ocean going vessel and safety boat. At one point during Journey "He turned around to save another canoe that rolled it in the surf. It was a Canadian canoe…their whole group called us in and honored Don that night, gave him a beautiful blanket." Chief then honored Don with another blanket, and had Kyle Gaines help wrap the blanket around him. Kyle also gifted him with a sweatshirt with the same paddle motif the rest of the Canoe Family had made as a keepsake for this year's Journey. Chief then had Kyle Gaines stay next to him in order to honor him with a Veterans bead for his service and his first Canoe Journey, a successful undertaking as logistics coordinator. Chief went on to address the Canoe Family "thank you everybody for being an awesome crew and having a blast. We had 39 people total travel with us."

Following a number of songs and dances, Tribal members made their way down to Sunset Bay Beach to return the Salmon hiis haiyach (with a good heart). Led in ceremony by Chief Doug Barrett, Tribal members gathered on the shore line singing together. After Chief performed the ceremony members took canoe Lottie

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Tribal Council Business

Activity of Elected Tribal Council Members from July 14, 2024 - August 10, 2024

Chief Doug Barrett

07/14 Tribal Council General Council Meeting
07/16 NWFP Tribal Inclusion Summery & Round Table
07/17 NWFP Tribal Inclusion Summery & Round Table, Governor Kotek Visit to Lab & hiach ikt'at'uu, MHA LADPC meeting
07/18 Special Meeting,Task Force on Alcohol Pricing & Addiction services, OSU Seeds for Success Field Camp Closing Ceremony
07/23 Tribal – State G2G Annual Summit, Tribal Consultation Task Force Convening
07/24 Tribal – State G2G Annual Summit
07/25-08/02 Canoe Journey in Washington State – Youth Paddle to Puyallap
07/30 NARA NW Board Meeting
07/31 GFORB – Tribal Council Board Meeting
08/01 Special Meeting Resolution – Tribal Health Services Provider
08/03 Tribal Council Breakfast
08/03 Barton Family Ceremonies
08/04 Sacred Salmon Ceremonies in Coos Bay at "Baldija" (Gregory Point) & Sunset Bay
08/05 Sacred Salmon Ceremonies in Reedsport at "Ikt'at'uu" (Umpqua & Smith River)
08/06 Sacred Salmon Ceremonies in Florence at "ikt'at'uu" (Siuslaw at the Port)
Total Hours: 162

Chair Brad Kneaper

07/14 Regular Council Meeting.
07/16 Meet with CEO and Staff at Tribal Government Offices, Zoom Meeting with Legal
07/17 Meet with Oregon Governor Kotek and staff. Discussions on Off Shore Wind and Related Topics; Port Expansion; Gaming Expansion. Governor was given a tour of different areas within our ancestral territory, including Restoration Projects.
07/18 Newsletter Article Written, Meeting with Council regarding employee confidential information, Meet with Legal.
07/23 Travel to Canyonville (7 Feathers); 9 Tribes Meeting; Governor's Dinner.
07/24 Tribal – State Government Summit at Canyonville (7 Feathers)
07/29 Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) Facility Commemoration at Oregon State University.
07/31 Five Oregon Tribes – Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) Meeting at Three Rivers Casino, Tribal – BOEM Meeting, Gaming Facility Operational Review Board (GFORB) meeting, Business Council Meeting.
08/01 ZOOM meeting with the Hoh Tribe; White House Staff; MAPETSI (DC Lobbyists); Legal and CEO regarding Off Shore Wind and BOEM.
08/03 Out of Town and was unable to attend Salmon Ceremony and related events. From all accounts, it was a wonderful event with a significant attendance.
08/07 Meet with Legal.
08/08 Leader's Circle. Discussions on Camp Status; Department Status; Casino Gift Shop.
08/10 Tribal Student Recognition Event and Lunch.
Total Hours: 175

Teresa Spangler

07/14 Regular Council Meeting
07/17 Daylong meeting with Governor Kotek and Staff
07/18 Special Meeting
07/23 9 Tribes Meeting At 7 Feathers / Governor's Dinner
07/24 Government to Government Annual Summit At 7 Feathers Casino
07/29 NAGPRA Event at Oregon State University
07/31 Five tribes meeting with BOEM regarding wind energy at Three Rivers Casino, Meeting with CTCLUSI and BOEM, Business Council Meeting
08/01 Special Meeting, Meeting with the Hoh Tribe, CTCLUSI, MAPETSI and White House Staff.
08/03 Breakfast with our tribal community
08/04 Salmon Ceremony
08/10 Student Recognition Event
Total Hours: 94

Julie Siestreem

07/14 Tribal Council-General Council Regular Monthly Meeting Three Rivers Casino Florence
07/16 Education Committee Meeting zoom
07/17 CTCLUSI Tribal Government Reservation and Property in person visit with Governor Tina Kotek
07/18 Legislative Commission on Indian Services all day zoom, Tribal Council Special Meeting zoom
07/19 Education Committee Meeting zoom
07/23 Tribal - State G2G Annual Summit Seven Feathers-Cow Creek all day
07/24 Tribal – State G2G Annual Summit\ Seven Feathers-Cow Creek all day
07/29 NAGPRA OSU in person all day
07/30 House Bill 5204 zoom
07/31 BOEM Five Tribes Mtg. Three Rivers Casino Florence in person, BOEM Tribal Council Consultation, GFORB, Tribal Council Business meeting
08/01 Tribal Council Special Meeting, Tribal Council MAPETSI
08/03 Annual Tribal Council General Council Breakfast Community Center
08/04 Annual Salmon Ceremony
08/05 Elders Mail Jet Boat Adventure Gold Beach
08/06 Elders Big Cats Adventure Cave Junction
08/07 Elders and Families Potluck Tribal Hall
08/08 Tribal Council Leaders Circle
08/09 DELC zoom
08/11 Tribal Council-General Council Regular Monthly Meeting Community Center Coos Bay
Total Hours: 130

Debbie Bossley

07/14 Regular council
07/17 Governor meeting and dinner
07/18 Special meeting
07/24 Gov to gov summit- 7 Feathers
07/31 Business meeting
08/01 Special meeting
08/03 Tribal Council Breakfast
08/04 Salmon Ceremony
08/11 Regular Council
Total: 60 hrs

Iliana Montiel

07/14 Tribal Council Regular Meeting
07/17 Gov. Kotek site visit
07/18 TC Special Meeting
07/31 GFORB / Tribal Council Business Meeting
08/01 TC Special Meeting
08/03 Breakfast with TC
Total Hours: 20

Enna Helms

07/14 Tribal Council Regular Meeting
07/17 Host Governor Tina Kotek
07/23-24 Tribal-State Government to Government Annual Summit at Cow Creek
07/29 Attended the Oregon State University Facility Commemoration for Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA)
07/31 Hosted the BOEM Five Tribes Meeting at Three Rivers Casino; Tribal Council Business Meeting
08/01 Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw and Hoh Tribe
08/03 Tribal Council Breakfast with our Tribal Community
08/04 Sacred Salmon Ceremony at baldija
08/08 Leaders Circle Meeting
08/10 Tribal Student Recognition Dinner
Total Hours: 75

Can You Find Me?

In this edition of The Voice of CLUSI there is a hidden image of a **SALAL exactly like the one pictured below**. It could be any size and on any page, but will look exactly like the one shown here.

If you find it, email mgaines@ctclusi.org to have your name entered into a prize drawing. **In your email you must include your name, age, address (for mailing purposes) and contact phone number.**

In your email you must also let us know what page and where on the page you spotted the SALAL hiding!

Must email by September 16th to be included in the raffle drawing.

Winners will be notified by phone or email and their name will appear in an upcoming edition of the Voice of CLUSI paper. Prizes will vary and are provided by different CTCLUSI Government departments.



August "Fireweed" Winners:

Adult - KayLynn Wardell Youth - Grayson Dollins

The Fireweed was hidden on page 10, bottom left photo

Information

QUESTIONS OR SUGGESTIONS?
The CLUSI Tribal Council welcomes your ideas, comments, criticisms, etc.
Please write to: Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians
ATTN: Tribal Council 1245 Fulton Ave.
Coos Bay, Oregon 97420

COMMITTEE INTEREST LIST
If you are a Tribal member and interested in being on a committee, please contact Jeannie Miller, 541-888-7506 or jmiller@ctclusi.org
We are currently keeping a list of those interested so that when a committee vacancy occurs we can fill it as soon as possible, so please contact us whether there is a vacancy or not.

