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## Tribal Chairman Resigns

Long time Cow Creek Tribal Chairman, Sue Shaffer, announced her resignation at the Sunday, May 16, 2010 meeting of the Tribal General Council. Shaffer gave a brief statement about her years of service to the Tribe before taking a seat in the audience with the general council. Upon her resignation, long time vice-chairman, Dan Courtney, resumed the meeting and will remain as acting chairman until the August 10 election meeting where at that time the Tribal Board Members will seat new officers for the 2010-2011 year.

Courtney, who recently retired from the Veterans Hospital in Roseburg,, was elected to the Tribal Board of Directors in 1991 and has served as Vice-Chairman since 2001.

“We look forward to continuing with stable and sound policies that have been established by the Tribal Board over the past many years,” Courtney said. “As always, our Tribal board is dedicated to meeting the needs of the membership and protecting the Tribe for future generations.”

Nominees for this year’s election will be announced in the June Newsletter, once all Nomination Acceptance Forms have been returned.



**Special points of interest:**

**Government Office Hrs:**

Mon-Thurs 8am–5pm  
Fri 8am-4pm

**Roseburg Clinic Hrs:**

Mon-Thurs 8am-5pm  
Closed 12pm-2pm

**Canyonville Clinic Hrs:**

Mon-Thurs 8:30-4:00  
Closed 12pm-2pm

OFFICE CLOSED July 5  
Independence Day Holiday

## PACT/Dewberry Lawsuit Defeated-Again (Continued pg 2)

After a tortured procedural history, opponents of the Confederated Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians’ (CTCLUSI) Three Rivers Casino finally had their trial day in court - and lost. The lawsuit began in 2003 when the group "People Against a Casino Town" (PACT) attempted to stop the CTCLUSI from using tribal trust lands near Florence, Oregon, as a casino site.

Through the years, the case boiled down to the question of whether or not the Governor of Oregon has the authority to enter into gaming compacts with Tribes pursuant to the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act since there is a "no casino" clause in the Oregon constitution.

## PACT/Dewberry Lawsuit Defeated-Again ( continued from front)



As a result, the case has had the potential to impact all Oregon tribes with gaming operations, not just the CTCLUSI. Oregon tribes, including Cow Creek, signed on to legal positions in the case supporting the CTCLUSI and the right of the Oregon Governor to compact with the tribes under federal law.

On May 3, 2010, Oregon Circuit Judge Karsten Rasmussen agreed with the Tribes and the Oregon Governor, holding:

"Under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, Governor Kulongoski and the Confederated Tribes entered into a valid gaming compact, which lawfully permits the Confederated Tribes to operate the Three Rivers Casino & Hotel on restored lands. The Governor had the constitutional and statutory authority to bind the State of Oregon to the terms of the Compact. In short, the no casino prohibition of the Oregon Constitution is preempted by federal law on Indian lands."

PACT attorneys have promised to appeal the case "all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court" but, for now, their case is defeated and their chances of a reversal in their favor are slim.

We will keep watching.

## UIDC Job opening and employment application information

The UIDC Human Resources Department has created a one stop job posting and application process. The list of job openings at Tribal businesses and the application for employment is now all on-line at [www.UIDCHR.com](http://www.UIDCHR.com). With the application now on line, Tribal members can apply for job openings from their home computer. Computers are also available for use at the UIDC Human Resources department located at Seven Feathers Casino Resort as well as at Government Office Library. For the first five days that a job is posted only Tribal member applications will reviewed by hiring managers. After five days, if there are no qualified Tribal member applications the position will be open to the general public. Tribal members wanting to talk to someone about job openings can call the UIDC Human Resources office at (541) 839-1157 or the Government Office Receptionist at (541)677-5575.

## Summertime Movie Club

The summer time movies are starting soon! The tentative dates are June 22 and 29, July 6 and 27, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. This will include speakers from various program directors prior to each movie. Some possible subjects may include the Youth Prevention Program, Tribal Natural Resources and Dietician Expert.

