



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

## *Tribal Youth Gather for Culture Camp 2023*



Youth take Canoe Lottie out on the Siuslaw River  
Photographs by Morgan Gaines

Contributed by Morgan Gaines, Communications Specialist

Youth gathered for nishchima'muu camp (Culture Camp) for the week of July 10<sup>th</sup> through July 14<sup>th</sup>. Mapleton High School was very gracious to allow us to set up camp on the school property in Mapleton, Oregon for the week. This was a great central location for youth traveling from Coos Bay and Eugene and private enough to have a safe and fun environment for the youth to fully enjoy camping.

Staff collaborating from the Department of Culture and Natural Resources, Education, and Social Services Departments provided a fun filled experience for the campers and their families. Youth under seven had a parent or guardian chaperone them during camp while the other youth were set up into small camp clans throughout the week. Monday's arrival at camp had campers reuniting with their cousins and former camp buddies, while some new faces joined for their first ever Culture Camp and made fast friends...

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A group of youth gathering to learn language with Enna Helms

## *Tribal Council Hosted Second Constitutional Amendment Public Q & A Session*

Contributed by Morgan Gaines, Communications Specialist

On Tuesday, July 18, 2023, Tribal Council held an online Zoom question and answer session about the latest review of the amendments of the Tribal Constitution.

At the begin of July, a complete draft of the Amendments to the Constitution was mailed out to every household along with a questionnaire and return stamped and addressed envelope. A copy of the draft and questionnaire are also available online on the homepage of [www.ctclusi.org](http://www.ctclusi.org). Your input as a General Council member is extremely important and will greatly add to the efforts in updating our Tribal Constitution to reflect the current and future governing values of the Tribe.

This second draft that was mailed out and discussed during the July public Zoom meeting contained the suggested language to

present to the Bureau of Indian Affairs that had been previously gathered from Tribal membership during the first survey round earlier this year. This second draft also contained recommendations of the Tribes legal counsel.

Some very good points of discussion came up during the July meeting. The Tribes hunting, fishing, trapping, and gathering rights from Article II of the Constitution being one. The proposed amendment would add the language of trapping as well as places the responsibility and stewardship of the Tribal Council to help in the conservation of species and protection of natural resources.

Another vital section of the Constitution that was talked about in the online forum was Article III – Membership. The current language can be seen as restrictive and potentially exclusive to

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**SAVE the DATE:**

**Budget Hearing**

**September 10, 2023**

**Begins at 9:00 a.m. before the scheduled  
Regular Council Meeting at 10:00 a.m.**



Tribal Council Business

Activity of Elected Tribal Council Members from June 11, 2023 - July 8, 2023

Chief Doc Slyter

06/11 Tribal Council Meeting  
Wanda Williford Memorial- Opening Prayer and Played Flute  
06/12 Sunset Memorial Cemetery – Wanda Williford Ceremony  
07/06 Zoom- Pre meeting for Val Hoyle  
Daily emails and phone calls  
Total hours: 32

Brad Kneaper, Chairman

06/11 Regular Council Meeting  
Attend Tribal Elder Memorial Service  
06/15 Department of Natural Resources and Culture Director Applicant Interview  
06/16 Present to Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Commission on the proposed Co-Management Agreement. The Commission approved unanimously.  
06/17 Attended Student Recognition Dinner  
06/21 Leader’s Circle  
06/22 Special Council Meeting. On the agenda were a (1) Resolution for an employment agreement, (2) Resolution amending a contract with Indigenous Healthcare Advancement, (3) Resolution for a contract for Phase 1 Waite Ranch Restoration Project. (4) Enrollment Discussion.  
06/25 Seeds for Success Project Opening Gathering.  
06/26 Media Interview on the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Co-Management Agreement.  
06/27 Attend the Tribal Government Employee All-Staff Meeting. Attended a portion of Tribal Court Training.  
06/28 Tribal CEO and I met with Florence City Mayor and City Manager regarding common areas of concern, including Wind Energy, Coos Bay Port Project, Housing issues and other items of mutual interest.  
Business Council Meeting  
07/05 Waite Ranch Restoration Project Pre-Construction Gathering.  
07/06 Pre-Meeting to discuss meeting with Representative Val Hoyle. (ZOOM).  
Meet (in person) with Representative Val Hoyle regarding Wind Energy, Port Expansion Projects Environmental Concerns. Also discussed future relationship and communications.  
Total Hours: 134

Doug Barrett, Vice Chair

06/11 Tribal Council Meeting  
Wanda Williford Memorial  
06/12 Travel day to Tulalip Washington

06/13 Tribal Clean Energy Summit in Tulalip  
06/15 Elakha Board Meeting  
06/16 ODFW Signing of MOA  
06/17 Student Recognition Dinner  
06/21 Leaders Circle  
06/22 Culture Committee Meeting  
Special Council meeting  
06/24 Coquille Restoration Day  
06/26 ATNI Changing Currents; Tribal Waters Summit at Mill Casino  
06/28 Tribal Council Business Meeting  
07/05 Waite Ranch Pre-Construction Gathering Ceremony  
07/06 Pre-Meeting and Meeting with Representative Val Hoile  
07/08 Grande Ronde Veterans Pow Wow in Grande Ronde  
Total Hours: 158 hrs

Julie Siestreem

06/11 Tribal Council general Membership Regular Monthly Meeting  
Community Center  
Wanda Williford Celebration of Life, Tribal Hall  
06/13 Education Committee Meeting  
Final Scholarship Determination  
Jeannie McNeil  
4j IPC meeting Eugene  
06/14 Oregon Department of Education Early Learning Division  
Tribal Advisory Committee Regular Meeting  
06/21 Excused Leaders Circle Meeting  
06/22 Special Meeting Tribal Council  
06/26-06/30 Attended choice sessions as schedule allowed. ATNI Changing Currents Tribal Water Summit, Mill hotel and Casino North Bend Oregon  
06/27 Court Training Tribal Hall  
06/28 GFORB Regular Monthly Meeting  
TRC Florence  
Tribal Council Regular Monthly Business Meeting TRC Florence  
07/06 Tribal Council Pre-Meeting for Congresswoman Val Hoyle in person meeting  
Tribal Council in person meeting with Congresswoman Val Hoyle  
Coommunity Center  
07/09 Tribal Council and General Council Regular Monthly Meeting  
Email, text , phone, in-person communications, research, driving as needed.  
Total hours: 130

Teresa Spangler

06/11 Regular Council Meeting  
06/16 ODFW Hearing in Newport.  
06/17 Student Recognition Dinner  
06/21 Leaders Circle Meeting  
06/22 Special Council Meeting  
06/26 Seeds for Success dinner at Deadwood Property with OSU, DNR/Culture and Forestry.

06/28 Business Council Meeting  
07/05 Waite Ranch Pre- Construction Meeting  
Total Hours: 71

Iliana Montiel

06/11 Tribal Council Regular Meeting  
Wanda Williford Memorial  
06/17 Student Recognition Dinner  
06/21 Leaders Circle  
06/22 Special Council Meeting  
06/28 GFORB/ Tribal Council Business Meeting  
07/06 SB 770 Meeting  
Total Hours: 40

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Tribal General Council

First 2024 Budget Hearing  
(CLUSITC 7-10-3(a))

2023 Supplemental  
Budget Hearing (CLUSITC 7-10-9)

September 10, 2023

Budget meeting will start at 9:00 a.m.,  
before the Regular Council Meeting  
begins at 10:00 a.m.

The Voice of CLUSI July 2023  
Edition Corrections

Page 2 - Council member Teresa Spangler submitted her business report and it was accidentally omitted from the July publication.  
  
Spangler’s report for the period of May 14, 2023 - June 11, 2023  
05/14 Regular Council Meeting  
05/15 Meeting with Mapetsi and General Services Administration  
05/23 Dinner with James Su from Nevada State Bank  
05/24 Flag Ceremony at Mapleton High School  
05/26 Ribbon Cutting for Grand Opening in Blue Bills  
05/30 Meeting with Senator Jeff Merkley  
05/31 Business Council Meeting  
06/07 Leaders Circle Meeting - Met with Oregon State University-Then with Department of State lands  
E-Mails Daily  
Total Hours: 68

Page 10 - In the Student Recognition Celebration article, a misprint of the Education Director’s name appeared. The correct spelling is Jemiah Wassman.

# 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 Jeannie McNeil at 541-888-7506 or at email [jmcneil@ctclusi.org](mailto:jmcneil@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: 541-888-7538 or Fax: 541-888-2853.

## TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES

The full meeting video is available at [www.ctclusi.org](http://www.ctclusi.org) If you are an enrolled member of CTCLUSI and would like to receive typed copies of the Tribal Council Meeting minutes please submit a written request to Jeannie McNeil 1245 Fulton Ave. Coos Bay OR 97459 or [jmcneil@ctclusi.org](mailto:jmcneil@ctclusi.org) including the date requested , your name , current address and Tribal Roll number for verification.

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# Tribal Council

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## Vice-Chair

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# Council Meeting

August 13, 2023

10:00 a.m.