ATTENTION VETERANS AND FAMILIES
Veterans we need your help. Veterans are honored at the Salmon Ceremony each year. Please contact Jeannie Miller at 541-888-7506 or at email jmiller@ctclusi.org for new requirements needed to be honored.

US FOREST SERVICE NORTHWEST FOREST PASSES
Now available at the Tribal Administration Building, Florence and Eugene Outreach offices.
Requirements are: 1. Must be a CTCLUSI Tribal member. 2. Must be over 16 years old. 3. You may only be issued one per year. The passes hang from the rear view mirror and are good for access to some Forest Service fee areas. Area maps available.

CHANGES?
Please let us know if you have a change in address, phone number, name or addition to your family. Changes should be submitted to Enrollment Dept., either online at www.ctclusi.org/enrollment or mail to Enrollment Dept., 1245 Fulton Ave., Coos Bay, OR 97420. Phone: 541-888-7538 or Fax: 541-888-2853.

TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES
The full meeting video is available at www.ctclusi.org If you are an enrolled member of CTCLUSI and would like to receive typed copies of the Tribal Council Meeting minutes please submit a written request to Jeannie Miller at 1245 Fulton Ave. Coos Bay OR 97420 or jmiller@ctclusi.org Please include the meeting date requested, your name, current address, and Tribal Roll number for verification.

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Are you a Tribal member who would like to learn more about a Tribal Committee, or are interested in being on a committee? Reach out to a Committee Chair person or a Tribal Government Staff member.

Committee Chairs are noted at left with current sitting members of the committee at the time of publication of this paper.

For questions, please contact Jeannie Miller, 541-888-7506 or jmiller@ctclusi.org

The Tribe maintains a list of those interested so that when a committee vacancy occurs we can fill it as soon as possible, so please contact us whether there is a vacancy or not. Letters of interest remain on file for one full year. Members can serve on up to three committees simultaneously.

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If you or anyone in your Tribal family has had any recent special awards or achievements that you would like to share, please submit your information and photos to the newsletter. I look forward to hearing from you!
-Morgan Gaines, Communications Specialist
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Upcoming Events

Turn to page 19 of this publication for a monthly calendar of upcoming events or visit the Events Calendar on the tribal website at https://ctclusi.org/events/

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Council Meeting

September 8, 2024
10:00 a.m.
Coos Bay Community Center
338 Wallace Ave.
Please login to the citizen portal of www.ctclusi.org and click Council Meetings for the zoom link to this meeting.

Agenda:
1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Approval of Minutes as needed
4. Tribal Council Reports
5. Tribal Chief Executive Officer Report
6. Chief Financial Officer Report
7. Old Business
8. New Business
9. Other
10. Good of the Tribes
11. Executive Session as needed

Council meeting video available to view at www.ctclusi.org

Council Corner

August 13, 2024

Greetings everyone,

I hope this finds everyone safe and healthy and enjoying your summer. I want to give a couple of updates on things that we have happening.

First, Hunting and Fishing. The last count I heard was 140 Licenses have been issued as of late last week. In order to find the application and information, you can look at the tribal website, scroll down to “Harvest Program” on the opening page. Then scroll down to “Visit Harvest Program Page for More Information and Regulations” and click that link. On the next page, scroll down to “CTCLUSI Hunting and Fishing Harvest Program Application”. Clicking that link will open up the on-line application form which can then be filled out and submitted. If you don’t have access to a computer, or have any problems, Call Debbie Bossley at 541-888-7538, or Jeannie Miller at 541-888-7506.

We will continue to accept comments and are logging those. It’s best to submit them in writing, by email to Jeannie Miller at jmiller@ctclusi.org, or to Tribal Council at memberstocouncil@ctclusi.org. You can also call Debbie or Jeannie with those comments.

Recently I heard there was a petition being passed around to allow use of our Tribal Hall. Currently Tribal members are allowed use of Tribal Hall, but are asked to fill a use request to reserve the hall for events or individual use. This is not to deny access, but to try to avoid conflicts when someone has a family or other event or activity they want to use Tribal Hall for.

Currently the Education Department is housed in Tribal Hall as well, due to lack of office space for Tribal Programs. There is currently a plan to relocate Education, which will help to alleviate conflict and allow more use of the Hall.

I wanted to mention the recent Salmon Ceremony. I was unable to attend this year because of another commitment, however I have heard from many people that it was another great event, and that nearly 300 people attended. Thanks to everyone who worked hard to make this event a success. Our government employees deserve a great big thank you! It’s great we had that many people attend, and I hope that we continue to have this kind of attendance.

I think this is a good place to throw in a reminder to RSVP to events you plan on attending. That way we can make sure there is enough food and other items to serve our Tribal Citizens. I have attended events that did not have enough food to serve those that attended, and meals have to be divided among those that were there. Please RSVP so that we can make sure there is enough for everyone.



Chairman Brad Kneaper

On that note, I hope that everyone is enjoying a safe and comfortable summer! It’s going by very fast and next thing you know, it will be fall. And for those that will be hunting, good luck and be safe!

Baldija Memorial Site Planning
We Want to Hear from You!

Contributed by Morgan Gaines, Communications Specialist

The Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians is planning to honor our family members who have walked on by creating a Memorial space at Baldija (Gregory Point). This will be the future site of a memorial space designed to allow us time to walk amongst the names of our loved ones, honor their memory, and continue to follow their guidance.

The space will be designed to be the least disruptive of the existing site, with the walking path being placed in a small grade above the current soil. The memorial walls will provide a bit of wind break to the area, and home the names of our loved ones who have walked on.

This space will also be dedicated to the memory of our ancestors whose names have been lost due to the colonization of our traditional homelands. Through this Memorial, we hold space for them and their lives, honor them, and thank them for their contributions to the continuation of our Tribe and Culture despite the tragedies that have taken them from our oral histories.

They walk with the Great Spirit, and we honor their memory.

We are looking for input on possible design motifs for the back side of the memorial walls. Let us know or submit examples of images for us to consider as we move forward.

Your comments are important to us. We’d love to hear from you directly, your thoughts and opinions on the design aspects of the Memorial.

hiisa, luwii, k’ele (thank you) for your valuable input.

Scan the QR Code to open up and fill out a comment form.
View the documents below in more detail by loggin in to the Citizen Portal of www.ctclusi.org

Written comments can be sent to:
CTCLUSI Attn: Tyler Slyter
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Coos Bay, OR 97420





Resolution Summaries

RESOLUTION NO.:24-111
Date of Passage: July 14, 2024
Subject (title): Approval and Submittal Authorization of FY 25 O Link 78 MOA
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the contract amendment for this project.
Vote 7-0-0

RESOLUTION NO.:24-112
Date of Passage: July 14, 2024
Subject (title): Approval and Submittal Authorization of FY 25 O Link 78 MOA
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the MOA requested from the Housing Department to bring 11 Tribes of Northern California and Oregon together due to overlapping formula areas in the Indian Housing Block Grant, to determine allocation formula to best service the Tribe's needs. **Vote 6-0-0**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-113
Date of Passage: July 14, 2024
Subject (title): Absorb Software Contract
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the purchase of a learning management system for Three Rivers Health Center and Tribal Government. **Vote 6-0-0**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-114
Date of Passage: July 14, 2024
Subject (title): Early Learning Subcommittee Appointments
Explanation: Tribal Council approves Jemiah Wassman and Julie Siestreem to be representatives in the Department of Early Learning and Care subcommittee.
Vote 5-0-1

