



Courtesy photo by Chinook Winds Casino Resort staff

A sample of items available at the new Oyster Bar at Chinook's Seafood Grill



Oyster Bar at Chinook's Seafood Grill a first on the Oregon Coast

When you think of oysters, you need look no further than the new Oyster Bar at Chinook's Seafood Grill at Chinook Winds Casino Resort.

Chinook Winds is known for headline entertainment, golf, gaming fun and more, but the hidden gem is the expertise of the Culinary Team lead by Executive Chef

Jack Strong. The commitment to purchasing locally and working with indigenous foods is what has set Chinook Winds dining apart from other venues.

"I love introducing our guests to new flavors. It's important to me to keep things fresh and use foods from the Pacific Northwest," said Strong.

This concept became a reality after four years of discussions.

"We wanted an oyster bar that was unique to our area. We researched concept ideas and worked as a team to develop a design that we all agreed on. Visitors want traditional seafood when they visit and what is more traditional than oysters, shrimp and crab?" said Monica Logan, director of food and beverage.

The project was completed in two weeks by in-house staff and local contractors.

"Approximately 80 percent of this project was completed using our in-house Facilities Team. Local contractors were Cushman Heating and Sheet Metal for the ice wells, Vista Construction for counter tops and

Pacific Coast Glass for the sneeze guards," said Sean Sheridan, director of facilities.

Guests will find an array of grilled, baked and raw oyster items on the menu, as well as crab and shrimp options. Strong, along with Chinook's Seafood Grill Chef Jesse Vallee, developed a menu with input from Logan and Chinook's Seafood Grill Manager Alisa Patterson. "The menu will be a work in progress over the next few months as we discover what our guests enjoy and the fresh seasonal ingredients available."

For more information about the Oyster Bar at Chinook's Seafood Grill visit chinookwindscasino.com or call 541-557-4306.

Siletz Tribal members enjoy the golf resort!

In addition to green fees, Siletz Tribal members can use the golf resort's fitness center at no charge. This provides full access to daily use of all fitness equipment, weight room, sauna and steam room.

Charges will apply for all other amenities, such as personal trainer classes, golf cart fees, etc.

Please show your Siletz Tribal ID.

Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians

Tribal Maternal, Infant & Early Childhood Home Visiting Program

Naytlh - 'a "We Carry the Children"

How has the Siletz Tribal Home Visiting Program helped you and your family since participating?

- ❖ "The home visiting program has helped prepare us for our new addition by letting us know what is to be expected before and after the baby comes and how to best deal with certain situations that come up."
- Andrea & Robert, 4 months in the program
- ❖ "I've learned all the things I thought I should know that I did not know already with the help and support of the program. Siletz Tribal Home Visiting Program helped me become a better mom."
- Shyann, 1 year in the program
- ❖ "I feel like Siletz Tribal home visits have helped me be more on track when it comes to my child's development. Home visits have also helped me keep a better schedule, helping my whole family."
- Jennifer, 1 year and 9 months in the program
- ❖ "Getting the help when you're a new parent is life-saving, to know you are doing it right and if not, finding out the right way."
- Samantha, 1 year in the program
- ❖ "The program has helped me to realize there are a lot of different ways to parent and there is always help if you are willing to look for it. The Siletz Home Visiting Program has helped make my life a little simpler just knowing I have resources to help me be the best mom I can be."
- Chandra, 1 year and 10 months in the program
- ❖ "The Siletz Home Visiting Program has helped me with my child's growth, my motivation with being a parent and I've also established a friendship."
- Brinee, 1 year and 8 months in the program
- ❖ "Home Visiting Program helped us better understand the developmental milestones that our child is at and also the reassurance that each child is unique and not to be worried. The program has been helpful, especially with different resources also."
- Ale & Seth, 1 year and 1 month in the program
- ❖ "As a first-time mom, Siletz Home Visiting Program has been a good addition to my support system, not only emotionally, but also mentally."
- Janet, 1 year and 1 month in the program

If you are interested in or have any questions about our Siletz Tribal Home Visiting Program, please call Jessica Phillips, Program Coordinator, at 541-484-4234.

STRCP amends policy on number of loans, sets new interest rates for 2017

The Siletz Tribe Revolving Credit Program (STRCP) is pleased to announce that the Tribal Council has amended its Program Declaration of Policies with the goal to further enhance Tribal member access to consumer, home improvement and small business loans.

STRCP, in addition to reporting loans to TransUnion Credit Bureau on a monthly basis with the goal of improving the loan recipient's credit score, will now allow applicants to get additional loans who meet all the conditions of their previous loans per policy

Additionally, the STRCP Board of Directors set new base interest rates for 2017 as follows: Consumer loans are 8.75 percent, home improvement loans are 6.75 percent and business loans are 7.75 percent.

If you are interested in applying for a loan or would like more information, please don't hesitate to contact the STRCP credit administrator, Shani Gilila, at 541-994-2142 or 877-564-7298, or visit the STBC website at stbcorp.net.

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