**Coos Bay Community Center**  
**338 Wallace Ave.**

**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)

# Tribal Committee Members

### Budget Committee

1. Martin Harris
2. Wendy Garcia
3. Margaret Corvi
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5. Teresa Spangler
6. Allen (Butch) Swigert
7. Roseanna Perry

### Culture Committee

1. Earla Kirk
2. Doug Barrett
3. Jennifer L. Conway-Portillo
4. VACANT
5. Michael Brainard
6. **Patrica Whereat-Phillips, Chair**  
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1. Michelle Brix
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3. Wendy Garcia
4. **Ashley Russell, Chair**  
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5. Michael Brainard

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1. **Arleen Perkins, Chair**
2. VACANT
3. Warren (Tom) Brainard
4. VACANT
5. Martin Harris
6. Allen (Butch) Swigert
7. Brad Kneaper

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3. Skip Brainard
4. **Vicki Faciane, Chair**  
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5. Teresa Spangler

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4. Allen Swigert
5. VACANT

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1. Roseanna Perry
2. Jade Fong
3. VACANT
4. VACANT
5. Vicki Faciane

### Language Committee

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4. VACANT
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4. Mark Petrie
5. Josh Davies
6. Pauline Benson
7. Ashley Russell

Are you a Tribal member who would like to learn more about a Tribal Committee, or are interested in being on a committee? Reach out to a Committee Chair person or a Tribal Government Staff member.

Committee Chairs are noted at left with current sitting members of the committee at the time of publication of this paper.

For questions, please contact Jeannie McNeil, 541-888-7506 or [jmcneil@ctclusi.org](mailto:jmcneil@ctclusi.org)

The Tribe maintains 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. Letters of interest remain on file for one full year. Members can serve on up to three committees simultaneously.

## THE VOICE OF CLUSI



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  
[mgaines@ctclusi.org](mailto:mgaines@ctclusi.org)

## Upcoming Events

Turn to page 19 of this publication for a monthly calendar of upcoming events or visit the Events Calendar on the tribal website at <https://ctclusi.org/events/>



# Tribal Council Corner

Hello Everyone,

I want to provide you all with a couple of updates on two ongoing projects that I know you are interested in. First, the Co-Management Agreement (Hunting, Fishing, Trapping, Gathering) with the State of Oregon. As I'm sure you are aware, our agreement was unanimously approved by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Commission. The next steps are first a signing of the agreement ceremony that will be open to the public, particularly Tribal Citizens. After that a meeting with the ODFW Commission representative to work out the implementation. I do want to remind everyone that this isn't

only about the ability to hunt and fish under our own regulations, it's also about working together to Protect and restore the Cultural and Natural Resources, some of which are in danger of disappearing.

Next, we are progressing with the proposed amendments to the constitution. We have had two ZOOM listening sessions with Tribal Membership, the last one on Tuesday (July 18, 2023). The meeting was productive and while I would have liked to see more of our Tribal Citizens attend, those that did asked meaningful questions and offered valuable comments. I believe the recording of that meeting will be posted on the website, and a separate article summarizing the meeting will be posted in this newsletter by Morgan Gaines, who attended as well. There was a recent mailing that went out with a survey. Once we feel like we have received all of those, Council will meet to discuss

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and consider all the information that has been received from both surveys and both ZOOM listening sessions. Once all that information has been put together, it will go out to membership for review again. Please review all the documents and send in your comments or questions. Posting comments on social media will not give you a voice in this election, nor allow us to address your concerns or answer your questions. One more thing, and I've addressed this several times, both in the listening sessions and verbally, and I believe in previous articles, these amendments DO NOT give Council the ability to vote themselves a pay increase.

The amendments give that authority to ONLY the General Council.

Once we complete the review process and finalize the amendments into a final format, it will be sent to BIA for their review. Once it is approved and ready to be put out to a vote, BIA will be sending out registration forms for all those eligible (Enrolled members of our tribe,

18 years and older). It is important that the Tribe has your current mailing address, as that is the address your registration forms will be sent to. **This is very important. You will need to receive, complete and return the registration form to BIA. If you don't, you will not receive a ballot and will not be able to vote on the proposed amendments.** I would love to see a 100% participation in this election. Please reach out to eligible family members and urge them to register with BIA and vote.

In closing, there are other important project that the Tribe is taking part and



Chairman Brad Kneaper

leading in. One of these projects is the Waite Ranch Restoration Project. To keep it short, this projects restores a Siuslaw River wetland that was diked and dried out many years ago. This will restore critical habitat for salmon and other species that was lost to them. This project began 10 plus years ago. They are now able to break ground, and have started the actual work that needs to be done to complete the project. I am excited to see this project completed and see this area the way it should be, and not how it has been my entire life. If you have questions on this project please contact The Tribal Department of Natural Resources & Culture.

Take care, and have a wonderful summer. Remember to RSVP for Salmon Ceremony coming up August 6<sup>th</sup>!

## Resolution Summaries

**RESOLUTION NO.: 23-059**  
**Date of Passage:** April 26, 2023  
**Subject (title):** 2022 abbreviated Annual Performance Report  
**Submission IHBG- CARES**  
**Explanation:** Tribal Council approves this submission of data from the Housing Department to HUD .  
**Vote 6-0-0**

**RESOLUTION NO.: 23-060**  
**Date of Passage:** April 27, 2023  
**Subject (title):** Three Rivers Casino Chief Financial Officer  
**Explanation:** Tribal Council approves this employment contract.**Vote5-0-1**

**RESOLUTION NO.: 23-061**  
**Date of Passage:** May 14, 2023  
**Subject (title):** River Road Plaza Shopping Center Lease 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment and Tribal Council Approval  
**Explanation:** Tribal Council approves the amendment to renew the lease for office space for the Eugene Outreach office until May 2025.  
**Vote 5-1-0**

*In this public paper, some Resolution titles and explanation will not be displayed or minimal details due to confidentiality.*

**RESOLUTION NO.: 23-062**  
**Date of Passage:** May 14, 2023  
**Subject (title):** Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board, Siuslaw Coho Partnership Focused Investment Partnership Grant Application.  
**Explanation:** Tribal Council approves this project. **Vote 6-0-0**

**RESOLUTION NO.: 23-063**  
**Date of Passage:** May 14, 2023  
**Subject (title):** Approval of Opening New account for EZ Mini Storage  
**Explanation:** Tribal Council approves this action. **Vote 6-0-0**

**RESOLUTION NO.: 23-064**  
**Date of Passage:** May 14, 2023  
**Subject (title):** Native Connections Substance abuse and Mental Health Services  
**Explanation:** Tribal Council approves this request to submit application for grant funding . **Vote 6-0-0**

**RESOLUTION NO.: 23-065**  
**Date of Passage:** May 31, 2023  
**Subject (title):** Approve Application for the 2023 Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM) Tribal Strategic Investment (TSI) Grant  
**Explanation:** Tribal Council approves this request for funding for police supplies and equipment. **Vote 7-0-0**

## Tribal Police Department Hires Fish & Wildlife Officer

Contributed by Brian Dubray, Chief of Police


The CTCLUSI Police Department is excited to welcome and introduce Don Miller as our Fish and Wildlife Officer. Don comes to us with a successful career in law enforcement spanning 30 years. His prior experience includes training and supervisory experience as a Field Training Officer, Field Training Evaluator, Crisis Team Member (CIT) Fugitive Warrant Unit, Gang Unit, TACT Team Unit, Senior Detective, Sergeant Detective, Sergeant Patrol Operations, and Chief of Police. Don has also worked at the Houston Office of the FBI as a Special Deputy United States Marshal where he conducted investigations into Human Trafficking of Minors.

Don begins with our agency today, and we are excited to implement this position within the Tribal Police Department. It will be a tremendous asset to be able to proactively patrol the Tribal Forest and work collaboratively with other departments to help protect the Tribe's resources.



Don Miller, Fish & Wildlife Officer





### Tribal Veterans to be Honored at Salmon Ceremony:

If you or a member of your family are a CTCLUSI enrolled member and/or CTCLUSI Tribal descendant and a Veteran, please submit your DD214's to Meagan Davenport at [mdavenport@ctclusi.org](mailto:mdavenport@ctclusi.org) or call 541-888-7509 to be recognized during Salmon Ceremony on August 6, 2023.

Let us know what branch you served in and submit a 5" x 7" photo to be placed on the Veterans Wall in Tribal Hall.

## Salmon Ceremony 2023

The Confederated Tribes of  
Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians

Welcomes you to join us for  
Salmon Ceremony 2023

with  
Chief Doc Slyter



### 2023 Annual Salmon Ceremony Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>

Begins at 11:00am  
Lunch at 12:00 noon

Location: Gregory Point/Chiefs Island  
Lighthouse  
Shuttle transport only to the site from  
Coos Head

### Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup> Breakfast with Tribal Council

Tribal Council will be cooking a variety of  
breakfast items for the Tribal membership  
and their families  
9:00am - 11:00am

Location: Community Center  
338 Wallace Ave Coos Bay, OR

**RSVP Needed please call  
1-541-435-7155**

**Questions? Contact Meagan  
Davenport 541-888-7509**

## Constitutional Amendment..continued from cover

lineal descendants due to past actions of some family's ancestors. As it stands written from 1984, the Constitution currently states no person or those whose lineal ancestor through whom they are claiming eligibility, who received payment in compensation for land claims through any other Indian Tribe whether federally recognized or not is ineligible for membership in CTCLUSI. Revising this section and allowing the lineal descendants seeking eligibility, while of course meeting the other requirements, would allow us to lay aside old grudges and come together in unity for our citizenship, further acting upon and reinforcing our sovereignty as a Tribal Government.