RESOLUTION NO.:24-115
Date of Passage: June 9, 2024
Subject (title): Restoring Traditional Names for Gregory Point, Hollering Place, Umpqua Eden and Re Naming Waite Ranch
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this action. **Vote 6-0-1**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-116
Date of Passage: July 14, 2024
Subject (title): Wild Salmon Center Subaward Grant Agreement for Tidal Wetland Restoration at Haich ikt at uu.
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this project. **Vote 6-0-0**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-117
Date of Passage: July 14, 2024
Subject (title): First Choice Health Network, Inc Preferred Provider /Group Agreement
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the agreement between First Choice Health Network and Three Rivers Health Center for health services. **Vote 4-1-1**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-118
Date of Passage: July 14, 2024
Subject (title): Memorandum of Understanding with Coos Health and Wellness the Community Mental Health Program and Local Mental Health Authority of Coos County
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the agreement between local entities and the Tribe for promoting a collaborative relationship to best manage behavioral crises in the community as they arise.
Vote 5-0-1

RESOLUTION NO.:24-119
Date of Passage: July 31, 2024
Subject (title): Contract for Education Outreach Advocate K-5th Grade
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the contract for a person selected to serve in this role. **Vote 6-0-0**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-120
Date of Passage: July 31, 2024
Subject (title): Appointment of Courtney Krossman to the Coos Bay Estuary Joint Steering Committee
Explanation: Tribal Council approves and supports this appointment. **Vote 6-0-0**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-121
Date of Passage: July 31, 2024
Subject (title): Gaming Sales Order
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this vendor sales order for Three Rivers Casino and Hotel. **Vote 5-0-1**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-122
Date of Passage: July 31, 2024
Subject (title): Gaming Sales Order
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this vendor sales order for Three Rivers Casino and Hotel. **Vote 5-0-1**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-123
Date of Passage: July 31, 2024
Subject (title): Gaming Sales Order
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this vendor sales order for Three Rivers Casino and Hotel. **Vote 5-0-1**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-124
Date of Passage: July 31, 2024
Subject (title): Gaming Sales Order
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this vendor sales order for Three Rivers Casino and Hotel. **Vote 5-0-1**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-125
Date of Passage: July 31, 2024
Subject (title): Tribal Transportation FY2024 Referenced Funding Agreement
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this funding agreement with the BIA for transportation activities**. Vote 6-0-0**

In this public paper, some Resolution titles and explanation will not be displayed or will have minimal details due to confidentiality.





RSVP for events by calling 1-541-435-7155

Citizen Portal www.ctclusi.org

Do you need assistance with registering or re-gaining access to the Citizen Portal of the Tribal Government website?
I'm here to help! Contact me directly with any Tribal website access issues that you have.
The Citizen Portal contains the links to the monthly Tribal Council meeting Zoom links, culturally significant information and more!

Also be sure to check out the online Events Calendar for upcoming activities!

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Posted September 1, 2024

ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP

The Enrollment Committee recommends that the enrollment of the Applicants listed below should be approved. Besides publication in the Tribal Newsletter, according to CLUSITC 7-1-36(i), this information will be posted in the Administrative Building, Tribal Hall, Outreach Offices, on the Tribes' website and at Three Rivers Casino for twenty-eight (28) days from the date listed above.

Tribal Member: Sherill Lynn Powell	**Tribal Member:Zander Amalikaih Hernandez-Carnation**
Parent: Jacqueline May Fung	Parent: Kailey Janea Carnation
Lineal Descendant: Mabel Bennett-Barney	Lineal Descendant: Etta Carlson
Tribe: Coos	Tribe: Coos
Tribal Member: Belladonna Diana Zink	**Tribal Member: Amanda Estelle Jones**
Parent: Dalton Joshua Zink	Parent: Todd Lloyd Jones
Lineal Descendant: James William Brainard Jr	Lineal Descendant: Robert L Kneaper
Tribe: Coos	Tribe: Siuslaw
Tribal Member: Avery Jane Simmons	**Tribal Member:**
Parent: Reese Ann McClendon	Parent:
Lineal Descendant: Marlee Ann McClendon (Hileman)	Lineal Descendant:
Tribe: Coos	Tribe:

In accordance with CLUSITC 7-1-37(a), Tribal Members shall have the right to protest the recommendation of the Committee approving an application and must file a written, signed protest with the Committee stating their reasons for believing that an Applicant(s) is not entitled to enrollment. The protest must be filed with the Committee within twenty-eight (28) days after notice of the proposed enrollment is posted as described in CLUSITC 7-1-36(i).

The People Gather for Salmon Ceremony...continued from cover

out into the surf to pull together and return any final Salmon remains into the ocean.

Salmon remains were also returned on the Umpqua River the following day, and the day after that on the Siuslaw River by Chief Barrett and a number of Tribal members who gathered to help pull the canoe in our traditional waters.

















Canoe Journey 2024: Youth Paddle to Puyallap

Contributed by Kyle Gaines, Logistics Coordinator Canoe Journey 2024

As we all quickly found out, canoe rule number 3 is very much on point. Be Flexible! Everyday during canoe journey was an exercise in mental focus, physical endurance, and strength of spirit! All our Canoe Journey family this year did great things, and built relationships to last a lifetime. Our canoe Lottie was shared on our Tribal Youth Paddle to Puyallup this year with our neighbors the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians, Siletz Tribal Members, Coquille, and Choctaw. From our Tribe, Kira, Saralynn, Alhana, Angel, Caelia, The Mendoza family including Kiska and Sequoia, Chief Doug Barret and both Daughters Stephanie and Jenn and families, and Issac Dull. I was so proud of everyone when we all sang our traditional songs at a Protocol evening with only hours of practice. Shout out to Alhana for teaching the songs, asking blessings to come ashore, and for being a youth Skipper! Thank you to Captain Don Meyers for being an amazing support and leading by example about helping others in need. Don turned the Big Canoe around to assist a Canoe Family out of Canada that was in distress.

Thank you Chief for continuing to do this and lead our youth to do great things!



Above photo of the Canoe Family with Lottie. Photo by Jennifer Neet

Photos provided by Kyle Gaines unless otherwise noted

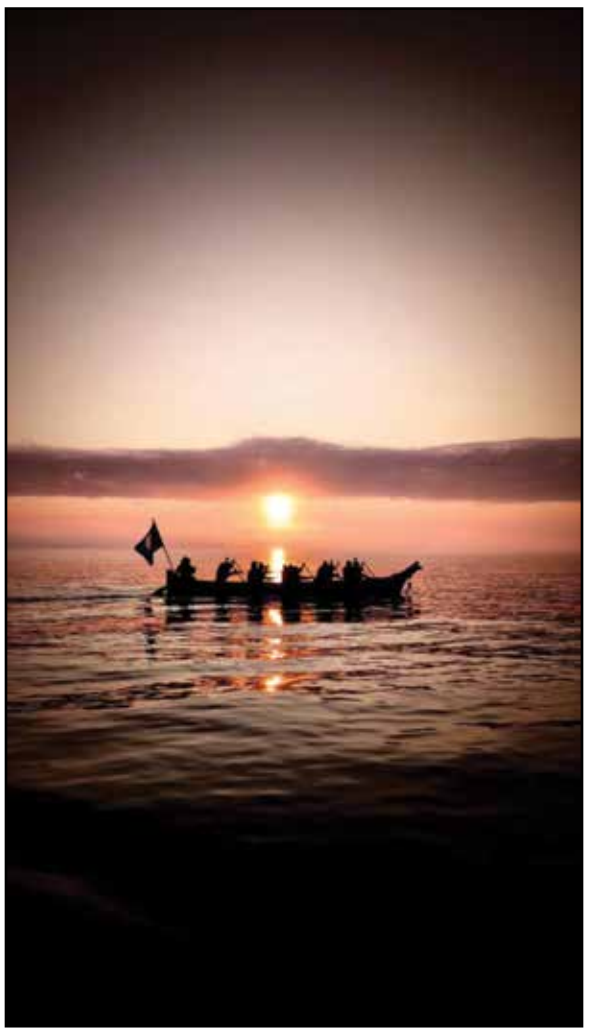

Photo of Lottie and Canoe Family at Sunrise by Jesse Spain



Canoe family being followed by the support boat 'Big Canoe'





Lottie and the Canoe Family ask permission to land in Puyallap





Canoes from many Tribes rest along the shoreline of Owen Beach during a stop along the way to Puyallup



Above two photos provided by Caelia Robertson

Student Recognition Event Celebrates Academic Achievements

Contributed by Morgan Gaines, Communications Specialist



Tribal College Graduates and family, left to right: Zac Sorrell, Shasta Wing, Tennepah Brainard, Brenda Brainard, Ashton Reeves, Ken Osheroff, Cougar Roy, Howard Roy, and Mark Petrie

Coos Bay, Oregon – Tribal families gathered together to celebrate the accomplishments of our students at the Student Recognition Celebration on Saturday, August 10th at the Tribal Community Center. Fun was front and center at the event! Youth were delighted to spot the bouncy play house set up in the shinny field just below Tribal Hall on the CTCLUSI Reservation. They immediately set themselves to jumping in the fun house, tossing balls in the game station and having themselves a blast!

