



Celebration at Table Rocks

On behalf of the Tribal Council, we want to extend our gratitude and appreciation to all of our team members that hosted the celebration at Table Rocks on May 31, 2025. It was a time to celebrate, share stories and reflect with family and friends as we bring this historically significant land back in to tribal stewardship.

The celebration was well attended with guest speakers, a shared meal and dancing. This year's celebration

took the place of the annual Run to the Rogue, but it will return next year.

National Congress of American Indians

Executive Assistant to Tribal Council, Celesta Lee and I attended the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) mid-year conference June 9-11. The conference provided updates on federal policy actions that are affecting all tribes.

Members of NCAI discussed impacts to education and head start funding, natural resources, DOJ – violence against women funding, broadband and many other issues.

The Siletz administration and program managers are monitoring policy and funding changes closely, providing our feedback and describing impacts to local, state and federal policy makers every chance we can.

This will be a priority for the Administration and we will share impacts to the membership as things develop.

Graduations

Congratulations to all the 2025 graduates! This is a significant milestone as you transition into adulthood and whether that be employment, higher education, trade schools or other venture – we wish you well in all your endeavors.

Be sure to check out the student incentive program to see if you qualify for an incentive or tribal blanket. The application can be found on the website under the education tab or by contacting an education department staff.

We hope to see you all this month at the annual Culture Camp July 8-10, on Government Hill.

Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians

All Are Welcome to Attend our **Annual NESIKA ILLAHEE POWWOW**

2025 AUGUST 8th, 9th, & 10th

Thursday August 7th
Royalty Pageant 6PM

Friday August 8th
Memorial/Giveaways 12-5PM
Presentation of Crowns 6PM
Grand Entry 7PM

Saturday August 9th
Parade 10AM
Grand Entry 1PM & 7PM

Sunday August 10th
Grand Entry 12 PM
Salmon Dinner to Follow

Vendor Registration is Required
Application due May 23rd

All Dancers & Drummers Welcome
Drummers- Please bring your own chairs

Pauline Ricks Memorial Pow-Wow Grounds
Government Hill, Siletz OR.
Drug & Alcohol Free Event

Camping Fee \$25, \$5 Fee/per pet (camping area). Camp Grounds Open Thursday at 8 AM

Categories	
Golden Age/Adult	Teen
\$600, \$500, \$400, \$300, \$200	\$300, \$250, \$200, \$150, \$100
Youth	
\$150, \$100, \$75, \$50, \$25	
Teen & Youth Preliminaries Occur Friday Night	
Specials	
Team Dance	Women's Basket Cap Special (Open)
	Round Bustle (Open)
Women's Fancy Dance Special - All Ages	
\$1,000, \$500, \$250	
Sponsored by: Outgoing Miss Siletz Halli Lane-Skauge	

For more information, call the Pow-Wow Info Line at 541-444-8398 or visit www.ctsi.nsn.us/heritage/pow-wow

Sponsored by Chinook Winds Casino Resort & Pepsi Bottling Co.

Elders Council Meeting

The Elders Council will host an in-person/Zoom hybrid meeting on Saturday, July 12, 2025, at 1 p.m. at Ace's in Lincoln City, Ore. If you have any questions, please contact the Elders Program at 541-444-8212.

VIRTUAL SUMMER LANGUAGE CLASSES

2025 Summer Language Classes are taking a new form!

SIGN UP TODAY TO JOIN THE VIRTUAL SUMMER LANGUAGE CHALLENGE

- Open to all levels of experience
- Conversation based learning
- Receive at-home learning materials
- One class session just for youth

--Challenge runs July 15 to August 26--

WEEKLY MEETING TIMES

Community session: Tuesdays at 6 pm
Youth focused session: Tuesdays at 4pm
Community session: Thursdays at 12:30 pm

TO SIGN UP OR FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT NICK VILES AT NICKV@CTSI.NSN.US OR 541-270-5814 (WORK CELL)

REGULAR CLASS SCHEDULE WILL RESUME IN FALL

Contact methods for the Public Information team:

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Deadline for the August issue is July 10. Submission of articles and photos is encouraged. Please see the Passages Policy on page 15 when submitting items for Passages.

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