

STAHS presents virtual award to Mayor Dick Anderson, STCCF board member

Four years ago, the Siletz Tribal Arts and Heritage Society established an award to be given out at Lincoln City's annual Community Days Banquet. The award is presented each year to a person who has taken measures to promote, celebrate and share the unique qualities, history and culture of indigenous peoples of this continent.

The banquet is held annually to recognize the contributions and accomplishments of citizens who through volunteerism have improved the quality of life for those residing in the area. Volunteerism is huge in Lincoln City and the banquet is a high point in the community during the early spring months.

Not to be deterred by the arrival of COVID-19, many Community Days events became virtual events. Not quite as exciting as live and in person, but we still celebrated by going right ahead with the award presentation – not tuxedos, no spring dresses, no wonderful feast – but we did it anyway. Almost the same theme as the Grinch who stole Christmas, coronavirus didn't win this round.

This year's award was presented virtually online to Dick Anderson, mayor of Lincoln City and member of the Siletz Tribal Charitable Contributions Fund board.



Courtesy photos

Dick Anderson (above) and the STAHS award (right)

Anderson has served on the board for many years and has proven to be an ardent supporter of the Siletz Tribe. You can find him at nearly every function held in Lincoln City, many of our Tribal functions and until our recent quarantine, he set aside one morning each week to host coffee with the mayor at a different restaurant each time.



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

Tribal construction skills bank being developed

The Siletz Tribe Housing Department is compiling a list of Tribal members who are willing and able to work on the workforce housing construction project that will commence soon in Neotsu. The project is funded in part with Indian Housing Block Grant funds that require Indian preference in employment and contracting. The list will be provided to the contractor and subcontractors who will ultimately make the decision in hiring.

If you are interested and available to work, please contact Valerie Hibdon at the Siletz Tribal Housing Department office – 541-444-8322; 800-922-1399, ext. 1322; or valerieh@ctsi.nsn.us. You will need to provide your name, phone number, enrollment number and construction trade.

If you do not have construction experience, you will be added as a potential laborer.

Be safe. Stay home. Stay well.

Native Youth Wellness Warrior Camp 2020

From a place of love and care, the Native Wellness Institute has decided to cancel our annual Native Youth Wellness Warrior Camp that was to be held June 29 - July 2, 2020 in Grand Ronde, Oregon. The global pandemic has struck Indian Country in such a way that we have to be mindful of the safety of our loved ones. We are sad as this is such an amazing gathering of young people and the healing that happens is indescribable. However, we know that we will be back next year and the goodness will continue.

On June 29 and 30, 2020, NWI will offer a virtual Youth Wellness Warrior Camp. The details will be forthcoming.

If your tribe or youth program are interested in financially sponsoring a portion of the virtual Native Youth Wellness Warrior Camp, please contact us!

We wish you well, please stay safe.

Native Wellness Institute

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