

## NOTICES

### Christmas Safety Tips

#### Christmas Tree Safety

- \* Consider an artificial tree (they are much safer and cleaner).
- \* A real tree should not lose green needles when you tap it on the ground.
- \* Cut 1 inch off the trunk to help absorb water.
- \* Leave the tree outside until you're ready to decorate.
- \* The stand should hold at least one gallon of water.
- \* A 6' tree will use one gallon of water every two days.
- \* Mix a commercial preservative with the water.
- \* Check the water level every day.
- \* Secure the tree with wire to keep it from tipping.
- \* Keep tree away from floor heaters, fireplaces, or other heat sources.
- \* Use only UL-approved lights, and no more than three strands linked together.
- \* Use miniature lights, which have cool-burning bulbs.
- \* Turn off Christmas lights when you sleep or if you leave your home for very long.
- \* Never use candles, even on artificial trees.
- \* Clean the tree stand to improve the tree's water intake. Use one capful of bleach to a cup of water.
- \* Dispose of the tree properly. **Never burn in the fireplace.**

#### Home Safety

- ❖ Install a smoke detector or new batteries in the one(s) you have and **test** it.
- ❖ Use only outdoor lights outside your home.
- ❖ Examine light strings each year and discard worn ones.
- ❖ Fasten the bulbs securely and point the sockets down to avoid moisture build up.
- ❖ Connect no more than three strands together.
- ❖ Never use indoor extension cords outside.
- ❖ Avoid overloading wall outlets and extension cords.
- ❖ Keep outdoor electrical connectors above ground and out of puddles and snow.
- ❖ Unplug a light string before replacing a bulb. Review the original package to verify proper wattage and voltage.
- ❖ When connecting light strands, wrap a plastic bag around connections and tie ends with Teflon tape.
- ❖ Never use electric lights on a metallic tree. Use colored spotlights.
- ❖ Make sure trees hung with Christmas lights are not touching power lines.
- ❖ Place candles a safe distance from combustibles.
- ❖ Place candles in sturdy containers. Remember, hot wax burns kids.
- ❖ Extinguish candles before going to bed.
- ❖ Dispose of fireplace ashes into a metal container until cold.
- ❖ After parties, check under sofa and chair cushions for smoldering cigarettes (provide lots of ashtrays).
- ❖ Install at least one carbon monoxide detector in your home.
- ❖ Have an operable fire extinguisher readily available.

#### "Safety" Gift Ideas

Put together a gift basket containing one or more of the following items:

- Three smoke detectors and batteries
- A flashlight and batteries or light sticks
- A carbon monoxide detector
- A second-floor escape ladder
- Emergency Kit – energy bars, water, battery radio, flashlight/light sticks, and a first-aid kit packed in a small travel bag.
- A quality fire extinguisher
- A first-aid kit
- A mobile phone

*Please have an enjoyable and safe holiday season.*

For more information go to <http://www.sosnet.com/safety/christmas.html>

### Job Opening

**Position:** Tribal Services Assistant

**Location:** Salem, Oregon

**Salary:** \$20,808 annually

**Opening Date:** 11/20/00

**Closing Date:** 12/8/00

Call the Job Line at 541-444-8296 or 1-800-922-1399 for a tribal application.



### Tribal Council Applications Due

Applications for names to be placed on the 2001 ballot for candidates in the Siletz Tribal Council election.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Tribal Roll No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone or Contact # \_\_\_\_\_

I understand I must be an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon and 18 years of age or older. This application must be filed with the Election Board by 4 p.m. on **Dec. 20, 2000**. I also understand that if for any reason I decide to withdraw my application for Siletz Tribal Council, I must withdraw in writing by **Dec. 26, 2000**; otherwise, my name will appear in the voters pamphlet and on the ballot.

(Signature) \_\_\_\_\_

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like your picture to appear in the voters pamphlet and Siletz News, please submit a recent 3 x 5 photograph of yourself along with your application. **Mail this application to:**

C.T.S.I. Election Board  
P.O. Box 490  
Siletz, OR 97380