

Fish and Wildlife Club in the making

By Stan van de Wetering, Tribal Aquatics Program Leader

Do you like to hunt and or fish? Do you have an interest in furthering the Tribe's efforts to support fish, deer, elk and other animal populations?

Maybe you are interested in mussels or bobcats, cougars, hawks or bugs and butterflies. Maybe you just like hiking in the woods and wish we had more trails on Tribal lands.

I would like to see what level of interest exists for both kids and adults. If we have some folks who have particular interests and those interests match the general goals of the Tribe, we might be able to begin to do things that currently can't get accomplished by the Tribe because of a lack of funding or restrictions on available funds.

For instance, we could use volunteers to monitor adult salmon moving into our three focus tributaries – Cedar, Euchre and

Rock creeks to help provide a better understanding of what we need to do to improve those fisheries. We could trap baby salmon as they leave our hatchery ponds to improve our understanding of their survival.

We could monitor game movement on our lands and adjacent lands and look at non-game animals as well. We could use this information to guide elk and deer habitat restorations. We could create more opportunities for youth and adult hunting and fishing activities.

The possibilities go on and on and would be dependent on volunteer availability and interest. If you, your child or friends think you might be interested in some sort of activity like those described here, please contact Kelley Ellis at 541-444-8227 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1227. I will then get in touch with you and discuss what level of response we see and how we might proceed.



Courtesy photo

Lilly Whitehead joins several others to clean fish during an outing at Culture Camp in July 2011. Nearly 120 Tribal children took part in catching about 500 trout during six trips to the Tribe's Lhuuke Illahee Fish Hatchery. Additionally, adults helped kids fish during several Family Fishing Days last summer.

New student housing available; STHD will accept applications March 1

By Jessica Garcia, Rental Assistance Program Coordinator/Resident Services Advocate

The Siletz Tribal Housing Department (STHD) has a new Tribal Temporary Student Assistance Program (TTSAP). This is a time-limited program that assists a student while he or she obtains higher education for a period not to exceed six years.

Participants must:

- Maintain full-time student status (defined as 12 or more credits per semester)
- Attend a college, university, vocational or trade school
- Maintain a cumulative 2.5 GPA

Program Information

- ❖ STHD policy allows for up to 30 vouchers each year for this program, provided the funding exists.

- ❖ The family's share of the rent is 30 percent of its adjusted annual income.
- ❖ Income counted would be any earned income from employment of any and all members of the family who are age 18 and older. This does not include income received for school grants such as financial aid.
- ❖ If the student leaves the household, the household no longer will be eligible for TTSAP assistance. This assistance is not transferable.

STHD will accept applications no sooner than March 1, 2012.

Applicants will be chosen for the program by a date and time stamp. Please return all applications to STHD, where they will be stamped upon being received. After all vouchers are given out, the remaining applicants will be put on a student voucher waiting list.

For an application, contact STHD at 555 Tolowa Court, Siletz OR 97380; 800-922-1399, ext. 1322; or 541-444-8322.

February USDA Distribution Dates

Siletz

Wednesday	Feb. 1	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Thursday	Feb. 2	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Friday	Feb. 3	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Monday	Feb. 6	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Tuesday	Feb. 7	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Salem

Monday	Feb 13	1:30 – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday	Feb 14	9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Feb 15	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Thursday	Feb 16	9 – 11 a.m.

The following recipe is from Pam Barlow-Lind in the Tribal Planning Department, who took sixth place in our recipe contest.

Sweet Italian Sausage and Cabbage

Package of sweet Italian sausages; Microwave 3-4 minutes; put in big pot

with a little oil. Sauté until browned. Turn heat down to simmer.

Chop and rinse a cabbage.* Put still-wet cabbage into big pot and cover. There's enough water left to steam it done in about 15 minutes. The trick is to leave it alone to steam, then stir it all up when the cabbage is tender and the juice is ready to flavor everything.

Guys like this.

It might be possible with hamburger; I'd try meatball-size chunks cooked with onion* and seasoned. Probably good, just really good with the sausages.

*commodity product

You can reach us at our Siletz warehouse at 800-922-1399, ext. 1393 or 1279, or you can call direct at 541-444-8393 or 541-444-8279.

Joyce Retherford
USDA Food Program Director
Derek Simmons
USDA Food Program Clerk

Elders Council Meeting

Feb. 11 • 1-4 p.m.

Chinook Winds Casino Resort

For more details, contact Rachelle Endres at 800-922-1399, ext. 1261; 541-444-8261; or rachellee@ctsi.nsn.us

Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow Attention Siletz Tribal Artists

The 2012 Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow Committee is once again having a logo contest for the upcoming pow-wow on Aug. 10-13, 2012.

All Siletz Tribal artists are encouraged to submit a pow-wow-themed logo. The winning logo artist will receive a cash prize of \$250 and a professional banner with your logo. The winning artist also will have his or her logo highlighted on Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow flyers and merchandise.

Please submit your artwork to the cultural education director's office at the Tribal Community Center or mail them to Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Attn: Pow-Wow Logo Contest, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

All entries must be received no later than March 16, 2012.

Royalty Crown Proposals

The 2012 Pow-Wow Committee is now accepting proposals for 2012-2013 royalty crowns. Proposals are being accepted for Miss Siletz, Junior Miss Siletz and Little Miss Siletz.

Proposals for a crown must include art design, size of the crown and a bid for the crown or crowns of your interest. Proposals can be submitted for individual crowns, two crowns or all three crowns. Crown proposals must be turned in to the committee no later than March 16, 2012.

Proposals can be sent to Siletz Pow-Wow Committee, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549. If you have any questions, contact Nick Sixkiller at 800-922-1399, ext 1757, or 541-484-4234.

2012 Lincoln County Native graduation/senior celebration set

The Lincoln County Indian Education Program will host a Native Graduation and Senior Celebration at Chinook Winds Casino Resort on June 11, 2012, from 2-6 p.m. There are approximately 55 Native students in Lincoln County.

If you would like to assist with fundraising for the reception, donations or making the gifts, please contact Juanita Whitebear at 541-996-2115 or 541-557-1614, or Patty Socha-Paul at 541-444-1100.