



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

CTCLUSI Holds 39th Restoration Celebration



Council members Julie Siestroom, Chief Doc Slyter, and Iliana Montiel



Drumming, singing, and dancing to celebrate 39 years of recognition

Florence, OR – On Saturday, October 14, 2023, the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians came together in celebration of their 39th Year of Federal Recognition. Thanks to the dedication and hard work of Tribal membership, the Tribe was once again recognized as a Tribal Sovereign Government with the signing of Public Law 98-481 on October 17, 1984.

A group of Tribal members gathered outside of the Three Rivers Casino Resort in the morning to shuttle to the Waite Ranch property a few miles up the Siuslaw River. Cultural Stewardship Manager, Jesse Beers, drove a Tribal bus to the site and was one of a few speakers to talk with the group about the renaming of this site. The group traveled back to join other members and family for the Restoration Event.

The doors to the Three Rivers Casino Resort Events Center opened at noon to welcome families in. They spent some time visiting amongst one another, smiles spread across every face in the crowd, as well as surveying the room and stopping by to visit the booths lined up around the back edge of the events center. Tribal

departments including Education and Culture & Natural Resources staffed informational booths. Among them were representatives for the Forestry program, the Waite Ranch Restoration Project, Language Revitalization, and the Commercial Tobacco Prevention Program. On display, regalia such as pine nut aprons and beautifully woven dance caps could be admired by all.

Chairman Brad Kneaper took to the stage and welcomed everyone to the 39th Restoration Celebration. "I'm proud to be here celebrating with all of you, and those that aren't able to be here in person as well. This is the time to remember the work and the sacrifice of those who got us to this point, including those who have passed on. We can never forget that we endured as a Tribe the long years of termination from 1954 to 1984...with that being said, we also cannot forget that we've always been here as a Tribe and we will always be here regardless of any law passed by any other Government."

Chair Kneaper went on to recognize all past and present Tribal Council leaders and Chiefs, "I want to thank you personally for

all of the work that you've done. We have come a long way and we hope to keep this progress going." Chair continued his thanks by recognizing the Tribal Government and Three Rivers Casino staff, and the work that they do every day for our Tribal Citizens. "This year we celebrate being restored 39 years, our focus is on honoring the restoration of our lands, our language, regalia, and rights to hunt, fish, and gather." Following Chairman, Chief Doc Slyter provided an invocation and words of thanks before the afternoon meal began.

Following the afternoons feast, the Cultural Stewardship Manager, Jesse Beers, and Wetlands and Restoration Project Manager, Kyle Terry, gave a presentation regarding the Waite Ranch Restoration Project. "Some of us were able to go visit the site this morning, it's an awesome restoration project that we are super excited is finally happening. Over ten years in the making and it is finally in its first year of implementation." Beers and Terry presented a number of slides along with their discussion of the project, outlining the restoration project of the site itself. They highlighted that an important part of

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Save the Date:

Tribal Holiday Party

December 9, 2023

Three Rivers Casino Resort Events Center

Please RSVP 541-435-7155

Tribal Council Business

Activity of Elected Tribal Council Members from September 10, 2023 - October 8, 2023

Chief Doc Slyter

09/10 Hosted Hawaiian Canoe crew at Community Center & Plankhouse
09/10 Tribal Council Meeting
09/14 Cultural Committee Meeting
09/20 ODFW signing of hunting and fishing rights
09/27 GFORB
09/27 Business Meeting
10/03 Council to Council w/ Ko-Kwel Tribe
Daily Email and Phone Calls 50
TOTAL HOURS: 65.5

Brad Kneaper, Chair

09/10 Kick-Off 2024 Budget Kick Off Meeting
Regular Tribal Council Meeting
09/11 Oregon 9 Tribes Meeting at Seven Feather Casino
09/19 Crime Victims Summit at Three Rivers Casino
09/20 Meeting with Blue Earth Board Chair and CEO/ Signing Event for the Co-Management Agreement with Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
09/21 Meet with Staff on the Coos Head Area Master Plan (CHAMP) and Zoning Options/ Leaders Circle Meeting/ Presentations from Department of Justice Representative on “Crime Victim and Survivor Services Division”; Presentation on Salmon Recovery by Bob Main; Presentation from City of Coos Bay on Empire Area Blueprint (Improvement Project)
09/26 Virtual Informational Workshop for Tribal Community on Offshore Wind Energy
09/27 Lunch Meeting with Bureau of Energy Management Representative, CEO and Legal/ GFORB/ Business Tribal Council Meeting
10/03 Council to Council Meeting with the Coquille Tribal Council regarding Offshore Wind Energy and Proposed Coos Port Project.
Meet with Legal, CEO, Department of Natural Resources and Culture on next steps for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Co-Management Agreement.
Vacation October 5 through October 13, 2023.
Total Hours: 134

Doug Barrett, Vice Chair

09/10 Tribal Council Regular Meeting / Budget Hearing
09/ 11 – 24 Vacation on the Rogue River
09/14 Culture Committee Meeting
09/16 Agness Pow Wow
09/17 Agness Pow Wow and Canoe Races
09/20 AOD Prevention Networking Hour/ ODFW Signing
09/20 MHA/LADPC Meeting
09/21 Coos Head Area Master Plan (CHAMP) 2018 review/ Leaders Circle
09/25 Zoom 2024 Budget meeting
09/26 Reclaiming Native Psychological Brilliance 2023/ CTCLUSI Offshore Wind Information Workshop
09/27 Tribal Council Business Meeting
09/28 2024 Sacred Tobacco Gathering Planning Meeting
10/02 Zoom 2024 Budget meeting
10/03 Council to Council with Ko-Kwel – Consultation Re: BOEM WEA's/ Tribal Consultation for National

Strategy
10/05 Substance Use Disorders (SUD) ECHO/ Leaders Circle Meeting
10/08 Tribal Council Regular Meeting / Tribal Council General Meeting
Total Hours: 122 hrs. & emails

Teresa Spangler

09/10 Budget Hearing/ Regular Council Meeting
09/19 Crime Victims Summit
09/20 ODFW Signing Event
09/26 Informational workshop for General Council on Wind Energy. (Zoom)
09/27 Business Council Meeting
10/03 Council to Council meeting with Coquille regarding BOEM/ Coos Bay City Council Meeting. Julie read a Proclamation as a reminder of October 9 being Indigenous People’s Day. (Zoom)
10/05 Presentation regarding the look of the exam rooms for Three Rivers Health Center
E-mails and phone calls.
Total Hours – 71

Julie Siestreem

09/10 Tribal Council Regular Budget Meeting/ Tribal Council Regular Monthly meeting/ Host Hokulea Hawaiian Paddlers, dinner, prayers, songs
09/11 Nine Tribes Meeting Hosted by the Cow Creek Tribe, Canyonville Oregon/ Early Learning Council Home Visiting System Committee
09/12 West Coast Offshore Wind Transmission Environment and Siting Sub-Group/ Education Committee meeting/ 4jIPC meeting Eugene Oregon
09/13 DELC/OTELA – Tribal Advisory Committee Regular Meeting
09/15 Chief Doc Slyter, Sara Siestreem basket tribute gifting to Coquille Tribal Council/ Coquille permanent collection in memory of their recently passed Chief Don Ivy
09/18 BOEM meeting
09/20 CTCLUSI Garden meeting/ ODFW signing
09/21 Coos Head Master Plan (CHAMP) of 2018 review, update and, discussion/ Tribal Council Leaders Circle
09/25 2024 Budget Meeting
09/26 Interviews for State of Oregon Governor Kotek’s Appointment of New Tribal Affairs Director/ CTCLUSI General Membership Offshore Wind Informational Workshop
09/27 GFORB monthly mtg./ Tribal Council Business meeting
10/02 Joanne Kittel, Amanda Trail Peace Hike 2024 planning session
10/03 First Council to Council meeting between, Confederated Tribes of Coos Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians Tribal Council and Staff with the Coquille Tribal Council and staff consultation; BOEM and Port of Coos Bay Development projects, concerns, questions, possible negative impacts on the tribes and, possible solutions for consideration/ City Council meeting, with Tribal Council’s approval I read their Proclamation to honor Indigenous