Speaking of enforcing our Sovereignty, the idea was also brought up to update the language throughout the Constitution to match our standing as a Nation of Tribal Citizens. The idea of "changing the term Tribal Member to Tribal Citizen doesn't change the technical status of enrollment but mirrors the sovereign status of the Tribe" was shared during the discussion, with many participants in agreement. In that same line of thought, updating our Tribal name would also be a potential benefit in our Government to Government relationships. "Changing the name of the Tribe does not impact any of our rights and would be more reflective of our cultural identities", and standing as a Sovereign Nation.

There is definitely much to consider

and to keep reviewing. This process of amending our Tribal Constitution is important and will not be rushed. Please take the time to review and submit comments online.

After reviewing the submitted questionnaires from the last draft and taking into consideration the discussion held in the July meeting, another draft will be compiled. Please be on the lookout in your Tribal paper, website, and in mailings from the Tribe future draft comment requests.

Once a final draft amendment document in complete, it will be sent to the BIA and a Secretarial Election will be called. The process for this election to amend the Constitution will be handled solely by the BIA, not the Tribe or our Election Board.

All CTCLUSI enrolled members will have an opportunity to participate in this election process and vote for various proposed amendments. All members eighteen (18) years of age and older and will be sent "registration" from the BIA to allow participation.

*Be sure our Enrollment Department has all of your family members correct mailing addresses NOW so you won't miss any important correspondence for the Tribe or the BIA about this matter.*

The Tribe will continue to provide information and updates as we continue to move this process forward. If you have any questions please contact Jeannie McNeil at 541-888-9577 or [jmcneil@ctclusi.org](mailto:jmcneil@ctclusi.org)

## Can You Find Me?

In this edition of The Voice of CLUSI there is a hidden image of a **BASKET START** - exactly like the one pictured at below.

It could be any size and on any page, but will look exactly like the one shown here.

If you find it, email [mgaines@ctclusi.org](mailto:mgaines@ctclusi.org) to have your name entered into a prize drawing. **In your email you must include your name, age, address (for mailing purposes) and contact phone number.**

**In your email you must also let us know what page and where on the page you spotted the BASKET hiding! Must email by August 18<sup>th</sup> to be included in the raffle drawing.**

Winners will be notified by phone or email and their name will appear in an upcoming edition of the Voice of CLUSI paper. Prizes will vary and are provided by different CTCLUSI Government departments.



The basket start above is woven with cattails

**July "Salmon" Edition Winners:**  
**Adult - Marie Petrie | Youth - Aubrey Wisdom**

Salmon from July edition was located on page 14, on the Peacegiving advertisement at the bottom left of the page.



# Department of Forest Management Gains Two New Employees

Contributed by Colin Beck, Forest Lands Manager

Please join me in welcoming two new employees to the Department of Forest Management!



*Holley Carroll*

Holley Carroll is joining the department as our Forestry Program Coordinator. Holley moved here 7 years ago from Southern California and came straight to work for the Tribe as an Administrative/Payroll Assistant where she ran the biweekly payroll and manned the front office. Holley moved into PRC in 2019 and then went back to Payroll full time in 2021. Holley is looking to grow and utilize more of her diverse skills as the Forestry Programs Coordinator. She's excited to grow the position and help the Tribe in new ways!

Daniel Jager is joining us as our new GIS Administrator. Daniel is originally from Southwest Washington, the ancestral homelands of the Cowlitz. He has been living in the dry climate of Central Washington for the past six years and is excited to be back on the coast. Daniel recently worked for the Tribal Historic Preservation Office of the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation, working with cultural resources and geographic information science. He loves trying to understand the relationship between people and landscape in order to produce more meaningful maps. When Daniel is not working, he enjoys being in nature and taking photographs.



*Daniel Jager*

Welcome, Holley and Daniel. We're excited to have both of you onboard!

## Need Assistance Accessing the Citizen Portal on the Tribal Website?

Contact Morgan Gaines,  
Communications Specialist at  
[mgaines@ctclusi.org](mailto:mgaines@ctclusi.org) or call 541-888-7536



## Smoke Ready Checklist

Air pollution can harm health and may have lasting effects. Below are a few precautionary actions that we can take to get ready for wildfire smoke events.

For more information visit the Air Quality Program tab at:

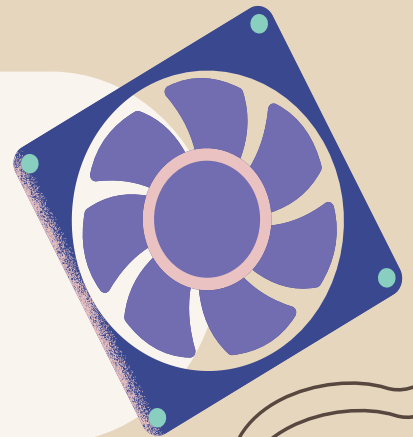
[ctclusi.org/departments-of-natural-resources-culture/](http://ctclusi.org/departments-of-natural-resources-culture/)

or

[www.oregonsmoke.org](http://www.oregonsmoke.org)

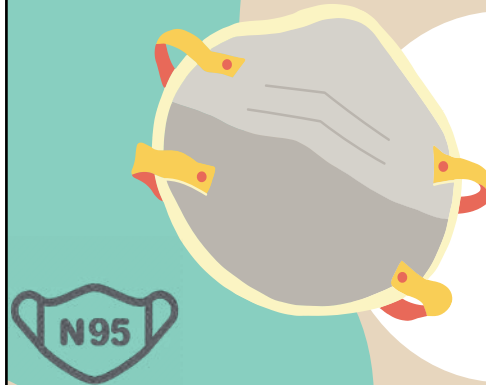
### Create Clean Indoor Air

Choose a room that you can close off from outside air. Use a portable air cleaner/purifier with the highest rated MERV filter. Attach a MERV filter to a box fan for inexpensive DIY air cleaner.



### Gather N95 Masks

If you must be outside in heavy smoke, NIOSH approved masks with the label "N95" or "N100" are the most effective at protection from air pollution.



### Make a Plan for Vulnerable Household Members

Consider how to keep children, elders, pregnant women, those with heart or lung disease, and outdoor workers out of smoky air whenever possible.



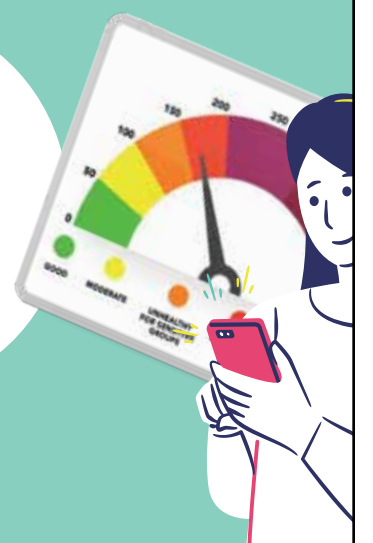
### Consider Ideas to Stay Mentally Strong and Engaged

Social connection is key when you're isolated indoors. Identify someone you can ask for help, and someone you can help. Make a list of things that have helped you cope with smoke in the past.



### Know How to Get Air Quality Information

Keep an eye on PM2.5 levels in your area during wildfires. AirNow is a very reliable source which is referenced by many different air quality professionals. There are two websites: [AirNow.gov](http://AirNow.gov) or [fire.airnow.gov](http://fire.airnow.gov). The EPA's Smoke Sense app also has some great air quality and smoke safety educational information.





## INDOOR AIR QUALITY TESTING PILOT PROJECT

The Department of Culture & Natural Resources' Air Quality Program is launching an Indoor Air Quality Testing Pilot Project for Tribal members who own their home. Prioritization for homes west of the coast range & elders.

Based on need & availability: Air Purifier, Dehumidifier, or an Air Matters Toolkit available to participants.

**Please contact:**  
**Ali Grove, Air Protection Specialist**  
Office: 541-435-7156, Cell: 541-294-6136, email: [agrove@ctclusi.org](mailto:agrove@ctclusi.org)

## Air Quality Alerts

For current Air Quality Advisories effecting the CTCLUSI 5 county service area (Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane and Lincoln counties) please visit the Health Alert Notifications tab under News & Events on the CTCLUSI website ([ctclusi.org/health-alert-notifications/](http://ctclusi.org/health-alert-notifications/)). You can also download the CTCLUSI Alert Hub app on your phone to receive notifications.

