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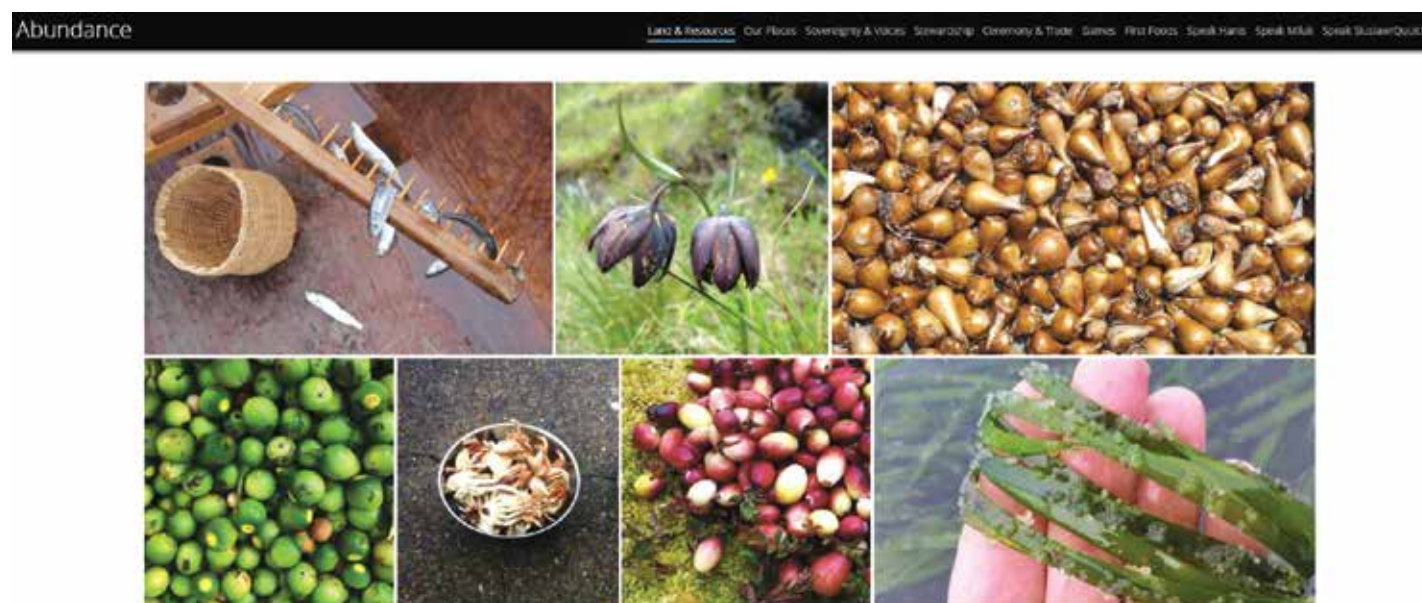
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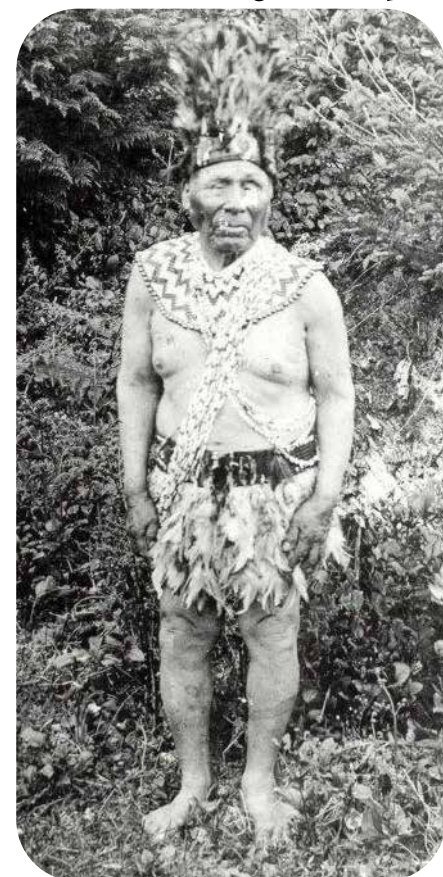
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NEWS FROM THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF COOS, LOWER UMPQUA & SIUSLAW INDIANS

## Celebrate 37<sup>th</sup> Restoration by Exploring Abundance StoryMap



Above is a screenshot of the Abundance StoryMap. At right: Historical photograph of Chief Daloose Jackson in regalia. While reflecting on our 37th year of Restoration may be remember his dream song "hli'in hel hantl tuuwitinye - hei (we're not going to fall down - hey)"



Contributed by Morgan Gaines, Communications Specialist and Jesse Beers, Cultural Stewardship Manager

October is a time of celebration for our sovereign nation. As you know, October 17<sup>th</sup> marks the day we observe the Restoration of The Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians as a Federally Recognized Tribal Government. The 1855 Oregon Coast Treaty between the Tribe and the Federal Government was never ratified. In 1954 The Western Oregon Termination Act was passed by Congress severing relations with 43 Tribes and bands of Indians in Western Oregon. In 1984, after years of hard work, Public Law 98-481 restored our Federal Recognition.

In our 37 years of Restoration we have accomplished more than our ancestors ever imagined for us. Some of those incredible things are the return of nearly 15,000 acres of traditional territory forest lands, the return of Baldich (Gregory Point) and Coos Head, our Government offices and Dental Clinic, the economic development of Three Rivers Casino

Resort in Florence and a secondary casino in Coos Bay, Housing for Tribal membership, the development of programs that have begun the restoration of weaving knowledge, native plant life and wildlife, and the heart of our identity, language restoration and revitalization.

While we are saddened by the struggle that the Covid-19 pandemic has brought to our Tribal community and the world, we can thrive in the knowledge that we are a resilient people. As Chief Slyter would remind us of the important words Chief Daloose Jackson sings in his dream song, "hli'in hel hantl tuuwitinye - hei (we're not going to fall down - hey)". To ensure the safety of our community, in person gatherings have been suspended. However, we have learned throughout this year that virtual gathering has enabled us to meet relatives outside of our area and connect with them as we never have before. That is an incredible gift in the present time and circumstance.

As we reflect on our 37<sup>th</sup> year of Restoration, we invite you to learn more about your own heritage and culture. Talk with the Elders in your family, ask to hear stories about the culture and traditions they remember. Together, go on to the Tribes website at [www.ctclusi.org](http://www.ctclusi.org) and click the Who We Are tab directly right of the Tribal logo on the homepage. From the dropdown selection you will see a tab for the Abundance StoryMap. Click on the image at the bottom of that page to go to the storymap.

Jesse Beers, Cultural Stewardship Manager shares what the Abundance StoryMap is and how it was created.

Growing up in Oregon, as a Native Person, you may have noticed the severe lack of local Native History taught in your school. Schools that were on Native Lands yet never recognized that fact and very seldom spoke of the Native People of this area even though place names and waterways all around the schools are

- See Abundance StoryMap on page 18 for more

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### Save the Date:

Establish a Tribal Council Compensation Committee  
Conversation with General Council

**General Council Meeting**  
**October 10, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.**

\*Meeting will follow regular Council meeting



Activity of Elected Tribal Council Members from August 8 – September 11, 2021

**Chief Doc Slyter:**  
08/08 GFROB-Special Meeting  
08/08 Tribal Council Meeting  
08/09 Admin Office - sign paperwork  
08/10 Native Learning Center Zoom  
-Board of Directors Training Part 1  
08/10 DEQ pre-meeting  
08/11 Tribal Council Special Meeting-  
Recruiting Service-CEO  
08/11 Leader's Circle  
08/12 Cultural Committee Meeting  
08/13 CRP Fund Workshop  
08/17 Oregon Tribal Gaming Alliance  
08/17 Native Learning Center Zoom  
-Board of Directors Training Part 3  
08/17 State of Oregon- Covid 19 update  
08/18 Native Learning Center Zoom  
-Board of Directors Training Part 2  
08/19 Umpqua Tribe  
08/19 Willamette Partnership  
08/24 Admin Office - pickup paperwork  
08/24 Forestry Workshop  
08/25 BOEM Tribal Program Assessment  
08/25 GFORB Meeting  
08/25 Business Meeting  
08/27 Sovereign Finance Zoom Meeting  
08/27 CEO Interviews  
08/27 Tribal council candidate interviews  
08/27 Special Tribal Council Meeting  
09/01 Tour of Admin Office & Tribal  
properties with investment bankers  
09/02 Rocky Habitat Management  
09/02 Leader's Circle  
09/07 Admin Office - paperwork  
09/08 Dept. of Corrections  
09/08 Off Shore Wind Energy  
09/09 Cultural Committee Meeting  
09/09 Tribal Council Compensation  
Meeting  
09/10 Coos Head Wind Energy  
09/11 Language Ceremony Event – Zoom  
Phone calls and emails

Total Hours: 106.5

**Debbie Bossley, Tribal Chair:**  
August – September In Office 16 days  
08/08 Tribal Council Meeting

08/09 CFO Interview  
08/11 Special Meeting / Leaders Circle\  
08/12 CFO Interview / Swearing In Chief  
of Police  
08/13 CRF Workshop  
08/16 CFO Candidate Discussion  
08/17 OTGA / Nine Tribes w/ State /  
Enrollment Meeting  
08/19 Leaders Circle  
08/25 GFORB / Business Meeting  
08/27 Sovereign Finance Meeting / CEO  
Interview / Tribal Council Interviews  
09/01 James Su Visit  
09/02 Leaders Circle  
09/08 Off Shore Wind Meeting  
09/09 Council Compensation Meeting  
09/10 Tour Coos Head

Total Hours: 110.5

**Julie Siestreem, Vice-Chair:**  
08/03 Tribal Council Position #3  
Orientation/Administration staff/duties  
09/01 James Su – Sovereign Bank / All  
day tour Tribal properties  
09/02 Leaders Circle  
09/08 RWE – David Petrie / Off Shore  
Wind  
09/09 Interviews – Director of Health  
and Human Services, Follow up  
discussion of interviews, General  
membership meeting – Council  
Compensation  
09/10 RWE – David Petrie / Off Shore  
Wind  
09/11 Annual Language Ceremony

Total Hours: 18.25

**Iliana Montiel:**  
08/19 CCD Quarterly Board Meeting /  
Gov. Brown Press Conference /  
Leaders Circle  
08/25 GFORB / Tribal Council Business  
Meeting

08/27 Zoom w/ Financial Institution / CEO  
Interviews / TC Candidate  
Presentations  
09/02 Leaders Circle  
Reading & responding to emails.