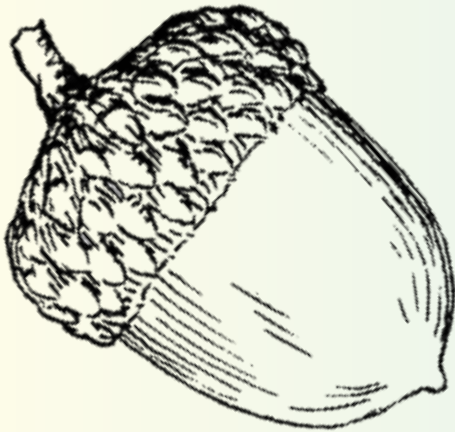
People’s Day from now on
10/05 Chief Doc Slyter, new Commander Army Corp of Engineers Colonel Larry Caswell, Tribal Liaison Craig J. Johnson informal meeting updates and discussion future goals/ Tribal Council Leaders Circle meeting
10/08 Tribal Council Regular Monthly meeting/ General Council meeting Meetings, emails, phone, text, research, driving
Total Hours 130

Iliana Montiel

09/10 Tribal Council Regular Meeting
09/19 Crime Victims Summit
09/20 ODFW Signing
09/21 Leaders Circle
09/26 CTCLUSI Offshore wind informational workshop
09/27 GFORB/ Tribal Council Business Meeting
10/03 Council to Council w/ Coquille Consultation RE: BOEM
10/05 Leaders Circle reading & responding to emails.
Total Hours for the Month: 53

Can You Find Me?

In this edition of The Voice of CLUSI there is a hidden image of an **ACORN - 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 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 ACORN hiding!** **Must email by November 15th 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.



October “PUMPKIN” Winners:
Adult - Jim McGlothlan
Youth - Jaid McNutt

Pumpkin from the October edition was located on page 10 in the top picture of Courtney Krossman showing a cultural display at Mill Luck Days.
The pumpkin is placed over the black table, just to the right of her hand on the right side of the photo.

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 Miller, 541-888-7506 or jmiller@ctclusi.org
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 Miller at 541-888-7506 or at email jmiller@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 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 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 Miller at 1245 Fulton Ave. Coos Bay OR 97420 or jmiller@ctclusi.org Please include the meeting date requested, your name, current address, and Tribal Roll number for verification.

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Council Meeting
November 12, 2023
10:00 a.m.
Coos Bay Community Center
338 Wallace Ave.

Please login to the citizen portal of 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



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, Communications Specialist
mgaines@ctclusi.org or 541-888-7536

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/>

Consultation Meeting Between Neighboring Tribes

Contributed by Julie Siestreem, Tribal Council Member

Our Confederated Tribes of Coos Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Tribal Council met in consultation with the Coquille Tribes Tribal Council to discuss mutual questions and concerns both tribes have regarding two current hypothetical development projects on October 3, 2023 in the Coquille Tribal Council room in their administration building in North Bend Oregon. One project is being suggested by the United States Federal Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) the other is a collaboration of the International Oregon Port of Coos Bay and NorthPoint Development.

BOEM has chosen two areas off the Oregon coast as possible sites to develop two wind farms. One off Coos Bay is slated to have 74 turbines, the other one off Brookings is slated to have 188 turbines. The hypothetical wind turbines will have a hub height of 725ft. rotor diameter of 935 ft. and maximum height at blade tip of 1,171 ft.

NorthPoint Development and the International Oregon Port of Coos Bay Pacific Coast Intermodal Port Project will include deepening the channel from its entrance to River Mile 8.2 from 37' to 45' Mean Lowest Low water and widen it from 300' to 450' nominal width. Additionally, there will be system wide upgrades

to the Coos Bay Rail Line (CBRL). Lastly there will be construction of the rail served maritime terminal on Port owned property on the North Spit. The project will be subject to full Environmental Impact Statement and completion of a full NEPA process.

Both Tribal Councils discussed their questions and concerns freely. A short list of some of the concerns spoken of include: negative effects wind turbines will have on marine life, noise pollution and

extreme underwater sound effect on marine life, negative effects of alterations in the seabed and habitats, runoff of toxic chemicals from the wind turbines and platforms, disturbance to the DOD and Coast Guard, commercial and private sea vessels regular use shipping patterns, negative effects on viewsheds, negative effects of broken pieces falling off wind turbines onto the ocean floor and not being removed, negative effects of permanent disastrous environmental nature, negative effects on cultural, historical and spiritual Tribal practices.

Both Tribal Councils saw this as a first consultation meeting of a open ended number of ongoing consultation meetings we will

participate in as our days progress to discuss the best ways we can serve, preserve, protect and grow as Tribal people.



Chief Doc Slyter Hosts Commander Larry Caswell, Army Corp of Engineers for Informal Discussion

Contributed by Julie Siestreem, Tribal Council Member

Our Chief Doc Slyter, Councilwoman Julie Siestreem and, CEO Lee Ann Wander met with Col. L. Dale Caswell Jr. Commander, Portland District of the Army Corp of Engineers and Tribal Liaison Craig J. Johnson in an informal discussion and update on the North Spit Jetty repairs currently in progress. The meeting was held in the front conference room of our admin building October 5, 2023.

Some of the discussion amongst Chief Doc Slyter, CEO Lee Ann Wander, Councilwoman Julie Siestreem, Commander Caswell and Tribal Liaison Craig Johnson included a short history of when the North Spit Jetty was first built- between the years of 1891-1898 under the authorization of titled, Coos Bay Federal Navigation Project. Commentary went on to include the fact that this current repair was started March 18, 2023 and is slated to take until December 2025 to complete. The original length of the jetty was 9,600 feet. This current repair project is a \$84 million critical infrastructure improvement. Commander Caswell spoke of the Temporary Material Off Loading Facility area they had created to facilitate the process BLM has allowed them to use until they finish the work. Chief Doc Slyter asked them what they will do with the property when they are finished and if they would consider giving it to our tribe. Commander Caswell said he would have to check with his Real Estate Team and get back to Chief with what he learns.

CEO Lee Ann Wander led the group throughout the admin building introducing staff throughout. Chief Doc Slyter and Councilwoman Julie Siestreem continued to tour the group to view our canoes and DCNR building and staff. Janet Niessner gave a extensive clear informative tour of our lab. Commander Caswell was impressed at the level of expertise and precision of data collection abilities Janet is able to process in our Lab. It is considered the best on the west coast. He may ask us to do contracts on future projects!

As always, Chief thanked the visitors for coming and encouraged them to return when they have more time to paddle with us in our canoe on Sunset Bay and or sit with us in our plank house for drumming, flute and rattle prayer songs with a small fire burning during the winter months.



Tribal Council member Julie Siestreem, Col. L. Dale Caswell Jr. Commander, Tribal Liaison Craig Johnson and Chief Doc Slyter



Janet Niessner of the Department of Culture and Natural Resources gives a tour of our lab

Tribal Chiefs Honored with Ceremonial Berry Baskets

Contributed by Julie Siestreem, Tribal Council Member and Sara Siestreem, Hanis Coos

Two years ago, our tribal weaving knowledge holder, Sara Siestreem (Hanis Coos) wove a ceremonial huckleberry basket in memorial for Chief Don Ivy to the Coquille Tribe. The body of the basket was made from roots from the North Spit of the Jordan Cove. The Bear Grass was gathered at Baldich and the Sedge was gathered at the confluence of the Smith and Umpqua Rivers. She gathered these plant relatives in the ways and places that our ancestors gave to us. The Spruce Root was dyed with Oregon Grape Root, a medicine plant that cleans and heals, that she dug with her students on Grand Ronde Land near Portland to represent the tradition of Salmon people to go far from home to bring something back and to share wealth and splendor with all of our relations.

This basket is the sister to a Salmon Berry Ceremonial Basket she created to honor our Chief, that she gifted to him last winter during a sweat ceremony. These two baskets were informed by our ancestral belongings that are held at the U of O, created by both of our tribes. On September 15, Siestreem gifted the memorial basket to the Coquille Tribe. The gifting was arranged by Don Garrett, Coquille Tribal Council member and Chief Doc Slyter. The basket is now a part of the Coquille Indian Tribal permanent collection where it will live in honor of the beloved Chief Don Ivy.