Fun was still in the air as we entered into the Community Center, our eyes feasting on the balloon arche and beautiful floral center pieces. A showcase of gifts lined the front of the room, an exciting raffle awaited everyone in attendance.

Members of the finance department graciously were in hosting a sign-up station for families to select their items for their back to school gifts. They helped a number of families navigate an online form (that is available online at www.ctclusi.org) to receive the back to school items for youth grades k-12.

The Education staff then welcomed everyone to another fantastic event! Education Director Jemiah Wasson shared a few welcoming words, “Thank you to everyone who has gathered today for this special occasion…I am truly honored and humbled to address this audience today. It is a privilege to be entrusted with the responsibility of supporting the Tribe in building a brighter future through enhanced education opportunities…” he continued, “my message to the youth of the Tribe today is simple: Be proud of where you come from. Always represent your Tribe with honor, speak well of yourself, and strive to make your Tribal community proud with your actions and words…Congratulations class of 2024!”

The next commencement speaker was Tribal member Ashton Reeves. Ashton received his Bachelor’s degree in Ministerial Leadership from SEU NorCal in May of this year and was also the recipient of a number of Tribal scholarships.

“Dai sla, that is Hanis Coos, and means hello all you cousins and friends. My name is Ashton Cody Reeves and I am a descendant of Anna Sprague…” Reeves shared an inspirational speech about his journey home, back to his roots, his tribal community and traditions. This is his second time sharing some words of encouragement to current and future Tribal students at the annual Student Recognition. His words were just as, if not more, impactful than last year.

Attendees enjoyed a delicious meal catered by Bon Appétit and nearly everyone present won a raffle prize! Throughout the day, more fun was had as folks took turns sitting for a character artist, practicing their archery out by the garden, and taking turns to see who could hit the bullseye to release the catch in the dunk tank! It made quite a splash as family fun event for all!

Thank you to Tribal Council for your continued support of our youth, to the Education Department team of Jemiah Wasson, Brandy Lauby, Morgan Cloud, and Issac Dull and all those extra supportive players who worked tirelessly to put the event together and to who continue to support our youth and students growing and learning always. Thank you for putting together another amazing celebration, hiis haiyach (with a good heart).











Scholarship Recipients:

Chief Doc Slyter:
Sean Andrews
Shasta Wing

Carolyn Slyter:
Dana Depreter
Ashton Reeves

Elders:
Ashton Reeves
Brett McNutt

Mitsis:
Tennepah Brainard
Ellie Blount
Levi Bradley
Ryan Sallinger
Jaid McNutt

Pepsi:
Ellie Blount
Naomi Green
Ashton Reeves
Conner Tervort
Jaid Mcnutt
Ryan Sallinger
Alhana Mcnutt
Brittany Jane Burnsed

Tribal Government Scholarship:
Conner Tervort
Tennepah Brainard
Michelle Lott
Levi Bradley
Griffin Kilbourne
Alhana Mcnutt
Brody Lozeau
Ryan Sallinger
Ashton Reeves
Clayton Branco
Ashley Russell
Melinda Sprague
Jack Sallinger
Sydnie Kimura
Nicholas Smith
Alyssa Nelson

Seeds of Success Planted for the Next Seven Generations

Contributed by Kyle Gaines, Logistics Coordinator Seeds of Success

The Seeds Of Success (S.O.S.) Camp started off on a hot summer day in July. Our camp ran for two weeks from July 7th through the 19th . We set up base camp at the Brainard family donated land in Deadwood Oregon and conducted work on the Tribes Lake Creek Tract of forest land. We had great attendance for our opening ceremonies from Tribal Council, Oregon State University (OSU) Professors and affiliates, Tribal Elders, Tribal Guardians, college age summer forestry program interns, as well as our own Tribal Youth Interns. We started things off with an opening ceremony meal of traditionally cooked Salmon by our Experiential Learning Specialist Issac Dull, who showed our youth how to cook the fish over the fire. Tribal Chief Doug Barrett gave an opening prayer and asked for good health and guidance for all of us while we conducted this important work in our forests. Everyone in attendance was then treated to a round of opening greetings and gift giving. The sharing was started off by Cristina Eisenberg who is the Director of Tribal Initiatives at the College of Forestry at OSU. We were all able to take in a few short speeches of how important and impactful the work we were going to be doing in the forest was for a sustainable future. Jennifer Guerrero gave a fantastic presentation on fire in the forest with a cross section of a stump slab to show the fire within the growth rings. She also gave a great presentation on the Marbled Murrelet sea bird and how it finds its nesting grounds within our Tribal Forests. We then continued to finish setting up camp and tents, and talk about what work were going to be doing in the field/forest when the heat wave let up and allowed us to do so.



The next two days were spent in the shade, away from the relentless sun, talking about how to do the work we needed to do once we could get into the forest. The intense heat dictated that we spent the time hydrating because as we say, “Water Is Life” and that statement held very true for the duration of our camp. Our Interim Director of Natural Resources Ashley Russell led our Tribal Youth Interns with culturally based activities and shared culturally significant knowledge of the forest with all of us. Ashley and Issac both took turns teaching and sharing knowledge and important tribal skills with both our youth and the forestry program interns that were eager to learn. Chief Barrett also imparted the knowledge of flint knapping and everyone who wanted to make an arrowhead had a chance to do so. We all had the opportunity to weave, bead, work leather, make arrowheads and arrows and learn to shoot them at targets, and learn how to roast wild smores traditionally over a fire.

Tessa Chesonis of OSU and Ashley Russell both lead the interns on how to implement the use of tools and the means of how to gather and record the information we needed to collect from the forest. During the first two days we utilized the shade of camp to beat the heat but also to learn these things before heading into the forest. The team also tried their best to beat the heat by trying their legs out,” hiking with a kayak” as it was unanimously described. Unfortunately, the creek/river did not have enough water to support continuous paddling, but that tough experience was rewarded at camp with popsicles, and plenty of stories to share. Kia, Angel, Isa, Thorin, Kira, Riley, and Karl really enjoyed the evening fire and reflection time.

The next day, and for the rest of the working days of camp, the S.O.S. group headed out into the forest to conduct our work. We gathered information about the biodiversity of the forest and the general foliage of different areas. Seeds were gathered in the form of Red Huckleberries, and leaf pressings were made for future research. The interns conducted ceremony and asked the forest if they could dig soil pits for samples and set plots in the forest for future monitoring. It was hard, exhausting work, in a hot forest environment, and really tested the stamina of all involved. The flies and mosquitos never quit asking for donations, and the sun stung our arms and necks as well. But these kids never quit! They showed fighting spirit and worked through adversity together to accomplish great things. They made inroads to future college and job opportunities and learned things to help manage our forests for future generations.

During the weekend in the middle of camp we even got to sneak in a crabbing trip on the Big Canoe with Captain Don Meyers. I really enjoyed cooking the crab at camp with my son Thorin and sharing our success with everyone. The second week we even gained Marian, another youth intern to help us out.

