

Gift of firewood added to annual woodcut total to help Tribal elders in need

On three Saturdays each year, a group of volunteers including members of the Tribe's Natural Resources Committee spend the day loading and delivering free firewood to elders' homes. Many Tribal elders depend on firewood to take the chill off during winter and keep electricity bills affordable.

Usually the source of firewood is from logging or other operations on Tribal lands. In a welcome twist, last month Debbie and Mark Hess of South Beach, Ore., gave a gift of firewood from land they are clearing for a future home site.

Though relatively new to the Oregon Coast, they had heard of the Siletz Tribe and wanted to donate the logs. Staff of the Natural Resources Department worked



The estimated 28 cords of firewood donated by Debbie and Mark Hess

Courtesy photo

for most of a week to split, load and haul the wood to the firewood area in Siletz.

The estimated 28 cords of mixed fir, spruce and coast pine are a welcome addition to the wood already stockpiled for elder woodcuts.

During 2018 a total of 32 cords of firewood were delivered to elders. Firewood is available to Tribal elders who have requested delivery by contacting the Elders Program at 541-444-8261 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1261.

The last elder wood cutting date in 2019 is Saturday, Sept. 21, at a site near the USDA Food Program in Siletz, Ore. Volunteers are needed to help as many elders as possible.

APPLY NOW FOR SILETZ TRIBAL HEAD START

Siletz Tribal Head Start is accepting applications for the 2019-2020 school year. We have classrooms in Siletz, Lincoln City, Salem and Portland.

Children must be age 3 or 4 as of the school cut-off date, Sept. 1 for Siletz, Lincoln City and Portland, or Sept. 10 for Salem.

Applications are available on the Tribal website (ctsi.nsn.us), at your local area office or by calling 800-922-1399 or 541-444-2450 and asking for Head Start.

Connectivity through Accessibility

Worksource Oregon in Albany and Salem have partnered with 477 Self-Sufficiency and Siletz Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation. The program will provide direct service access to federally enrolled Tribal members. A Siletz employee from the two programs will be at one of these office locations on:

Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at these locations:

<u>Albany Worksource</u> 139 Fourth Ave. SE Albany, OR 97321	<u>Salem Worksource</u> 605 Cottage St. NE Salem, OR 97301
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This service is to provide connectivity to Tribal members through accessibility, ease of access and advocacy. Please visit during the above times to obtain information, seek services and/or visit with us.

If you have further questions, contact Jeramie Martin at 541-444-8385 or simply visit one of the two centers.

Do you need assistance working in Oregon's legal marijuana industry?

The 477 Self-Sufficiency Program may be able to provide limited support services to help you gain and maintain employment in Oregon's legal marijuana industry.

With funding provided by the Siletz Tribal Council, we can assist American Indians (enrolled in a federally recognized Tribe or descendant) who reside within the service area with licensing fees, background checks, testing fees, outdoor work clothing/tools and transportation assistance.

For more information on how to access this service, please contact the 477 Self-Sufficiency Program located in each of the four area offices.

Reminders

The Nesika Illahee Pow-Wow hiring date is Aug. 7 from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Siletz Tribal Community Center on Government Hill. Jobs to be filled: Security, maintenance and kitchen positions.

Run to the Rogue: Sept. 6-8

Registration forms, schedules and other information are available on the Tribal website (ctsi.nsn.us) or at your area office.

For questions or more information, contact Buddy Lane at 541-444-8230; 800-922-1399, ext. 1230; or buddyl@ctsi.nsn.us.

Tribal employment information is available at ctsi.nsn.us.

2019 Housing Committee Vacancy

Position Open Until Filled

Any Tribal member interested in consideration for serving on the Housing Committee is encouraged to fill out this form and return to the council office. Please mail or fax your application to Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Attn: Executive Secretary to Tribal Council, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549; fax: 541-444-8325.

Name: _____ Roll No.: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Telephone: Day () _____ Evening () _____

Health Committee (1 vacancy for term ending February 2020)

If you have any questions, please call Tami Miner, executive secretary to Tribal Council, at 800-922-1399, ext. 1203, or 541-444-8203.

Tenas Illahee Childcare Center Board of Directors Vacancies

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 Siletz Tribal Council, c/o Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.

Vacancies are open until filled.