Coquille Chair Brenda Meade opened the meeting and turned it over to Don Garrett to facilitate the gifting ceremony. Don welcomed Sara Siestreem, Chief Doc Slyter and, Council member Julie Siestreem and then asked Sara to proceed. She presented the basket to Vice Chair Jon Ivy, sang the basket into the Coquille Tribe with a prayer and honor song to the silent gathering of all present. Sara spoke of her respect and gratitude for Chief Ivy. She noted that under his leadership the Coquilles opened doors for her weaving research to create our tribal weaving program in 2014. She spoke of her continued commitment to our people, ancestors, the land and the progression of all of those beings into the future. Vice Chair Jon Ivy thanked Sara for the gift basket, kind words and, prayer song. He spoke of his hope our Tribes will continue to have positive and meaningful interactions as our days progress. At summation of the ceremony, Sara gifted braided sweetgrass that she grew to each of the Coquille Tribal Council members and witnesses.



Spruce root, sedge, and bear grass baskets woven by Sara Siestreem, Hanis Coos



Sara Siestreem stands at left before the Coquille Indian Tribal Council



Coquille Tribal Council member Don Garrett, Sara Siestreem, and Chief Doc Slyter



SAVE THE DATE

Tribal Holiday Party

Saturday, December 9, 2023

Three Rivers Casino Resort Events Center

*Please join us for a family friendly event full of good cheer
...and a special visit from Santa!*

Please RSVP so we can be sure Santa has gifts for all the children present

RSVP by Calling 541-435-7155

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

FALL

HARVEST

NOVEMBER 18, 2023

FOOD | CAMARADERIE | CRAFTS

DINNER AT 1:00 PM

CTCLUSI COMMUNITY CENTER
338 WALLACE AVE, COOS BAY, OR 97420

PLEASE RSVP BY CALLING 541-435-7155

2024 New Years Day Peace Hike

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
CONTACT: Joanne Kittel
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2024 New Year's Day Peace Hike

Yachats, OR- On New Year's Day, the Yachats Trails Committee will host the 13th Annual Peace Hike in Yachats, Oregon. The Peace Hike traditionally honors the memory of a blind Native American (Coos) woman named Amanda who was forcibly taken away from her daughter and marched 80 miles with other captives all barefoot through the rocky terrain to the Alsea Sub-agency prison camp in what is now Yachats in 1864.

Each year, as part of the ceremony, cedar springs, a sacred tree for many tribes of the Pacific Northwest are provided for anyone to explore prayers and set intentions with cedar. People can take the sprig and walk holding their vision of peace and its meaning.

Schedule

9:30AM - The Yachats Community Drum will be available, and drumming will start at the picnic shelter, located behind the Yachats Commons.

10 AM. Fire will be lit, and the ceremony will begin in part led by Tribal members including the telling of the Amanda story.

10:30 – Participants will walk with their cedar sprig on the trail they have chosen, return to the fire where they will place the Cedar sprig, to add their prayers or visions for the new year.

For those hiking to the Amanda Gathering Area, which is 2.2 miles south from the Commons, there will be several options to park to lessen that distance.

12 PM – There will be a ceremony conducted by Tribal members at the Amanda Gathering area and a fire to which to lay one's Cedar sprig.

1:00PM – There will be closing of the fires at both locations.

The Yachats Trails Committee has composed a map of alternative trails that allow everyone to hike or walk where they are most comfortable in addition to those who want to hike to the Amanda Gathering Area.

Committee members will be on hand to answer questions and provide maps and guidance at the Picnic Shelter behind the Yachats Commons.

There will be two small ceremonial fires in which to place the Cedar sprigs - one near the picnic shelter and one at the Amanda Gathering Area for those who hike the Amanda Trail.

To truly understand the government sponsored genocidal policies that led to the murder and suffering of the Coos, Lower Umpqua, Siuslaw and Alsea Peoples, watch a video narrated by Patricia Whereat Phillips, Miluk Coos, member of the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians (CTCLUSI) and Donald

Slyter, Chief of the CTCLUSI. www.youtube.com/watch?v=N6D-wkqXGy0

Water, energy bars and delicious cookies prepared and generously donated by the Yachats Ladies Club will be available at the Picnic Shelter and the Amanda Gathering Area.

All participants will be given Peace hike buttons.

This year's Peace Hike button has been beautifully created by artist Laura Cole.

Sponsored by: Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, City of Yachats and their Trails Team, Yachats Area Chamber of Commerce, View the Future, Oregon Coast Visitor's Association, Yachats Ladies Club, and Oregon Parks and Recreation Dept.

More information on the 2024 New Years Day Peace Hike can be found online at www.yachats.org



2024 New Years Day
PEACE HIKE
Honoring Indigenous People and Culture
January 1st | 9:30 am to 1 pm

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	9:30 am Start with Yachats Community Drumming at Commons Pavilion	
	10 am Fire will be lit, and the ceremony will begin, led by Tribal members with the telling of the Amanda story	
	10:30 am Set intentions and walk with a cedar sprig to the ceremony site along the Amanda Trail or walk community trails (maps available)	
	12 pm Tribal member-led ceremony at the Amanda statue, place your cedar sprig on the fire	

ALL TRIBAL FAMILIES WELCOME

RIBBON SKIRT
AND RIBBON SHIRT MAKING

Eugene Outreach Office



Please join us for a weekend of cultural pride as we make ribbon skirts and shirts together!

Those wishing to pick out their ribbon and material please contact Enna Helms by October 18 at 5:00pm.

November 4 & 5 • 10AM to 4PM
All genders and ages are invited.
All materials will be provided.

CTCLUSI Department of Culture and Natural Resources
ehelms@ctclusi.org



Tribal Tobacco Prevention
Program



This year we have grown our
Nicotiana quadrivalvis var. multivalvis
(Columbian Tobacco)

Seeds and dried Tobacco available



If you need Traditional Tobacco
please reach out to
Nicole Romine
541-294-9341 or nromine@ctclusi.org

Tribal Families Enjoy Remains of Autumn with Pumpkin Patch & Prevention Activities

Contributed by Nicole Romine, Tobacco Prevention Program

Our Pumpkin Patch and Prevention weekend in Coos Bay and in Eugene gathered about 80 people total for the weekend. Saturday, October 7th in Coos Bay, Oregon we had about 40 people join us at Abby’s Pizza and Mahaffy Ranch located up the Coos River. Next year we hope to integrate some stories based on the location of Mahaffy Ranch. At the event, Tribal families had the opportunity to shoot the corn cannon, pet some livestock and take a hay ride on the Coos River before picking out their pumpkins.

Sunday, October 8th in Eugene, Oregon we had around 35 people join us at Putter’s Pizza for pizza and mini golf. We had some families meet us at Thistle Down Farm in Junction City to ride a horse drawn wagon to the pumpkin patch to pick out their own pumpkins. The only rule was you had to be able to carry the pumpkin out yourself. That rule didn’t last long as some of the younger youth picked heavy weights coming in at about 50lb and 60lbs. The weather was stunning on both days, but Eugene beat out Coos Bay topping the temp scale at 85 degrees on Sunday.

This year’s prevention topics were suicide prevention and awareness as well as commercial tobacco prevention and nicotine products awareness.



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City of Coos Bay recognizes the Indigenous peoples of the lands that would later become known as the Americas have lived on these lands since time immemorial; and

WHEREAS, the City honors the fact that the City of Coos Bay is built upon the traditional homelands of the Coquille Indian Tribe, Confederated Tribes of Coos Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians and the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians and recognizes the inherent sovereignty of the nine federally recognized tribal nations in the State of Oregon and all Indigenous peoples everywhere; and

WHEREAS, the City values the many contributions made to our community through Indigenous peoples’ knowledge, labor, technology, science, philosophy, arts and the deep cultural contribution that has substantially shaped the character of the City of Coos Bay; and

WHEREAS, Indigenous Peoples’ Day was first proposed in 1977 by a delegation of Native Nations to the United Nations’ sponsored International Conference on Discrimination Against Indigenous Populations in the Americas; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to protecting and advocating for justice, human rights, and the dignity of all people who live and work in Coos Bay and vows to uphold the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (the “Declaration”) endorsed by the United States on December 16, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Declaration recognizes the right of Indigenous peoples “to the dignity and diversity of their cultures, traditions, histories and aspirations which shall be appropriately reflected in education and public information,” and places an obligation in States to “take effective measures, in consultation and cooperation with the indigenous peoples concerned, to combat prejudice and eliminate discrimination and to promote tolerance, understanding and good relations among indigenous peoples and all other segments of society

Tribal Council approved and had Council Member Julie Siestroom read part of the above Indigenous Day Proclamation at the October 3, 2023 Coos Bay City Council public meeting. Siletz Tribal Council woman Bonnie Peterson read the first half over zoom, while Julie read the second half in person, and Mayor Benetti read the closing words. Coos Bay City Councilwoman Lucinda DiNovo also spoke words of tribute to all Tribes significant historical and current contributions to the community.

