

## Head Start Enrollment Open

Please pass the word along about Siletz Tribal Head Start! If you or anyone you know has a child who is 3 or 4 years old, then we need you! That is, we need you to fill out a Siletz Tribal Head Start application.

We always accept applications for Siletz Tribal Head Start. This is a fun and exciting place to be, just ask anyone who has attended our program. Not only is it a fun learning experience for children, our parents enjoy it just as much as their children do.

We have three classrooms in Siletz, one in Lincoln City, two in Salem and one in Portland.

Please call 541-444-8376 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1376, for more information or an application.

## Childcare Assistance Program

If you are a working family whose children are enrolled Siletz Tribal members and live in the 11-county service area, then you may qualify for the Tribal Childcare Assistance program.

For more information or an application, please call 541-444-8363, 541-444-8376 or 800-922-1399 and ask for the Childcare Assistance program.

## Tribal children need you as a foster parent

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 [ctsi.nsn.us](http://ctsi.nsn.us), click on Tribal Services, then Employment & Social Services, then Indian Child Welfare.



Photo by Natasha Kavanaugh

Award recipients, l to r: Cat Tufts, Shawna Henarie, Trish Daniel, Teresa Ueland, Delina John, Rachelle Endres, Kathleen Furgason, Kelley Ellis, Stuart Whitehead, Michele Rowan and Al Warren.

## First and Second Quarter Incentive Award Winners

### Employee of the Quarter

Shawna Henarie  
Nick Sixkiller  
Norma Trefren

Mari Kramer  
Bev Owen  
Michele Rowan  
Janet Wicklund

Tami Miner  
Cat Tufts  
Teresa Ueland  
Stuart Whitehead

### Extra Effort

Denis Bosque  
Kathy Furgason  
Kristi Martin-Bayya  
Dean Sawyer  
Rosie Williams

### Cost Savings/Inventions

Marci Muschamp  
Wendi Schamp

### Employee Suggestion/Invention Award

Trish Daniel  
Al Warren

### Performance Bonuses (Outstanding Service)

Frank Aspria  
Ed Biancone  
Michele Cornwall  
Bobbi Foley  
Delina John

### Special Acts and Services

Sammy Bayya  
Denis Bosque  
Erin Carrington  
Kelley Ellis  
Rachelle Endres  
Priscilla Gomez  
Shawna Henarie  
Yvonne Messmer

### Employee Time Off Award

Lisa Taylor

### Incentive Awards Committee

Robert Arce-Torres  
Justin Mason  
Maggie Norton  
Anna Renville  
Marci Simmons

## Congratulations!

## Oregon Registry recognizes achievements of child care providers, workers

The Tribal Child Care Assistance Program is dedicated to ensuring that Tribal children receive the highest quality of care and supporting child care providers to ensure they offer quality child care.

One of our goals is to have all child care providers become licensed through the State of Oregon and be recognized for the steps they've taken to enhance the quality of service they provide to children. To assist with these efforts, a workshop took place at the Tenas Illahee Childcare Center in Siletz on June 15. Amy Wechter and Katrina Kosydar from Childcare Resource & Referral/Childcare Connection of Lincoln County facilitated the workshop.

Approximately 12 child care workers/child care providers learned about the wonderful benefits of the Oregon Registry. It's a statewide program that recognizes all child care providers/workers who dedi-

cate their lives to helping children learn and grow. It documents and recognizes the achievements of these dedicated individuals.

The Oregon Registry acknowledges there are two pathways to professional development:

1. A degree or certificate pathway
2. A college course credit or community-based training

The Oregon Registry recognizes that individuals can use a variety of sources to increase their expertise in the core body of knowledge for the profession. Ten different categories make up the core body of knowledge:

1. Diversity
2. Families and Community Systems
3. Health, Safety and Nutrition

4. Human Growth and Development
5. Learning Environments and Curriculum
6. Observation and Assessment
7. Personal, Professional and Leadership Development
8. Program Management
9. Special Needs
10. Understanding and Guiding Behavior

A person must meet a specified amount of time in each of these categories in order to reach a higher step in the Oregon Registry.

The Oregon Registry has 12 steps within each step representing increased knowledge in the child care profession. The best part about the Oregon Registry is that it has education awards of \$100 to \$500 depending on which milestone you have met.

There are three milestones (first milestone is \$100) and a person can receive one education award per fiscal calendar year. The highest award a person can receive is \$500.

There is a \$10 fee after a person reaches the third step (first milestone), but there are several grants a person can apply for to cover that cost. Wechter also discovered that this informative workshop counts as two hours of program management for all people who attended.

If you would like more information about the Oregon Registry, call Family Care Connection at 541-265-2558 and ask for Kosydar, or e-mail her at [Katrina.Kosydar@oregonstate.edu](mailto:Katrina.Kosydar@oregonstate.edu) (she took over Wechter's position on July 1).

You also can visit the Oregon Registry website at [centerline.pdx.edu/oregon-registry](http://centerline.pdx.edu/oregon-registry) or call the office at Portland State University at 877-725-8535.