

# TRIBAL PROGRAM NEWS

## 2009 Tribal Council Application

Application for names to be placed on the 2009 ballot for candidates in the Siletz Tribal Council election

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Roll# \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand I must be an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon and 18 years of age or older. This application must be filed with the Election Board by 4 p.m. on Dec. 24, 2008. I also understand that if for any reason I decide to withdraw my application for Siletz Tribal Council, I must withdraw in writing by Dec. 29, 2008. Otherwise, my name will appear in the voter's pamphlet and on the ballot.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail your application to: CTSI, Election Board, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

### Voter's Pamphlet and Statement

If you would like your candidate's statement and photo to appear in the voter's pamphlet, please submit your statement and recent 3x5 photograph of yourself along with your application. Deadline for statements and photos is Dec. 24, 2008, at 4 p.m. Statements and photos will appear in the voter's pamphlet. Photos will be included on the ballot. Mail your statement and photo to:

CTSI Election Board

P.O. Box 549

Siletz, OR 97380-0549

-OR- e-mail it to kurtisb@ctsi.nsn.us

(Call 800-922-1399, ext.1247, or 541-444-8247 to confirm receipt of your candidate's statement - candidates are responsible to ensure receipt by the deadline.)

### Election Deadlines

Dec. 24, 2008 (4 p.m.)	Deadline to file for candidacy
Dec. 24, 2008 (4 p.m.)	Deadline to submit a photo and/or candidate's statement for inclusion in the Tribal Voter's Pamphlet
Dec. 29, 2008 (4 p.m.)	Deadline to withdraw name from candidacy and not have your name appear on the ballot
Week of Jan. 5-9, 2009	Absentee ballots mailed out
Jan. 30, 2009 (4 p.m.)	Deadline to request a mail-in ballot
Feb. 7, 2009 (10 a.m. - 4 p.m.)	In-person voting - Tribal Elections, Tribal Community Center, Siletz.
Feb. 7, 2009 (4 p.m.)	Deadline for returning absentee ballots

## Come to Dance, Drum Classes

Pow-wow dance, drumming and (some) regalia-making support classes are now held on the first and last Wednesday of each month at the Siletz Tribal Community Center from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Anthony "Fish" Martinez is the instructor.

This is a family event and all youth must be accompanied by an adult.

The Education Department is sponsoring this alcohol-free, tobacco-free and other drug-free event.

## Tribal Children Need You

Do you value Siletz Native culture and want to help preserve it? If so, please consider fostering for the Tribe. The Siletz Tribe needs loving, stable, nurturing homes in all areas.

If you are interested, please contact Shawna Henarie, foster care certifier, at 541-444-8275 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1275; or visit [www.ctsi.nsn.us/icw.html](http://www.ctsi.nsn.us/icw.html).



## Tribal Election News

by Kurtis Barker, Election Board Vice Chairman, 800-922-1399 or 541-444-2532

The Election Board has approved the timeline/schedule for the 2009 General Election and a few rules regarding the Candidate's Fair and candidate's statements.

### Candidate's Statements

The Election Board now will be responsible for accepting and approving all candidate's statements. We have chosen to adopt many of the rules that govern statements in Siletz News.

Statements will be limited to 450 words and not contain any personal attacks. One photo (optional) can be accepted with statements. Candidate's statements cannot be posted on Tribal property.

### Candidate's Fair

This year the Candidate's Fair will be held Dec. 14, 2008. The fair was moved from January to December to encourage more participation from the General Council. Hopefully the weather will be mild enough to draw Tribal members from outside the Siletz area to attend.

This year the Candidate's Fair will take place before the deadline to file for candidacy. The deadline to file for candidacy is Dec. 24 by 4 p.m. In order to participate in the Candidate's Fair, you must be declared and certified by the Election Board prior to Dec. 12 at 4 p.m.

Tribal members who plan on waiting until the last day to declare will not be allowed to participate in the Candidate's Fair.

The Candidate's Fair will be from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and mediated by the Election Board chairman.

### Timeline/Schedule

Dec. 12 (4 p.m.)	Deadline to declare and file for candidacy if you plan to participate in the Candidate's Fair
Dec. 14	Candidate's Fair - Tribal Community Center (1 p.m. to 4 p.m.)
Dec. 24 (4 p.m.)	Deadline to file for candidacy for Tribal Council
Dec. 24 (4 p.m.)	Deadline to submit candidate's statement and photo
Dec. 26	Official list of candidates posted
Dec. 29 (4 p.m.)	Deadline to withdraw candidacy and not be included in voter's pamphlet

Ballots will be mailed out the week of Jan. 5, 2009.

In October, we had two Tribal members register who were eligible but not registered in previous elections. We also had two Tribal members who became eligible this year get registered. Great job, everyone!

### Registration Cards

The Election Board recently mailed out registration cards to Tribal members whose names had changed. We verify our election ballots by the signature on the back of the ballot to our election database.

If the signatures don't match, the ballot has to be rejected because of non-matching signature. The Election Board then sends out a letter and new signature card to the voter. This year, we are hoping that by sending letters and cards out early, most of our members will update with plenty of time before the Tribal election.

If you have any questions about Tribal elections, please feel free to contact any Election Board member - Felicia Carmona, Tracey Worman or myself.

## Nuu-wee-ya' (our words)

Introduction to the Athabaskan Language  
Open to Tribal members of all ages

### Siletz

Siletz Tribal Community Center

Nov. 4 - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Dec. 2 - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

### Salem

Salem Area Office

Nov. 19 - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Dec. 9 - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

### Portland

Portland Area Office

Nov. 17 - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Dec. 8 - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

### Eugene

Eugene Area Office

Nov. 3 - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Dec. 1 - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Come and join other members of your community and Tribe in learning to speak one of our ancient languages.

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