Big Canoe Ocean Fishing Trips

DO YOU WANT TO FISH FOR SALMON, HALIBUT, LINGCOD, ROCKFISH OR TUNA WITH AN EXPERIENCED FISHING CAPTAIN?

The Tribe is hosting fishing trips for Tribal Members and their immediate family members on our new 34 ft. North River ocean vessel, the Big Canoe.

All tackle and bait is provided.

Please send an e-mail to bigcanoe@ctclusi.org or call (541) 888-7533 if you are interested in being notified of upcoming trips, or if you would like to learn more.

Contact Us

bigcanoe@ctclusi.org
541-888-7533

Note: Ocean fishing trips are weather-dependent and may be scheduled or cancelled on short notice due to changing ocean conditions.

First Annual Crime Victims Summit a Success!

Contributed by Morgan Krossman, Circles of Healing Transitional Services Specialist

On Tuesday, September 19, 2023 The Confederated Tribes of Coos Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians (CTCLUSI) - Social Services Division successfully held their 1st Annual Crime Victims Summit - 'Breaking Down Barriers', at the Three Rivers Casino Resort in Florence, Oregon. The annual event is intended to focus on the priorities and needs of crime victims in tribal communities to address, assess and develop the expansion of program services for survivors in our community.

Tribal Council and Tribal Government Staff spent the day collaborating with local, state, and federal victim service providers from across the state of Oregon to tackle the monumental barriers and challenges survivors face before, during, and after experiencing crime.

The day began during a light breakfast. Director of Social Services, Kelly Bradley, and Cultural Stewardship Manager, Jesse Beers, kicked off the agenda with warm smiles and welcoming enthusiasm. Kelly hosted the summit agenda with heartfelt remarks and professionalism. Next, Jesse followed up on the podium and provided participants with a beautiful presentation that conveyed the rich history of our tribe's culture and left the room with positive energy.

CTCLUSI Judge, Karen Costello, took the stage to present our community with information on our tribes unique Peace Giving Court. Karen walked through the development process and foundations of how our Peacegiving Court came to be and explained the operations and guidelines processes for what it entails for those working with our tribal members in our community.

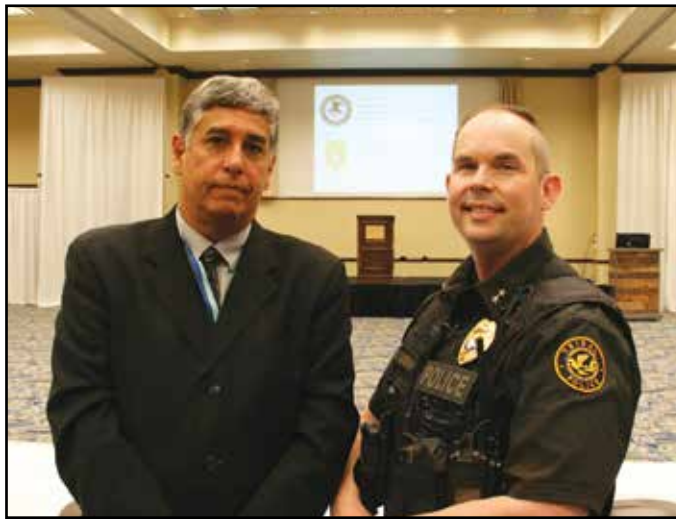


CTCLUSI Judge, Karen Costello discussing Peacegiving Court and Restorative Justice

The Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation's Family Violence Services Program Manager, Desiree' Coyote, and Oregon Department of Justice, STOP VAWA Program Analyst Fund Coordinator, Diana Fleming, joined forces to address the impacts of domestic violence within our tribal communities. Desiree' shared her ideas and called



CTCLUSI Social Services Team, left to right: Morgan Krossman, Conor Gagner, Shayne Platz, CarolAnn Young, and Kelly Bradley



Lane County Department of Justice Attorney General Tim Simmons and CTCLUSI Chief of Police Brian DuBray

for social change. She expressed the issues facing indigenous people who are experiencing domestic violence and gave insightful ways services providers can utilize the department of justice to promote change within our respected regions.

Next on the summit agenda, CTCLUSI Tribal Chief of Police, Brian DuBray, teamed up with Lane County's Department of Justice, Attorney General, Tim Simmons. Brian and Tim discussed the jurisdictional issues between tribes and law enforcement and provided those in attendance with clear understanding of navigating law enforcement processes while helping those impacted by crime in our service area.

After an eventful and informative morning passed and midday approached, guest gathered for a bountiful lunch catered by CTCLUSI Three Rivers Casino Staff. Lunch consisted of salad, vegetables, garlic bread, chicken fettuccini alfredo, pot roast, mashed potatoes and gravy. The room filled with conversation, smiles and laughter as we prepared for our next guest speakers.

CTCLUSI Lead Case Manager/ICWA, Shayne Platz, was joined by ODHS Tribal Affairs & Lane County ODHS Staff Christine Kamps, Stacy Farm, and Sara Stankey.

Together this group served a powerful emotionally charged presentation on the Indian Child Welfare (ICWA) Act that pulled on the heartstrings of everyone in the room. They discussed the history of the ICWA Act and the historical impacts of intergenerational trauma that is still affecting tribal communities today. They called for victim services providers to support tribal families and combat disparities in child welfare.

Following speaker presentations, the room was charged up with the call to action and guest expressed feeling empowered to make necessary changes. The participants

spent the remainder of the day in group sessions where they discussed the barriers to services, how to best work with other agencies and how to improve outcomes for victims in our communities. We concluded the day, and shared the results of our sessions and worked with our guest to provide them resources to build better partnerships with one another. We all left in hopes that we made an impact for our survivors.

The Social Services Team would like to let all our tribal members know that we are here to support you no matter what you may be going through.

We would like to thank all our guest speakers, Tribal Council, Tribal Government Staff and Three Rivers Casino Staff for all the support and hard work.



CTCLUSI Social Services Director Kelly Bradley (right) hands off the mic to Desiree' Coyote, Family Violence Program Manager from Umatilla



The First Annual Crime Victims Summit was held at the Three Rivers Casino Events Center in Florence, Oregon

Lead Case Manager/ICWA Recieves 2023 ICWA Warrior Award

Contributed by Kelly Bradley, Social Services Director

Please congratulate Shayne Platz (Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate) on receiving the 2023 Indian Child Welfare Act Warrior Award. He was nominated by two separate professionals. One is anonymous and the other is Danielle Stagaman, Oregon Permanency ICWA Supervisor in Lane County. Being nominated by a partnering state agency shows just how much Shayne reaches out to work with others for the betterment of our CTCLUSI families and children. These nominations stated the following:

Shayne stepped up to participate as a Tribal Nation Representative on the Child Welfare CQI Workgroup and Advisory Committee. He was a bit worried at first, thinking that he was not a “data expert”. Shayne was integral in the recommendation for the structure of the Oregon CQI cycle which is currently being implemented. He was also a champion of a recommendation for a Child Welfare CQI Analyst whose primary role will be to work and partner with Tribal Nations in Oregon around their data and CQI needs. Shayne was a big part of crafting the CQI Data Equity Vision statement and continues to be committed to giving feedback and input about the design of the CQI program, implementation, and site CQI plans. Thank you for your dedication to this important work Shayne! – Anonymous Submission

Shayne’s demonstrated an ability to both serve Tribal families

and partner with Child Welfare. He has been an invaluable resource for District 5 supporting ALL Tribal Nations represented in the families served within the service area. Speaking for the CPS and Ongoing ICWA units in D5, Shayne has always made himself available to improve the ICWA work for each program area. – Danielle Stagaman, Permanency ICWA Supervisor, Lane County

I would like to add that Shayne is a dedicated and committed steward for the families of CTCLUSI. We are proud to have him on our team.