Total Hours: 30

**Josh Davies:**  
08/08 Special GFORB Meeting  
TC Regular Business  
08/09 GFORB Special Meeting  
3 Rivers CFO Interview  
08/10 Al/AN Advisory Committee Meeting  
08/11 Tribal Council Special Meeting  
Leaders Circle  
08/12 White House IGA Weekly Briefing  
Call/ Lt. Brian Dubray Swearing In  
Ceremony  
3 Rivers CFO Interview  
08/13 CRF Fund Workshop  
08/16 3 Rivers CFO Candidate Discussion  
08/17 Tribal-state Covid-19 meeting  
08/18 Housing Committee Meeting  
08/19 WH IGA WEEKLY BRIEFING CALL  
Election Board Meeting  
Leaders Circle  
08/21 Celebrated my youngest daughter's  
6th birthday  
08/24 10 day Quarantine Began  
Listening Sessions on BIE Strategic  
Direction 2018-2023  
08/25 Listening Sessions on BIE Strategic  
Direction 2018-2023/GFORB  
Tribal Council Business Meeting  
08/26 Listening Sessions on BIE Strategic  
Direction 2018-2023  
WH IGA WEEKLY BRIEFING CALL  
08/27 Sovereign Finance Financial  
Planning With Tribal Council  
Administration CEO Candidate  
Interviews/ Tribal Council  
Candidate Presentations  
09/02 WH IGA WEEKLY BRIEFING CALL  
Leaders Circle  
09/03 Native American Advisory  
Committee - U of O  
09/08 Off Shore Wind Presentation  
09/09 WH IGA WEEKLY BRIEFING CALL  
EAC Conversation  
Council Compensation Meeting w/  
Enrolled Tribal Members  
09/11 Annual Language Ceremony

Total Hours: 88

**Doug Barrett:**  
On Vacation at time of submission

**Enna Helms**  
08/08 Canoe pull at Baldija; Special GFORB  
Regular Tribal Council Meeting  
08/09 CFO Final Interview Rounds  
08/17 NIHB and AAIP Webinar on Response  
to the Delta Variant in Tribal  
Communities  
08/24 Tribal Forestry Workshop re ITARA  
08/25 Tribal Business Council Meeting  
08/26 National Indian Health Board Tribal  
Town Hall Meeting  
08/27 Sovereign Finance Financial Planning  
with Tribal Council; Tribal CEO  
Interviews; Tribal Council Interviews;  
Tribal Council Special Meeting  
09/02 Leaders Circle Meeting  
09/09 Council Compensation Meeting  
Main duties and does not include time  
spent on emails and phone calls.

Total Hours: 32

Calling All Tribal Members

The Culture and Natural Resources Department is seeking Tribal Members raised between 1954 and 1984 (pre-restoration) that are interested in being interviewed to capture their oral histories

Interviews can take place virtually over zoom or in person. For the protection of our Tribal membership and staff, in person interviews will follow the Social Distancing Guidelines as recommended by the CDC.

A small incentive will also be provided as a thank you.

For more information and/or to sign up, please contact:  
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Information

QUESTIONS OR SUGGESTIONS?

The CLUSI Tribal Council welcomes your ideas, comments, criticisms, etc.  
Please write to: Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians  
ATTN: Tribal Council 1245 Fulton Ave.  
Coos Bay, Oregon 97420

COMMITTEE INTEREST LIST

If you are a Tribal member and interested in being on a committee, please contact Jeannie McNeil, 541-888-7506. We are currently keeping a list of those interested so that when a committee vacancy occurs we can fill it as soon as possible, so please contact us whether there is a vacancy or not.

ATTENTION VETERANS AND FAMILIES

Veterans we need your help. Veterans are honored at the Salmon Ceremony each year. Please contact Jan Lawrence at 541-888-7538 or at [jlawrence@ctclusi.org](mailto:jlawrence@ctclusi.org) for new requirements needed to be honored.

US FOREST SERVICE  
NORTHWEST FOREST PASSES

Now available at the Tribal Administration Building, Florence and Eugene Outreach offices.  
Requirements are: 1. Must be a CTCLUSI Tribal member. 2. Must be over 16 years old. 3. You may only be issued one per year. The passes hang from the rear view mirror and are good for access to some Forest Service fee areas. Area maps available.

CHANGES?

Please let us know if you have a change in address, phone number, name or addition to your family. Changes should be submitted to Enrollment Dept., either online at [www.ctclusi.org/enrollment](http://www.ctclusi.org/enrollment) or mail to Enrollment Dept., 1245 Fulton Ave., Coos Bay, OR 97420. Phone: 541-888-7506 or Fax: 541-888-2853.

TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES

Full video available at [www.ctclusi.org](http://www.ctclusi.org)  
If you would like to receive typed copies or an audio CD of the Tribal Council meeting minutes send a written request, including your current address to Jeannie McNeil, 1245 Fulton Ave. Coos Bay, OR 97420.



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Council Meeting

October 10, 2021  
Regular Council meeting  
10:00 a.m.

General Council 1:00 p.m.

To practice safe social distancing guidelines, this meeting will be streamed online. Please login to the citizen portal of [www.ctclusi.org](http://www.ctclusi.org) and click Council Meetings for the zoom

link to this meeting.

Agenda:

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Approval of Minutes as needed
4. Tribal Council Reports
5. Tribal Chief Executive Officer Report
6. Chief Financial Officer Report
7. Old Business
8. New Business
9. Other
10. Good of the Tribes
11. Executive Session as needed

Council meeting video available to view at [www.ctclusi.org](http://www.ctclusi.org)

Upcoming Events

October 4<sup>th</sup> – Feather Dance Fans Virtual Class  
6:00 p.m.

October 6<sup>th</sup> – Solar Energy Fun Virtual Class  
6:00 p.m.

October 9<sup>th</sup> – Deadline for Tribal Hall Kitchen  
Input form  
(see homepage of website for form)

October 10<sup>th</sup> – Regular Council Meeting zoom  
10:00 a.m.

October 10<sup>th</sup> – General Council Meeting zoom  
1:00 p.m.

October 18<sup>th</sup> – Dance Paddle Painting Virtual  
Class 6:00 p.m.

October 20<sup>th</sup> – Literature Night with Education  
zoom 6:00 p.m.

October 21<sup>st</sup> – Prescription Drug Take Back  
Eugene 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

October 22<sup>nd</sup> – Prescription Drug Take Back  
Florence 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

October 23<sup>rd</sup> – Prescription Drug Take Back  
Coos Bay 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

October 28<sup>th</sup> - Staying Active & Healthy:  
Healthy Family Workshop  
online 6:30 p.m.

October 31<sup>st</sup> – Deadline for Back to School  
Gift Cards

November 14<sup>th</sup> – Regular Council Meeting  
zoom 10:00 a.m.

Turn to page 10 for  
Virtual Language Class Schedule



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If you or anyone in your Tribal family has had any recent special awards or achievements that you would like to share, please submit your information and photos to the newsletter. I look forward to hearing from you! -Morgan Gaines

Join a Committee

Enrollment, Housing, Education, Culture, Health, Elders, Budget, Investment, and Garden Committees are always accepting letters of interest. Would you like to serve on a Tribal committee? Submit your letter of interest to Christine Sylvester at [csylvester@ctclusi.org](mailto:csylvester@ctclusi.org). All letters of interest are kept on file for one year.

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Council Corner

Contributed by Debbie Bossley, Chair

Dai/Niishanax (hello)

As you know, our former Vice-Chair, Mark Petrie made the personal decision to step down from Council recently. Per our Constitution it falls to the Tribal Council to fill the vacant position with a member of General Council. To make the process fair amongst Tribal membership we asked any Tribal member interested in filling the vacant position to submit a letter of interest for consideration. The decision was difficult and a significant amount of thought and consideration had to be put into the selection of Council Position #3. Tribal Council has selected Hanis Coos Tribal member Julie Siestreem to fill Council Position #3 for the remainder of the term from August 2021 thru April 2023.

New Council member Julie Siestreem shared “I will be forever thankful for the 2 plus years of service Mark gave our tribe. With all due humbleness, I submitted a letter of interest to fill the appointment to Position #3. My life experiences have primarily been in the areas of Art and Education the last 30 years in private and public-school systems in Hawaii and, New York.

I have been one of the many Tribal members who have lived the majority of my life outside the “5 counties”. Pre COVID-19 I attended our Annual Salmon Ceremony all the years I could. I have also volunteered to work alongside my niece Sophia and, nephew Joshua in the work they have done and, continue to do in our tribal areas of Culture and, Education.

I have much to learn and look forward to working with our Chief and Council members and working towards the good of the Tribe for



Julie Siestreem was selected by Council as Vice-Chair at the Sunday Sept. 12, 2021 Council meeting

the next 7 generations.”

As Tribal Chair, on behalf of the entire Council, we would like to thank all of the Tribal members who submitted letters of interest; Margaret Corvi, Vicki Faciane, Brad Kneaper, and Sofia Cisneros. All of these members were qualified candidates with diverse skill sets and the decision was difficult.

Tribal Council is looking forward to working with Julie to meet the needs of our Tribe and continue to move us forward in a positive way.



Resolution Summaries

**RESOLUTION NO:** 21-054

**Date of Passage:** June 22, 2021

**Subject (title):** Authorizing Operating Accounts for CTCLUSI

**Explanation:** The Tribal Council approves this request to authorize new check signers for operating accounts

**CTCLUSI.** Mark Petrie, Donald Doc Slyter, Josh Davies and Iliana Montiel

**Vote 7-0-0**

**RESOLUTION NO:** 21-055

**Date of Passage:** June 30, 2021

**Subject (title):** Games Order Approval

**Explanation:** Tribal Council approves this game order for Three Rivers Casino Florence.

**Vote 7-0-0**

**RESOLUTION NO:** 21-056

**Date of Passage:** June 30,2021

**Subject (title):** Gaming Equipment Order

**Explanation:** The Tribal Council approves the gaming equipment needed for Three Rivers Casino Florence

**Vote 7-0-0**

**RESOLUTION NO:** 21-057

**Date of Passage:** June

**Subject (title):** Games Order Approval

**Explanation:** Tribal Council approves this game order for Three Rivers Casino Coos Bay.

**Vote 7-0-0**

**RESOLUTION NO:** 21-58

**Date of Passage:** June 30, 2021

**Subject (title):** Remove and Replace authorized signer for Operating Accounts for Three Rivers Casino

Coos Bay and Florence

**Explanation:** The Tribal Council approves the change in signers due to staff changes, Mary Phillips, acting Gaming Facilities Chief Operation Officer approved to be authorized signer for operating accounts.

**Vote 7-0-0**

**RESOLUTION NO:** 21-59

**Date of Passage:** July 6, 2021

**Subject (title):** Appointing Carol Jacobs Kosht as Acting Chief Executive Officer

**Explanation:** The Tribal Council approves to appoint the interim Chief Executive Officer(CEO) for Tribal Government position to Carol Jacobs Kosht while recruitment continues for a permeant CEO.

**Vote 6-0-0**



# Positive COVID-19 Results and CTCLUSI Resources

Contributed by CTCLUSI Health Department

COVID-19 cases in Oregon are higher than they have ever been since the beginning of the pandemic. On August 13, the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) reported 733 hospitalized COVID-19 positive patients, the single highest daily count since OHA began reporting hospitalization trend data. This total represented a more than seven-fold increase from the 99 hospitalized COVID-19 patients reported on July 9.

Are you a CTCLUSI Tribal member that has an active COVID-19 positive test? CTCLUSI has resources for members in the five-county service area (Curry, Coos, Lincoln, Lane, and Douglas). Resources are provided to those with proof of a recent COVID-19 test, and are actively in quarantine/isolation. Resources include, yet are limited to food, electrolytes, cleaning supplies, over the counter medications (we have a pre-approved list), and personal protective equipment. These resources are provided to

help keep contagious Tribal members home for the 14-day quarantine period. This is an effort to help our Tribal members and help prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our community.

**How to get a COVID-19 Quarantine/Isolation Kit:**

1. Send photo proof via email or text photo proof to your local Community Health Aid (CHA), or Community Health Nurse. The test must be completed at a pharmacy or health care facility. Over the counter tests are not valid.
2. A CHA will review the COVID-19 kit checklist with the COVID-19 positive Tribal member.

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## Tribal Member Input Requested

Contributed by Joshua Stevens, Housing Director

Historic Tribal Hall has funded approved for a full kitchen remodel and upgrade. This project will include new cabinetry, countertops, appliances, fixtures and flooring.

Tribal Council has directed that membership be allowed opportunity to provide input for any specific needs for consideration in the planning for this project.

Please submit any suggestions, comments or concerns using the Tribal Hall Kitchen Input form on the home page of the Tribal website [www.ctclusi.org](http://www.ctclusi.org)

**The deadline for any submission is Oct 9, 2021.** Tribal Council will approve final plans at the Sunday October 10, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

Thank you in advance!