For more information, please contact: Ali Grove, Air Protection Specialist  
Office: 541-435-7156,  
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email: [agrove@ctclusi.org](mailto:agrove@ctclusi.org)

# Enjoy Your Fire Pit Responsibly

Contributed by  
**Armando Martinez, Emergency Management Coordinator**

If you choose to burn wood, reduce particle pollution with these steps:

- Only burn seasoned, dry wood, which burns hotter and cleaner.
- Use a moisture meter to check firewood; moisture content is best at about 20 percent.
- Cover stacked wood, but allow good air flow so it can dry.
- Never burn wood during air quality alert days, when air pollution is already higher.
- Never burn green wood, construction waste, plastic, garbage, or yard waste. They create more smoke and can be toxic.
- Take extra care if you live in a region where brush fires are of concern.

**Cleaner Alternatives**

Learn about your options before burning wood in your backyard. Switching to natural gas or propane reduces harmful air pollutants. Kits that convert existing fire rings and pits to natural gas or propane burners are available at hearth and patio stores.

**Check Your Local Laws**

Some local governments have adopted ordinances to restrict backyard recreational fires. For more information, check with local authorities.



## HEAT-RELATED ILLNESSES

WHAT TO LOOK FOR	WHAT TO DO
<h3>HEAT STROKE</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• High body temperature (103°F or higher)</li><li>• Hot, red, dry, or damp skin</li><li>• Fast, strong pulse</li><li>• Headache</li><li>• Dizziness</li><li>• Nausea</li><li>• Confusion</li><li>• Losing consciousness (passing out)</li></ul>	
<h3>HEAT EXHAUSTION</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Heavy sweating</li><li>• Cold, pale, and clammy skin</li><li>• Fast, weak pulse</li><li>• Nausea or vomiting</li><li>• Muscle cramps</li><li>• Tiredness or weakness</li><li>• Dizziness</li><li>• Headache</li><li>• Fainting (passing out)</li></ul>	
<h3>HEAT CRAMPS</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Heavy sweating during intense exercise</li><li>• Muscle pain or spasms</li></ul>	
<h3>SUNBURN</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Painful, red, and warm skin</li><li>• Blisters on the skin</li></ul>	
<h3>HEAT RASH</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Red clusters of small blisters that look like pimples on the skin (usually on the neck, chest, groin, or in elbow creases)</li></ul>	



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## Health Administrator Hired to Oversee CTCLUSI Health Services

John R Reeves III, MHA is the new Health Administrator overseeing the health services at CTCLUSI. John has been in healthcare management for twenty-three years, and has worked improving healthcare within Indian Country for seventeen of those years. John comes to CTCLUSI from Honolulu, Hawai'i where he had previously been helping the State of Hawai'i manage their state-owned critical access hospitals and integrated outpatient clinics on the island of Kaua'i.

John holds a Master of Healthcare Administration from the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, Minnesota, as well as a Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Management from National American University in Rapid City, South Dakota. John is a champion of improving access, operational understanding, prosperity, and equity in healthcare delivery within rural communities.

Professionally, John has directly managed Tribal Health programs in various states, and has founded and grown multiple startup companies throughout his career. Starting with Tribal Healthcare Consultants in 2016, which provided healthcare consulting in Indian Country, and in 2020 that business grew and rebranded as Indigenous Healthcare Advancements

consisting of multiple services lines from healthcare consulting, to health program planning, healthcare expansion support, and many other healthcare related services. John brings with him a wealth of resources and relationships that have time and again positively impacted Indigenous communities.

John is married to Pui Reeves, who is currently serving as the CEO of Indigenous Healthcare Advancements, and she manages the business from Seattle, Washington with a soon to be location in Las Vegas, Nevada. Together they have two children Jayden (21) who lives in Sacramento, California, and Janessa (19) who lives in Newport, Oregon.

John is excited to integrate into the CTCLUSI community and support the community in the expansion of their new healthcare service lines of Behavioral Health, Medical, Pharmacy, and Specialty Telehealth while also supporting the Tribe in exercising their Self-Determination!

John can be reached by office phone at (541) 888-7515 or by email at [jreeves@ctclusi.org](mailto:jreeves@ctclusi.org), and if you would like to set up an appointment to discuss anything Health Services related you are encouraged to schedule an appointment with his assistant Naomi Petrie at [npetrie@ctclusi.org](mailto:npetrie@ctclusi.org).



John Reeves III, MHA

## Tribal Member Takes on Role of Health Program Assistant

Naomi Petrie is from Coos Bay, OR, and is an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians (CTCLUSI). She is the second youngest out of 18 siblings belonging to David Petrie. She has lived in Coos Bay, OR for the majority of her life. She worked in the dental field for 5 years as a Dental Health Aid Therapist at the CTCLUSI Dental Clinic. Naomi received her Associate of Applied Science and DHAT certificate in June of 2017, and then her DHAT license in November of 2022.

Naomi has made the switch to the administrative side of things as the new Health Program Assistant. She looks forward to helping the CTCLUSI tribe in a new capacity.



Naomi Petrie

### Make an Appointment with the CTCLUSI Dental Clinic

1245 Fulton Avenue,  
Coos Bay, Oregon 97420

**541-888-6433**

Business Hours  
Open 8:00 a.m.,  
Close 5:00 p.m.

The clinic is open Monday through Thursday during the months of January, March, May, July, September, and November.

The clinic is open Tuesday through Friday during the months of February, April, June, August, October, and December.

## Fitness Program

Naomi Petrie is taking over the administration of the Fitness Program. Remember, this program is available to all enrolled Tribal members and their spouse.

The Fitness Program covers the cost of fitness-related activities, such as gym memberships, sports participation and limited weight-loss/management programs (does not cover medical weight-loss programs). There is also a benefit for equipment purchases of fitness equipment, subject to limits as identified in the program guidelines.

Learn more about the program and fill out your 2023 form online at <https://ctclusi.org/community-health-wellness-programs/> Contact Naomi Petrie at 541-888-7532 or [npetrie@ctclusi.org](mailto:npetrie@ctclusi.org)

**PHILIPS sonicare**

**Feel the difference**  
Try it for free during your visit

**Philips Sonicare Power Toothbrush**

MSRP: \$79.99

**CTCLUSI PRICE: \$40.00**

### Cleaner teeth. Gently does it.

Feel the difference of a gentle clean with our pressure sensor while removing up to 10x more plaque.

#### Proven to improve oral health

- Safe & gentle on sensitive areas, orthodontics & dental work

#### Designed around you

- Encouragement to brush thoroughly
- Always know when to replace your brush heads

#### Provide a superior clean

- Up to 10x more plaque removal than a manual toothbrush
- Remove staining from coffee, tea, red wine and tobacco

#### Innovative Technology

- Let's you know if you're pressing too hard
- Connects smart brush handle and smart brush heads

#### Optimize your brushing

- Two modes, three intensity settings

ASK US AT YOUR NEXT VISIT  
HOW YOU CAN TRY THE PHILIPS  
SONICARE TOOTHBRUSH FOR

**FREE**



# Immunization is the Safest and Most Effective Public Health Tool for Preventing Disease and Death

Contributed by Dennita Antonellis-John,  
Public Health Improvement Coordinator

August is National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM). This annual observance highlights the importance of getting recommended vaccines throughout your life. We know the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted all aspects of life, including your ability to attend important appointments and receive routine vaccinations. During NIAM, we encourage you to talk to your doctor, nurse, or healthcare provider to ensure you and your family are protected against serious diseases by getting caught up on routine vaccination. As your children head back to school this fall, it's particularly important for you to work with your child's doctor or nurse to make sure they get caught up on missed well-child visits, sport physicals, and recommended vaccines. Scan the QR code to find out about your CDC recommended child's immunization schedule:



Remember to take care of yourself, too! Make sure to receive any vaccines you need to stay healthy. August is also a critical time for those who are eligible to get vaccinated against COVID-19. To learn more about COVID-19 vaccination, check out vaccines.gov website or call 1-800-232-0233 to find a vaccine location.

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## Diabetes and Emergencies

When a crisis happens, medication, water, or diabetes supplies may be hard to get. By planning ahead you can act quickly. Have an emergency kit ready to go so you can better manage your diabetes away from home.

### Build an Emergency Kit

Get a backpack or box that holds a week or more worth of supplies. Stock the kit with items that apply to you on the checklist. Place the kit where you can grab it and go. See more at [Ready.gov](#) on how to build your kit.

### Diabetes Medical Supplies for 1-2 weeks

- ☐ Prescriptions and over-the-counter medications taken by mouth, inhaled, or injected
- ☐ Glucose meters, test strips, lancets, and batteries
- ☐ Continuous glucose monitoring supplies
- ☐ Insulin pens, needles, and syringes
- ☐ Insulin pump supplies
- ☐ Glucose tablets, juice boxes, or hard candy to treat low blood sugar
- ☐ Hand sanitizer and sanitizing wipes
- ☐ First aid kit

### Personal Information and Items

- ☐ Current medication list, along with your pharmacy and provider's contact information
- ☐ Copies of important records, identification, and health insurance cards
- ☐ Extra cell phone charger
- ☐ Extra pair of glasses or contact lenses, as needed

### More Essentials for Your Kit

#### A 3-day supply of food, water, and other essentials to pack

- ☐ Non-perishable food such as peanut butter, crackers, protein bars and shakes, tuna, sardines, nuts, and canned fruit
- ☐ A can opener and eating utensils
- ☐ One gallon of water per day
- ☐ Radio, flashlight, and extra batteries
- ☐ A warm blanket and a change of clothing

### Create an Emergency Plan

Talk with family members about why and how to prepare for disasters common to your area.