Congratulations Shayne!

Virtual Language Classes

10 Week sessions Fall 2023

September 26th through December 1st

Tuesdays, 4:00-6:00 pm: **miluk**

Wednesdays, 4:00-6:00 pm: **hanis**

Fridays, 10:00 am-12:00 pm: **sha'yuushtł'a uł quuiich**

Please sign up with Enna Helms at language@ctclusi.org, or by phone at (541) 297-7538




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 to view the online event calendar

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College of Engineering

WOOD HEATING SURVEY

Do you use wood as the main source of heat for your home? If you are interested in sharing your experiences, this survey may be for you. To access the survey, scan the QR code or enter the link below in a web browser.




<http://bit.ly/3ZqUXdH>



We are interested in learning about your habits and challenges with wood heating. The results of this survey will inform a set of design principles that will be shared with manufacturers to promote the future design of clean-burning stoves. Additionally, these results will inform the design of new innovations that will make it easier for people to make a cleaner and more efficient fire in their stove. The first 50 CTCLUSI Tribal members to participate will receive a \$30 Visa gift card for completing the survey.

This study is conducted by researchers at Oregon State University in partnership with CTCLUSI with the aim of developing a retrofit device that could be installed on cordwood heater stoves to reduce emissions and improve heating efficiency. Participants must be over 18 and heat their home primarily with wood to be eligible for this study. Participation is voluntary and may be discontinued at any time. If you decide to participate, you will be asked to answer questions about your home heating practices. The survey will take approximately 30 minutes to complete. This research is funded by the U.S. Department of Energy and Environmental Protection Agency.

Adoption and Impact Assessments for Energy Technologies
Principal Investigator: Nordica MacCarty
Questions about the survey can be addressed to kilkennk@oregonstate.edu
This study has been approved by the OSU Institutional Review Board.



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CTCLUSI IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COW CREEK BAND OF THE UMPQUA TRIBE OF INDIANS, THE KLAMATH TRIBES, AND THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF SILETZ INDIANS



39th Restoration Celebration...continued from cover story

this restoration project is the protection of cultural resources, including basketry and weaving materials, and the living history of the site.

"Place names matter," Beers continued, "we are doing a poll on place names for Waite Ranch...[traditionally] we named things for the resources or the landmarks that were there; as we get to rename this place we are looking for some cultural ways of being for the place naming."

Next to the stage were Tribal Council member Enna Helms and Linguist Patty Phillips to speak to the language revitalization program. The began by giving a certificate of appreciate to all the students present that have joined on the weekly zoom language classes that have taken place the last few years. Phillips shared that "the current language program

started a few years ago at the University of Oregon with a handful of folks doing a self-study of Miluk and Hanis, and then Covid happened. Luckily, thru technology with Zoom, Enna and I just jumped into it and started these online classes. One thing with Zoom is that we could reach people we never could have otherwise...we've had students join from Alaska, Pennsylvania, and even one staying in Costa Rica, folks join from Washington and California, all over the place...We appreciate all the students we've had over these four or five years." Students present were asked to stand up to be recognized and honored. They were gifted with their certificates as well as stocking caps with their language printed with the phrase "speak your culture".

Following the honoring of the language students, lyrics to some of our traditional songs were passed around the room and displayed on the big screen. Anyone who wanted could join in singing. Everyone was invited to join in to dance

a friendship dance around the perimeter of the room. Folks laughed and smiled as they circled the room in celebration together.

To close out the day's events, raffle prizes were drawn and gifted to many throughout the room. Everyone was encouraged to take gifts from the various booths as well, including books at the Education table, mugs from Forestry, coloring pages at the registration tables and tea and medicine bundles from the Tobacco Prevention Program, as well as a recording of our songs for them to enjoy always. A necklace was gifted to the eldest Elder at each table. And everyone was asked to fill out a comment card to help plan for next year, our 40th year of Restoration!

A special thanks to all the Tribal Government and Three Rivers Casino Staff for their hard work making this a successful event. We are all so happy to see you again and look forward to the upcoming gatherings planned thru the rest of the year.



39th Restoration Celebration



Elders Corner - Jetboat Excursion

Contributed by Kimmy Bixby and Barbara Black

On the 6th of September, Tribal Elders and Staff ventured to Grants Pass for the start of what turned out to be a fun, exciting and hilarious couple of days. To say this trip was a hit would be an understatement.

Check-in was smooth and easy, and before we knew it we were off to dinner at the Black Bear Diner with a group of 40-plus in tow! I don't think the diner knew what they were in for! Our appreciation and sympathies go out to that amazing waitress, as she worked ALONE on getting our meals out to us in a *timely* manner. We had a few spare minutes to socialize in the meantime.

On the 7th, we were up bright and early for breakfast before starting our day off with a visit to the Bear Hotel Museum. It was phenomenal! In fact, even the host of the tour gave off some bear vibes. A couple of staff members may have snuck off to ring the Liberty Bell, but we won't mention names.

After a delicious taco bar lunch at the Tap Rock, we headed back to the hotel for some downtime and prepared ourselves for the excursion. It was a fairly quick and easy loading onto the boat, and we had just enough room left for a couple of young ladies to come aboard with us and experience our humor on the trip.

The ride was smooth and refreshing, to say the least. We definitely got splashed, some more than others, but we made it through the Rogue to our dinner spot at the beautiful River Lodge. The view was breathtaking! We may have had a critter or two asking us for food, which one of us obliged. No name needed.

After dinner we loaded up once again, making our way back up the river through some famous movie scenes, waved at some beautiful mannequins in the distance, and enjoyed a few more mouthfuls of fresh river water. Yum! One elder in particular could have been mistaken for jumping in the river. Again, no names need to be mentioned.

Our trip ended with lots of laughs, probably some much-needed showers, and a good night's rest. Everyone arrived home safely on the 8th, full of fun memories and excited for our next big adventure. Thank you Elders, for all of the fun and laughter, and to everyone who made this trip possible.



Elders Corner

Attention Elders!

We want your recommendations for upcoming elder event activities.

Please, join us for the November 9th Elder’s Luncheon and Survey Party.

We will be taking ideas and suggestions to create a survey for trip and activity ideas for Elders in 2024!

Email Barbara Black at bblack@ctclusi.org or call Arleen at 541-888-5266 with your suggestions.

We are also looking for tribal artisans that are interested in donating gifts for the upcoming Elder’s Honor Day. Please, contact Barbara or Arleen if you are interested.



Elders Luncheon

Thursday, December 7, 2023
11:30 a.m. — 3:00 p.m.
(Lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m.)
at
Three Rivers Casino Resort
Event Center
5647 Oregon 126, Florence, OR 97439

Come join us for a fun filled day of Games and BINGO!

There will be a gift exchange for those who wish to participate. Please mark your gift for male or female.



Please RSVP by Monday, November 27, 2023.

Please call to RSVP: Barbara Black at 541-888-7520

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



ELDERS LUNCHEON

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023

11:30 am - 1:00 pm
RSVP BY WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 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 & Social Services Division
Elders Activity Program



Make your Linen Requests today!

Three Rivers Casino & Hotel in Florence, Oregon periodically donates their gently used linens to CTCLUSI. These items have been pulled from circulation at the hotel and are available to you!

These items may be requested at any time, however, there is limited availability so we cannot guarantee any/all items are in stock. All linens are white unless specified otherwise.

Please scan the QR code below with your mobile device to fill out the request form. All requests will be filled in the order in which they are received and will be delivered to your preferred Tribal outreach office for pick-up.



If you have questions, please call
Florence Outreach Office
541-997-6685
or
lsterling@ctclusi.org

Our Tribal outreach offices are located in Coos Bay, Florence, and Eugene. Unfortunately, these items cannot be mailed. If you have any questions, please call Lexi Sterling at the Florence Outreach Office at 541-997-6685. Thank you!

Recognizing POTS

Learn to Spot This Mysterious Condition

Contributed by Diann Weaver, Assistant Director of Health Services/Self-Governance
Source: NIH News in Health, September 2023

A condition called POTS can have a huge impact on a person’s life. People with POTS often feel lightheaded or dizzy when standing up from a lying position. Their heart tends to race. They may even faint. Other symptoms can include extreme fatigue, shortness of breath, and trouble thinking.

