

Marion County community corrections launching new peer mentor program

Later this month, the community corrections division at the Marion County Sheriff's Office will be launching the Resilience and Recovery Project. This new project involves the addition of peer mentors from the Pathfinder Network who will help community corrections clients navigate local resources that promote successful reentry and completion of supervision.

Through the use of trained peer support specialists, this new program will provide

individual support, peer support groups, classes, workshops, action planning and more.

The Resilience and Recovery Project will follow a program model which incorporates evidence based practices to increase access for historically underserved communities and fostering engagement with existing programs and services such as housing, substance abuse treatment and mental health treatment. The peer mentors

at the center of this program will draw from lived experience to engage participants in a goal oriented and collaborative partnership.

"For many years we've known about the value of peer mentors through the other programs we offer. This project increases peer mentor access for all of our clients, giving them one more resource to help them navigate barriers during the reentry process. Successful reentry isn't possible without a strong network of support systems

within the community. The partnerships we've built with treatment and service providers, departments across Marion County, and the courts have been instrumental in reducing recidivism in Marion County," said Kevin Karvandi, the community corrections division commander

Funding for the Resilience and Recovery Project was obtained through the 2021 - 2023 Oregon Justice Reinvestment Initiative grant.

obituary

Fred Andrew Hittle

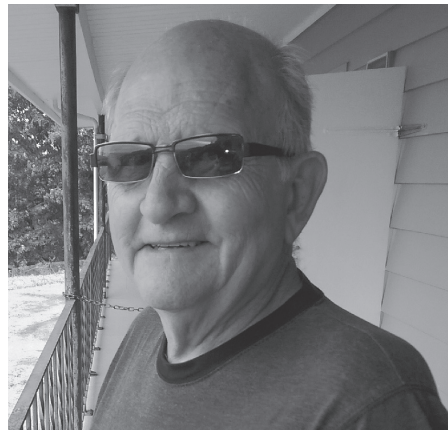
November 29, 1941 - January 30, 2022

Frederick Andrew Hittle, 80, of Keizer, Oregon, passed away on January 30, 2022 of COVID-19 pneumonia. Fred spent several years battling dementia and lived at the The Arbor at Avamere Court for the last three and a half years of his life. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, opportunities for in-person visits the past two years were extremely limited.

Fred was born in Onawa, Iowa on November 29, 1941 to Alfred Hittle and Ida Hittle (Odom). He had many fond memories growing up on the farm in Onawa with his brothers Dean, Donald and Gary, and sister, Linda. In 1955, the family moved to Silverton, Oregon. Fred attended school there and eventually moved to the Salem/Keizer area. It was there that he met Joanna Smith whom he married on June 4, 1966. They had three children, Lori, Andrew and Dana.

Fred spent many years in the wood-working industry building custom entry doors and window sashes. He retired in 1999.

Fred was a talented wood crafter. He built many lighthouses, picture frames, and other treasures for family and friends. He collected many tools, pieces of wood, and Shop Vacs. Fred enjoyed being outdoors, going on road trips, and spending time at the Willamette River watching the Wheatland Ferry cross. Astoria was a favorite place to watch the container ships come in. He was funny and witty, famous for his



FRED ANDREW HITTLE

one-liners known as "Fredisms." Fred was curmudgeonly, irreverent and kind. He would help anyone in need. He loved his family, friends and cocker spaniel, Dexter, and in turn was loved by all who knew him.

Fred was preceded in death by his parents and brothers Dean (Julia) and Donald (Dorothy). He is survived by his wife, Joanna; children- Lori, Andrew, and Dana (Matt); grandchildren- Jeannine (Peter), Jazalyne (Jacob), Andrew Jr., Josephine, Liam, and Milo; great-grandchildren- Jakob, Abigail, Layla, Lucy, and Sebastian. He is also survived by his siblings Gary Hittle and Linda (Dave) Roberts, and many beloved nieces and nephews.

The family would like to extend their deepest gratitude, thanks, and appreciation to the staff at The Arbor who provided excellent care and incredible kindness to Fred in his last years and to both him and his family during his COVID illness. They became like family and made a difficult situation bearable. A private graveside service will be held for family. A celebration of life will be held June 18, 2022 at 1:00 PM at Willamette Mission State Park. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that people please wear face masks and get vaccinated/boosted against COVID-19.

Siletz Tribe elects Council members

Alfred "Bud" Lane III, Delores Pigsley and Bonnie Petersen were elected to the Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians in elections held on Saturday, Feb. 5.

Lane, from Siletz, Ore., was re-elected with 417 votes; Pigsley, from Keizer, Ore., was re-elected with 395 votes; and Petersen, also from Siletz, was elected with 297 votes. Ten candidates ran for the three open positions and the three who received the most votes were elected.

These individuals will serve with Loraine Butler and Selene Rilatos, both from Siletz, and Robert Kentta from Logsden, Ore., whose terms expire in 2023; and Sharon Edenfield, Angela Ramirez and Frank Aspria, all from Siletz, whose terms expire in 2024. Term of office is three years for each position on the nine-member council.

Eight hundred thirty-one (831) ballots were returned and accepted. Enrolled members of the Siletz Tribe who are age 18 and older are eligible to vote in Tribal elections. The Tribe has more than 5,500 enrolled members.

The swearing-in ceremony for the newly elected council members was held on Sunday, Feb. 6, at the Tribal administration building in Siletz.



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: The 2022 Siletz Tribal Council - Loraine Butler, Bonnie Petersen, Frank Aspria, Robert Kentta, Delores Pigsley, Selene Rilatos, Sharon Edenfield, Bud Lane and Angela Ramirez.

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