

Finances, Housing are Subjects of New Class

by Yvonne Messmer, Housing Finance Manager

Did you make any New Year's resolutions? Do you think you will create a budget and stick to it? Clean up some flaws on your credit report? Start saving toward that house or education you want? Refinance your current home and do some remodeling with the equity? Be able to buy your first home? Maybe you are just interested in understanding about finances a little more.

If any of these things hit your list, you may be interested in a class that I am teaching. It's all about finances, credit, budgeting, maintaining your home, and how to buy a home. Watch for a class in your area.

If you have questions about any of the above, don't hesitate to just call me. I would be happy to discuss your situation with you and let you know if I have any options for you. You can reach me at 503-390-9494 or toll-free at 1-800-870-9051.

Winter Home Maintenance Checklist

- Drain two gallons from electric H2O heaters to remove silt buildup.
- Dust off or clean electric space heaters.
- Check all smoke detectors and replace batteries as needed.
- Check window and door caulking or weather-stripping.
- Clean forced air vents for maximum output.
- Check caulking around tub and sinks. Replace any old or cracked caulking.
- Clean leaves from gutters. Make sure water can flow freely.
- Cover any outside water faucets with proper weatherproofing.
- Check furnace filters. Replace any dirty or built-up filters.
- Check your trees and fences for storm damage.



Become A Foster Parent

Mark your calendars for upcoming drop-in foster parenting info sessions in your area.

Have you ever wondered how to become and what is expected of a tribal foster parent? Do you have an idea but are intimidated by the process? Do you just want to know more?

This is the perfect opportunity to get your questions answered without any pressure of "signing up."

Drop in at your convenience at any of the locations listed below. Please pass the word on to anyone who you

think may be interested. Light refreshments will be provided.

- Feb. 21, 2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., Siletz Administration Building
- Feb. 28, 2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., Salem Area Office
- March 7, 2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., Eugene Area Office
- March 14, 4 p.m. – 7 p.m., Portland Area Office

Contact: Shawna Nagunst at 1-800-922-1399, ext.1275, or 541-444-8275, or e-mail shawnan@ctsi.nsn.us.

NOTICE

TO: All Tribal Members and Family
FROM: The Tribal Planning Department
RE: Surveys in 2007

Hello to all tribal members. During the coming months, the tribe's Planning Department staff will be developing and distributing different surveys at different times to determine tribal membership needs.

We want to send out several during the year that are targeted to specific areas of service needs. For example, we plan to distribute a survey targeting tribal veterans to determine how we can best plan for resource development.

In 2006, we distributed a housing survey to the 11-county service area in Oregon. This coming year, we

would like to distribute a more comprehensive housing and housing-related services survey to the entire membership for input.

We are providing this notice in advance in hopes that when you receive the survey you will take the time to complete it. The information will, as always, be confidential.

Please consider this your opportunity to give input into the ongoing process that starts with the 10-year comprehensive plan and expands to cover unmet needs.

Thank you in advance,
 Planning Department Staff

Come One, Come All!

Please, join us for the Cultural Center Capital Campaign Kick-Off. Your presence, support, and input regarding our future Cultural Center are valuable to its success. **We need your help doing research that will get us ready for asking the big foundations for funding.**

Bring a friend or two, or more! All are welcome to attend. See you there!

Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians

Cultural Center Capital Campaign Survey Committee
 Agenda for Feb. 8, 2007 Meeting

Noon – 1 p.m.

Siletz Tribal Community Center
 Soup, bread, and beverage provided.
 Bring your favorite potluck item to share!

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| 1. Description of Cultural Center Project | Robert Kentta |
| 2. Why the Project is Needed | Campaign Chair Agnes Pilgrim |
| 3. Financing the Project: The Capital Campaign & Its Goal | Lu Cavenaugh |
| 4. Feasibility Surveys: Purpose & Importance | Lu Cavenaugh |
| a. What to Survey (Survey Handout) | |
| b. Who to Survey | |
| c. How to Survey | |
| d. When to Survey | |
| e. Survey Team Captain Cova St. Onge | |
| 5. Deadline | Pam Barlow Lind |

General Council Meeting

Feb. 3, 2007

1 p.m.

Siletz Tribal Community Center

Siletz, Oregon

Agenda

- Call to Order
- Invocation
- Flag Salute
- Roll Call
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
- Program Report:
- Economic Development Projects
- Tribal Member Concerns
- Chairman's Report
- Announcements
- Adjournment

Elder Council Meeting

2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Feb. 10, 2007

Chinook Winds Casino Resort

For more information, please contact Angela Ramirez
 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1225;
 541-444-8225;
 or angelar@ctsi.nsn.us

Funds Depleted for Computers

All funds for the purchase of both desktop and laptop computers have been exhausted.

This program has not been funded for 2007.

If additional funds are secured, notice will appear in *Siletz News*.

Thank you to everyone for helping with this worthwhile program.