“POTS can be quite debilitating. It can make it hard to do everyday activities, like attending work or school,” says Dr. Cheryl L. McDonald, who helps oversee NIH’s POTS research programs. “Some people even require the use of a wheelchair because they can’t stand or walk for long periods.”

POTS is an abbreviation for Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome. Postural means it’s linked to your body’s position. Orthostatic is related to standing. Tachycardia means rapid heart rate. And syndrome means it’s a group of symptoms. (See the Wise Choices box.)

Normally, when a person stands up, gravity pulls blood down toward the legs and feet. This briefly reduces blood flow to the upper body, including the heart and brain. So the brain immediately sends signals that tighten the body’s lower blood vessels and make the heart pump faster. This pushes blood upward, so it can travel throughout the body.

But for people with POTS, these signals break down. The lower blood vessels don’t tighten enough upon standing, and the heart beats much faster than it should. The brain and other organs may not get enough blood, which can lead to fainting and other symptoms.

POTS can affect anyone at any age. It is most common among women, ages 15 to 50. Its causes are unknown. Researchers suspect there can be different causes, and each might require different treatments. Some data suggest that POTS may arise after major surgery, head injury, pregnancy, or viral illness.

POTS can be diagnosed by looking at your symptoms, heart rate, and blood pressure when you go from lying down to standing. Adults might have POTS if their heart rate rises by more than 30 beats a minute within 10 minutes of standing, without a big blood pressure change. For those under age 20, an increase of at least 40 beats a minute without a major blood pressure change could signal POTS. Symptoms may quickly improve by lying down.

Treatment often involves increasing salt intake and drinking plenty of water, which can boost blood volume. Blood volume is the total amount of fluid circulating around your body. Some patients benefit from medications that help to raise blood pressure or reduce heart rate. Compression socks can help keep blood from pooling in the

legs. Exercise training and maintaining a regular sleep schedule may also help.

Many people—even some health care providers—have never heard of POTS. “But awareness has increased in recent years, particularly since POTS has been seen in patients who have had COVID-19,” McDonald says. The links between POTS and COVID-19 are still unclear, and researchers are working to learn more.

Despite increased awareness of POTS, it can be hard for some patients to get a diagnosis. “If you have symptoms that look like they could fit with POTS, it’s a good idea to discuss the possibility with your doctor,” McDonald says. “It’s perfectly acceptable to be your own advocate. You can show an article to your doctor and ask: Do you think I might have POTS?”

Wise Choices

Common Signs of POTS

POTS symptoms vary, which makes it hard to diagnose. People may have some or many of these symptoms:

- Racing heart and light-headedness when going from lying down to standing.
- Reddish-purple color in feet or legs.
- Heart palpitations, or feeling your heart pounding or racing.
- Shortness of breath.
- Weakness and fatigue.
- Severe headache.
- Digestion-related problems, such as nausea, constipation, or vomiting.
- Poor concentration or confusion.
- Trouble sleeping.
- Blurred vision.
- Trouble exercising.



Tribal Healing to Wellness Enhancement Training 2023

Contributed by Diane Whitson, Tribal Court Administrator

The Tribal Healing to Wellness Enhancement Training in September 2023 was a valuable and informative event for attendees. Here’s a summary of the key points and topics covered during the training:

Opening and Closing Ceremonies: Jeri Brunoe, a member of the Warm Springs Tribe, hosted the opening and closing ceremonies. She performed a tribal opening and introduced the events each day, setting the tone for the training.

Plenary: Joseph Flies-Away, a former Chief Judge of the Hualapai Tribal Court and Community Nation Building Consultant in Phoenix, AZ, discussed the development of Healing to Wellness Courts over the past 25+ years, highlighting their progress and future visions.

Mentor Courts: The concept of “Mentor Courts” was introduced, where other Wellness Court teams visit your tribal court to observe proceedings and meet with your staff. This can provide valuable insights for improving your own Wellness Court.

Strength-Based Language: This session emphasized the importance of using positive language when working with Wellness Court participants. Negative language and non-verbal cues can discourage individuals in

their recovery process. Using more positive and non-judgmental language can be more effective in assisting participants.

Veteran’s Court: The Yurok Tribe in Northern California discussed their newly developed Veteran’s Court, which is open to other tribes and also serves as a mentor court.

Recovery Management Toolkit: This session emphasized the importance of providing participants with the necessary tools for recovery before imposing sanctions. It acknowledged that relapses are common in the early stages of the program.

Common Issues: The training addressed common challenges faced by tribes, including responses to the opioid crisis, drinking and driving, and increasing cannabis abuse. There was a focus on the rise of women offenders and the need to address issues related to impaired women drivers.

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) round table discussion provided tips for grant

solicitations, allowing participants to openly discuss issues with grant applications and offer suggestions for improvement.

Diversity Topics: The training covered a wide range of topics, including starting wellness courts and veterans’ courts, addressing problem gambling issues, understanding the

Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA), and discussing the impact of recent Supreme Court rulings on tribes. Data collection was also highlighted as an essential component of the training.

I would encourage individuals interested in healing and wellness to attend this training

in the future, given the wealth of useful information and insights it provides for tribal courts and their communities.

Overall, the training appears to have been a comprehensive and beneficial experience for attendees, offering insights into various aspects of tribal wellness and healing programs.

-Stephanie Nord, Tribal Court Clerk

Dental Staff Travel for Continuing Education Opportunity

Contributed by Bobbie Hafer, EPDH

On August 15th and 16th, your CTCLUSI Dental Clinic team was invited onto the land of the Suquamish People at the Clearwater Resort in Suquamish, Washington. Using a scholarship from the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board, the team participated in continuing education and networking with other dental staff members from 28 of the 31 member Tribes that have dental clinics. 160 attendees came from Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

Staff members were greeted with a beautiful nametag adorned with black, white and turquoise colored beads, a shiny pine nut and Dentalium shells, along with information on the significance of the pine nuts and Dentalium to Pacific Northwest Tribes. From there, things got more serious with some classes required for dental staff licensure and certification, such as Medical Emergencies and Infection Control. The team learned what's new in cavity prevention and the role they can play in reducing oral cancer by advocating for human papilloma virus (HPV) prevention within Tribal communities. It is always interesting for dental staff to develop new ways of communicating with patients and learn what other Tribes are doing to improve the oral health of their members. In all, the team earned 12.75 hours of continuing dental education from Indian Health Services, Division of Oral Health.

Two fun, informative, interactive presentations were the favorite of those present: Native Nutrition & Food Sovereignty and Native Infusion: Rethink Your Drink. Attendees learned about



Members of the CTCLUSI Dental Team, pictured left to right: Keri Neal, Rachel Crawford, Bobbie, MeAnnDa Wallage, Marissa Gardner

the importance of the traditional diet of the Pacific Northwest people and how it compares with commercially prepared foods. A traditional diet, including beverages, can improve health outcomes, including oral health. The nettle tea that was served included essential vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants.

Here are the thoughts of two CTCLUSI clinic staff:

My favorite class was “Native Infusion: Rethink your drink”. There were so many different ingredients that you can add to your water that are at your fingertips when foraging. It was extremely informative and the infusions that I tried were absolutely delicious. The blackberry mint water was my favorite. – Rachel Crawford, EFDA (Expanded Function Dental Assistant)

The session I enjoyed the most at the Portland Area Dental Meeting was “Native Nutrition and Food Sovereignty”. It was great to hear about the vast variety of plants and food that can be harvested



Suquamish Tree Lights Up the Night

and foraged from our own back yards. For example, they talked

about harvesting dandelions to be used medicinally or to eat in a soup or salad. – Keri Neal, EFDA, Billing Specialist

Anyone interested in the topic of traditional food and drinks, may enjoy perusing the website, tahomapeak.com. Scroll to the bottom of the homepage, under Tahoma Peak News, click on “Read more”. Once there, you will be treated to wonderfully written articles, beautiful photos and recipes for Native food and drinks.

Whether working in the clinic or attending continuing education opportunities such as this, your CTCLUSI Dental Clinic staff continually strive to provide patients the most comprehensive dental care possible. The sharing of knowledge and new ideas certainly met the Portland Area Dental Meeting’s goal of “weaving oral health into healthy lives”.