Morning meals I think were the camp favorite. The smell of pancakes, eggs, bacon, and music played their part to wake everyone up and start the day. Though



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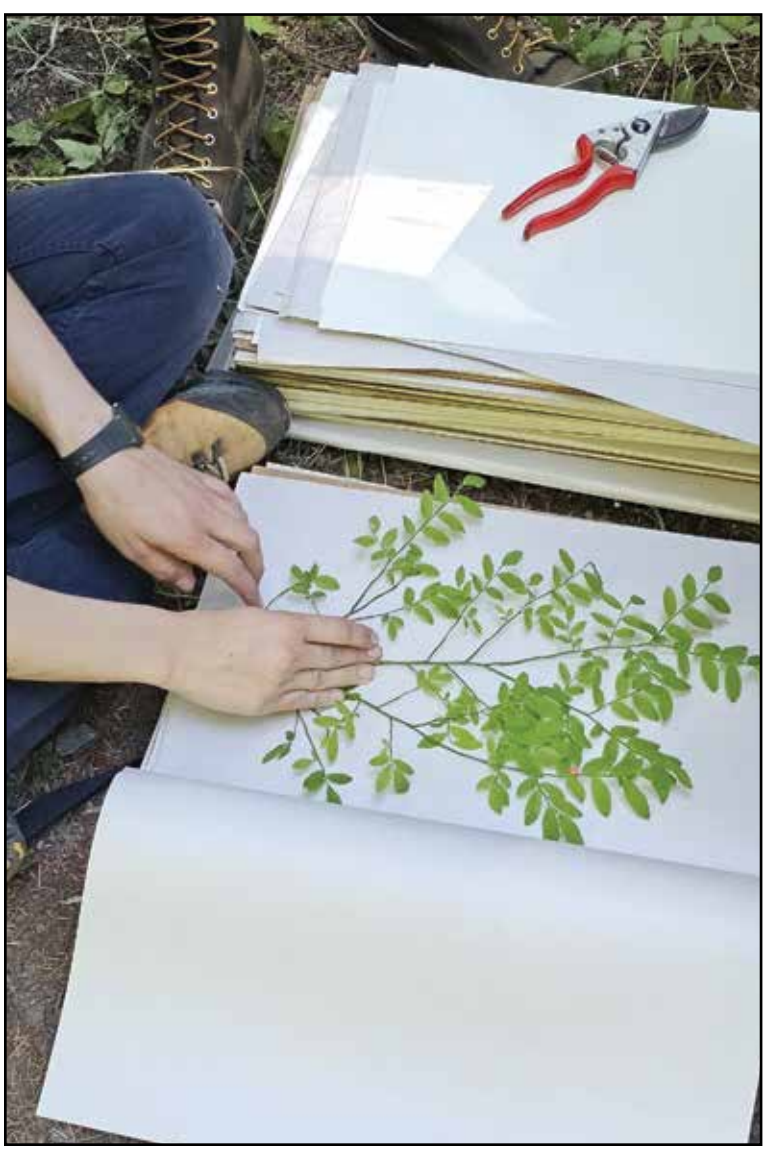
taco night, and the bison bolognaise provided by Cristina Eisenburg was a smashing success as well. It was a new challenge for me being camp host and coordinator, but I couldn't have done it without the help of Colin Beck, Holley Carroll and Amy Kronsberg and the rest of our Forestry and DNR staff. Bessie Joyce did her best to keep our zoom meetings on track, and our planning stages moving forward. Maintenance gets a huge shout out as well for mowing the camp property, delivering water and tent shades, and helping us with set up and tear down of camp.

The Seeds of Success are planted for the future, we just have to keep watering them! This camp was a huge success and was a great way to build our Tribal Youth up for the benefit of all.













Elders Corner

Lions, Tigers, and Baby Bears - OH MY!!!











RSVP for the Elders Steernwheeler Trip!
September 19 - 21, 2024
RSVP Today by calling 1-541-435-7155

Elders Potluck Luncheon

Hosted by Tribal Elder Eddie Helms

First Wednesday of the month at Tribal Hall

Bring a dish to share 12 (noon) - 2 p.m.





Eugene Elders Luncheon

Thursday, October 10, 2024
11:30am—1:30pm

1010 Postal Way, Springfield, OR 97477



Come join us for yummy food and socializing!

Guest Speaker will be announced at the event

Please RSVP by Tuesday, October 8, 2024
(541) 435-7155
Or toll free at 1(888) 365-7155

Limited transportation will be provided from the Florence and Coos Bay offices.

Elders Corner

Lions, Tigers, and Baby Bears - OH MY!!!

Contributed by Jodi Beesley, Community Health Representative/ Elder Activity Coordinator



Early in the afternoon on Monday, August 5th, 2024, the day after the Salmon Ceremony, Elders met at Tribal Hall and loaded into vehicles and headed South for a little adventure. Forty-six people made their way to Jot's Resort in Gold Beach, Oregon.

The weather was warm and sunny as the Elders watched the fishermen clean their fresh catch of the day, with sea creatures lurking around in the water barking and bobbing up and down in anticipation of afternoon delights.

Coming to get the group was a Jerry's Jet Boat that will deliver them 32 miles up the Rogue River to Cougar Lane Lodge in Agnes, Oregon on the Scenic Mail Run. There we planned to have Dinner and enjoy the river view.

The jet boat was fast. There were plenty of thrills, wild-life sightings, and tales of the past shared by the amazing jet boat Captain. We learned of several tribes that lived along the Rogue River and in the Illinois Valley.

The jet boat pulled up to a stop at the dock at Cougar Lane Lodge. A shuttle bus arrived to shuttle everyone up the hill. We were welcomed onto a large open-air deck kept cool by towering Myrtlewood trees which overlooked the Rogue River. The smell of slow-cooked BBQ was in the air and none of us left hungry.

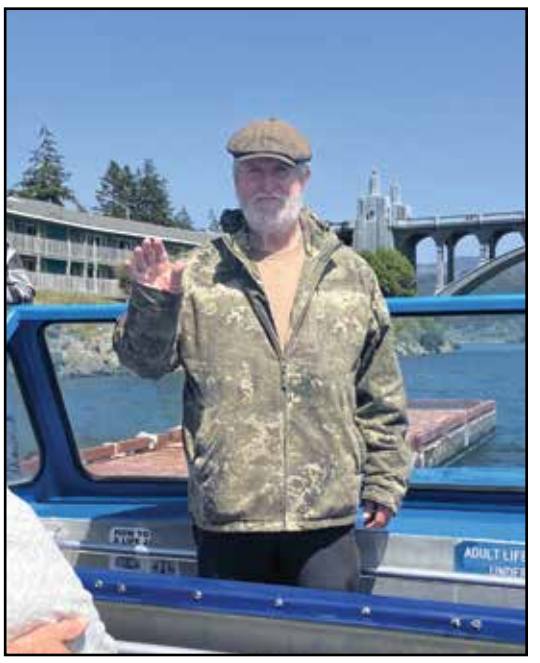


The ride back was a bit slower and cooler, but we were rewarded with twice catching glimpses of baby bears running up the hill or up trees. After the wonderful jet boat ride and dinner, we returned to Jot's Hotel and settled into our rooms for the night. The view from each room was made to be on a postcard, overlooking the Gold Beach Bridge and Bay. With this free time, those who wanted to meet in the conference room for rock painting, creating cards, or just visiting did so.

The next morning, a very popular Food Truck, called "BITE ME" delivered breakfast just for us in the conference room at 8:00 a.m. They provided local roasted coffee, orange juice, biscuits and gravy, with several additional options all of which were yummy. After breakfast we said goodbye to Elders who were not joining the group on our trip to the Redwoods.

We beat the heat with an early start for the two-hour drive into the Redwoods, to get to the "Great Cats World Park" in Cave Junction, Oregon. We were now twenty-six people strong.



