

Cut Wood for the Elders Day

The Natural Resources Committee and Natural Resources Department will sponsor a "Cut Wood for the Elders Day" on **April 8**.

The woodcut will be held at the old log yard at the tribe's Toledo Mill property. We need lots of volunteers to help cut and split firewood for tribal elders.

Bring your chainsaws, hydraulic wood splitters, splitting mauls, axes, and lots of energy. Even if you don't have any of those, we can use the moral support! Lunch, drinks, and snacks will be provided.

We will meet at the tribal administration building at **8 a.m.** and caravan to the mill. For anyone wishing to come later, directions to the mill will be posted on the front door of the building.

The goal of this event will be to stockpile firewood for future delivery

to elders. We have a long list of elders who burn wood for their winter heat.

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

We especially need folks who can haul wood to the Eugene, Salem, and Portland areas.

Previous woodcuts have seen more elders showing up than young folks! **This is a challenge to all you "youngsters" (in body and/or spirit) to come out and show your respect for the elders by providing them with the means to keep warm during the cold months.**

Children and grandchildren of all the elders who rely on wood for their heat need to come to this event.



Jobs Available with New Tribal Venture

Job Title: Aerospace – Technicians
(5 Positions)

Location: Initially Dayton, Ohio
(later Toledo, Oregon)

Classification: Trainee

Salary: Year 1 direct associate, \$9.52;
Year 2, \$10.71; Year 3, \$11.90;
Year 4, \$13.09

Opening date: March 14, 2006

Closing date: Until Filled

Introduction: Siletz Aeroteam Inc. – A tribally owned aerospace and defense manufacturing company will start its operations this summer.

Initially it will begin in Dayton, Ohio, the birthplace of aviation, within U.S. Aeroteam – a world-class manufacturer of precision jet engine and aircraft components, and ground support equipment. Later, tribal employees will be relocated to Toledo, Ore., as they reach an optimum skill level.

The small start-up plant building, which can be expanded as needed, will be built in Toledo at the high ground next to the water tank at the tribal mill site.

The Ohio company is nationally respected as a smart, creative, and savvy company driven by a team spirit, continuous learning, and technology.

It has been recognized by its customers for being among the top 10 in the nation and thus honored in the nation's capital. The tribe has an ownership interest in U.S. Aeroteam.

Requirements: High school graduates and college-aspiring tribal members are invited to apply for the rewarding and solid skills-developing career opportunities, starting with all-expense-paid training in Ohio while making good wages.

Bring in your positive winning attitude, solid attendance, interest in a technical career or technology, and habit of hard work. You will find a sky full of limitless opportunities.

How to apply: All applicants must submit a **tribal** "Application for Employment Form." Applications must be received by the closing date of this announcement to receive consideration.

To receive credit for training or education, documentation must be provided.

If applying for more than one position, separate applications will be required for each position. The high school diploma/GED requirement will be waived for tribal elders.

Send applications to:

Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians
Attn: Human Resources Department
P.O. Box 549
Siletz, OR 97380-0549

Fax number: 541-444-8375, or
1-800-922-1399, ext. 1375

Job Line: 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1296,
or 541-444-8296

Human Resources: 1-800-922-1399,
ext. 1274, or 541-444-8274

Visit us at: www.ctsi.nsn.us

Conditions of employment: The selectee will be required to submit to a urinalysis to screen for illegal drug use before employment.

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, and non-membership in an employee organization.



Lightfoot (second from right) and members of his concert crew visit with Siletz Royalty – Tasha Rilatos, Miss Siletz; Darian Dorman, Jr. Miss Siletz; and Clarinda Black, Little Miss Siletz. Lightfoot performed at Siletz Valley School in March as part of his Reach The Rez Tour, which will cover 211 reservations, 40 states, and 200,000 miles by the time it's completed. The 52-week tour started in the fall of 2005 and will finish July 15 in Alaska.

Siletz NARCH Grant Activities

by Claire Wood, NARCH Data Coordinator

As you may have heard, the Siletz NARCH research project is conducting a survey to find out about tribal member attitudes and beliefs about culture and substance abuse.

This survey was developed specifically for the Siletz Tribe. Tribal member participation will help us identify tribal needs and enhance services and programs to improve the health of the Siletz Tribe.

We have received approval from Tribal Council for the research project and have received final approval from the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board Internal Review Board and the Indian Health Service.

We have applied for our Certificate of Confidentiality from the National Institutes of Health. This is the last item we need to have in place before conducting the survey.

The NARCH project consists of two phases. In Phase 1, you may be one of the 1,000 randomly selected adult tribal members to receive an invitation to take part in the survey. If you are, you will receive your invitation in April.

Please help us learn more about our tribe by completing and returning the consent form enclosed with the invitation and then completing the survey as

soon as you receive it. While there is not likely to be any benefit for you personally, your contribution, along with all of the other tribal members who take the survey, is likely to have an impact on the Siletz Tribal community.

The Phase 1 survey includes questions about your beliefs and activities as well as questions regarding substance use/abuse. As an incentive for participation in Phase 1, everyone who completes and returns the survey by the deadline will receive a T-shirt from the project.

Each Phase 1 participant will be invited to volunteer for Phase 2, which consists of face-to-face or phone interviews, depending on your location. Up to 50 participants will be randomly selected for Phase 2, which will consist of an interview that includes different questions about your beliefs, activities, and substance use/abuse. Phase 2 participants will be entered in a drawing for additional larger gifts.

All information you provide on your survey will be kept confidential. Your data will be combined with other participant responses and used for statistical purposes only. Your individual data never will be reported.

The research team includes Siletz Tribal members Kelley Ellis and Delina John, and myself as the data coordinator. I will have the sole responsibility for data collection and entry, and will be the only research team member with access to your data.

Since I am a non-tribal member, this assures the strictest confidentiality of the information you provide. I will destroy all paper copies of the surveys upon completion of the research project.

If you have any questions regarding the NARCH research project or survey, you can call me at 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1276, or 541-444-8276; or send an e-mail to clairew@ctsi.nsn.us.

Time to Gather

The time to gather basket materials is upon us. This is the necessary first step in our basket-making process.

Hazel sticks (kvn) generally are ready to pick and peel in the middle of spring. Spruce root (xii-wan-tr'e) is the other main material used in our baskets. It can be gathered year round.

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