New Playground Equipment Installed at Q’axas Heights

Contributed by Jamie Meyers, Housing Director, and Diann Weaver, Assistant Director of Health Services/Self-Governance

New playground equipment was recently installed to replace the outdated equipment located at Q’axas Heights Housing in North Bend, Oregon; which was originally installed in 2001. As you can see from the photos, the playground looks very inviting. A huge thank you goes out to the CTCLUSI Maintenance Crew (you know who you are) that put this together – you did an awesome job! Thank you, Armando Martinez, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, for the great suggestion.

The purchase of new equipment was made possible by funds from the Indian Health Service Diabetes Grant. The goal is to encourage the youth to engage in exercise and not spend their “down time” playing video games or become “couch potatoes” from watching too much television. Exercise, especially outdoors, together with proper diet, helps to promote a healthier lifestyle and hopefully avoid development of diabetes. The younger the importance of physical activity is encouraged, the better. Watch for The Voice of CLUSI newsletter this coming Spring/ Summer as there will be installation of playground equipment at Qa’aich Development in Florence, Oregon and new replacement equipment at the Community Center in Coos Bay, Oregon.



Tribal Police Supported Breast Cancer Awareness Month



Pictured above left to right: Chief of Police, Brian Dubray, and Community Services Officer, Rob Snyder



You may have notice a change in the appearance of your Tribal Police Department Officers in October. In support of breast cancer awareness month, TPD Officers wore pink uniform hats and identifiers to show their support for breast cancer survivors and loved ones lost. The hope is to raise public awareness of the importance of early detection in the fight against the disease.

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/>

Notice of 2024 Budget Meeting

Second Budget Hearing for General Council per Tribal Code (CLUSITC 7-10-6)

November 12, 2023

Tribal Community Center, starting at 9:00 a.m. before the Regular Council meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD): More Than the Winter Blues

As the days get shorter and there is less daylight, you may start to feel sad. While many people experience the “winter blues,” some people may have a type of depression called seasonal affective disorder (SAD).

The first step is to determine how much your symptoms interfere with your daily life.

Do you have mild symptoms that have lasted less than 2 weeks?



- Feeling down but still able to take care of yourself and others
- Having some trouble sleeping
- Having less energy than usual but still able to do your job, schoolwork, or housework

These activities can make you feel better:



- Doing something you enjoy
- Going outside in the sunlight
- Spending time with family and friends
- Eating healthy and avoiding foods with lots of sugar

If these activities do not help or your symptoms are getting worse, talk to a health care provider.

Do you have more severe symptoms that have lasted more than 2 weeks?



- Social withdrawal
- Oversleeping
- Gaining weight
- Craving foods with lots of sugar like cakes, candies, and cookies

Seek professional help:



- Light therapy
- Psychotherapy (talk therapy)
- Medications
- Vitamin D supplements

For help finding treatment, visit nimh.nih.gov/findhelp.

If you or someone you know is in immediate distress or is thinking about hurting themselves, call or text the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline at **988** or chat at 988lifeline.org.



nimh.nih.gov/sad

NIMH Identification No. OM 22-4320

NEED A RIDE?

Contributed by Kathy Perkins, Tribal Transportation Coordinator

The Tribal Transportation Department aims to provide necessary transit services for accessing shopping, employment, education, health care, and social/recreational opportunities to all CTCLUSI members and their eligible family members currently lacking reliable transportation.

Transportation options that may be provided directly include door-to-door rides with a 72-hr advance notice and bus passes for the Rhody Express and LTD routes. In addition to services provided directly from the Transportation Department, CCAT services are available free of charge by presenting your Tribal ID card to the CCAT driver at the time of service.

For more information or to access these services, please contact Kathy Perkins, Tribal Transportation Coordinator, at 541-888-9577 ext. 7550.

November is National Native American Heritage Month

Contributed by Chief Judge Karen Costello

While we honor and celebrate the rich heritage, culture, and traditions of the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians at all times, I am reflecting this month on important legal battles that have been waged in support of tribal sovereignty. These battles captured my attention when I was a law student more than twenty-five years ago, and have remained at the forefront of my interests and work today. A particular legal victory is on my mind - one that was won nearly forty years ago. The battleground was the United States Supreme Court and the case was Morton v. Mancari. In that case, the U.S. Supreme Court held that tribal membership is not a racial distinction, but, rather, a political designation, because tribal membership represents citizenship of a sovereign nation. Why was this case important? Among other things, it removed legal barriers to Native American preference in hiring,

because doing so cannot be regarded as unconstitutional racial discrimination. It also supported the preferences to place Indian Children in Indian Families when the state is involved in family matters, as set out in the Indian Child Welfare Act. Recently, in Haaland v. Brakeen, the U.S. Supreme Court, citing Mancari, affirmed that Indian Children can be treated specially in state court proceedings because their status as Indian Children is political, not racial. Therefore, if a police officer, prosecutor, public defender, or judge were to ask you whether you are a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe, that question would not, by itself, amount to unconstitutional racial profiling.

Why is this important to you? If you or a family or household member find yourselves involved in a municipal or state court matter, your tribal membership status may trigger important communications which

could result in your case being referred to tribal court, or to its restorative programs, Wellness Court or Peacegiving Court. These programs could be life-changing for you and your family, and transformative for your community.

Even though the question “are you a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe” may be asked without offending the law, municipal and state court officials and police officers are reticent to do so. If your status isn’t known, then the opportunity for referral will be missed. Heritage, culture, and tradition live in the present and reach to the future. They are alive in your justice system, which is here for you. So, I encourage you – if you or a family or household member are faced with a legal matter in any forum, proudly say “I am a member of the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians” and ask that your tribal court be contacted.

Resolution Summaries

- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-087
Date of Passage: July 9, 2023
Subject (title): Enrollment New Member
Explanation: Tribal Council approves new member Carina Rose Chandler. **Vote 5-1-0**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-088
Date of Passage: July 9, 2023
Subject (title): Enrollment Active to Historic
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this action move the following indivulas from the active roll to the historic roll of the Tribe: Chester Levi Perry, Wanda Louise Williford, Micheal Linn McNutt, Lorre Grace Lewis and Juanita Marie Butterfield. **Vote 7-0-0**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-089
Date of Passage: July 9, 2023
Subject (title): Approve Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Oregon for Participation in the OR Alert Program
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the participation brought to Council from the Tribal Police Department. **Vote 7-0-0**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-090
Date of Passage: July 9, 2023
Subject (title): Approving and Submittal of FY 2023 O’Link 78 MOA
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this agreement to between 11 Tribes of Northern California and Oregon for allocation of funding for Indian Housing Block Grant . **Vote 6-1-0**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-091
Date of Passage: July 9, 2023
Subject (title): Enrollment New Members
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the following names as new members of the Tribe: Waylon Jordan Hunt and Hallie Isla Schutz. **7-0-0**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-092
Date of Passage: July 26, 2023
Subject (title): Contract Modification for Architectural - Engineering Services for Health Services Project
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this contract modification for the designs for the new Health Clinic. **Vote 5-1-0**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-093
Date of Passage: July 26, 2023

- Subject (title):** Contract Award Approval for Construction Services for Health Services Project
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this contract for the construction services for the new Health Clinic. **Vote 4-2-0**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-094
Date of Passage: July 26, 2023
Subject (title): Gaming Equipment Order
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this Order for Three Rivers Casino. **Vote 5-0-1**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-95
Date of Passage: June 22, 2023
Subject (title): Gaming Equipment Order
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this Order for Three Rivers Casino. **Vote 5-0-1**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-096
Date of Passage: July 26, 2023
Subject (title): Gaming Lease
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this gaming lease for Three Rivers Casino - Florence. **Vote 5-0-1**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-097
Date of Passage: July 26, 2023
Subject (title): Rescind Resolution 04-041 on Head Inspector for Three Rivers Casino
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this action to implement a request for proposal for vendors per CTCLUSI Government procurement policy. **Vote 6-0-0**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-098
Date of Passage: August 13, 2023
Subject (title): Establishment of CTCLUSITC Chapter 1-18 Burial Benefit Fund
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this official new Code for second reading and final approval. **Vote 7-0-0**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-099
Date of Passage: August 13, 2023
Subject (title): Establishment of CLUSICT Chapter 10-1 Water Quality Standards
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this official new Code for second reading and final approval. **Vote 7-0-0**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-100
Date of Passage: August 13, 2023