### Things to consider

- ☐ Discuss where to meet in case you are separated from your family. Include a back-up location.
- ☐ Plan how you will stay in touch if phones and internet are out.
- ☐ Decide what tasks need to be done by each household member.
- ☐ For more help with making your emergency plan, see the [American Red Cross Disaster Preparedness Plan](#).

### If you have disabilities or other medical needs:

- ☐ Decide what you might need during and after an emergency.
- ☐ Talk with your caregivers to help you prepare your emergency plan.
- ☐ For help making a plan for people with disabilities, see the American Red Cross, [Disaster Safety for People with Disabilities](#).

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

Dial 988

for mental health emergencies.

Text NATIVE to 741741 for free, 24/7 support.

#WeNeedYouHere

## What is 988?

988 is a direct three-digit line to trained National Suicide Prevention Lifeline crisis counselors that will go live July 16, 2022. With an easy to remember 3-digit number, the Lifeline hopes to reach many more people in emotional crisis. This service is provided free of charge to the caller. Any person of any age can call or text 988; services will be available 24/7, year round. They will include a text option, translation services for non-English speakers, accessible options for people who are deaf or hard of hearing, and services for minors.



# Culture Camp 2023...continued from cover

Camp week was full of traditional activities, adventures, and fun. Youth explored their family histories together, learning about their Tribal connections. Throughout the week while at camp they learned cedar and tule weaving, beading, flintknapping, atlatl throwing, plant identification, participating in talking circles and so much more. They spent time in the mornings and evenings in language groups learning their traditional languages and using it throughout the week.

Field trips were also on the agenda, with the first one being a drive to Sunset Bay in Charleston, Oregon. Following a safety lesson and gearing up in life jackets they enjoyed an afternoon of kayaking in the bay, searching the tidepools, fishing, and beachcombing.

Later in the week campers explored the Amanda Trail and learned the history of one of their Coos ancestors who was separated from her daughter and forced to march to the Alsea Reservation in Yachats, Oregon. Starting at the Cape Perpetua lookout, campers hiked the Amanda Trail down to the Amanda statue located on honorary Tribal member Joanne Kittel's property just south of Yachats.

The sun was shining bright for our campers throughout the week. This made for perfect weather for taking the canoes out on the water. To beat the heat the youth also had lots of opportunities for swimming in the Siuslaw and enjoyed using refillable water balloons back at camp.

Lottie, the traditional dugout canoe and Tyee ii Bowen, the cedar strip canoe were both pulled by youth in the Siuslaw River. Some friendly canoe races were held paddling from the Mapleton boat ramp to the Mapleton bridge and back. This was a first-time experience for some of the campers and oh what an incredible time it was. Truly inspiring to see the faces of our Tribal youth light up taking part in their living culture and moving us forward in a good way.

Hiisa, Luwii to Tribal Council and all the staff, volunteers, parents, and youth who made culture camp so wonderful this year. We really couldn't do it without all of your support and willingness to help out and participate. Thank you and we so look forward to seeing you next time!



Canoe Tyee ii Bowen in the Siuslaw River



Patty Whereat storytelling at Sunset Bay, Charleston, Oregon



Thorin and Saralynn Gaines enjoy pulling in the canoes on the Siuslaw River



Mark Petrie skips Tyee ii Bowen



Everyone circling up at camp before taking the canoes out on the Siuslaw River. Photograph by Desiree Acosta



Culture Camp 2023...continued from cover



Jennifer and Jackson Neet kayak in Sunset Bay



Zhade Beers, Hank Eckroth, and Kira Flores canoeing



Getting ready for reusable water balloon time! Photo by Desiree Acosta



Hiking the Amanda Trail. Photo by Courtney Krossman



Langston Hemingway and Kaydence Gonzales



Stevie and Hadley Walton enjoy kayaking



Evelynn Bishop leading down the dock



Everyone circling up before kayaking at Sunset Bay. All photographs by Morgan Gaines unless otherwise specified.



# Grande Ronde Elders Honor Day Trip 2023

Contributed by Barbara Black, Tribal Navigator, Community Health

Confederated Tribes of Coos Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians (CTCLUSI) Elders were honored to participate in the Grand Ronde Elders Honor Day held July 9-11, 2023 at the Spirit Mountain Event Center.

Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, CTCLUSI brought together 29 Elders with staff to attend this 3-day getaway for fun and relaxation. After boarding their transport, chatting and laughter quickly took over for the duration of the trip. The scenic views of the Oregon Coast did not disappoint our travelers.

Finally reaching the destination, Grand Ronde welcomed all with a beautiful hotel facility at Spirit Mountain Lodge. Our Elders met up at the Happy Dragon restaurant for the first dinner meal. Lively conversations and good food were enjoyed by all.

The following day, Monday, July 10<sup>th</sup> they gathered together with other tribal elders to help celebrate Grand Ronde Elders Honor Day. It began with a blessing by Jon George, Grand Ronde Tribal Council.

Jon George continued as the MC throughout the day for all activities hosted in the Spirit Mountain Casino Event Center. He introduced, Vince Redhouse of "Wind People Music" who played several flute songs throughout the day. There were several other musicians who joined him for some of the songs he shared with us. Vince shared a bit of his life story with us.

The Grand Ronde Royalty Princesses sang in their language and danced in celebration. Annually the warriors ages 7-18 apply to serve on the Grand Ronde Royalty in March and are chosen in July. There are three age groups; Little Veterans Queen 7-10, Junior Veterans Queen 11-13, Senior Veterans Queen 14-18. As they serve they learn traditions, powwow protocols, public speaking, and, do needed work with the veterans.

The Pre-K children from the Chinuk Wawa Education Program sang three songs in their language with the support of adult drummers on each side of them.

Throughout the day, raffle prizes of Pendleton blankets, luggage totes, T-shirts, CD's, more blankets, leather purses, necklaces, and beaded jewelry, were offered. We had our own set of CTCLUSI winners. Bingo consisted of 10 rounds with various shapes. Competition was fierce.

Dinner that evening was given a 5-star rating by the Elders. We met at the Amore restaurant. Elders were given the choice of Seafood Louie, Chicken Parmesan, Prime Rib, Chicken Marsala, and Shrimp Scampi. The food was excellent.

On the last day, Tuesday, July 11<sup>th</sup> we had breakfast together, then headed to the Chachalu Museum and Culture Center for a guided tour by Joseph Ham and Dakota Zimmer. We listened to the Grand Ronde's history and stories. We had behind-the-scenes commentary on who was who in the family pictures set up throughout the museum. Our own guide Joseph, was pleased to talk more tribal to tribal, sharing stories of boat races of the canoes in the river and whom the people are making the unique baskets.

The travel back home was filled with great storytelling, laughter, and brand-new memories to share. The common thread to this trip is how much they enjoyed the togetherness, building new friendships, the hard laughter-to where one cries, and the beautiful drive to and from.



Eddie Helms holds up a prize!



Julie Siestrem and Pam Davies play Bingo



Pam Davies and Jon George



Bingo fun for everyone!



Donna McNutt and Arleen Perkins



Chris Nelson and Mary Adamec



Above: Eddie Helms and Pam Davies

At left: Tribal Elders traveled together on the Tribal bus to Grand Ronde

Photos contributed by Barb Black





# Elders Corner

## What's Up, Elders?

Contributed by Kimmy Bixby, Community Health Aide



Coos Tribal Elder Pictured left to right: Todd, Mindy, Nan and Nellie

Nellie Zimmer recently traveled to Hampstead, North Carolina to visit and spend time with her daughter Nan Bellini, Son-in-Law Ed, and Granddaughter Gabby. Her son Todd and his wife Mindy traveled with her.

During her stay, she and her family kept busy with barbeques at Nan's place, did some antique shopping, visited The Bellamy Plantation Mansion, the Confederate Cemetery in New Bern, the pharmacy where Pepsi Cola was invented in New Bern, and took a few trips to the beach to dip their toes in the Atlantic Ocean. They also stopped by a huge candy store called the Sugar Palace!

There are so many pictures Nellie and her family are happy to share; we hope you enjoy!



### More Photos from the Elders Honors Trip



Kerry Dollins listens to a Canoe story



Tribal Elders visit the Chachalu exhibits during Grand Ronde Elders Honor Day

### ELDERS LUNCHEON

CTCLUSI TRIBAL  
COMMUNITY CENTER  
338 Wallace St, Coos Bay, OR 97420

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2023**

**11:30 am - 1:00 pm**  
RSVP BY TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2023

**(541) 435-7155 or**  
**toll free 1 (888) 365-7155**

**There will be an Elders Committee Meeting**  
**at 1:00 pm following the luncheon.**

**LIMITED TRANSPORTATION IS PROVIDED**



Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians  
Health Services Division  
Elders Activity Program



### Sept 6th—Sept 8th Hellgate Jet boat Excursion Dinner Trip Grants Pass, OR

**What to bring:** hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, jacket. Remember the possibility that you and your things may get wet.  
**Hotel has onsite pool.**

Limited transportation is being provided from the Coos Bay, Florence and Eugene Offices  
Please arrive 10-15 minutes before departure.

