

Volunteer to cut wood for Tribal elders

The Tribal Natural Resources Committee and Natural Resources Department will sponsor the first Cut Wood for the Elders Day of the year on May 20.

The woodcut will be held on the Tribe's Logsden Road Property between the Tribal food distribution warehouse and the Tribal vehicle storage yard in Siletz.

We need lots of volunteers to help cut, split and deliver firewood for Tribal elders. Bring your chainsaws, hydraulic wood splitters, splitting mauls, axes and lots of energy.

Lunch, drinks and snacks will be provided. We will start at 8 a.m. and go until around 2 p.m.

The goal of this event is to deliver firewood to as many elders as possible. The Elders Program 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 the Elders Program clerk at 800-922-1399, ext. 1261, or 541-444-8261 to be paired up with an elder in need. We

especially need folks who can haul wood to the Eugene, Salem and Portland areas.

Elders in need of firewood also should contact the Elders Program clerk to get their name on the delivery list.

If you have parents or grandparents who burn wood in the winter to stay warm, you need to help out at this event! Help replenish those wood piles after a long cold winter.

Be sure to mark your calendars for the next two woodcuts this year that will be held on July 15 and Sept. 16.



File photo

Dennis Tufts and Woody Muschamp use a hydraulic wood splitter during a woodcut in 2016.

USDA distribution dates for May and schedule changes

Siletz			Salem		
Monday	May 8	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Monday	May 22	1:30 – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday	May 9	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Tuesday	May 23	9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	May 10	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Wednesday	May 24	9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Thursday	May 11	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Thursday	May 25	9 – 11 a.m.
Friday	May 12	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.			

Our WAFDPIR conference was rescheduled for the first week of May (1-5), so we will be unavailable that week. Siletz distribution is during the second week of May.

The third week we will try to reschedule shipments and get deliveries done. The last full week will be Salem distribution.

It is extremely important that all of our clients make it to their scheduled appointments. We will not have the opportunity to reschedule that we usually have.

Our NAFDPIR is scheduled for June 12-16, so we will be unavailable during that week as well.

LIKE us on Facebook at Siletz Tribal FDPIR. We would like to see more people sharing their recipes on our Facebook page.



Joyce Retherford, FDP Director
541-444-8393

Lisa Paul, FDP Clerk/Warehouseman
541-444-8279

CTSI Jobs - Information available at ctsi.nsn.us

Note: "Open Until Filled" vacancies may close at any time. The Tribe's Indian Preference policy will apply. Tribal government will not discriminate in selection because of race, creed, age, sex, color, national origin, physical handicap, marital status, politics, membership or non-membership in an employee organization.

Opening Date: April 6, 2017
Closing Date: May 5, 2017
Job Title: Bookkeeper I (Payroll & Retirement Plan)
Salary/Wage: \$22.05/hour
Tribal Level: 19
Location: Siletz, Ore.
Classification: Full time, non-exempt
Job Posting Number: 201719

Call the Shellfish Safety Hotline before harvesting - 800-448-2474

The Oregon Department of Agriculture's shellfish biotoxin hotline is toll-free and updated immediately when shellfish toxins reach the alert level. The hotline is your best source for up-to-date clam, crab and mussel closure information.

Culture Craft Nights

Hazel stick peeling
(Tr'vtilh-xee-li ch'ay-lhchvm's)

May 1 • 5-7 p.m.
Siletz Tribal Community Center

May 2 • 5-7 p.m.
Eugene Area Office

May 8 • 5-7 p.m.
Portland Area Office

May 9 • 5-7 p.m.
Salem Area Office

Tule Mat Making Class

May 23 • 5-7 p.m.

Neachesna Village Meeting Room • Lincoln City/Neetsu

Siletz Tribal members and their families are invited to come and learn how to peel and process hazel sticks for Siletz basketry.

All ages welcome. Young people under age 10 need an adult to accompany and assist them.

The Siletz Culture Department will provide some material and instructors.

If you have your own materials, please bring them.

Siletz Tribal members and their families are welcome. Come and learn how to make a Tule mat. Young people under age 10 need an adult to accompany and assist them. The Siletz Culture Department will provide material and instructors.

Contact: Bud Lane, budl@ctsi.nsn.us; 541-444-8320 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1320
Sponsored by the Education and Culture Departments

Gathering basket-making materials

Spring is here and very soon hazel sticks will be ready to pick and peel. Hazel stick gathering is a must for anyone interested in making traditional Siletz baskets. Spruce root can be dug all year round and is used for the weavers or weft of Siletz baskets.

Bear grass and maidenhair fern are used for overlay to make our traditional designs or marks in our baskets and both are picked in late summer.

Any Tribal members interested in gathering can call Bud Lane at 800-922-1399, ext. 1320, or 541-444-8320, or email budl@ctsi.nsn.us.

Just a reminder – basket materials must be gathered in a timely fashion. Due to our changing climate, these times may vary.

Here is a general breakdown of gathering times for different materials:

- May**
Hazel, willow and fir sticks; spruce roots
- June**
Hazel, willow and fir sticks (until mid-June); spruce roots
- July**
Fir sticks, spruce roots, bear grass, maidenhair fern
- August**
Fir sticks, spruce roots, bear grass, maidenhair fern, hazel sticks (limited), willow sticks
- September**
Bear grass, maidenhair fern, woodwardia fern, spruce roots