

# TRIBAL PROGRAM NEWS

## Take Advantage of New Siletz Saves! IDA Program

by Yvonne Messmer

The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians announced April 7 that it is launching a new matched savings program called the Siletz Saves! IDA Program (SSIP) for low-income Tribal members.

The pilot program will be based in the Salem Area Office. Participants in the Siletz Saves! Program make regular deposits into a special savings account called an individual development account or IDA. The amount saved is then matched \$3 for every \$1 saved – a 300 percent return!

Participants are required to save for at least six months up to three years and to attend financial fitness classes in Salem. The object of the IDA is to teach participants how and why they should save and then allow them to use their savings for the purchase of their first home.

Come to the orientation meeting at the Salem Area Office on May 27 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. to find out what it is all about. Light snacks will be available. The SSIP will be explained fully and applications will be available.

If you think you would be interested in this program, please call me at 503-390-9494 or 888-870-9051.

## Mark July 14-16 for Culture Camp

by Selene Rilatos, Cultural Programs Coordinator

Culture Camp will be held July 14-16 at the Tribal Community Center/Government Hill in Siletz. Camp is for Tribal members and Tribal families only; children under age 10 must be chaperoned by an adult.

The Camp Planning Committee is looking for volunteers to teach classes of cultural traditional nature and arts. We also are having an art contest for a new logo for the camp T-shirt. Please submit your artwork by June 2, 2009, to CTSI/Cultural Programs, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

If you are interested in volunteering or would like to attend a planning meeting, please contact Cultural Programs at 541-444-8246 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1246.

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## May USDA Distribution Dates

Siletz		Salem	
Monday, May 4	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Monday, May 18	1:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Tuesday, May 5	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Tuesday, May 19	9 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 6	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Wednesday, May 20	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Thursday, May 7	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.		
Friday, May 8	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.		

If you or someone you know would like to sign up for commodity foods, you can find the application packet on the Siletz Tribal website – [www.ctsi.nsn.us](http://www.ctsi.nsn.us) and look under social services.

You can print the entire packet and mail it to us at CTSI-USDA, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549; or you can fax it to 541-444-8306.

Happy meals!



Joyce Retherford, FDP Director  
541-444-8393 or  
800-922-1399, ext. 1393  
OR  
April Scoggins, FDP Clerk  
541-444-8279 or  
800-922-1399, ext. 1279

## Election Board Applications Due

Deadline for consideration for the 2009/10 Election Board  
is 4 p.m. on June 9, 2009

Any Tribal member interested in serving on the Election Board must fill out the following form and return it to the address below by June 9, 2009.

Please mail or fax your application to Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Attn: Executive Secretary to Tribal Council, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549; Fax: 541-444-8325.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Roll No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: Day ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Evening ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Tribal Council will review applications and approve appointments at the Regular Tribal Council meeting in June 2009. If you have any questions, please call Tracey Worman at 800-922-1399, ext. 1284, or 541-444-8284.

## Council to Consider New Ordinance Comments Sought from Tribal Members

The Tribe has just introduced a new ordinance, the Transient Lodging Tax Ordinance, which primarily will govern room taxes at Chinook Winds Resort. The Tribe has agreed to continue the transient lodging taxes at Chinook Winds that were previously imposed by State and local law as part of our Municipal Services Agreement with Lincoln City.

The ordinance as drafted would apply equally to all temporary lodging on Tribal properties, including the RV parks in Lincoln City and Salem.

This ordinance is available for Tribal member viewing on the Tribe's website – [www.ctsi.nsn.us](http://www.ctsi.nsn.us) – under the Tribal Member Only section. Before the Tribal Council discusses this proposed ordinance and considers it for passage, it asks for the comments of Tribal members.

Comments can be sent, in writing, to Tribal Council, Attn: Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

All comments must be received prior to the end of business on May 29.

## Tipi Drawing

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

For Siletz Tribal members to use during the Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow on Aug. 7-9, 2009.

One entry per household, please. Deadline for entries is June 30, 2009. 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

## Taps Player Needed

Seeking a talented Tribal member to play Taps at the Memorial Day Ceremony on May 25, 2009, at 11 a.m. in Siletz. If interested, please contact Celesta Lee, Tribal Council assistant secretary, at 541-444-8205 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1205.

## Apply Now for Tribal Head Start

Applications are now available for the Siletz Tribal Head Start program for the 2009-2010 school year.

In addition to an application, parents also will be asked to fill out a family needs assessment and a health summary for their child.

All of these forms are available from Lori Jay-Linstrom in the Head Start office in Siletz. Please contact her at 541-444-8376 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1376; or [lorij@ctsi.nsn.us](mailto:lorij@ctsi.nsn.us).

## Attention Pow- Wow Campers

Campers for this year's Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow on Aug. 7-9 are taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

There will be a \$25 camping/garbage fee per campsite with one vehicle per campsite. If you have additional vehicles or cannot 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.

## 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 May 9. The woodcut will be held at the old log yard at the Tribe's Toledo Mill property.

We need lots of volunteers to help split firewood for Tribal elders. Bring your 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. Elders' Coordinator Danise Barker 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 Danise at 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.

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

Also, please mark your calendars for future Cut Wood for the Elders Days on July 11 and Sept. 19.