#### Wednesday, September 6

- 1:00 pm Tribal transportation leaves Coos Bay office
- 12:30 pm Tribal transportation leaves Florence office
- 1:30 pm Tribal transportation leaves Eugene office
- 4:00 pm Check into The Riverside Inn—(986 SW 6th St.)
- 6:00 pm Black Bear Diner—(1900 NW 6th St.)

#### Thursday, September 7

- 8:00-10:00 am Continental Breakfast at The Riverside Inn
- 10:30 am Bear Hotel Museum Tour (2010 NE Spalding Ave.)
- 11:30 am Lunch at TAPROCK (Evergreen Room) (971 SE 6th Street)
- 1:00—2:30 pm Walk about downtown - G Street Marketplace (137 SW G St)
- 3:30 pm Meet in lobby area
- 3:45—8:30 pm Hellgate Jet Boat Excursions —(966 SW 6th Street)
- 8:45 pm Check back into Riverside Inn

#### Friday, September 8

- 8:00—10:30 am Continental Breakfast at Riverside Inn
- 11:00 am Transportation Leaves Back To Home

For further information please contact: **Barbara Black, Tribal Navigator/Community Health Aide at 541-888-7520.**



#### DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE EVENT

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Health Services Division  
Elders Activity Program





National Weather Service



National Weather Service



# WILDFIRE SAFETY FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

## PREPAREDNESS

Prepare long before the threat of a wildland fire so your home or business is ready in case of a fire:

- ✓ Create defensible space by clearing brush away from your home.
- ✓ Use fire-resistant landscaping and harden your home with fire-safe construction measures.
- ✓ Put together a basic emergency supply kit. Check emergency equipment, such as flashlights and generators. See [Ready.gov](https://www.ready.gov) for tips on preparing an emergency kit.
- ✓ Plan escape routes and make sure all those residing within your home or business know the plan of action.
- ✓ Before an emergency happens, sit down with your family or close friends and decide how you will get in contact with each other, where you will go, and what you will do in an emergency. Keep a copy of this plan in your emergency supplies kit or another safe place where you can access it quickly. Start at the [Ready.gov](https://www.ready.gov) emergency plan web page.
- ✓ Review your insurance policies to ensure that you have adequate coverage for your home and personal property.
- ✓ Understand NWS forecast products, especially the meaning of NWS watches and warnings. **See back of brochure.**



## GET SET - BE AWARE

- ✓ Pack your emergency items.
- ✓ Stay aware of the latest wildfire news and information from your local National Weather Service office and local government emergency management office.
- ✓ Find out what type of emergencies could occur and how you should respond.
- ✓ Listen to NOAA Weather Radio or other radio or TV stations for the latest news.
- ✓ Follow instructions issued by local officials and leave immediately if ordered!
- ✓ If NOT ordered to evacuate, use battery powered flashlights. **Do NOT** light campfires, candles or anything else that could start a fire.
- ✓ If you smoke, be sure to extinguish your cigarette or cigar before disposing of it. Never throw a burning item on the ground.
- ✓ Bag-up trash, clippings and other easily flammable items.
- ✓ Fill up your vehicle in case you need to evacuate.



## UNDERSTAND WILDFIRE WARNING AND WATCHES

### GO - ACT EARLY!

- ✓ A big threat after the fire are snags (fire weakened trees), be aware of the threat posed by falling trees.
- ✓ Follow your personal wildland fire action plan. Following your plan will not only support your safety, but will allow firefighters to best maneuver resources to combat the fire.
- ✓ Continue listening to a NOAA Weather Radio or the local news for the latest updates.
- ✓ If you evacuate, return home only when officials say it is safe.
- ✓ Once home, drive only if necessary. If you must go out, watch for fallen objects in the road, downed electrical wires, and weakened walls, bridges, roads, and sidewalks that might collapse.
- ✓ Walk carefully around the outside of your home to check for damaged power lines, gas leaks, and structural damage.
- ✓ Stay out of any building in which you smell gas, see smoke or flames or if the building or home was damaged by fire, or if the authorities have not declared it safe.
- ✓ Carbon monoxide poisoning is one of the leading causes of death after storms in areas dealing with power outages. Never use a portable generator inside your home or garage. Review generator safety.
- ✓ Use battery-powered flashlights. **Do NOT** use candles. Turn on your flashlight before entering a vacated building. The battery could produce a spark that could ignite leaking gas if present.



### Red Flag Warning: Take Action!

NWS issues a Red Flag Warning in conjunction with land management agencies to alert you to critical fire weather conditions ongoing or expected to occur within the next 12-48 hours.

### Fire Weather Watch: Be Prepared!

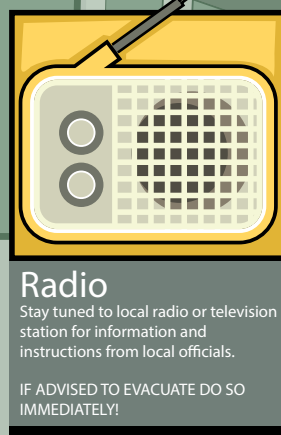
NWS issues a Fire Weather Watch when critical fire weather conditions are possible in the next one to four days (18 to 96 hours). In cases of dry lightning, NWS may issue a Fire Weather Watch for the next 12 hours.



For more information, visit [weather.gov/safety/wildfire](https://www.weather.gov/safety/wildfire)

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## Be Ready! Wildfires



### Additional Tips



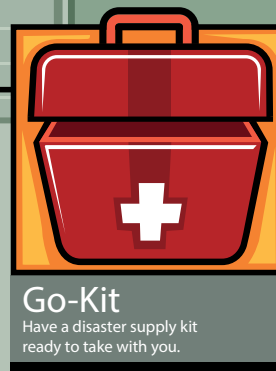
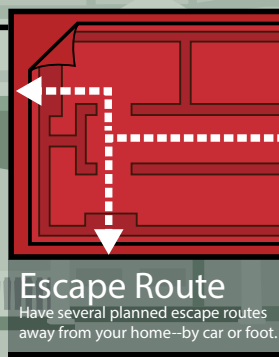
**Firewood** Stack firewood away from house.



**Vegetation** Clean gutters, rake leaves, and remove dead limbs from around your home.



**Water** If there is the threat of a wildfire, you can use your hose or sprinkler to wet your roof and shrubs around your home.



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## THE VOICE OF CLUSI

If you or anyone in your 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!

Visit [www.ctclusi.org/events](https://www.ctclusi.org/events) to view the online event calendar

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## CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING

### Fast Facts

- Carbon monoxide is an invisible, odorless, colorless gas created when fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil, and methane) burn incompletely. \*\*
- Each year, carbon monoxide poisoning claims approximately 480 lives and sends another 15,200 people to hospital emergency rooms for treatment.\*\*\*
- Each year over 200 people die from carbon monoxide produced by fuel burning appliances in the home including furnaces, ranges, water heaters and room heaters.\*\*\*\*
- A person can be poisoned by a small amount of CO over a longer period of time or by a large amount of CO over a shorter amount of time.\*\*
- Carbon Monoxide can have different effects on people based on its concentration in the air that people breathe, and the person's health condition.\*\*\*\*
- CO poisoning can be confused with flu symptoms, food poisoning and other illnesses with symptoms including shortness of breath, nausea, dizziness, light headedness or headaches. High levels of CO can be fatal, causing death within minutes.\*\*
- Consumers die when they improperly use gas generators, charcoal grills, and fuel-burning camping heaters and stoves inside their homes or in other enclosed or partially-enclosed spaces during power outages. \*\*\*

### Preparedness Tips

- ✓ Install a carbon monoxide (CO) alarm (also called detectors) in the hallway of your home near sleeping areas. Avoid corners where air does not circulate.
- ✓ Follow the manufacturer's instructions to test the CO alarm every month.
- ✓ Do not use a CO alarm in place of a smoke alarm. Have both.
- ✓ Before buying a CO alarm, check to make sure it is listed with Underwriter's Laboratories standard 2034, or there is information in the owner's manual that says the alarm meets the requirements of the IAS 6-96 standard.
- ✓ Make sure all household appliances are installed according to manufacturer's instructions and local building codes. Most appliances should be installed by professionals.
- ✓ Have heating systems (including chimneys and vents) inspected and serviced annually, checking for blockages, corrosion, partial and complete disconnections.
- ✓ Only burn charcoal outdoors, never inside a home, garage, vehicle or tent.
- ✓ Always make sure to turn off any gas-powered engine, even if the garage door is open.
- ✓ Do not use gas appliances such as ranges, ovens or clothes dryers for heating your home.
- ✓ Know the symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning: headache, dizziness, weakness, nausea, vomiting, sleepiness, and confusion. If you suspect CO poisoning, get to fresh air immediately, and then call 9-1-1.
- ✓ Treat the alarm signal as a real emergency each time. If the alarm sounds and you are not experiencing any symptoms described above, press the reset button. If the alarm continues to sound, call the fire department.
- ✓ Visit [www.redcross.org/homefires](http://www.redcross.org/homefires) for more information.