Be sure to check the Tribal website [www.ctclusi.org](http://www.ctclusi.org) for digital copies of The Voice of CLUSI monthly newsletter and more Tribal Government Information.

Visit <https://ctclusi.org/health-alert-notifications> for more information and links to the CDC concerning the Covid-19 Pandemic.

If you are a Tribal member who needs assistance getting signed up for full access to [www.ctclusi.org](http://www.ctclusi.org) please e-mail [mgaines@ctclusi.org](mailto:mgaines@ctclusi.org) or call (541) 808-7918.

### Notice of Code Compliance

Title: 1 General Provisions  
Chapter 1 – 15 Executive Management

1-15-4 Duties of the Tribal Chief Executive Officer

(i) Establish Subordinate Work Units

(1) To ensure that employees and the public are informed about the Tribal organization structure, the Tribal Chief Executive Officer shall publish the Organization Structure of the Tribes on the Tribes Website, and issue a notice in the Tribal Newsletter of where it can be found, at the beginning of each calendar year and at such other times as any material changes in the structure shall occur, provided that the Council shall be notified of the change in the organizational structure at least thirty (30) days in advance of any material change being implemented.

(2) After HR internal review, the organization structure shall include the names of all work units, key positions, number of authorized positions for each unit, delegated functions and responsibilities to be carried on by each unit and the lines of authority and accountability. The Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians approved amendments to Chapter 1-15 Executive Management for Second Reading and Final Approval by Resolution – 20 –110 on December 13, 2020. Vote was 7 (for) 0 (against) and 0 (abstaining). Ordinance No. 025A created.

**A copy of the organizational structure can be viewed online at <https://ctclusi.org/governmentandfacilities/>**



Łe' ŁəX (Medicine) of the Month: Traditional Fall Tubers

Contributed by Ashley Russell, Water Protection Specialist

Now that its fall, many of our traditional edibles and medicinals are transferring all of their vital energy into their roots. It is prime time to begin harvesting and wildcrafting our nutritious first foods.

The following are five traditional tubers that can be harvested and eaten during the fall:

Springbank Clover (Trifolium wormskieldii)

Springbank Clover can be eaten fresh or cooked. You can even dry them for future use. They can be used in place of a bean sprout in recipes that call for bean sprouts, steamed, or sautéed in stir-fries.



Springbank clover in flower (at left) amongst silverweed. Above, springbank clover tubers. Photos by Ashley Russell

Camas (Camassia quamash, C. leichtlinii)

Camas bulbs are loaded with inulin, which we can't digest. Our gut flora love it, but they create gas in the process of converting it to fructose, which can be uncomfortable for us. Anyway, make sure you cook them to the point that they are caramelized, like an onion (at least 12 hours if not more). (See recipe.)



Camas bulbs far left, camasa baked and sliced at right. Photographs by John Schaefer

Seashore Lupine (Lupinus littoralis)

Do not eat the roots raw. The roots of Seashore Lupine must be cooked/roasted and then pounded to loosen the edible fibers from the stem. They are reminiscent of sweet potatoes.

Seashore Lupine in flower at righth.



Wapato (Sagittaria latifolia)

Wapato can be eaten raw, but are bitter and don't taste that great. They are much like the potatoes we eat today, which we also don't eat raw. Once cooked, they can also be used just like potatoes (i.e. mashed potatoes and chips).

Notes: Before and during your gathering excursion, be sure to keep in mind the following:

- 1. You have permission to gather in that area;
- 2. The area isn't sprayed by herbicides, insecticides, or pesticides;
- 3. The plants you are gathering are at least 100 feet from the roadway and aren't affected by storm runoff;
- 4. You are 110% sure of your plant's identification;
- 5. You ask the plant permission before gathering;
- 6. Gather with a good heart;
- 7. Only gather what you intend to use, keeping in mind the next seven generations;
- 8. Thank the plant and offer it something of at least equal value (i.e. tobacco, a song, etc...);
- 9. Bless the area and thank the Creator as well; and,
- 10. Leave the area better than you found it.



Above: Wapato in flower and bulbs

Twice Cooked Blue Camas Bulbs

Camas bulbs are native to North America, and there are several varieties -- all blue. The plant is most common in the Mountain West, where there can be whole fields full of it. Be very sure of your identification, as there is a similar plant, the death camas, that looks close enough to a blue camas to keep you on your toes. Camas needs to be cooked slowly and for a long time before you do anything else with it. If you skip this step, all the inulin in the bulb will still be present when you serve them, and you will all be farting like crazy in a few hours. Slow, moist cooking breaks the inulin down into fructose. I cooked the bulbs at 220 degrees for 12 hours to get to a point where the bulbs were still savory, but with a hint of sweetness like a parsnip. You could try cooking longer or hotter for different effects.

Prep Time: 10 mins Cook Time: 15 mins Total Time: 25 mins  
Course: SnackCuisine: American Servings: 4 people Author: Hank Shaw

**Ingredients**  
1/2 pound blue camas bulbs, about a dozen  
1 tablespoon olive oil  
1 tablespoon verjus, lemon juice or white wine vinegar  
Smoked salt

**Instructions**  
Remove the papery sheath off the bulbs and put them in an ovenproof container with a lid. Pour in just enough water to cover the bottom of the container by about 1/4 inch or so. Cover the container and bake the camas bulbs at 220-230 degrees for 12 hours. Check on them after 8 hours or so. You want them to look anything from pale gold to full golden.  
Slice the bulbs into rings and lightly dust them with fine salt. Saute them in olive oil, butter or some other fat until they brown. They will be a little sticky, so keep the pan moving for the first minute or so to prevent the bulbs from sticking to the pan. Keep an eye on them, as the sugars in the camas will caramelize fast.  
To finish, toss with the verjus and dust with the smoked salt. Eat at once.

**Notes**  
Note that cook time does not include the long, initial slow-cook.  
Twice Cooked Blue Camas Bulbs <https://honest-food.net/cooking-blue-camas/> July 26, 2011

**Springbank Clover** (Trifolium wormskieldii)  
Hanis & Miluk: Ye'et  
Sha'yuushtl'a: Q'wiin

**Camas** (Camassia quamash, C. leichtlinii)  
Hanis: Q'æmæ  
**Miluk: Qæm**  
Sha'yuushtl'a: Aučisi

**Silverweed** (Potentilla anserina)  
Hanis: Takuus  
Hanis: Ha'údt  
Miluk: Ha'wádt  
Quuiich: K'á'asa  
Sha'yuushtl'a: Q'axc'

**Seashore Lupine** (Lupinus littoralis)  
Hanis: Ha'údt  
Miluk: Ha'wádt  
Quuiich: K'á'asa  
Sha'yuushtl'a: Q'axc'

**Wapato** (Sagittaria latifolia)  
Hanis: Kwí'mæc, Qwí'mic  
Miluk: Qwí'mic  
Sha'yuushtl'a: Qwí'mic

Silverweed (Potentilla anserina)

Silverweed tubers can be eaten raw or cooked, but are more commonly steamed or roasted. They are purported to have a nutty taste.

Silverweed in flower (at right. Photograph by Ashley Russell





Forest Closures

All,

Effective immediately, the Tribe will be instituting a closure of the Tribal Forest for all areas where the Industrial Fire Precaution Level (IFPL) is at Level II or higher. This closure is necessary to protect the Tribal Forest from the risk of loss due to wildfire.

IFPL's are updated throughout fire season by the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) and the Coos Fire Protection Association (CFPA), which are responsible for protecting the Tribal Forest from wildfire. ODF and CFPA monitor fuel moisture levels as well as weather trends throughout fire season, and adjust the IFPL's accordingly.


Note that after the recent rain event, all seven of the Tribal Forest tracts are currently at IFPL I. This means that all areas of the Tribal Forest are currently open. The table below shows the current IFPL and closure status for each tract on the Tribal Forest.

Please see the attached closure notice for more details on this closure, as well as information on how to obtain the current IFPL for specific areas on the Tribal Forest. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you.

Colin Beck, Forest Lands Manager

Tribal Forest Area	Fire Protection Zone	Current IFPL as of 9/20/2021	Current Closure Status as of 9/20/2021
Lake Tract	WT-1	IFPL I	Open
Smith Tract	WT-1	IFPL I	Open
Tioga Tract	CS-2	IFPL I	Open
Macy Tract	CS-1	IFPL I	Open
Umpqua Eden	CS-1	IFPL I	Open
Coos Head	CS-1	IFPL I	Open
Talbot Tract	CS-1	IFPL I	Open



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**Closure of Tribal Forest**

Due to increasing fire danger and the potential for loss and damage to Tribal resources due to wildfire, the following Tribal Forest closure is issued effective immediately. This closure shall remain in effect until it is withdrawn by the Forest Lands Manager.

Subject to the exceptions listed below, areas within the CTCLUSI Tribal Forest are closed when the Industrial Fire Precaution Level (IFPL) is at Level II or higher for that area. This closure pertains to all use including motorized and non-motorized access, commercial and non-commercial harvest of forest products, hunting, shooting, camping, and all forms of recreation.

Current IFPL levels can be determined by calling the appropriate number as listed below, or by visiting <http://gisapps.odf.oregon.gov/firerestrictions/ifpl.html> in your web browser.

Tribal Forest Area	Fire Protection Responsibility	Fire Protection Zone	Contact for Latest IFPL Level
Lake Tract	ODF – Western Lane District	WT-1	(541) 935-2222
Smith Tract	ODF – Western Lane District	WT-1	(541) 935-2222
Tioga Tract	Coos Fire Protection Association	CS-2	(541) 267-1789
Macy Tract	Coos Fire Protection Association	CS-1	(541) 267-1789
Umpqua Eden	Coos Fire Protection Association	CS-1	(541) 267-1789
Coos Head	Coos Fire Protection Association	CS-1	(541) 267-1789
Talbot Tract	Coos Fire Protection Association	CS-1	(541) 267-1789

**Exceptions:**

The following exceptions are made to this closure order:

- Motorized and non-motorized travel is permitted across the roads listed below for the limited purpose of accessing private and public lands that remain open to public use.

- Lake Creek Road (Lake Tract)
- Prairie Mountain Road (Lake Tract)

- Mill Pond Road (Lake Tract)
- East Fork Spencer Creek Road (Smith Tract)
- Coon Creek Ridge Road (Smith Tract)
- Johnson Creek Ridge Road (Smith Tract)
- Burnt Creek Ridge Road (Tioga Tract)
- Bastendorf Beach Road (Coos Head)
- Coos Head Road (Coos Head)
- Coos Head Loop (Coos Head)
- Chicken Loop Road (Coos Head)

Such access is limited to the road surface only. No parking of vehicles or travel off of designated roads is allowed. No smoking is allowed while crossing the Tribal Forest. Such travel is only permitted when the lands being accessed remain open to public use.

- Adjacent forestlands owners may continue to cross Tribal roads when doing so is necessary for forest management purposes. This access is subject to any additional closures or restrictions issued by the Coos Fire Protection Association or ODF – Western Lane District.
- Adjacent landowners may continue to utilize easements across Tribal lands when doing so is necessary for access to residential dwellings. This exception applies to Coos Head only.
- The Forest Lands Manager may issue waivers to this closure order. Such waivers shall only be valid if they are in writing, dated, and carried by the person(s) having been granted the waiver. Waivers shall expire one year from the date on which they are issued, unless a shorter term is specified in the waiver. Waivers are revocable at any time.

Thank you for helping to protect CTCLUSI's Tribal Forest. Please contact the Forest Lands Manager, Colin Beck, at (541) 435-7157 or [cbeck@ctclusi.org](mailto:cbeck@ctclusi.org) if you have any questions or concerns.

