

NIGA

Council members attended the annual National Indian Gaming Association meeting in San Diego in April. It was NIGA's 30th anniversary and those registered broke attendance records.

NIGA supported our Tribe in our quest to open Chinook Winds. Our Tribe is a proud supporter of NIGA.

We were happy that Tribal Chairman Ron Allen (Jamestown S'klallam) was honored with a distinguishing award at this event.

Elders Honor Day

The Elders Honor Day was a total success this year. Twenty-nine Tribes attended for a total of about 610 people.

It was nice to have the veterans so well represented and to see Tony Molina recognized by the Elders for the work he does with Siletz veterans.

I received many nice comments and thank yous about the gathering.

Thank you to our Elders and administrative and casino staff for the preparation and all the organization that took place for this huge event and for making us shine.

Willamette National Forest meeting

The Tribal Council met with Willamette National Forest officials in April. Items discussed were forest road systems and the gathering of cultural materials (berries, camas, basketry materials, etc).

Tribal members can get permits from the Forest Service for such activities. But if you carry a Tribal membership card, there should not be a question of your activities.

The Forest Service has been very helpful in assisting in all of our gathering activities.

Chinook Winds 20th Anniversary

Chinook Winds will celebrate the 20th anniversary of our casino on June 20. Many casino activities are scheduled as well as special entertainment to celebrate.

In addition, the Siletz Tribal Arts & Heritage Society will host an event at the casino (see page 7).

In Siletz, our Solstice celebration will take place beginning June 18 and continuing through June 20.

We have many reasons to celebrate.

Memorial Day

On Memorial Day (May 25), we will honor all of our veterans at a ceremony at Paul Washington Cemetery (see page 8).

The grounds are always beautifully decorated by all the families whose loved ones are interred there.



Delores Pigsley

Tenas Illahee Childcare Center has vacancies on its Board of Directors

Résumés are being accepted for the Tenas Illahee Childcare Center Board of Directors. Currently, there are two vacant board positions.

If interested, please submit your résumé to Tribal Council, c/o Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

To be considered for the vacant positions, résumés must be received by 4:30 p.m. on July 8.

STBC seeks roofing bids for Eugene office

The Siletz Tribal Business Corporation is seeking bids for a roof replacement at the Eugene area office building located at 2468 W 11th Ave. in Eugene, Ore.

Please visit stbcorp.net on May 15 or call Michael Phillips at STBC at 541-994-2142 or 877-564-7298 for more information.

For more information about the Siletz Tribe, please visit ctsi.nsn.us.

CTSI Jobs

Employment information is available at ctsi.nsn.us.

Siletz News is free to enrolled Siletz Tribal members. For all others, a \$12 annual subscription fee applies. Please make checks payable to CTSI and mail to *Siletz News*.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Change of address: Tribal members – contact the Enrollment Department at 541-444-8258; 800-922-1399, ext. 1258; or covas@ctsi.nsn.us. All others – call the newspaper office.

Elders Council Meeting

May 9 • 1-4 p.m. • Chinook Winds Casino Resort

Siletz Elder potlucks are held monthly at 6 p.m. on the Monday before the regularly scheduled Elders meeting. Please bring a potluck dish you would like to share.

For more information, contact the Elders Program at 800-922-1399, ext. 1261, or 541-444-8261.

Nuu-wee-ya' (our words)

Introduction to the Athabaskan language

Open to Tribal members of all ages

Siletz
Tribal Community Center
May 4 – 6-8 p.m.
June 1 – 6-8 p.m.

Portland
Portland Area Office
May 11 – 6-8 p.m.
June 8 – 6-8 p.m.

Eugene
Eugene Area Office
May 5 – 6-8 p.m.
June 2 – 6-8 p.m.

Salem
Salem Area Office
May 12 – 6-8 p.m.
June 9 – 6-8 p.m.

Classes begin with basic instruction and progress over the year. They also are a refresher course for more-advanced students. Come and join other members of your community and Tribe in learning to speak one of our ancient languages.

We also have equipment in the Cultural Department available for use in grinding and drilling shell or pine nuts or other applications. If you need to use the equipment, call the number below to set up an appointment.

For more information, contact Bud Lane at the Siletz Cultural Department at 541-444-8320 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1320; or email budl@ctsi.nsn.us.

Send information to:

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Deadline for the June issue is May 11.

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