Sources: American Red Cross,\* U.S. Fire Administration,\*\*\* the National Fire Protection Association,\*\*, and the US Consumer Product Safety Commission.\*\*\*\*


# LIHEAP

## Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

Summer is almost Here! The Coos, Lower Umpqua, & Siuslaw Indians Social Services Department 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 CTCLUSI website at <https://laserfiche.ctclusi.org/Forms/LIHEAP>. Households do not need to reside within the Tribe's five county service area to be eligible; however, eligible households must reside within the State of Oregon to qualify.

To qualify, your household gross income needs to be at or below the following income limits:



1 Person Family	\$31,266
2 Person Family	\$40,886
3 Person Family	\$50,506
4 Person Family	\$60,126
5 Person Family	\$69,747
6 Person Family	\$79,367



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> . If you have any questions please contact CarolAnn Young at 541-435-7159 .



## Low Income Water Assistance Program 2023 !

CTCLUSI has funds for **Low Income Water Assistance Program for Low Income Tribal Households!** Qualifying households must be low-income and reside within the 5-County Service Delivery Area of Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane or Lincoln counties. Applications for assistance are available on the CTCLUSI Tribal Website at [www.ctclusi.org](http://www.ctclusi.org) and are located in the Family Support Services section of the website. To qualify for waste water and/or household drinking water assistance, your household annual gross income must be at or below the following income limits:

1 Person Family	\$31.266
2 Person Family	\$40,886
3 Person Family	\$50,506
4 Person Family	\$60,126
5 Person Family	\$69,747

If you have any questions or need assistance applying, please contact CarolAnn Young, CTCLUSI Health and Human Services Department, [cyoung@ctclusi.org](mailto:cyoung@ctclusi.org) or at 541-435-7159.



# Monitoring HABs and Shellfish Harvester Risk in the Coos Bay Area

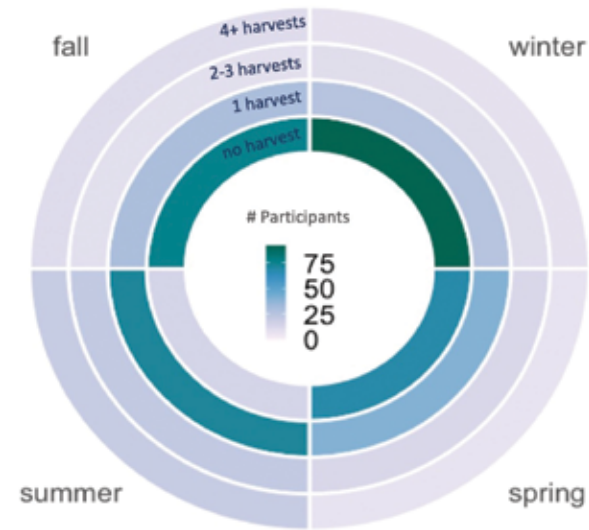
Contributed by Janet Niessner, Environmental Scientist

Harmful algal blooms (HABs) occur when certain types of microscopic, plant-like organisms (known as phytoplankton or algae) produce toxins that accumulate in the tissues of other organisms that consume them. Because these algal toxins can get into shellfish that people harvest and eat, researchers from Portland State University, CTCLUSI, and the South Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve (SSNERR) conducted a study to understand where, when, and why HABs occur in the Coos Bay Area, as well as how recreational shellfish harvesters

perceive risks from HABs. This research was undertaken through NOAA's Margaret Davidson Fellowship.

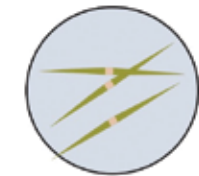
A survey was advertised to the shellfish harvesting public, including the Tribal community, between June 2022 and February 2023. This survey assessed awareness and perceptions of HABs, as well as the risk of exposure to algal toxins for shellfish harvesters.

## When did people harvest?

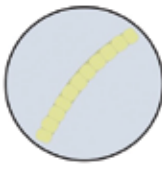


- 3419 total years of experience harvesting shellfish of all participants
- 81% aware of HABs and connection to seafood safety
- 6% reported illness after eating recreationally harvested shellfish
- 36% do not use information about HABs before harvesting
- 64% are concerned about HABs
- Highest domoic acid exposure estimates were around half the daily acceptable limit
- People harvested most frequently in the summer, which overlaps with the greatest observed harmful algae abundance in 2021. It is important to note that HABs can occur at any time of year.

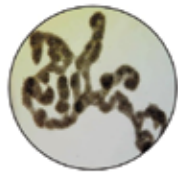
Researchers then collected water samples in designated locations around Coos Bay to identify toxins from the most commonly observed harmful algae. Toxins were tested using a specialized spectrophotometer, housed at SSNERR in collaboration with University of Oregon.



*Pseudo-nitzschia* spp.  
Toxin: domoic acid



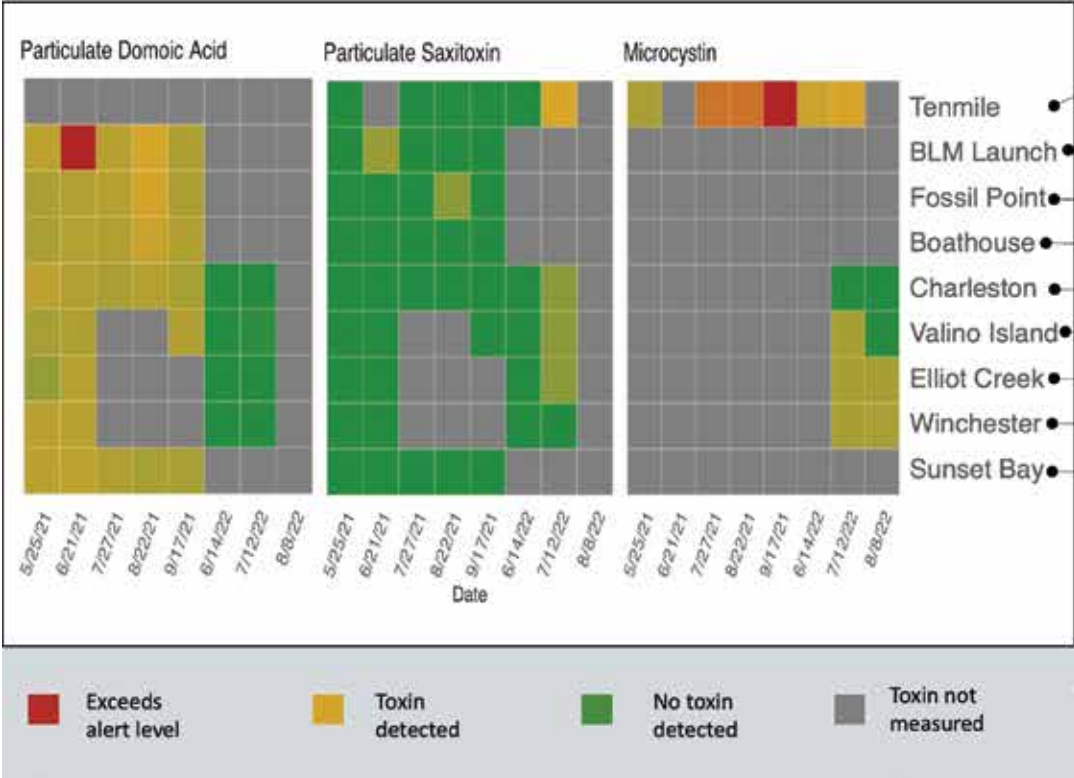
*Dolichospermum* spp.  
Toxins: microcystins, saxitoxins, others.



*Microcystis* spp.  
Toxin: microcystins

## Most commonly observed harmful algae

Alert levels: domoic acid - 200 ng/L (domoic acid significantly accumulates in shellfish), saxitoxin and microcystin - 1 µg/L (drinking water alert, no existing seawater alert levels).



**Bottom Line:** Overall, we found low risk of shellfish poisoning from algal toxins during the study. However, harmful algae do occur in the Coos Bay area, and at consistently higher occurrence at Tenmile Lakes. This research has shown that further study should be done to test shellfish tissues for algal toxins in addition to water.

**Know before you go!** It is important to check fishery conditions on the ODFW biotoxin website [<https://www.oregon.gov/oda/programs/foodsafety/shellfish/pages/shellfishclosures.aspx>], the ODFW hotline [toll free : 1-800-448-2474], or use another trusted source of information. If detections are found, we recommend avoiding drinking from these local water sources, recreating or having pets recreate in the waters, and eating shellfish. Help spread the word of HABs to friends and family to help keep us all safe and healthy.



# Changing Currents Tribal Water Summit

Contributed by Julie Siestreem, Tribal Council Position #3

Changing Currents Tribal Water Summit ATNI was hosted by the Coquille Indian Tribe and the Confederated Tribes of Coos Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians June 26-30, 2023 at the Mill Casino& Hotel in North Bend Oregon. “A primary goal of Changing Currents Summits is to bring together Tribal leaders, Native and non-native community leaders, as well as partners who share a common concern for our precious water resources.” To learn more about this work visit [www.changingcurrents.net](http://www.changingcurrents.net).