Colin Beck

9/13/2021

Colin Beck  
Forest Lands Manager

Date

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Employee Promoted to Forest Lands Manager

Contributed by Roselynn Lwenya, Ph.D. Director, Department of Natural Resources & Culture

Please join me in congratulating Colin Beck who has been promoted to the new position of Forest Lands Manager effective August 22, 2021. We are excited to have Colin work in that capacity. He will be working with CTCLUSI Department of Natural Resources (DNR) staff, management team and others to develop the CTCLUSI forest management program.

Colin is a 5<sup>th</sup> generation forester with 20+ years' experience in forest management, and 6+ years' experience working in Tribal natural resources management. He holds a B.S. in Environmental

Studies – Geology from Southern Oregon University, a Juris Doctor degree from Lewis & Clark Law School, and a Graduate Certificate in Hydrology from Portland State University. On his time off he can be found hanging out with his 11 year-old Son, fishing in the rivers and ocean, hunting and foraging in the mountains, and experimenting with local foods in his kitchen. Colin is excited to be working with CTCLUSI to develop a forest management program from the ground up, and he looks forward to actively managing the Tribal Forest for the Tribe.



## *Canoe Fragment Found in 2015 Housed at South Slough Interpretive Center*

Contributed by Courtney Krossman, Historic Preservation Officer

An unearthed fragment of a Native American canoe will remain close to home, thanks to a partnership between local tribes and public agencies. It soon will be on display at the South Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve.

Heavy rain washed the waterlogged canoe fragment out of a creek bed at Sunset Bay State Park in 2015. A conscientious citizen found it and reported it to the Coquille Indian Tribe, the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians, and the Confederated Tribes of Siletz. A partnership for preservation quickly formed.

Waterlogged wood is fragile because the excess water causes wood cells to swell. As this wood dries, it the cells are weakened and become distorted and is more susceptible to decay. Oregon Institute for Marine Biology provided a tank so the canoe could continue to be preserved in water temporarily while Oregon Parks and Recreation Department special ordered the materials we needed for longer term preservation. Dr. Dale Croes at Pacific Northwest Archaeological Services provided advice to the team as the Coquille Indian Tribe's Tribal Historic Preservation Office undertook a 10-month treatment process using a polyethylene glycol solution to displace the water in the wood and fill the cells with a wax-like material, stabilizing the wood cells and preserving the canoe.

Oregon state law requires all archaeological objects recovered from public lands to be curated at the Museum of Natural and Cultural History in Eugene. However, the Tribes preferred to see the canoe stay close to home and accessible to members, so they worked with the museum and other partners to find a local facility that had the physical space to display the canoe safely with appropriate lighting, temperature, and humidity controls as well as the capacity to monitor special needs of preserved-waterlogged wood. This summer, the Tribes, Parks, the Museum, and South Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve partnered on an agreement for the canoe to be displayed at the South Slough's Interpretive Center. Tribal culture staff and Parks are currently developing signage to accompany the canoe, which will be installed in the near future.

The Interpretive Center is tentatively scheduled to re-open to the public in October 2021. The Tribes and SSNERR will host a ceremony to welcome the canoe to its new home at a date yet to be determined. The Tribe's Historic Preservation Officer, Courtney Krossman will share more information as it becomes available.



Pictured above: the Canoe fragment on display at the South Slough Interpretive Center for all to enjoy



Pictured above: Moving the canoe fragment to a temporary holding at OIMB in Charleston, Oregon when it was found in 2015.



Pictured left to right: Anne Niblett, Jesse Beers, Courtney Krossman, and Cassandra Rippee



# “In the Loop” with the Circles of Healing Program

## Strong Hearts Native Helpline

### TRUE OR FALSE: Abuse Against Men

There are many myths around intimate partner violence, particularly around victims who identify as men. Myths about violence are harmful. Myths keep people silent, add to shame and guilt, make people doubt the violence and can even perpetuate violence. The truth is anyone can be a victim of intimate partner violence.

**FALSE: Abuse only happens to men who are in same-sex relationships.**

**TRUE:** Abuse can happen to anyone. Abuse happens when one person uses a pattern of violent and coercive tactics to gain and keep power and control over another partner. Sexual orientation does not dictate abuse. Men can be abused by a person of any gender.

26 percent of gay men, 37 percent of bisexual men and 29 percent of heterosexual men have experienced physical violence, experienced rape and/or stalking by an intimate partner in their lifetime (Ncadv.Org, 2021).

**FALSE: Men will always be mistaken as the abuser if they report the violence and they won’t be welcome at domestic violence shelters or programs.**

**TRUE:** While women are more likely to be the victims of abuse than men, that is not always the case. When there is abuse in relationships between men and women, it is untrue that men are always the abusers. It is well documented that there is a need for more Native-specific shelters throughout the country. However, many shelters house anyone who is a victim of violence, including men. Some shelters may provide accommodations for men outside of their traditional shelter, such as at an extended stay hotel. StrongHearts advocates can help male victim-survivors find a shelter that is safe for them and their dependent children.

**FALSE: Men should just tough it out**

**TRUE:** This myth is particularly insidious as it denies the violence and abuse, minimizes the real effects of violence and perpetuates harmful ideas about rigid gender roles.

Tribal gender roles were once as diverse as the Tribes and cultures themselves. During colonization, Native peoples’ understanding of their place within their tribal community was disrupted and destroyed. Traditional gender roles were lost, harming future generations.

Predominant American culture teaches boys a harmful definition of masculinity. They are often taught to suppress their emotions and that controlling others is strength. This toxic messaging harms men who are experiencing intimate partner violence, as it discourages them from seeking the support they need and further makes them feel inadequate because of the abuse.

The impacts and experiences of violence are very real. In addition to physical harm, victims may experience depression, anxiety, disconnection from friends, family and themselves and post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) as a result of abuse. These impacts and experiences cannot just be toughed out.

**FALSE: Native men are “wife-beaters.”**

**TRUE:** Native women experience a disproportionately high rate of violence; however, studies show most violence against Native women (and men) is not caused by Native men. Of all Native women who have experienced violence, 97 percent had an interracial perpetrator, meaning the violence was done by someone who is not Native. (National Institute of Justice, 2021).

Stereotypes like this are unfounded and racist. They harm Native women as much as Native men as it distracts from the reality of their situation and does nothing to address the root causes of violence against Native peoples.

**FALSE: Men can’t be abused. They are bigger, stronger, tougher.**

**TRUE:** Untrue. Men are abused. No matter someone’s size or strength they can experience abuse. Intimate partner violence can take many forms and men can experience physical abuse, emotional abuse, sexual abuse, financial abuse, digital abuse, and cultural abuse. Most people experience many if not all of the above forms of abuse.

- One in seven men report having experienced severe physical violence from an intimate partner in their lifetime (Cdc.Gov 2021).
- 38 million men have experienced psychological aggression by an intimate partner in their lifetime (Cdc.Gov 2021).
- One in 10 men have experienced rape, physical violence and/ or stalking by an intimate partner (Cdc.Gov 2021).



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### StrongHearts Native Helpline Releases One Year Sexual Violence Advocacy Report

**(EAGAN, Minn., September 10, 2021)** – While Native Americans and Alaska Natives experience the highest rates of domestic and sexual violence in America, the disparity in services and available resources has not only contributed to the continued perpetuation of violence, it has hindered the healing process needed to recover.

A tool of colonization and subjugation, sexual violence continues to impact Indigenous peoples today. Within four years of operation, StrongHearts Native Helpline identified sexual violence support as an unmet need and took action. In August 2020, StrongHearts advocates completed specialized training and StrongHearts added sexual violence advocacy to their list of services.

“Sexual violence has plagued Native communities for centuries and a disparity of services and resources renders the victim invisible,” said Lori Jump (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians), director, StrongHearts Native Helpline. “In order to assist our relatives on their healing journey, we must address violence on every level.” Sexual violence is an umbrella term that refers to any sexual contact without the consent of all parties.

One year after launching sexual violence advocacy, StrongHearts is releasing the data it has collected about this issue among our contacts. Out of all Native American victim-survivors who sought help for sexual violence, 90 percent identified as female. The report also charted the following age demographics and areas of need.

Of all Native American and Alaska Native contacts who experienced sexual violence:

- 35 percent were 25 to 36 years of age.
- 32 percent were 37 to 48 years of age.
- 19 percent were 13 to 24 years of age.
- 15 percent were 49 to 60+ years of age.

The top three needs of Native American and Alaska Native sexual violence victim survivors are listed in order of prevalence:

- 64 percent needed peer support.
- 33 percent needed legal advocacy.
- 28 percent needed shelter.

Based on the data collected, sexual violence survivors who reached out to StrongHearts are mostly females between the ages of 25 to 48 who have been hurt by their intimate partner and are seeking peer support.

“The information gleaned from these numbers will be used to further develop advocate training and to gear it toward meeting the needs of victim-survivors of domestic and sexual violence,” concluded Jump. “Native peoples have been underserved with little to no access to resources. We intend to bridge the gap between victim services and those who need them.”

StrongHearts Native Helpline is a 24/7 culturally-appropriate domestic, dating and sexual violence helpline for Native Americans and Alaska Natives, available by calling or texting 1-844-762-8483 or clicking on the chat icon at stronheartshelpline.org. Advocates offer peer support, crisis intervention, safety planning and referrals to Native-centered services. StrongHearts Native Helpline is a proud partner of the National Domestic Violence Hotline and the National Indigenous Women’s Resource Center.

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StrongHeartsHelpline.org  
1-844-7NATIVE (1-844-762-8483)

Emotional abuse is the most common form of abuse reported to StrongHearts Native Helpline. Emotional abuse is intentional tactics that cause someone psychological, mental, or spiritual harm, especially as a means of control over that person. Emotional abuse against men can include:

- Questioning where they’ve been and questioning where they’ve been and with whom.
- Calling them names, belittling them.
- Enforcing unhealthy gender roles and expectations: saying they aren’t man enough, shaming them if they are not the main financial contributor to the household, pressuring them into sexual activity to prove their manhood, etc.
- Constantly accusing them of cheating.
- Limiting their time with friends and relatives.

StrongHearts Native Helpline is here for all Native Americans and Alaska Natives, whatever their gender or sexual identity. If you think you are being abused, StrongHearts can help. StrongHearts advocates take a Native-centered, empowerment-based approach to every contact. Services are anonymous and confidential. Call or text 1-844-7NATIVE (762-8483) or visit strongheartshelpline.org for one-on-one chat advocacy 24/7.

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# 1st Annual Language Ceremony

Contributed by Tribal Linguists and Language Instructors, Patricia Phillips and Enna Helms

On Saturday, September 11, we held a Language Ceremony to celebrate the people who have attended virtual language classes for Hanis, Miluk and Sha'yuushtl'a uł Quuiich over the last couple years and to honor Journey Baldwin, Hanis Coos member and student at the University of Oregon. Journey made the commitment to learn her ancestral language, Hanis Coos, and in doing so obtained her second two-year language requirement. The Tribe can't express enough gratitude to what a groundbreaking achievement this is for our people's language! Through Enna Helms' connections with the University of Oregon she was able to establish a language class at the Tribe where students can earn their language requirement using one of our Tribal languages. Spike Guilda and others through the Linguistics Department, Dean of Humanities and NW Indian Language Institute have been instrumental in these language efforts as one of the programs benefiting Tribal members. Revitalizing Indigenous languages is a growing field of study and many tribes and language teachers have shared their ideas and experiences in developing language benchmarks and language assessments to fit the needs of Tribal languages. Our Tribe is one community of many who has helped to inform language revitalization.