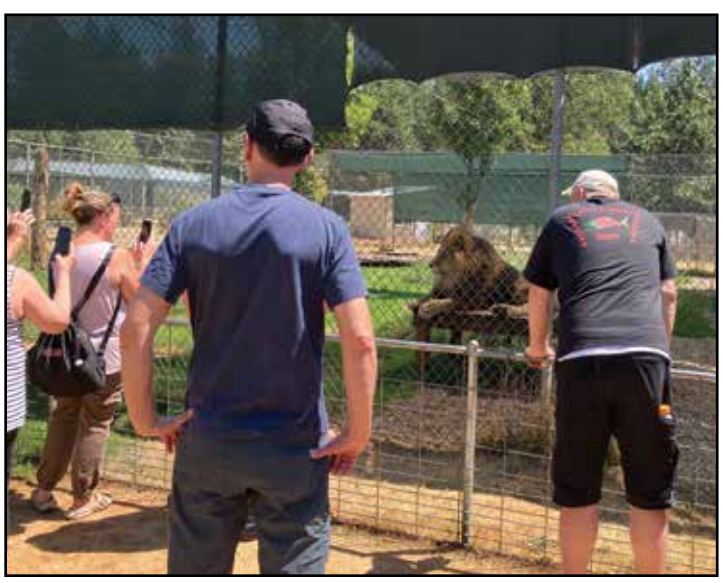


Brittany, one of the Great Cats Directors met the Elders and started them on a personal guided tour of the Great Cats. It was wonderful, we were so close to each of the Great Cats and none of them seemed anxious or hungry. These cats were amazing and we learned a lot about them from Brittany. We were very thankful for the benches and shade covering at each Great Cat pen. Water misters were also used to keep everyone cool.

Now the Elders were beginning to get hungry themselves, so off we went to lunch at Taylors Sausage & Country store where our tables were reserved and our orders were already placed and ready for us to eat. Pitchers of ice water were waiting for us at our table. Halibut and chips were last to be served to ensure they didn't get cold. The service staff was great and Scott, the owner said several times how honored the store was to have the Elders eat there for lunch.

This was a superb ending to our adventure and we all loaded up into the vehicles to head back towards our homes. A few hours later, we pulled into Tribal Hall and it was all over.









Confederated Tribes of
Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians
members and artisans

VENDORS WANTED

- Seeking interested Tribal artisans for vendor booths at the upcoming Crime Summit
- Vendors will set up and be open throughout the duration of the event
- Thursday, September 12th and Friday, September 13th 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Interested in being a vendor?
Contact Jennifer Emerson, Circles of Healing Program Outreach Advocate
CELL: 541-808-8152 EMAIL: jemerson@ctclusi.org

If you or anyone in your family has had any recent special awards or achievements that you would like to share, please submit your information and photos to the newsletter.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Morgan Gaines,
Communications Specialist
Office: (541) 888-7536
Cell: (541) 808-7918
Email: mgaines@ctclusi.org

Call for Knowledge Keepers
Experiential Learning

Knowledge We Seek:

- □ Story Telling
- □ Language
- □ Art
- □ Beading
- □ Weaving
- □ Gathering
- □ Processing Gathered Materials
- □ Kayak/Canoe
- □ Hiking trails
- □ Leather Work
- □ Drum Making

*Any Hands-On Cultural Knowledge that you feel comfortable sharing with youth!
If not listed, please contact with your ideas!

**If you are interested in sharing cultural knowledge with Tribal youth,
please contact Brandy Lauby 541-888-1314
You can come one time, once a month, or more frequently if you have time.
The purpose of Experiential Learning is to pass along Native ways of Knowing and Learning to the youth in a fun, hands-on manner.
We meet twice a week with Tribal Youth afterschool from 3:30-5:30 PM.
Activities must be Hands-On/Interactive for youth.
Will need to complete the On-Call process if you have not already.
Can be compensated for your time.**

Contact Brandy Lauby 541-888-1314, blauby@ctclusi.org

Tribal Tobacco Prevention Program



This year we have grown our
Nicotiana quadrivalvis var. multivalvis
(Columbian Tobacco)

Seeds and dried Tobacco available



If you need Traditional Tobacco
please reach out to
Nicole Romine
541-294-9341 or nromine@ctclusi.org

Post: August 1, 2024
Until Filled

GAMING COMMISSION
****NOTICE OF VACANCY****
CTCLUSI 08/01/2024

The Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians' Gaming Commission is established pursuant to CLUSITC 5-2-7. The purpose of the Gaming Commission is to regulate Class II and Class III gaming on the Confederated Tribes' Indian Land. The Commission consists of five (5) members appointed by a majority vote of the Tribal Council.

The Gaming Commission has a vacancy in Position #1 and is currently seeking interested parties. The remaining term of this position is until 02/28/2027. Interested parties shall file a statement with the Commission reflecting their interest in serving as a Commission member.

Qualifications for the Posted Vacancy:

Commissioners must meet the following minimum eligibility requirements (CLUSITC 5-2-7(d):

(1) Must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age;

(2) Must successfully complete a background investigation, as set forth in CLUSITC 5-2-15;

(3) No member of Tribal Council may serve as a Commissioner; and

(4) No employee of a Gaming Operation may serve as a Commissioner.

Each applicant for Commission membership shall be subject to a background investigation (CLUSITC 5-2-13) and drug testing (CLUSITC 5-2-21).

Interested parties may file a statement of interest with the Commission reflecting their interest in serving as a Commission member to Rusty Bossley, Executive Director of the Gaming Commission, at the following address:

5647 Hwy 126 Suite 100
Florence, OR 97439

You may also fax your statement to 541-997-7293, or email at rbossley@ctclusi.org

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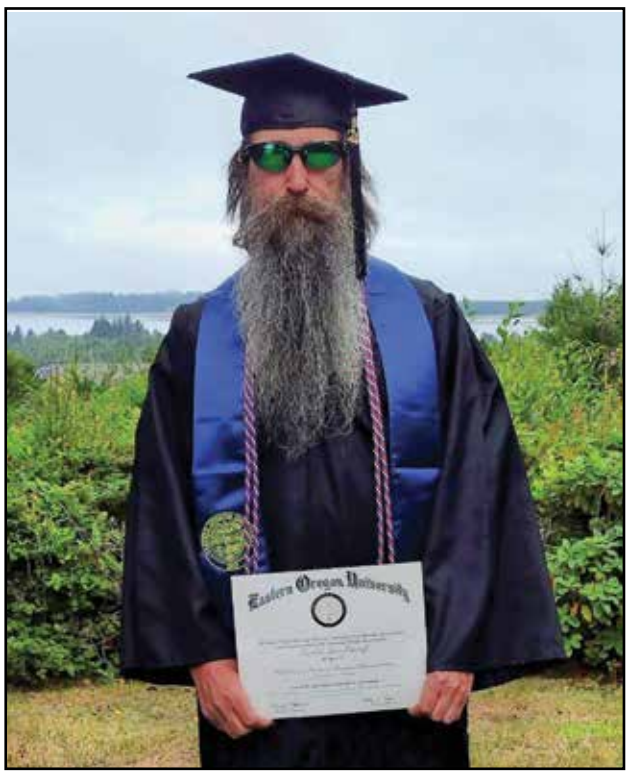
This notice of vacancy shall be posted at all Tribal offices.

Tribal Member Accomplishments

~ Ken Osheroff ~



Ken Osheroff Graduated from Eastern Oregon University with his Bachelor's of Science in Business Administration with a focus on tourism.
Congratulations on your success!

Why RSVP for Tribal Events?

Tribal Department staff who plan events and activities for the benefit of Tribal Member need membership to "please reply" when asked to RSVP when wanting to attend Tribal events. This ensures the right amount of supplies and food and beverages to meet the needs of those in attendance.
Thank you in advance for making future events as successful as possible by always calling to RSVP when asked.

RSVP for events by calling
1-541-435-7155



Tribal Forest Management Department Grows with Addition of Two Field Foresters

Kyle Terry has been the Wetlands and Restoration Project Manager in the Tribe's Department of Culture and Natural Resources since 2021, and has now joined the Tribe's Department of Forest Management as a Field Forester. Kyle went to the University of Oregon and worked on a research team surveying river channel response to large wood placement. After that, he held positions as a Geology and Forestry Technician at Green Diamond Resource Company, a forest stewardship company in Northern California. Kyle's experience in the field and managing large projects such as Waite Ranch will make him a valuable asset to the Tribe's forestry program.