Host tribes acknowledged “the ancestral values, philosophy and stewardship practices regarding our most important natural resources are and have been shared amongst all of our Indigenous people in the same way water connects us and flows from the summits of the mountains to the sea.”

Host tribes acknowledged and thanked our ancestors for “instilling in us the wisdom to set aside any differences to come together to reaffirm our kinship ties and share our spirit and understanding of our ancestor’s knowledge, so we can effectively protect, preserve and restore the health of our waters so our descendants and all living things can live within the lands of our collective stewardship.”

The planning team for the gathering included; Direlle Calica J.D. Warm Springs Changing Currents, Shirod Younker Coquille Tribe Changing Currents, Serina FastHorse Lakota & Blackfeet Kimimela Consulting, Chrissa Wilkie Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians Changing Currents, Annie Rohlf Changing Currents, Cheyenne Holliday Verde.

Twenty-Seven Speakers gave presentations throughout the week. Shirod Younker of the Coquille Tribe and facilitator for the summit in general gave welcoming words and, he invited myself to also give welcoming

words. Mel Tonasket from the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Indian Reservation told the group he had retired four times so far in his young 83 years of life and, he is still just as involved/committed to getting the work done that needs to be done as the day he started so many years ago. He encouraged the young people to get involved in the legislative, legal processes to help move the changes we need forward. Jessie Young Esq. one of our own Confederated Tribes of Coos Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians gave similar words of encouragement to our youth only, she emphasized her specific field of expertise Law, as the path we need our youth to use to help us navigate the best solutions for our waters. Margaret Corvi also one of our own, shared her thoughts during the “Coast & Oceans Panel”. Vice Chair Doug Barrett got as many attendees in our canoe as he could at the end of each day. Councilwoman Position #1 Enna Helms facilitated a Cultural Arts Beading Workshop the evening of the second day. The last day Jesse Beers our Confederated Tribes of Coos Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians Cultural Stewardship

Manager, and Vice Chair Doug Barrett facilitated a tour of our Gregory Point/ Baldicha property.

Some of the other tribes present were; Klamath Yakama, Tolowa Dee-ni Nation, Spokane Tribes, Nez Perce, Willamette, Kosealekte Band of the Ajumawi-Atsuge Nation, Resughini Rancheria, Grand Ronde, Sicangu Lakota, Yupiit Nation at Akiak Native Community, Navajo, Ekota Cherokee & Chickasaw Nation.



Eddie Helms, Shirod Younker, Enna Helms of CTCLUSI Tribal Council



Margaret Corvi (pictured far left) sits on a panel during the Tribal Water Summit




Vice Chairman Doug Barrett working on a dentalium necklace



Tribal Council member Julie Siestreem pictured above left





## PEACEGIVING

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

All Peacegiving issues are confidential.





Photo By: Jesse Beers

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

Peacegiving Coordinator  
1245 Fulton Avenue  
Coos Bay, OR 97420  
PHONE: (541) 888-1306 or (541) 888-1316  
EMAIL: [Peacegiving@ctclusi.org](mailto:Peacegiving@ctclusi.org) Website: <https://ctclusi.org/tribalcourtpeacegiving>


## WELLNESS COURT

Are you in trouble with the law?  
Are you suffering with drugs, alcohol or addiction?  
Are you ready to make a change?  
What does true Wellness look like for you?  
A life without drugs or alcohol is possible for you.  
Make the choice for a better life.



Confidential

Contact Tribal Wellness Court.  
(541) 888-1307





Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians

## Department of Human Resources

Current Openings as of 7/27/2023

### Tribal Government Offices Job Opportunities

- Circles of Healing Program Coordinator – Eugene
- Accounting Specialist I. – Coos Bay
- Case Manager/ICWA – Coos Bay
- Chief Dental Officer– Coos Bay
- Community Information Manager – Coos Bay
- Cultural Resources Protection Specialist – Coos Bay
- Database Analyst II. – Coos Bay
- Dental Hygienist – Part-Time – Coos Bay
- Dental Assistant I. – Coos Bay
- Forester – Coos Bay
- Gaming Inspector – Florence
- Grants & Contracts Specialist I. – Coos Bay
- Higher Education Specialist – Coos Bay
- Internal Audit I. – Florence
- Ocean Fishing Captain: On-Call – Coos Bay
- Ocean Fishing Deckhand: On-Call – Coos Bay
- Surveillance Agent I. – Graveyard shift – Florence
- Special Events – On Call – Varies on assignment

Please visit Job Opportunities on the Tribes website for full job descriptions and benefits available. You may also apply for any position online. <http://ctclusi.org/jobs>

Updated Frequently

Please email questions to [recruitment@ctclusihr.org](mailto:recruitment@ctclusihr.org)



## Tribal Owned BUSINESS

Are you a CTCLUSI Tribal member who owns their own business?

Do you have licensing or accreditation?

Are you a licensed contractor?

Do you provided a business service?

CTCLUSI is looking to put together a list of all Tribal member owned businesses or services. Contact us today to add your information to a list of Tribal Business.

**Contact**  
**Jeannie McNeil**  
**541-888-9577**  
[jmcneil@ctclusi.org](mailto:jmcneil@ctclusi.org)

[www.ctclusi.org](http://www.ctclusi.org)

### Looking for Awesome Team Members

## Special Events Employees Wanted

#### Potential Events that need workers

- Culture Camp
- Spring Break Camp
- Restoration
- Salmon Ceremony
- Harvest Party
- Halloween Party
- Easter Egg Hunt
- and MORE.



Must be a CTCLUSI Tribal Member; a Spouse of a CTCLUSI Tribal Member; Child in CTCLUSI families (whether child is a registered CTCLUSI Tribal or not); Part-Time Employee; Spouse of Employee; Child of Employee; OR have close economic ties to our tribal membership or employees at the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer, and/or the Director of Human Resources.



#### On CTCLUSI Website Link:

<https://ctclusi-int.atsondemand.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=512409.viewjobdetail&CID=512409&JID=845537>

## Why RSVP For Tribal Events?

Tribal Department staff who plan events and activities for the benefit of Tribal Member need membership to “please reply” when asked to RSVP when wanting to attend Tribal events. This ensures the right amount of supplies and food and beverages to meet the needs of those in attendance. Thank you in advance for making future events as successful as possible by always calling to RSVP when asked.


**RSVP for events by calling**  
**1-541-435-7155**





# UPCOMING EVENTS

## AUGUST 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 Canoe Journey Landing in Muckleshoot	31	1	2	3	4	5 Breakfast with Tribal Council, Community Center 9:00 a.m.
			Canoe Journey Protocol			
6  Salmon Ceremony	7	8	9	10 Elders Luncheon Community Center 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	11	12
13 Regular Council Meeting 10:00 a.m.	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		OSU Indigenous Youth Summer Camp				
27	28	29	30 Business Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	31	1	2
					Summer School	
3	4 Labor Day Tribal Offices Closed	5	6	7	8	9
Summer School			Elders Hellgate Jet Boat Excursion, Grants Pass, Oregon			

## SEPTEMBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30 Business Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	31	1	2
					Summer School	
3	4 Labor Day Tribal Offices Closed	5	6	7	8	9
Summer School			Elders Hellgate Jet Boat Excursion, Grants Pass, Oregon			
10 Budget Hearing 9:00 a.m. Regular Council Meeting 10:00 a.m.	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 Native American Day Tribal Offices Closed	23
24	25	26	27 Business Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	28	29	30
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

*Hiis Haiyach – with a good heart*





**STUDENT  
ACHIEVEMENT**

Congratulations to Morgan Phillips on her graduation from Creekside High School in Sonoma, California on June 7, 2023.



**UNITY**

The United National Indian Tribal Youth National Conference took place in late June hosted in Washington D.C. Please look forward to a detailed article and quotes from the youth in the next edition of the Voice of CLUSI!



**MONDAYS 6PM-9PM**

Hot Seats every 20 minutes to win a \$25 Gift Card



**TUESDAYS 7PM-9PM**

Drawings every 30 minutes to win a Designer Bag. PLUS, a cash prize up to \$250! One entry for every 50 same-day points earned on Tuesdays.



**WEDNESDAYS 7PM-9PM**

Drawings every 30 minutes to spin the wheel. Progressive Jackpot starts at \$1,000 and increases \$100 for every attempt. One entry for every 50 same-day points earned on Wednesdays.

**ONE  
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\$5,000**

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**AUGUST  
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Now Open for Breakfast  
at 8am

**MONDAY - THURSDAY**  
served from 11am-10pm

**MONDAY - TACO SALAD \$15**

**TUESDAY - FOGHORN LEGHORN \$16**

**WEDNESDAY - SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS \$16**

**THURSDAY - LAND & SEA \$25**

**FRIDAY - SUNDAY**  
served from 4pm-10pm

**FRIDAY - PRIME RIB \$21**

**SATURDAY - FISH TACOS \$18**

**SUNDAY - CHEF'S CHOICE**

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