The language courses of study became a pilot for the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians in 2019. Journey's first teacher Enna Helms, had previously taught the Chinuk Wawa language for 3 consecutive years at Lane Community College and with her work experience and knowledge was able to craft up some curriculum for higher education students to learn the Hanis and Miluk languages, and the following year adding Sha'yuushtl'a uł Quuiich to the pilot, Patty joining the classroom the second year. The Hanis proficiency exam was given to Journey at the Tribal Hall in Coos Bay on June 29th, 2021. What was even more special about

this achievement was that it was primarily an oral exam with a written exam component. The goal of learning our languages is to use and speak our languages and complete the exam using only their language!

In 2020, when the pandemic hit, the Tribe worked hard and quickly to move the classes from in person to online learning. Across the 3 weekly classes we had about 18 active participants. COVID was the initial motivator to creating virtual classes which has been very helpful in reaching a lot more of our people. Whether COVID stays or goes away - Virtual classes are here to stay!

During the virtual Language Ceremony we held presentations, community dialogs and an honoring. Patty Phillips gave a presentation on how we got here - namely what contributed to the shift from the community speaking indigenous languages to largely speaking only English. Ayuthea presented on behalf of the language committee on a language revitalization road map and Enna Helms spoke on the language class experience. Patty and Enna presented Journey with a certificate signed by the Tribal Chief and CLUS representatives and an eagle feather beaded in green and yellow by Ayuthea Cisneros, Language Committee Chairwoman.

Chief Doc Slyter says "what an honor...13-14 years ago on the Culture Committee we had a discussion about how to move the language forward... to see how far we've come... to be able to teach our kids their language and have it be credited and satisfy requirements in college, congratulations to all involved... I



can't tell you what it does for my heart and luuwii."

This pilot has established a process for the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians not only to be speaking our languages but to recognize Tribal members in meeting their language requirement for higher education purposes. To date, Enna Helms has used Miluk as her third-language requirement needed for her Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Journey Baldwin, Hanis as her second-language requirement for her Bachelors of Arts. Not only is this a first for the Tribe and our languages, but it's a first for the University of Oregon in establishing an internal process that collaborates with an OR Tribe not present on campus. To watch the Language Ceremony recording, please visit the language page at <https://ctclusi.org/languageprivate/>.

Gratitude goes to the Ancestors, Elders, Chief and Tribal Council, Education Department, Language and Culture Committee, and all the students in and outside of the virtual classes in their efforts to bring our languages back. Speaking and using our Tribal languages connects and strengthens our identity as Hanis, Miluk, Sha'yuushtl'a uł Quuiich people and builds onto our relationships with ourselves and one another. We will not give up nor fall down as we continue to live the good life remembering Chief Daloos Jackson's dream power song, "hlin helhantl tuuwitinye."

## VIRTUAL LANGUAGE CLASSES

10 WEEKS - FALL 2021

MILUK MONDAY 4:00-6:00 pm	HANIS WEDNESDAY 4:00-6:00 pm	SHA'YUUSHTL'A-QUUIICH FRIDAY 3:00-5:00 pm	 <b>ZOOM</b>  Join Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/j/837181796?pwd=V2JneDZpc3NMTHRBU0RTeTZpQlM0dz09">https://us06web.zoom.us/j/837181796?pwd=V2JneDZpc3NMTHRBU0RTeTZpQlM0dz09</a>  Meeting ID: <a href="#">837 1818 1796</a> Passcode: <a href="#">445329</a>
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Please sign up with Enna Helms at [ehelms@ctclusi.org](mailto:ehelms@ctclusi.org) or By Cell Phone at (541) 297-7538



# Our Places: Goose Point Archaeological Investigations

Contributed by Courtney Krossman, Historic Preservation Officer

This summer, the CTCLUSI partnered with Mark Tveskov at Black Dog Archaeology LLC, to investigate an Archaeological Site on private property that had previously been recorded in the early 1980's. The project was driven by possible threats of erosion, and disturbances from the Jordan Cove Liquified Natural Gas Pipeline, and uncertainties of the exact boundaries, size, depth, age, and significance of the site.

A big thank you goes out to Mark and his team, Department of Natural Resources Staff, as well as the Tribal members who volunteered during the two weeks of the Archaeological Investigations!



Culture Camp youth spend a day visiting archaeological investigation at Goose Point



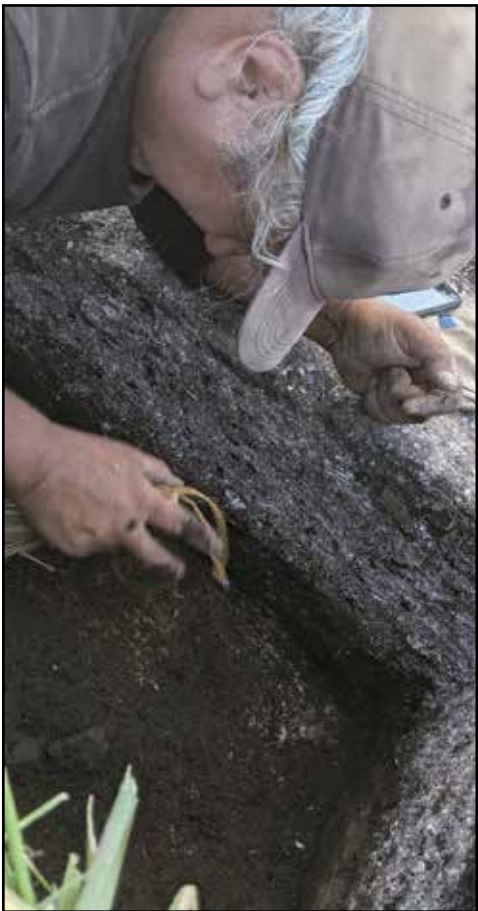
Above: Tribal member Orion Petrie excavating a QTU



Culture Camp youth water screen midden material



Pictured at rigth: crew members conduct a GeoPhysical survey

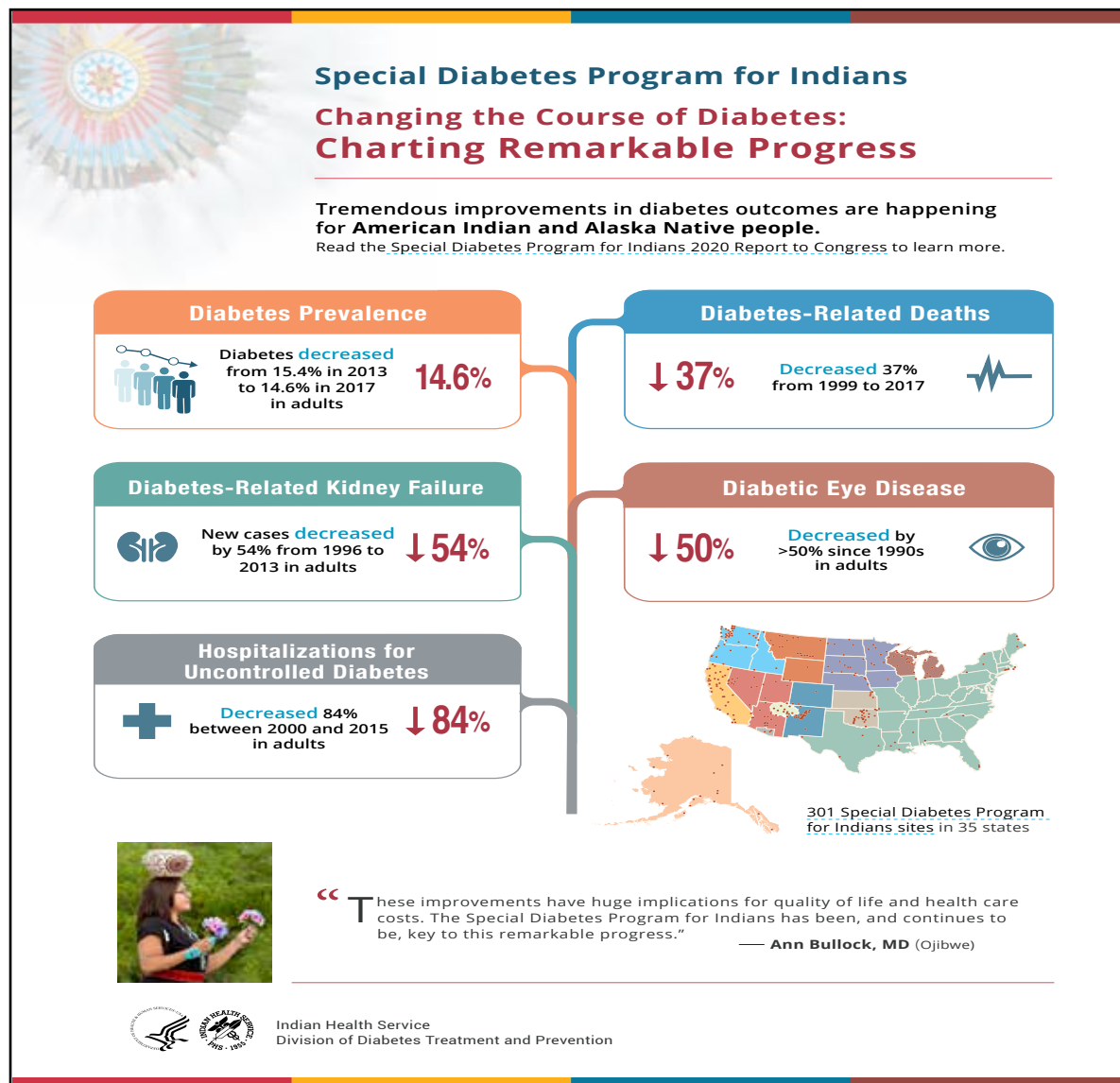


Pictured bottom left: Mark Tveskov excavating shell feature



Pictured above: Part of the excavation crew at Goose Pointe take a quick break





## Free Covid-19 and Flu Vaccines 2021-2022

See page 19 flyer

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## Attention Tribal Veterans



Help us honor you this coming Veterans Day, November 11, 2021.

Send in information about your former or active duty military service, a photograph, and any additional information you would like to share for possible feature in an upcoming edition of The Voice of CLUSI newspaper.

Please send information to  
 Communications Specialist, Morgan  
 Gaines at  
[mgaines@ctclusi.org](mailto:mgaines@ctclusi.org) or call (541) 808-7918.

Chief Doc Slyter playing flute in front of the Tribal Veteran Wall in Tribal Hall. Photograph taken by Journey Baldwin

## Feather Dance Fans with Culture & Family Services

Join live via ZOOM Monday, **October 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 7:30 PM** (PST)  
 or view the recorded session @ <https://ctclusi.org/youth-services-private/>

<https://zoom.us/j/93309908556?pwd=STYwK2ZNaVRKbDg5QzZWNkV0TXJHUT09>

Meeting ID: 933 0990 8556

Passcode: 022849

Family Participation is encouraged!

For more info, supplies, and/or to sign up, please contact:  
 Ashley Russell @ (541) 888-7511 or [arussell@ctclusi.org](mailto:arussell@ctclusi.org)

## Dance Paddle Painting with Culture

Join live via ZOOM Monday, **October 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 7:30 PM** (PST)  
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## Watch Previously Recorded Virtual Cultural Activities Online

Visit the Tribal website at [www.ctclusi.org](http://www.ctclusi.org) and login. In the new Citizen Portal you will find a tab for Virtual Culture Zoom classes.

The Zoom link to live classes will be posted here as well as all the previously recorded zoom classes.

Did you miss any February classes? You can still go watch and enjoy online!

Contact Ashley Russell at  
[arussell@ctclusi.org](mailto:arussell@ctclusi.org) for materials while supplies last.