- Subject (title):** Agreement with Pacific Office Automation
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this agreement for copy machines for CTCLUSI. **Vote 7-0-0**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-101
Date of Passage: August 13, 2023
Subject (title): Approval to Purchase New Property with ODHS Grant
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the purchase of this property for the specific use for Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Survivors. **Vote 7-0-0**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-102
Date of Passage: August 13, 2023
Subject (title): Living Language Grant Program
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this submission for funding to further strengthen our language program. **Vote 6-0-1**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-103
Date of Passage: August 13, 2023
Subject (title): Agreement with Company to Provide Recruitment Services
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this agreement to assist the Tribe in recruitment services for the Health Clinic. **Vote 6-0-1**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-104
Date of Passage: August 13, 2023
Subject (title): Contract with Health Provider
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this contract specific to provide qualified medial professions. **Vote 6-0-1**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-105
Date of Passage: August 13, 2023
Subject (title): Contract Approval for Home Repair
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this contract to provide repairs for a Tribal member through the Housing Department. **Vote 7-0-0**
- RESOLUTION NO.:** 23-106
Date of Passage: August 13, 2023
Subject (title): Housing Committee Appointment
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the appointment of Tyler Slyter to the Housing Committee. **Vote 6-0-1**

Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians

Department of Human Resources

Current Openings as of 10/13/2023

Tribal Government Offices Job Opportunities

- Advanced Practice Provider – Medical – Coos Bay
- Advanced Practice Provider – Psychiatric – Coos Bay
- Case Manager/ICWA – Coos Bay
- Community Information Manager – Coos Bay
- Dental Hygienist – Part-Time – Coos Bay
- Dental Assistant I. – Coos Bay
- Forester – Coos Bay
- Gaming Inspector – Florence
- Health Executive Assistant – Coos Bay
- Higher Education Specialist – Coos Bay
- Physician – Coos Bay
- Physician – Family Medicine – Coos Bay
- Physician – Psychiatrist – Coos Bay
- Psychologist – Coos Bay
- Surveillance Agent I. – 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



CLUSI YOUTH COUNCIL

Are you 14-24 years old?

Are you interested in community service?

What do you think our Youth Council should do for the community?

Are you interested in helping out anyway you can?

Would you like to attend camps, summits, conferences and trainings that can better both you and your tribe?

Would you like to keep updated about Youth Council in general?

youthcouncil@ctclusi.org



LIHEAP

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

Fall is Here and Winter is approaching! 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 Social 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	\$33,426
2 Person Family	\$43,711
3 Person Family	\$53,996
4 Person Family	\$64,281
5 Person Family	\$74,565
6 Person Family	\$84,850



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 or need assistance filling out an application, please contact Carol Ann Young, Social Services Worker at 541-435-7159.

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



PEACEGIVING

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

All Peacegiving issues are confidential.



Photo by Morgan Gaines

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 Website: <https://ctclusi.org/tribalcourtpeacegiving>

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	31 Halloween Day Parenting Workshop Zoom 6 pm - 7:30 pm miluk language class 4pm-6pm	1 hanis language class 4pm-6pm	2	3 sha'yuushtla ut quuiich language class 12pm-2pm	4 Ribbon Shirt & Skirts, Eugene Outreach Office
5 Ribbon Shirt & Skirts, Eugene Outreach Office	6	7 miluk language class 4pm-6pm Parenting Workshop Zoom 6 pm - 7:30 pm	8 hanis language class 4pm-6pm	9 Elders Luncheon Community Center 11:30 a.m.	10 Tribal Offices will be Closed in Observance of Veteran's Day	11 Veteran's Day
12 Budget Hearing 9:00 a.m. Regular Council Meeting 10:00 a.m.	13	14 miluk language class 4pm-6pm Parenting Workshop Zoom 6 pm - 7:30 pm	15 hanis language class 4pm-6pm	16	17 sha'yuushtla ut quuiich language class 12pm-2pm	18 Fall Harvest Community Center
19	20	21	22 hanis language class 4pm-6pm	23 Thanksgiving Day All Offices Closed	24 Native American Heritage Day All Tribal Offices Closed	25
26	27	28 miluk language class 4pm-6pm Parenting Workshop Zoom 6 pm - 7:30 pm	29 hanis language class 4pm-6pm Business Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	30	1 sha'yuushtla ut quuiich language class 12pm-2pm	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9

DECEMBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28 miluk language class 4pm-6pm	29 hanis language class 4pm-6pm	30	1 Parenting Workshop Zoom 6 pm - 7:30 pm	2
3	4	5	6	7 Elders Luncheon Three Rivers Casino Event Center 11:30 am	8	9 Holiday Celebration Three Rivers Casino Event Center
10 Regular Council Meeting 10:00 a.m.	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 Winter Solstice	22	23
24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day All Tribal Officed Closed	26 Staff Appreciation Day All Tribal Officed Closed	27	28	29	30
31 New Year's Eve	1 New Year's Day Peace Hike Yachats, 9:30 am All Tribasl Offices Closed	2	3	4	5	6

Hiis Haiyach – with a good heart



What is the Rock Your Mocs event?

Established 2011, Rock Your Mocs, is best described as a worldwide Native American & Indigenous Peoples virtual unity event held annually and during November National Native American Heritage Month in the U.S.A. During the Rock Your Mocs, people wear their moccasins, take a photo, create a video or story, add the hashtag #ROCKYOURMOCS and upload to social media. This creates “an online photo album” for the world to see and enjoy. Rock Your Mocs is wherever you are and also, individuals, organizations, businesses, schools, museums and tribes are taking the initiative to create their own independent local events too!

Dates: 2023: November 12th – 18th

Why a week? The event is a week to create more event opportunity days, especially for schools, people who work Monday – Friday, and people organizing events.

Do we have to wear our Mocs the whole week? Nope, choose a day or days, or the whole week

Is there a main day? The original day will always be November 15th

Why: A positive opportunity celebrate tribal individuality united by

wearing moccasins. We honor our ancestors, and indigenous peoples worldwide, during Rock Your Mocs events and commemorate National Native American Heritage Month

Where: Wherever you may be! Wherever your day takes you!

How to join in: Wear your moccasins or a Turquoise Awareness Ribbon or RYM T-shirt or organize an event

When did the event start? In 2011, RYM was founded and initiated by Jessica “Jaylyn” Atsye (Laguna Pueblo, NM). In 2012 Rock Your Mocs experienced rapid awareness and participation as key national groups begin promoting, these groups included: Powwows.com, National Indian Gaming Association and National Congress of American Indians. Understanding that the Rock Your Mocs event momentum was accelerating, in 2013, Jaylyn approached and partnered with Melissa Sanchez (Acoma/Laguna Pueblos) and Emmett “Shkeme” Garcia (Santa Ana Pueblo) of Emergence Productions, which specializes in Native American & Indigenous Performing Arts.

Check out more at <https://rockyourmocs.org/>

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.

THURSDAYS 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 Thursdays.

SATURDAYS
\$250,000 MEGADRAW
GAMES PLAYED EVERY 30 MINUTES
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

NOVEMBER WEEKLY SPECIALS
Now Open for Breakfast at 8am

MONDAY - THURSDAY
served from 11am-10pm

MONDAY - THREE_MEAT LASAGNA \$20

TUESDAY - A CLASSIC POT ROAST DINNER \$20

WEDNESDAY - BRISKET BURNT ENDS \$20

THURSDAY - CAJUN CHICKEN FETTUCCINI \$20

FRIDAY - SUNDAY
served from 4pm-10pm

FRIDAY - PRIME RIB \$21

SATURDAY - BOUILLABAISSE (SEAFOOD STEW) \$25

SUNDAY - CHEF'S CHOICE

THANKSGIVING Dinner
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD • 11AM-9PM

TRADITIONAL TURKEY DINNER \$27

Slow-roasted turkey breast served with mashed potatoes, turkey gravy, dressing, green bean casserole, sweet dinner roll & cranberry sauce. A slice of pumpkin pie with whipped cream for dessert.

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