Amy Kronsberg, Field Forester



Kyle Terry, Field Forester

Amy Kronsberg is also joining the Department of Forest Management as a Field Forester. Amy was born and raised in North Bend, OR and spent her childhood recreating and exploring the surrounding areas, which led to her career path in forestry and natural resources. She started her college education at SWOCC with her associate's in forestry, then proceeded to Oregon State to obtain her bachelor's degree in forestry and master's degree in sustainable forest management. While working on her degrees she worked a variety of positions doing harvest unit layout, stocking surveys, timber cruising, as well as some mapping and lab work. Her master's thesis involved testing Coast redwood trees for drought and frost tolerance in the Coquille and Bandon areas. Amy enjoys many outdoor activities such as gardening, hiking, and beach walks, as well as playing games and doing puzzles.

Virtual Language Classes - Fall 2024

10-week Sessions: October 1st through December 3rd

miluk: Tuesdays, 4:00-6:00 pm

hanis: Wednesdays, 4:00-6:00 pm

sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich:

Fridays, 4:00-6:00 pm

Week 10: All languages will come together and meet virtually on Tuesday, December 3rd

Sign up with Enna Helms by email at language@ctclusi.org or by phone at (541) 297-7538

September = National Preparedness Month

Contributed by Leslie Thompson, Housing Assistant

September is not only the month where the kiddos go back to school, but it is also National Preparedness Month! What does it mean to be prepared? Across the country we have numerous natural disasters that could arise, from wildfires and floods to ice and snowstorms. It is imperative that you act in advance to prepare.

Oregon Department of Emergency Management (ODEM) encourages every household to have an emergency plan. This includes enough food, water, medicine, and necessary supplies for every member of the household, even pets, to survive for two (2) weeks after a major disaster.

Here are some ways to get you and your family started on your emergency plan:

Talk with the members of your household about where you will go if told to evacuate. Remember we are in a Tsunami zone, so you may want to consider different evacuation routes for different emergencies. Having a plan before disaster strikes can help save precious time and lives.

Store important documents and items like passports, birth certificates, maps and electronics in a flood-safe place like a high shelf or upper floor in resealable water-tight plastic bags to help waterproof them.

Build an emergency supply kit over time. Start with items you may already have in your home, like a flashlight, extra batteries, copies of important documents, water and non-perishable food, then build from there. Don't forget items like prescriptions, local maps, fire starters, and hygiene supplies.

Practice makes perfect, even when it comes to emergency preparedness. Where is your evacuation location and how long does it take to get there? Did you remember your emergency/ 'Go Bag' when focused on evacuating? Practicing with the family ensures everyone knows where the emergency supplies are, what to do, and where to go. It also gives you a chance to determine if it works or it needs to be altered.

Ready.gov has great resources for different types of emergencies and individuals, they also have free online forms to use for emergency planning. FEMA has an app you can download that includes emergency alerts, and real-time weather, along with preparedness strategies. Contact your County's Emergency Management division for more information and resources specific to your location.



CTCLUSI RENTAL ASST.

This program assists low income Tribal Families maintain a rental home such as an apartment, house, duplex, or other approved rental unit by paying a portion of the rent directly to a private landlord and/or property management company. This program is only available in the State of Oregon.

Student rental assistance is also available to full time college students who are enrolled with CTCLUSI's Education Department and who meet the program criteria. Student Rental Assistance is available throughout the United States.

Waitlists are utilized if funding is unavailable at time of application.

FULL-TIME COLLEGE STUDENTS *INQUIRE NOW!*

FIRST COME - FIRST SERVE

STATEWIDE TENANT BASED ASSISTANCE

CTCLUSI HOUSING DEPT.
1320 Neese St.
Coos Bay, OR 97420
(541)-888-1310

Monday-Friday

8am-5pm

Contact the CTCLUSI Housing Department at 541-888-1310

Three Rivers Casino Celebrates 20 Years of Community Impact and Commitment, Unveils Upgraded Hotel Amenities Including Gift Shop and Fitness Center

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Rich Colton, Director of Marketing
rcolton@threeriverscasino.com

Florence, Ore. – Three Rivers Casino Resort is proud to celebrate its 20th anniversary this year. Established and operated by the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, the casino thrives as a premier entertainment destination, significantly contributing to the local economy and charitable initiatives. Since its opening, Three Rivers Casino Resort has remained dedicated to fostering community growth and well-being. As one of the largest employers in the region, the casino provides invaluable resources and employment opportunities.

"Three Rivers Casino is very welcoming and rewarding. Everyone is given the opportunity to grow," said Jesse Gardner, Director of Facilities, twenty-year employee and tribal member. "My responsibilities have empowered me to become a better person and director daily."

As part of its 20-year celebration, team members gathered for a roaring 20s celebration. Teresa Spangler has worked with the casino since its inception and is also a member of the Confederated Tribes. Teresa says she started as a Club Rep and is now the Director of Guest Services," I feel like I have lifelong friends that are like family; this includes team members and guests. Our goal is to create an environment you want to work in, and we have a lot of different areas for our team members to find their passion."



Three Rivers Casino is also undergoing exciting changes to enhance guest experiences. Adding a new gift shop and fitness center promises to elevate convenience and wellness options for visitors. The BeachSide Bistro introduces an exciting dining concept with an all-new menu, merging popular venues 101 Burger Bar and Mamma Mia into one comprehensive culinary destination. These updates reflect Three Rivers' commitment to providing a vibrant, all-encompassing entertainment and hospitality experience on the Central Oregon Coast.

Over the last two decades, the Three Rivers Foundation has also awarded millions of dollars to hundreds of nonprofits in Western Oregon, including those in healthcare, education, food security and law enforcement. As Three Rivers Casino looks ahead, it remains committed to its mission of community enrichment, economic growth and cultural preservation. Congratulations to Andy Tidball, Rich Colton, Judy Jones, Jesse Gardner, Teresa Spangler, Debbie Miller, Sherry Meyer, Cliff Lupton, Jim Wilson, James Rensing, Mike Bones, Rob Bebee, Nelson Devera, Michael MacDuffee and Linda Fithian on twenty years at Three Rivers Casino!

For more information, visit threeriverscasino.com.

Internship Program 2024

CTCLUSI Tribal Citizens,
The Internship Program is returning!
Each program enrollee may get up to 12 weeks with a participating department and $20.00/hour for up to 40 hours/week.

Criteria:
• 18 yrs. of age and older
• Successful completion of the background check process
• Participation must be on site/location at a CTCLUSI office location
(Coos Bay; Florence; Eugene)
• Must be an enrolled CTCLUSI Tribal Citizen.

Note: You do not have to be enrolled in college to participate.
If there is a department/specialty CTCLUSI provides that you would like to participate in, Human Resources will coordinate to develop an assignment for your participation as organizational availability allows.
If you would like to participate, fill out the Special Events Employee – On Call **https://ctclusi.org/human-resources-job-opportunities/** and indicate what Internship area of focus you would like to explore. There is only a couple of assignment spots available for the remaining 2024 year.

Stephanie McNutt, Director of Human Resources

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Department of Human Resources

Current Openings as of 8/6/2024

Tribal Government Offices Job Opportunities

- *Accounting Specialist I. – Coos Bay*
- *Administrative Assistant – DNRC – Coos Bay*
- *Advanced Practice Provider - Medical – Coos Bay*
- *Circles of Healing Transitional Services Specialist – Eugene*
- *Dental Assistant I – Coos Bay*
- *Enrollment Specialist – Coos Bay*
- *Gaming Inspector – Florence*
- *Hunting & Fishing Program Coordinator – Coos Bay*
- *Laboratory Manager – Coos Bay*
- *Lead Forester – Coos Bay*
- *Licensing Associate – Florence*
- *Physician- Family Medicine – Coos Bay*
- *Quality Assurance Specialist – Coos Bay*
- *Restoration Projects Manager – Florence*
- *Social Services Program Assistant – Coos Bay*
- *Special Events – On Call – Varies on Assignment.*
- *Wastewater Plant & Water Systems Tech. I – Florence*

Please visit Job Opportunities on the Tribes website for full job descriptions and benefits available. You may also apply for any position online. ***http://ctclusi.org/jobs***

Updated Frequently

Please email questions to ***recruitment@ctclusihr.org***



PEACEGIVING

Peacegiving is a traditional Restorative Justice option available to you for the resolution of conflict.

All Peacegiving issues are confidential.



Photo by Morgan Gaines

For more information about Peacegiving, please visit the Peacegiving Website or contact the Peacegiving Coordinator at the address listed below.