Need help registering for the website?  
 Contact Morgan Gaines  
[mgaines@ctclusi.org](mailto:mgaines@ctclusi.org)  
 (541) 808-7918



# Elders Corner

The Elders Spotlight of the Month will feature a new Elder each month. Elders are selected from a list of the Eldest to the Youngest Elder, starting with the Eldest. Elders will be contacted by Kimmy Bixby of Community Health Services with information for an article to be published in a future edition of The Voice of CLUSI newsletter. Many thanks go out to our Elders for all that they have done for our Tribal community. We hope to use this opportunity to highlight a few of your many accomplishments. **Thank you Elders!**  
Contributed by Kimmy Bixby, Community Health Aide



Diane Stewart

### Diane Stewart

**Lower Umpqua**

**Immediate Family:**

- Descendent of Hulda Macy. Daughter of Chet Perry. Sister of Jerry Perry and Janet Posen. Mother of Lindsey, Stacie and Perry.

**Proudest Accomplishments:**

- Raising a loving family.
- Being married 48 years.
- Being a medical assistant for United Indian Health (have since retired).

**Favorite Hobbies:**

- Loves to grow flowers.
- Spending time with family.
- Enjoying their 2 dogs.
- Loves going to the coast.

**Bucket List:**

- Travel
- Enjoy more time with family and friends.

**Favorite Saying:**

“That’s typical.”

## Welcome New Tribal Elders

June

Laura Fortin

August

Elizabeth Durbin

Jason Young

October

Kimberly Lane

Heather Gleason-Biesanz

Lisa Whelihan

# Tribal Elder Gifts Deer and Elk Antlers to Tribe

Contributed by Jesse Beers, Cultural Stewardship Manager

Welcome to fall! It’s been a very strange ending of summer and entrance of fall this year. Many things are the same, such as, making sure the firewood is all in and stacked, prepping all the buildings for winter, gathering huckleberries, making apple cider, etc., but many things are different. We haven’t been able to gather for Salmon Ceremony, nor pull together in a canoe or gather in Ceremony for Sweats.

As a Tribe though, we still have a lot to be thankful for. We’ve received a surplus of Elk Meat from the Oregon State Police and we are working with Chief Slyter and the Elders program to get it out to Tribal Elders.

Speaking of Elders, we want to give a special shout out and put our hands up in thanks to Elder Dennis Rankin who donated a lifetime’s worth of Deer and Elk Antlers. Special thanks to Dennis’ friends Jerry and Marilyn Russell for donating the antlers to him. Dennis drove all the way up from his home in California to then gift these antlers to his Tribe. He brought them to the Tribal Office in Coos Bay and we were able to find a safe place for them.

The antlers can be used for making wedges and chisels for splitting planks and carving, making fishing tools, making spoons, jewelry, buttons, as well as a range of other culturally appropriate uses. Keep your eyes peeled for a future article as to how Tribal Members who are interested in these classes and/or personal cultural use.



Ashley Russell, John Schaefer, and Jesse Beers; members of the Natural Resources and Culture department, hold up some of the donated antlers along side Elder Dennis Rankin.

Special Thanks to Jerry and Marilyn Russell for donating the antlers.





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## Power

**THE GOAL:** *Be able to safely meet your basic needs during an electrical outage.*

*We count on electricity for heat, food, and medical needs. Many gas appliances even need electricity to run. A power outage is an emergency that often follows another emergency—like a hurricane, tornado, or winter storm. That makes it even more important to be prepared in advance.*

▶▶▶ CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING THINGS TO DO THIS MONTH TO BECOME BETTER PREPARED:

### ☐ Acquire and learn how to safely use a portable generator.

Using a properly connected generator of adequate size during a power outage will reduce or almost eliminate the impact a power outage has on your life. Before you buy a generator, talk to an electrician about the size and type you need. Think about what you want your generator to run. Generators can be used to keep food cool, provide lights and electricity for phones and television, power furnace blowers and pumps.

*Always run generators outside. Never use a generator inside a house, in a basement, or garage. Never use a cord from a generator to backfeed a circuit in your house.*

The best way to use a portable generator is to connect it to your home using a transfer switch installed by a licensed electrician. This will keep the power from overloading the wiring in your home. It will also keep the power from your generator from traveling back into the power lines, which can injure or kill people working on power lines, or can unexpectedly re-energize downed power lines near your home. You may also connect equipment directly to the outlets on the generator, but be sure that any extension cords are of the proper length and gauge to handle the power requirements.

### ☐ Have flashlights ready in an easily accessible place and check batteries in flashlights and radios.

When the lights go out, the safest way to provide emergency lighting is with flashlights or battery-powered lanterns. Keep flashlights with fresh batteries in several places throughout your home and check them for proper operation regularly. Always keep a supply of extra batteries. Think about buying a rechargeable flashlight. Batteries might be hard to find in a disaster.

#### Power Outage Safety

- Discard food if the temperature in your refrigerator exceeds 40 degrees for more than 2 hours.
- Stay away from downed power lines and anything they are in contact with such as fences or buildings.
- Never drive over downed power lines; they may be energized.
- Never use charcoal or gas grills inside a structure. You may be overcome by carbon monoxide.
- If you must use candles, be sure to use them safely. Never leave candles burning unattended.

### ☐ Create a power outage plan – decide what you can do before, during and after a power outage to minimize the effect on your household.

#### BEFORE THE POWER GOES OUT:

- Fill empty space in freezer with containers of water. Frozen water will displace air and keep food cold longer. Remember to leave space in containers for ice to expand.
- Have at least one phone with a handset cord in your home. Many cordless phones will not work in a power outage.
- If you have an automatic garage door opener, learn how to use the manual release and open your garage door manually.
- Try to keep your car's gas tank at least half full. Many gas stations will not be in operation during a power outage. Fill up your tank if a major storm is predicted.
- Make sure you have a car or lighter plug cord for your cell phone.

- If you use special healthcare equipment like oxygen generators or dialysis equipment, notify your power company.

#### AFTER THE POWER GOES OUT:

- Unplug major appliances and electronics. When the power comes back on, there may be power spikes that can damage large appliances or delicate electronics.
- Do not open refrigerators or freezers any more than necessary. An unopened refrigerator will keep food cold for approximately 4 hours, an unopened freezer will keep food frozen for approximately 24 hours.
- Use a battery-powered radio to stay informed.

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# PEACEGIVING

Peacegiving is a traditional Restorative Justice option available to you for the resolution of conflict.

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Photo by Morgan Gaines

For more information about Peacegiving, please visit the Peacegiving Website or contact the Peacegiving Coordinator at the address listed below.

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or Erig Acosta at [eacosta@ctclusi.org](mailto:eacosta@ctclusi.org) or 541-888-1314**



# Amanda Trail Suspension Bridge Project Moving Forward

Article posted online on Sep 3, 2021 from [newportnewstimes.com](http://newportnewstimes.com)

View the Future is happy to announce that the Amanda Trail Suspension Bridge Project on the north side of Cape Perpetua will go forward with construction beginning Oct. 1, the day following the end of Marble Murrelet and Spotted Owl nesting seasons. The bridge will connect the Amanda Trail crossing the Amanda Creek, above the Amanda Gathering Area located at the south end of the Kittel property.

This new bridge will replace a 65-foot fiberglass bridge over Amanda Creek destroyed in December 2015 by a massive debris flow created by a landslide just upstream.

The new suspension bridge will be constructed by Cascade Civil Corps, a Redmond company experienced in building infrastructure while preserving and protecting wild places. Bridge completion is expected by Feb. 28, 2022, affording time to have the site replanted with native plants and to have new seating built at the Amanda Gathering Area for the formal dedication scheduled for May 21, 2022.

Planning for the bridge dedication is in full swing in partnership with the city of Yachats, Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, Oregon Coast Visitor's Association, View the Future, Polly Plumb Productions and others, including the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, Yachats Presbyterian Church, Yachats Ladies Club, Yachats Chamber of Commerce, Yachats Visitors Center, and more. The theme for the dedication will be "Bridging Cultures, Healing Hearts."

This bridge project has been a six-year endeavor so far, with hundreds of hours of planning, engineering and strategizing. Construction was planned to start last year, but then COVID hit. Oregon Parks & Recreation Department (OPRD), like so many others, was devastated with massive layoffs, necessitating the bridge plans being tabled, but only for five weeks. The project was resurrected because the OPRD's coastal region manager stated it was one of their most important projects, and he directed his staff to find a way to do it. With a skeleton staff, they did just that, with the support of View the Future's fundraising, the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, Lincoln County's Land Legacy Program, Discover Your Northwest and its Perpetua Foundation, a nonprofit working with the Siuslaw National Forest. Of course they were assisted by the ever-stalwart Yachats Trails crew. FEMA hung in with their funding, too. More than 50 individuals donated funds to the bridge construction.

When construction begins, periods of closure of the Amanda Trail will be required. The schedule of trail closure currently planned is:

- The section south of the Amanda Statue will be closed between Oct. 1 and possibly as long as Feb. 28, 2022. No trail detour is available.

- The trail on the north side of the Amanda Statue will have intermittent closures during this same period. When that occurs notices will be sent out via city of Yachats and its trails committee, visitor center, chamber, and local Facebook pages.

- Orange construction fencing will be erected in the immediate construction area. All public is excluded from the construction area for everyone's safety and for statutory reasons.

- The end of the Kittel driveway at times will not be available for trail visitors due to the need for construction vehicle parking.

- View the Future will periodically post photos of the construction process for the public to enjoy.



The Amanda Trail Suspension Bridge Project is moving forward, with construction of the new bridge scheduled to begin on Oct. 1. This photograph shows two hikers standing where the bridge will connect on the north side of Amanda Creek.



Jake Griggs, left, project contractor, Paul MacClanahan, general manager, both of Cascade Civil Corps, John Seevers, Oregon Parks and Recreation Department project manager, and Stacy Scott, OPRD archaeologist, discuss plans for the new Amanda Trail Suspension Bridge.

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Scholarship Application Timeline & Deadlines

Timeline

1. **October:** File your [FAFSA or ORSAA](#) as soon as possible after October 1. Doing so will ensure you are considered for all scholarships that consider financial need.

2. **November - February:** Start your [OSAC scholarship application](#) and submit from November through March 1.

- First-time applicants: create an OSAC account and start the OSAC Scholarship Application.
- Returning applicants: refresh and update your application from last year.
- High school juniors may start a "test application", but cannot submit until their year of graduation.

3. **February 15\*:** Early Bird deadline. Complete applications (including transcripts) submitted by this date will be entered into a drawing for one of several \$1,000 Early Bird scholarship awards.


4. **March 1\*:** Final deadline for all materials to be submitted to OSAC.

- [Steps to take after you submit your application](#)

5. **April - August:** Track your application status and scholarship awards in the [OSAC Student Portal](#).

- [Steps to take if you are awarded a scholarship](#)

\* If a deadline falls on a weekend or holiday, it will automatically be extended to 5:00 p.m. (PST) of the following business day.



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Back to School Gift Cards

It's that time of year again and we know that the cost of supplies for school can get a bit out of hand. No need to worry the Education Department in Partnership with Family Services were able to purchase \$70 gift cards via Walmart and Amazon to help alleviate some of that pressure. By now you should know the drill but in case you don't, head over to the Tribal website under Education and then click the 2021 Back to School Form to get your request processed and mailed out. If you need help finding the form or filling it out feel free to contact the education department!


Deadline extended until the end of October.

Please sign up if you have not received your Back to School Gift Card!!!

All gift cards will be mailed out.

Please contact Karen Porter for questions & clarifications

541-888-1315 or [kporter@ctclusi.org](mailto:kporter@ctclusi.org)



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At-A-Glance: Which scholarship is the best fit for me?

