Hunting and Fishing Reporting Incentives Winners

The Natural Resources Committee decided this past hunting and fishing season to implement an incentive program for reporting hunting and fishing tag successes.

It's the tag holder's responsibility to report to the Natural Resources Department when the tag has been filled. Everyone who reported filling their tag was entered into a drawing for prizes.

Incentives for the 2007-2008 seasons were gift cards to Sportsman's Warehouse in Salem, one $50 gift card for salmon tag reporting and three gift cards for hunting tag reporting ($100, $75, $50).

The drawings were held at the Natural Resources Committee's December (salmon) and April (deer and elk) meetings. All winners were notified shortly thereafter. Congratulations to the following 2007-2008 season winners:

Salmon: Ken Blair ($50 gift card)
Hunting: William Wentworth ($100 gift card)
Nathan Metcalf ($75 gift card)
Charlie Butler ($50 gift card)

The Natural Resources Committee has decided to continue the reporting incentive program again in the 2008-2009 seasons with the same prize amounts. It pays to report your hunting and fishing success!

Introducing New Internal Audit Department

by Kori Copp

On Jan. 18, 2008, Tribal Council unanimously approved creation of a new Internal Audit Department. This was accomplished by using existing Tribal audit resources and adding a director position.

This department reports directly to Tribal Council and our responsibilities are defined in the Internal Audit Charter that also was unanimously approved by Tribal Council. Our department's goal is to supply Tribal Council and management with detailed information for use in both Tribal Council's oversight role and management of Tribal government and business entities.

Internal auditing is an independent and objective assurance and consulting activity for reviewing all Tribal business and entities. The department's work encompasses the examination and evaluation of the adequacy and effectiveness of a Tribal organization's governance, risk management process, internal control structure and quality of performance in carrying out the Tribe's stated goals and objectives.

All Tribal activities are subject to compliance and operational audits. The Internal Audit Department also will perform all required gaming audits. The standards for the gaming audits are to maintain the highest level of compliance based on Tribal Internal Control Standards that have been developed from industry standards, the Tribal/state compact and the Minimum Internal Control Standards of the National Indian Gaming Commission.

The audit function is to verify that the rules, regulations, policies and procedures adopted by the Tribal entity, and approved by the Tribal Council, are being followed and are sufficient to protect Tribal assets. Our objective is to provide reasonable assurance that Tribal activities are conducted in accordance with defined policies and procedures.

The Internal Audit Department also is subject to an external review by auditors to assure Tribal Council and the Tribe that we are meeting professional standards in our work as defined by our charter.

The makeup of this new department is myself, Kori Copp, as director of Internal Audit; Joe Lane, Paula Thompson and Tom Smith are internal auditors. I transferred from the Accounting Department in the Siletz Tribal administration building.

Paula Thompson and Tom Smith previously worked as regulatory auditors for the Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission. Joe Lane has been the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians' internal auditor for gaming-related activities for eight years.

Even with such a small department, we have more than 50 years of audit and compliance experience that spans private industry and state, federal and Tribal government.

The Internal Audit Department is located in Lincoln City in the same building as the Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission and the Siletz Tribal Business Corporation, in the basement in Suite E.

Cut Wood for the Elders Day

The Tribal Natural Resources Committee and Natural Resources Department will sponsor another "Cut Wood for the Elders Day" on **June 28** 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.

Lunch, drinks and snacks will be provided. We will meet at the Tribal administration building at **7 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 is to stockpile firewood for future delivery to elders. Elders' Coordinator Angela Ramirez maintains a list of elders who burn wood for their winter heat. People willing to haul firewood to elders outside of the Siletz area should contact Angela at 800-922-1399, ext. 1225, or 541-444-8225. We especially need folks who can haul wood to the Eugene, Salem and Portland areas.

If you have parents or grandparents who burn wood in the winter to stay warm, you need to help out at this event!

Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow

Attention Pow-Wow Campers

Campers for this year's Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow are taken on a first-come, first-served basis. The dates of our pow-wow are Aug. 8-10.

There will be a $15 garbage charge per campsite, with one vehicle per campsite. If you have additional vehicles or are unable to park your vehicle at your campsite, you will need to park at one of our parking lots off of the pow-wow grounds.

Please keep pets off of the pow-wow grounds and on a leash at all times. Camper registration forms and fees will be collected on-site.

Tipi Drawing

Name: _____
Address: _____
_____
Phone: _____
Roll No.: _____

For Siletz Tribal members to use during the Siletz Pow-Wow, Aug. 8-10, 2008. One entry per household, please. Deadline for entries is June 27, 2008. Names will be drawn soon after the deadline. Return the form to:

Siletz Pow-Wow
Attn: Tipi
P.O. Box 549
Siletz, OR 97380-0549

Number Assigned: _____

2008 Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow Parade Participant Entry Form

Parade registration will be at the Siletz Tribal administration building directly next to the Siletz Community Health Clinic.

Name/Organization: _____
Contact Person: _____
Address: _____ City: _____
State: _____ ZIP: _____ Phone: _____

Please **circle** a category below that describes you or your organization:

1.) Commercial
2.) Non-Commercial
3.) Equestrian (not including royalty)
4.) Tribal Royalty
5.) Other Royalty (including any equestrian royalty)
6.) Cultural Float
7.) Tribal Dance Group
8.) Auto
9.) Tribal Administration Staff

Please indicate how you would like the emcee to announce you or your organization:

_____
_____
_____
_____

The parade will begin at 10 a.m. on Aug. 9, 2008. Please be registered, in line and ready for judging by 9 a.m.

Please note: If you are not registered by 9 a.m. you will not be judged, and no registrations will be accepted after 9:30 a.m.

Bring application with you or send to:
Phone: 800-922-1399, ext.1230
541-444-8230

CTSI/Parade
P.O. Box 549
Siletz, OR 97380-0549