

Help Out at Elders Woodcut

The Natural Resources Committee and Natural Resources Department will sponsor an elders' woodcut on April 24 at the newly opened Sam Creek firewood area.

We need lots of volunteers to help cut, split, load, and deliver firewood for tribal elders. Bring your chainsaws, splitting mauls, axes, pickup trucks, and lots of energy. Even if you don't have any of these, we can use the moral support!

Lunch, drinks, and snacks will be provided. We'll meet at the tribal administration building at 7 a.m. and caravan up to the unit. For anyone wishing to come later, directions to the unit will be posted on the front door of the building.

Elders wishing to receive firewood from this event should contact Angela Ramirez at 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1225, or 541-444-8225. People willing to haul firewood to elders outside of the Siletz area also should contact Angela and she will pair you up with an elder in need.

Firewood Available at Sam Creek Units

Two new firewood areas, the **Sam Creek #2** and **Sam Creek #3** units located about eight miles from Siletz, are expected to open sometime in early- to mid-April for tribal member firewood cutting. The available wood will be a mixture of conifer and hardwood located in decks at seven landings in two recently logged units.

Permits will be required and may be obtained at the tribal Natural Resources office in the administration building in Siletz from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on weekdays once the unit is open. Maps, directions, fire season restrictions, and equipment requirements also will be available at the same location.

Permits will be issued only to tribal members, who will need to show their tribal ID card and provide the license number of the vehicle they will use to haul the wood. Out-of-the-Siletz-area woodcutters can call the number at right to have a permit mailed to them.



Program Seeks Active Elders for Interviews

The Title VI Program will host an Elders Fair on May 19-21. All elders – please look in the April edition of your elders' newsletter for more information on the agenda and location.

To follow the theme set by the Administration on Aging, we would like to recognize our tribal elders who are "Aging Well, Living Well" and need your assistance.

Do you know a Siletz Tribal elder who has minimal health problems, is still active in his/her community, and would be willing to share his/her experiences in an interview with the program? Please contact Angela Ramirez at 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1225, or 541-444-8225 to nominate this special elder.



Thank you to everyone who has recommended elders so far – there's still time to make more recommendations. We have many elders who are:

- Raising their grandchildren
- Working full time
- Active in their church or community
- Participating on tribal committees or local boards in their area
- Volunteering their time to stay active
- Going back to school to continue educational goals

We want to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments and lives of these elders!

Another Year of Wisdom Happy Birthday!

- Michael Alicante, 4/1
- Andrew Brown, 4/10
- Mildred Bueno, 4/13
- Darelle Butler, 4/8
- Sally Childs, 4/23
- Martin Dugan, 4/4
- Dolly Fisher, 4/8
- Regina Furlong, 4/7
- Tess Green, 4/15
- Connie Hartt, 4/14
- Donna Holmes, 4/9
- Nathan Huffman Jr., 4/17
- Gerald Lane, 4/14
- Mabel Langton, 4/28
- Clarice McKnight, 4/25
- Evelina Medley, 4/17
- Lucky Miles, 4/23
- Jerri Parman, 4/26
- Doris Riding In, 4/21
- Frank Rilatos, 4/20
- Phil Rilatos Sr., 4/13
- Wilma Rodgers, 4/15
- Patricia Rodriguez, 4/25
- Calvin Simmons Sr., 4/25
- Lawrence Sondanaa, 4/10
- Richard Strickler, 4/27
- Wreatha Tollefson, 4/8
- Antoinette Vankirk, 4/6
- Alice Werth, 4/28
- Daniel Wilcox, 4/13

Calling All Elders!

Annual Circle of Wisdom "Spring at the Beach"

Siletz Elder Honor Day

April 6, 2004

Chinook Winds Casino & Convention Center

Rooms available – for information, please contact

Kathryn Dick

1-800-922-1399, ext. 1261

541-444-8261

Nuu-wee-ya'

(our words)

Introduction to the Athabaskan Language

Open to tribal members of all ages

Siletz

Siletz Tribal Community Center

April 5 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

May 11 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Portland

Portland Area Office

April 8 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

May 5 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Salem

Salem Area Office

April 14 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

May 4 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Eugene

Eugene Area Office

April 7 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

May 10 – 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

For more information, contact Bud Lane at the Siletz Cultural Department at 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1320, or 541-444-8320, or e-mail budl@ctsi.nsn.us.