Follow the arrows to each eligibility box. If the statement is true, you will find the best fit scholarship for you!

I am a resident of Oregon or Siskiyou County, California

I will attend full-time at a federal financial aid eligible public or private (nonprofit) postsecondary institution in my home state of Oregon or California, beginning in fall of the application year

I have the goal of earning a bachelor's degree (and have not previously earned a bachelor's degree)

I am a graduating high school senior or high school graduate (or equivalent)

I have never enrolled full-time at a two- or four-year college

Ford Scholars Program

I am a high school graduate or GED recipient

I will be no older than 25 years of age by March 1 of the application year

I am a current student or a recent graduate (within the last academic year) at an accredited community college in my home state of Oregon or California

I will have community college sophomore status as of March 1 of the application year

Ford Transfer Scholars Program

I have the goal of earning an associate or bachelor's degree (and have not previously earned a bachelor's degree)

I am a single parent with custody of a dependent child (18 years or younger) and head of household as defined by the IRS

I am a graduating high school senior, a high school graduate (or equivalent), or a college student (beginning or continuing)

I have at least one full year remaining in my program

Ford Opportunity Scholars Program

I will be at least 25 years of age by March 1 of the application year

I will be no more than halfway through the completion of my degree by the end of spring term/semester of the application year

Ford ReStart Scholars Program

Eligible undocumented students are welcome to apply.

Questions? Ready to Apply?

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#### STATE AID PROGRAMS

**Oregon Opportunity Grant (OOG)**  
The OOG is Oregon's largest state-funded, need-based grant program. Grant awardees must be pursuing an undergraduate degree at an eligible Oregon institution, and they must be enrolled at least half-time during fall term.

**How to Apply:** Complete your FAFSA or ORSAA as soon as possible (funds awarded until depleted)  
**2021-22 Maximum Awards:** \$2,778 (2-year college), \$3,612 (4-year college or university)

**Oregon Promise Grant**  
Oregon Promise is a state grant that helps students pay for tuition at any Oregon community college. Eligible students are recent high school graduates and recent GED® test graduates. Students must meet all eligibility criteria and complete the application process by their respective deadline. High school students should apply for Oregon Promise during their senior year and GED® students should apply right after they complete their program. Depending on available funding and number of applicants, OSAC may be required to establish/adjust an EFC limit for award decision-making.

**How to Apply:** Complete your FAFSA or ORSAA and submit an Oregon Promise application by your deadline  
**Deadlines for HS Seniors:** Nov 1 (July-Nov graduates), Feb 1 (Oct-Feb graduates), June 1 (Mar-June graduates)  
**2021-22 Award Range:** \$1,000 - \$4,131 (before \$50 per term co-pay)

**Other Public Programs**  
Oregon administers additional public grants, including:

Oregon Chafee Education and Training Grant	Deadline: varies by term date; see website
Oregon Student Child Care Grant	Deadline: May 31
Oregon National Guard State Tuition Assistance	Deadline: varies by term date; see website
Deceased or Disabled Public Safety Officer Grant	Deadline: until funds are depleted

Applications, eligibility criteria, full deadlines, and award amounts are under the Grants tab on our website.

#### OSAC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

OSAC administers more than 600 scholarships for Oregon students. These scholarships are accessible through our OSAC Scholarship Application, which is open from Nov 1 to Mar 1 each year. There are a wide array of need-based and merit-based scholarships available; award amounts and renewal guidelines vary by award. Visit [OregonStudentAid.gov](https://oregonstudentaid.gov) for a full catalog of scholarships.

**How to Apply:** Complete the OSAC Scholarship Application by March 1 at 5pm.

#### OUTREACH RESOURCES

Upon request, OSAC offers a number of physical and virtual resources for students, families, educators, and community members. Under the Outreach tab on our website you can find prerecorded financial aid guides, request a live presentation, or order publications for your site.

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### 2021-2022 OSAC Update

**OCT 1**

**2022-23 FAFSA and ORSAA Open**  
Students should submit their FAFSA or ORSAA as soon as possible to maximize their chances at receiving financial aid

**NOV 1**

**OSAC Scholarship Application Opens**  
Most scholarships require a completed FAFSA or ORSAA to be eligible

**FEB 15**

**Early Bird Scholarship Deadline**  
Error-free scholarship applications received by this deadline are entered for a chance to win a \$1,000 scholarship

**MAR 1**

**Scholarship Application Final Deadline**  
Students should check their email and student portal regularly for updates on their OSAC Scholarship Application

**JUN 1**

**Oregon Promise Application Deadline**  
For high school students graduating from Mar 1 to Jun 30; see website for alternate deadlines for other high school and GED® test graduates

All deadlines are 5:00 pm (PST/PDT).

#### FAFSA & ORSAA

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Oregon Student Aid Application (ORSAA) are the two primary financial aid applications for students pursuing a higher education degree.

Students can only complete the FAFSA if they are a U.S. citizen or an eligible non-resident. The ORSAA serves as an alternative to the FAFSA, solely for students who have undocumented status or Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) status. Students with a valid visa and international students are not eligible to complete the FAFSA or the ORSAA. Students should only fill out either the FAFSA or the ORSAA, not both.

FAFSA: [StudentAid.gov](https://StudentAid.gov)  
ORSAA: [OregonStudentAid.gov](https://OregonStudentAid.gov)

#### Student Support Programs

**ASPIRE**  
ASPIRE is a college and career readiness program that helps middle and high school students explore training and education opportunities after high school. To learn more about participating in ASPIRE, including how to start an ASPIRE site, visit [OregonStudentAid.gov/aspire](https://OregonStudentAid.gov/aspire)

**FAFSA Plus+**  
The FAFSA Plus+ program gives its partner schools and organizations access to student-level data on FAFSA completion. This allows site staff to provide extra support to their high school seniors who have not yet completed their FAFSA. If you're interested in becoming a site, get in contact with us!

## Chasing the Sun: Solar Energy Fun with Education

Join live via ZOOM Wednesday, October 6th  
from 6:00 – 7:00 PM (PST) or view the recorded  
session @ <https://ctclusi.org/youth-services-private/>  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85039393602?pwd=akI3M0Y5cUJyTXI2TDhGeXdxU3pyUT09>  
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Family Participation is encouraged!

For more information, supplies, and/or to sign up,  
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“Oregon’s Renewable Portfolio Standard requires that 50 percent of the electricity Oregonians use come from renewable resources by 2040.” CTCLUSI has been very active for sometime educating and talking about renewable energy for the Tribes in some capacity. With that in mind the Education Department will be hosting an education course on solar technology on its uses, job opportunities and the future of renewable energy. The class will be held October 6th from 6 to 7 p.m. If interested contact the education department and we will get your name on the list and get a small solar kit mailed out to you for an online hands on experience.

## SB -13 StoryMap and Curriculum

### Senate Bill 13: Tribal History/Shared History

Contributed by Josh Davies, Education Director

As a result of Senate Bill 13 (passed by Oregon legislature in 2017), the Oregon Department of Education partnered with the 9 federally recognized Tribes in Oregon to develop the Essential Understandings of Native Americans in Oregon. This statewide curriculum will address Native American experience in Oregon, including tribal history, tribal sovereignty, culture, treaty rights, government, socioeconomic experiences, and current events. See the lesson plans for 4th, 8th, and 10th grade students (links below). This short 5-minute video will give a brief description as to the impacts SB-13 is having on communities and can be viewed at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T6lrpvbKNEY>. We have created and compiled classroom lessons for Kindergarten through 5th grade, 7th, 8th and 10th grades. We are in our final review process of these lessons and look forward to submitting final versions to ODE. Some images below are of a Power Point presentation I did for the South Coast ESD PD event that shared views of what we hope this curriculum can change and support moving forward. I shared and implemented our StoryMap and videos into each presentation that we do which helps illustrate our Tribes culture and history. I know many departments and staff are looking forward to putting these resources out there for schools to utilize more as the year progresses.





## *Abundance StoryMap continued from cover page...*

based off our languages. A brief mention of the Cherokee trail of tears in history class, albeit very important, but seldom a mention of the many trails of tears that happened all over these lands that have been renamed, Oregon.

You are not the only one that noticed this and for years the Nine Federally Recognized Tribes of Oregon have been lobbying for the inclusion of local Native History and Culture into the curriculum of public schools within Oregon. Finally, in 2017 the Oregon Legislature enacted Senate Bill 13 or SB 13 known as the Tribal History - Shared History Bill.

This Bill instructed the Oregon Department of Education to create k-12 Native American Curriculum to be taught in all public schools, to provide professional development to educators so that they may teach this curriculum and it also secured funds for each of the Nine Federally Recognized Tribes in Oregon to build their own curriculum to be available for the public schools in their territories.

Chosen representatives from each Tribe worked together to create the Essential Understandings of what would become the Tribal History – Shared History Curriculum. In other words, all nine Tribes got together and agreed on what would be taught about our Tribes at the 50,000 foot level. Those nine essential understandings are; 1. Since Time Immemorial. 2. History. 3. Identity. 4. Language. 5. Genocide, Federal Policy

and Laws. 6. Treaties with the United States. 7. Lifeways. 8. Tribal Government. 9. Sovereignty. For more information on the Essential Understandings please visit <https://www.oregon.gov/ode/students-and-family/equity/NativeAmericanEducation/Documents/Essential%20Understandings%20of%20Native%20Americans%20in%20Oregon%20June%202020.pdf>.

During this time we had a pretty large transition in our Tribal Government and really didn't have anyone to build a full curriculum. While the administration worked on securing someone to build the curriculum the Department of Culture and Natural Resources contracted with eco-trust to build an interactive digital storymap for the school districts in our areas to use. We began this relationship with eco-trust thanks to our close work with the Siuslaw Watershed Council in restoration work.

Our goal with the storymap was to exhibit what we wanted our children to know about our tribes. So much Native History is taught as what happened to the Tribes from first contact on. This comes from a place of trauma and doesn't instill our youth with pride. It really does not represent our history but a timeline of what the United States has done to us. A few of the Essential Understandings covers the colonization pieces and so we wanted our teachings to come from a place of empowerment. We wanted our young

people and therefore all people to know how our Ancestors practiced a culture of observation and ceremonial practices that stewarded our lands and waters for abundance. We also wanted them to know that we are still here practicing this culture and using this knowledge today in restoration efforts. Restoring our lands for abundance through our culture. We are very proud of this storymap and we would love for you to visit it at <https://ctclusi.org/abundance-storymap/> and give us your feedback.

The storymap is now finished but fluid and we plan to add to it in the future as time allows. The rest of the Tribal History – Shared History is being finished by the Education Department as they are fully staffed again and Josh Davies is doing a very good job on that. Hands up and special thanks goes up to Eco-trust and all the wonderful staff there, Morgan Gaines for all her work on the website integration and Storymap itself and of course Margaret Corvi, the former Department of Culture and Natural Resources Director, who stayed on as a contractor and did much, if not most of the behind the scenes work on the Abundance Storymap. Hiisa, luuwii, masii.

In the Education Corner on page 17 Education Director Josh Davies talks about Senate Bill 13 and the Abundance StoryMap as curriculum.

## ***Safely Discard Expired or Unwanted Medications by Participating in National Prescription Drug Take Back Day Events Hosted by Tribal Police***

Contributed by Brian Dubray, CTCLUSI Chief of Police

The Tribal Police Department will once again be participating in the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day held on **Saturday October 23rd, 2021 from 10am – 2pm at the governmental offices at 1245 Fulton Avenue in Coos Bay**. This event is sponsored by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and it provides the supplies to be able to collect unused or expired prescription medications to ensure that they are safely disposed of without falling into the wrong hands or unnecessarily polluting.

In order to comply with COVID restrictions, all of these events will be outside (parking lot) so that participants can just pull up and drop off their items.