Peacegiving Coordinator
1245 Fulton Avenue
Coos Bay, OR 97420
PHONE: (541) 888-1306 or (541) 888-1316
EMAIL: Peacegiving@ctclusi.org Website: https://ctclusi.org/tribalcourtpeacegiving

WELLNESS COURT

Are you in trouble with the law?
Are you suffering with drugs, alcohol or addiction?
Are you ready to make a change?
What does true Wellness look like for you?
A life without drugs or alcohol is possible for you.
Make the choice for a better life.



Confidential

Contact Tribal Wellness Court.
(541) 888-1307

Upcoming Events

September 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Tribal Offices Closed Labor Day	3	4 Elders Potluck Tribal Hall	5	6	7
8 Regular Council Meeting 10:00am	9	10 National Suicide Prevention and Awareness Day	11	12 Crime Summit - Florence, OR	13 Crime Summit - Florence, OR	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 Elders Sternwheeler Trip	21
22 Equinox Sweat	23	24	25 Business Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	26	27 Tribal Offices Closed Native American Day	28
29	30	1	2	3	4	5

October 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	1 miluk language class 4pm-6pm	2 Elders Potluck Tribal Hall hanis language class 4pm-6pm	3	4 sha'yuushtł'a uɬ quuiich class Time TBD	5 Prevention Activity Pumpkin Patch Coos Bay
6 Prevention Activity Pumpkin Patch Eugene	7	8 miluk language class 4pm-6pm	9 hanis language class 4pm-6pm	10 Elders Luncheon Springfield, OR	11 sha'yuushtł'a uɬ quuiich class Time TBD	12 Restoration Celebration Florence TRCR
13 Regular Council Meeting 10:00am	14	15 miluk language class 4pm-6pm	16 hanis language class 4pm-6pm	17 ***Restoration Day*** All Office Closed	18 sha'yuushtł'a uɬ quuiich class Time TBD	19 All Hall-Ows Event Community Center 5pm
20	21	22 miluk language class 4pm-6pm	23 hanis language class 4pm-6pm	24	25 sha'yuushtł'a uɬ quuiich class Time TBD	26 National Rx Drug Take Back 10 am - 2 pm
27	28	29 miluk language class 4pm-6pm	30 hanis language class 4pm-6pm Business Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	31	1 sha'yuushtł'a uɬ quuiich class Time TBD	2

Hiis Haiyach – with a good heart

Tribal PD Will Participate in National Prescription Drug Take Back Day October 26th

Contributed by Tribal Police Chief Brian Dubray

The Tribal Police Department will once again be participating in the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day held on Saturday October 26th from 10am – 2pm at the governmental offices at 1245 Fulton Avenue in Coos Bay.

This event is sponsored by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and it provides the supplies to be able to collect unused or expired prescription medications to ensure that they are safely disposed of without falling into the wrong hands or unnecessarily polluting. TPD personnel will be outside (parking lot) so that participants can just pull up and drop off their items.

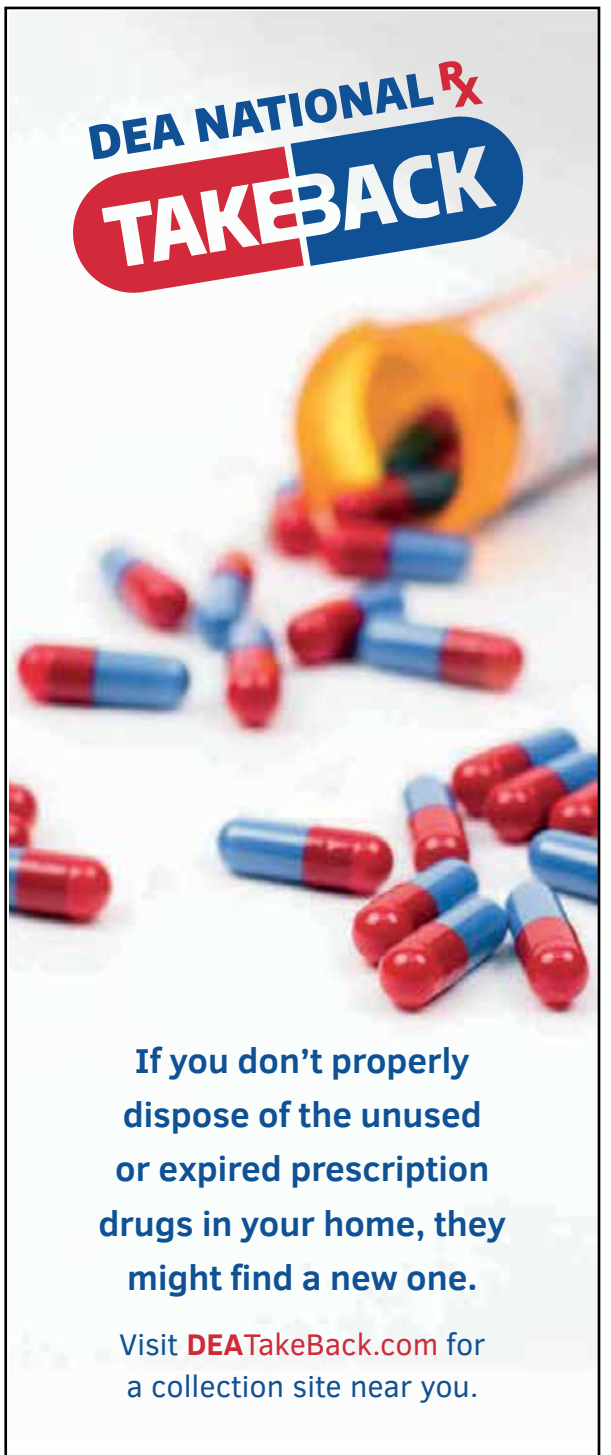
After the event (on Saturday), from 2pm – 3pm, Tribal Police Officers will be available to travel within 20 miles of the governmental office to pick up any unused or expired medications from Tribal families or Tribal Elders. If you know of someone who would like to participate, but is unable to make it to any of the events, please have them contact me for scheduling at our office: 541-997-6011.

There will be no identifying information collected, and the program is anonymous. We encourage participants to remove any identifying labels from bottles prior to submission. We will be able to accept vape pens without internal batteries, controlled, non-controlled and over the counter medications with a few exceptions; Intra-venous solutions, injectables, syringes, chemotherapy medications, or medical waste WILL NOT be accepted.

If you have any questions about the program, please let me know. Our goal is to keep medications from being lost, stolen, or misused. If you would like to view information about the program from the DEA, please visit: https://takebackday.dea.gov/ . If you know someone who lives outside of the area, they can also search by zip code to find an event nearby.

In addition to the National Drug Take Back Day on Saturday, Tribal Police Officers will be at the Eugene outreach office on Thursday, October 24th from 11am - 2pm to accept any medications and also at the Florence outreach office on Friday, October 25th from 11am - 2pm.

Since we began partnering with the DEA in the NDTBD program in 2018, the Tribal Police Department has helped to keep over 334 pounds of medications from being misused or otherwise polluting our landfills and waterways. Anyone is welcome to participate, so feel free to share the information with your friends and family.



Unused or expired prescription medications are a public safety issue, leading to accidental poisoning, overdose, and abuse.

Pharmaceutical drugs can be just as dangerous as street drugs when taken without a prescription or a doctor's supervision.

The non-medical use of prescription drugs ranks second only to marijuana as the most common form of drug abuse in America.

The majority of teenagers abusing prescription drugs get them from family and friends — and the home medicine cabinet.

Unused prescription drugs thrown in the trash can be retrieved and abused or illegally sold. Unused drugs that are flushed contaminate the water supply. Proper disposal of unused drugs saves lives and protects the environment.

Take-back programs are the best way to dispose of old drugs. But if a program is not available:

- Take the meds out of their bottles;
- Mix them with something unappealing like used kitty litter or coffee grounds;
- Seal them in a bag or disposable container, and throw that away.

For more information on prescription drug abuse, go to:

- *www.DEA.gov*
- *www.GetSmartAboutDrugs.com*
- *www.JustThinkTwice.com*

