

TRIBAL PROGRAM NEWS



Siletz community Easter egg hunt participants (l to r) included Tehya Woodruff, Chrissy Joe Perkins, Tiffany Stokes, and Makiah Woodruff.

Easter Egg Hunt Draws Crowd

Nothing stops these Oregon children from searching for them – Easter eggs from the Easter bunny – wearing rain boots, raincoats, and some even had on sandals and flip-flops.

The annual Easter egg hunt drew approximately 200 people for this fun Saturday morning on Government Hill. Years ago, we had the annual hunt and there for a few years our community didn't have one. So Bev Youngman, our fearless program manager, picked

up the ball and asked her staff to once again have the Easter egg hunt for our community youth.

There were many lil Easter egg artists on the tribal staff who gladly took eggs home to decorate, approximately 1,200 of them, not counting all the candy-filled plastic eggs.

Then we had a raffle where every child received a prize. Each child left happy and with the greatest of smiles.

Big thanks to the Education and Cultural departments!



New Project Promotes Healthy Living for Families

The Healthy Family/Healthy Child project is looking for Siletz Tribal affiliates to sit on a committee that would bring family issues to the table and promote healthy living.

For more information, please contact Bekki Johns at 541-444-8262 or 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1262; or Mark Kimball at 541-444-8266 or 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1266.

Nuu-wee-ya'

(our words)

Introduction to the Athabaskan Language

Open to tribal members of all ages

Siletz

Siletz Tribal Community Center

May 7 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

June 5 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Portland

Portland Area Office

May 14 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

June 12 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Salem

Salem Area Office

May 8 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

June 11 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Eugene

Eugene Area Office

May 2 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

June 4 – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Tribal members who need help on cultural projects should contact the Siletz Culture Department. We can assist you prior to the language classes.

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

CERT Training Class Available

by Dean Sawyer

The Siletz Tribal Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training classes began April 26, but you're still welcome to join these weekly meetings on Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. at the Siletz Fire Hall.

Tribal members are encouraged to participate in the training sponsored by the Siletz Tribe.

The CERT program goals are to promote emergency preparedness, develop skills to respond to and cope with the aftermath of a disaster, and develop neighborhood self-sufficiency before, during, and after a natural or man-made disaster.

Topics taught and completed by the participants included disaster preparedness, disaster fire suppression, disaster medical operations, light search and rescue, terrorism, disaster psychology, CERT organization, and the final drill.

CERT graduates now have the knowledge, skills, and abilities to not only help their family be better prepared for emergencies, but also to assist their neighborhood in becoming better prepared to take action when Siletz is threatened by a major emergency or disaster.

CERT members will maintain and refine their skills by participating in exercises and activities. They can attend supplemental training opportunities offered by the Siletz Fire Department.

CERT opportunities also are available in other areas of Lincoln County, with teams in Newport, Lincoln City, and Toledo.

Citizens interested in CERT training courses can obtain more information by calling me at 541-444-8298 or 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1298, or by sending an e-mail to deans@ctsi.nsn.us.

May USDA Distribution Dates

Siletz

Monday, May 7	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Tuesday, May 8	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Wednesday, May 9	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Thursday, May 10	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Friday, May 11	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Salem

Monday, May 21	1:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Tuesday, May 22	9 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 23	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

We appreciate the effort that all our clients have made to get to their scheduled appointments.

We hired a new warehouse aide at the Salem site in March. She is a very hard worker and we appreciate the great help she provides. She is Grand Ronde Tribal member Sasha McKnight and she will be with us when we are distributing in Salem.



Kitti Navarro, USDA FDP Director – 1-800-992-1399, ext. 1393, or 541-444-8393
Joyce Retherford, USDA FDP Clerk – 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1279, or 541-444-8279

Happy meals!

General Council Meeting

May 5, 2007 • 1 p.m.
Siletz Tribal Community Center
Siletz, Oregon
Agenda

Call to Order
Invocation
Flag Salute
Roll Call
Approval of Minutes
Approval of Agenda
Program Reports:
Head Start
Childcare Center
Tribal Member Concerns
Chairman's Report
Announcements
Adjournment

Transportation Planning

What do you believe are important tribal transportation needs and concerns?

The state of Oregon grants us \$40,000 per year to help address special transportation needs. We have been able to add two handicapped-accessible vehicles to the tribe's fleet with these funds.

How do you think the tribe should spend this annual grant in the future? What other transportation needs are important to you and to the tribe?

Planning Department staff will be available to take your comments at a special table at the General Council meeting on May 5.

Please drop by this table and share your thoughts; send your written comments to Tribal Planning, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549; or speak with Pam in Planning at 541-444-8361 or 1-800-922-1399, ext. 1361.