After the event (on Saturday), from 2pm – 3pm, Tribal Police Officers will be available to travel within 20 miles of the governmental office to pick up any unused or expired medications from Tribal families or Tribal Elders. If you know of someone who would like to participate, but is unable to make it to any of the events, please have them contact me for scheduling at our office: 541-997-6011.

There will be no identifying information collected, and the program is anonymous. We encourage participants to remove any identifying labels from bottles prior to submission. We will be able to accept vape pens without internal batteries, controlled, non-controlled and over the counter

medications with a few exceptions; Intra-venous solutions,

injectables, syringes, chemotherapy medications, or medical waste WILL NOT be accepted.

If you have any questions about the program, please let me know. Our goal is to keep medications from being lost, stolen, or misused. If you would like to view information about the program from the DEA, please visit: <https://takebackday.dea.gov/>. If you know someone who lives outside of the area, they can also search by zip code to find an event nearby.

In addition to the National Drug Take Back Day on Saturday, Tribal Police Officers will be at the **Eugene outreach office on Thursday, October 21st from 11am - 2pm** to accept any medications and also at the **Florence outreach office on Friday, October 22nd from 11am - 2pm**.

Since we began partnering with the DEA in the NDTBD program in 2018, the Tribal Police Department has helped to keep over 166 pounds of medications from being misused or otherwise polluting our landfills and waterways.





How to Sign up for a Covid-19 Vaccine and/or 2021-2022 Flu Shot

Contributed by Kristy Petrie, Community Health Nurse  
How to sign up for a COVID-19 vaccine and or Flu Vaccine

- Go to CTCLUSI.ORG
- Scroll down to Latest Tribal News & Events
- Click on the application with the vaccine you would like
  - o You can help someone fill out an application
  - o Please only have one person per application. This helps to ensure that no one gets missed.

To meet the 10/18/2021 deadline for Health Care workers and Teachers.

Resources: CDC and OHA  
Employee Medical Conditions or Religious Beliefs Exemptions  
Two types of exemptions can be implemented:

- **Medical exemptions**  
Some people may be at risk for an adverse reaction because of an allergy to one of the vaccine components or a medical condition. This is referred to as a medical exemption.
- **Religious exemptions**  
Some people may decline vaccination because of a religious belief. This is referred to as a religious exemption.

Employers offering vaccination to workers should keep a record of the offer to vaccinate and the employee’s decision to accept or decline vaccination.  
If you have COVID-19 in the last 90 days, as your primary care physician for “temporary medical exemption” form.

Free COVID-19 & Flu Vaccines 2021-2022



Sign up at CTCLUSI.org.  
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Who is eligible?

**Flu Vaccine (6 months of age and older):**  
All Tribal Members  
Tribal Families  
CTCLUSI Government Staff  
Three Rivers Casino Members

**COVID-19 Vaccine:**  
**Moderna**  
18 and older  
**Pfizer**  
12 and older  
(children between the ages of 12-14 need parent or guardian consent)



Homepage of Tribal Government website - www.ctclusi.org

LATEST TRIBAL NEWS & EVENTS

Last date you can start your vaccine series		
To be fully vaccinated by Oct. 18, 2021		
COMIRNATY (PFIZER)	MODERNA	JOHNSON & JOHNSON
FIRST DOSE SEPT. 13, 2021	FIRST DOSE SEPT. 6, 2021	SINGLE DOSE OCT. 4, 2021
SECOND DOSE OCT. 4, 2021	SECOND DOSE OCT. 4, 2021	

Covid-19 Moderna and Pfizer Vaccine Third Dose available for immunocompromised

Read more +

02 September 2021 By Morgan Gaines in Public Notices, Tribal Event, Tribal News

Covid-19 Vaccine Application/Booster Dose  
Who Needs an Additional COVID-19 Vaccine? Currently, CDC is recommending that moderately to severely immunocompromised people receive an additional dose.

Flu Vaccine Application

Read more +

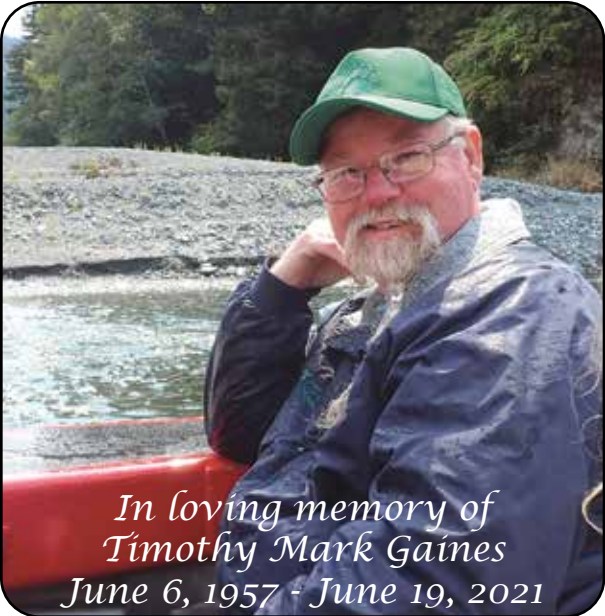
02 September 2021 By Morgan Gaines in Public Notices, Tribal Event, Tribal News

Flu Vaccine Application  
Flu Vaccines are available. Please fill out the Flu Vaccine Application form to schedule an appointment. Getting a flu vaccine this fall can reduce your risk of getting flu and

Letter on Loss from Your Communications Specialist

I wanted to take the opportunity to share briefly with all of you about a deep loss in my life. Normally I would not share something so personal in such a format, as I tend to prefer privacy and wear it like a coat of armor.  
My father, Timothy Mark Gaines, walked on the night before Father’s Day, this past June. There is a lot that he is continuing to teach me about love, loss, and life. Grief is deep and rears its ugly head at the most arbitrary of moments. Its utterly unpredictable. I just want you all to know that if you too are grieving loss, its ok if you’re not ok. No one gets to dictate what loss looks like for you or how you cope. I deeply hope that you have someone in your

corner who offers support and an ear without judgement or platitudes, someone who will sit in their own discomfort around grief just to help you wade through yours.  
With that said, you may have noticed the Voice of CLUSI papers from June thru September still made it to your households. Thank you to all those who stepped up to ensure the continued communications to Tribal membership. I am back in the office and resuming the pagination of the monthly paper and website and finding balance in the daily routine. Here’s to my first edition back, October 2021.  
Sincerely,  
Morgan Gaines, Communications Specialist



In loving memory of Timothy Mark Gaines  
June 6, 1957 - June 19, 2021



Free Monthly Workshops!

Sign up for Healthy Family Workshops!  
Sign up monthly to learn from experts and guest speakers about an array topics including:  
1. Staying Active & Healthy During the Fall & Winter Seasons **10/28/2021 6:30pm-7:30pm**  
2. Budgeting! Build Strong Budgeting Skills for Individuals and Families **November Date TBD**  
3. Preparing for a New Year: Setting and Achieving Personal & Family Goals **12/21/2021 6-7pm**

These workshops are free for Tribal households! You may sign up for one or all of them. Whether you want to learn something new, get motivated, stay motivated or set goals for yourself, these workshops are an excellent way to engage with experts on a variety of topics. We encourage health and wellness for the entire Tribal community.

To RSVP  
Contact Carol Ann Young 541-435-7159



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Health & Human Services Division

Participate in Online Events

Contributed by Josh Davies, Education Director  
Though the Tribe is still closed till further notice that does not mean we aren't still trying to create and promote some exciting and educational material for the whole family. Make sure to check out the Tribal web page under News and Events and then go to Events Calendar to read what is coming up. Some events however, we ask participants to sign up in advance so that supplies can get to you on time. Feel free to contact the Department of Natural Resources and Culture and Education should you have any questions or suggestions for upcoming activities.

## Careers START HERE

### CURRENT JOB OPPORTUNITIES

**Three Rivers Casino Resort (Florence)**  
Director ~ Food & Beverage ~ Supervisor - Food & Beverage  
Bartender ~ Barback ~ Cocktail Beverage Server  
Food & Beverage Lead ~ Busperson  
Food Court Runner/Dining Room Attendant  
Food Court Cashier/Barista  
Food Court Outlet Lead Cook  
Line Cook TDR Staff ~ Prep Cook ~ Night Cook/Cleaner  
Dish Machine Operator  
Hotel Front Desk/PBX Clerk ~ Guest Services Attendant  
Guest Room/Laundry Attendant  
Table Games Dealer ~ Slot/Keno/Bing Attendant  
Environmental Services Technician 1  
Casino Service Host  
Banquet/Events Coordinator ~ Special Events Team Member  
Players Services Representative ~ Soft Count Team Member  
Information Technology Technician II ~ Security Officer 1

**Three Rivers Casino Resort (Coos Bay)**  
Security Officer 1  
Maintenance Technician II ~ Environmental Services Technician 1  
Bartender/Server Lead ~ Bartender/Server  
Line Cook  
Electronic Gaming Machine Team Member Lead  
Electronic Gaming Machine Team Member  
Player Services Representative Dual Rate Main Banker  
Player Services Team Member

(jobs updated daily)  
RED means not actively interviewing, offer pending  
Updated 9/15/2021

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or call us today at 541.902.6648

# LIHEAP

## Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

PROGRAM UPDATE!

Eligible households **no longer** need to reside within the Tribe's five county service delivery area to be eligible; however, households must reside within the State of Oregon. The Health and Human Services Division continues offering Heating or Cooling assistance for qualifying **low income households**. To receive assistance contact the Health and Human Services Division or fill out an application on the CLUSI website at <https://laserfiche.ctclusi.org/Forms/LIHEAP>.

To qualify, your annual and household gross income must be at or below the following income limits:

1 Person Family	\$27,805
2 Person Family	\$36,361
3 Person Family	\$44,916
4 Person Family	\$53,472
5 Person Family	\$62,028
6 Person Family	\$70,583



In order for your application to be processed and determine qualification you must provide:

Proof of Income (Pay Stub)	Social Security Card
Copy of your utility bill	SSI or SSDI Statement of Benefits
Tribal Enrollment Card	Child Support Statement
Oregon Trail Card	Current Oregon Health Plan Card

No appointment is necessary as Tribal Households can fill out the application online at <https://laserfiche.ctclusi.org/Forms/LIHEAP>, or you contact a Health and Human Services staff member to assist you at 541-888-6169. If you have any questions regarding the LIHEAP program, please contact Shayne Platz at 541-297-3450.

## Fun STARTS HERE

2X ENTRIES FRIDAYS

### SATURDAYS

# \$5,000 CASH PARTY

## WIN \$1,000

### FIVE WINNERS EVERY SATURDAY

DRAWINGS EVERY HALF HOUR from 7PM-9PM

EARN ENTRIES DAILY. ONE ENTRY FOR EVERY 25 POINTS EARNED.

### WEDNESDAYS

# \$250,000 MEGADRAW

GAMES PLAYED EVERY 30 MINUTES 6PM TO 9PM

One game piece for every 100 same-day points earned. Limit 2 game pieces per day

MATCH	YOU WIN
6 OF 6	\$250,000 CASH
5 OF 6	MEGADRAW PROGRESSIVE
4 OF 6	\$1,000 CASH
3 OF 6	\$100 FREE PLAY
2 OF 6	\$10 FREE PLAY

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## Weekly SPECIALS

11AM-9PM

**MONDAY CHICKEN MARSALA \$14**

**TUESDAY HOMESTYLE BEEF STEW \$11**

**WEDNESDAY TUNA MELT \$11**

**THURSDAY CHICKEN CLUB WRAP \$10**

**FRIDAY & SATURDAY PRIME RIB \$18**  
*Served from 4pm-9pm*

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