This program is intended for families, parents must attend with their children . If you would like to attend please call Reggi at 541-677-5575 to sign up no later than 3 days prior to the movie date. Any additional questions please call Rhonda at 541-677-5575 ext 5513.





## Chief Miwaleta Day

Chief Miwaleta Day is scheduled to taking place at the Galesville Dam picnic pavilion on Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, from 9:30 – 4:00 p.m. The MID OREGON BASS club from Roseburg will be at the lake waiting for our youth to sign up for the boats and their fishing trip starting at 8:00. Parents will need to make sure that all fishing licenses are purchased previously. Fees may be reimbursed with a receipt provided.

Thundering Water, Cow Creek Tribal Drum, will be there for drumming from 11:00 -1:00 p.m. People interested in learning how to drum may take this opportunity to learn. Lunch will be provided by Seven Feathers Hotel and Casino Resort.

Please contact Reggi at 541-677-5575 and let her know how many will be attending from your family. Must call no later than June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010. If you have further questions please call Rhonda Malone at 541-677-5575 ext 5513

## Vendors Needed for Gathering of Oregon's First Nations Celebration



The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Gathering of Oregon's First Nations celebration is scheduled for Saturday, January 29, 2011 from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. in Salem in the Pavilion at the State Fairgrounds. Tables are \$50 with a limit of 1 table per vendor. Any tribal artisan with Native American crafts interested in being a vendor at next year's event needs to contact Donna Fields at 1-800-929-8229 by September 1<sup>st</sup> to reserve a table.

## Tribal Election is Coming Up

Tribal General Council Meetings for 2010 have been scheduled as follows:

**May 16, 2010 \* August 8, 2010 \*\* November 14, 2010**

*Nominations Meeting \**

*Annual Election Meeting \*\**

All General Council Meetings will be held at 10:00 a.m. at the Cow Creek Tribal Government Offices located at, 2371 N.E. Stephens Street, Roseburg, OR.

The Procedures for the nominations for the Tribal Board of Directors Election are as follows: Any registered voter of the Tribe present at the May meeting each year may nominate. Each person may nominate one individual for the election in August. When nominations are closed, no other nominations will be accepted. A nomination will be considered complete when the nominee has accepted the nomination in writing. Nomination acceptance forms will be furnished to all candidates represented at the meeting.

For those nominees not present, forms will be mailed to them no later than (3) days following the Nominations Meeting and must be received in the Tribal Government Office no later than June 10 of each year. Candidate acceptance forms will be placed on the ballot in the order the nominations are made. Ballot packets including instructions, will be mailed out to registered voters of the Tribe from the Siletz Agency around July 15<sup>th</sup> and are due back to the Siletz office by August 6<sup>th</sup>. Any new voter registration card needs to be completed by May 14, 2010. Tribal members are encouraged to maintain an updated registration card including an updated signature.

If you are a registered voter and do not receive a ballot, you must contact the Government Office at 541-672-9405 or 800-929-8229.



## Tribal Members Sought for Committees



The Tribal Government Office is seeking applicants for various Tribal program committees. Sev-

eral existing committees and newly developed committees will be appointed to review program goals and guidelines and make recommendations for improvement to the Tribal Administration. Committees will consist of five to seven members and will meet as necessary to accomplish goals.

If you are interested in any of the following committees, please submit a letter expressing your desire and commitment to serve to the Tribal Government Office,

attention Tribal Administrator. There are no minimum requirements other than Tribal Enrollment; however, any special skills or experience related to the committee subject will be helpful.

- Natural Resources Committee
- Education & Employment Committee
- History Committee
- Health Advisory Committee (HAC)

## Tribal Emergency Food Program By Rhonda Malone



The Tribal Food Program has been assisting families since February 2010. Tribal members who apply must have their Tribal I.D. card upon application. Each head of household must complete an application and certify their income.

Food Program dates are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month from 9-12 and the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday from 1-4 pm.

Upon arrival to the South Building Tribal Office please complete an application at that point and the receptionist will contact me. If you have any questions please call Rhonda at 541-677-5575 ext 5513

## Culture Camp is Coming.....

The Cow Creek Culture camp is scheduled for June 18, 19, & 20, 2010 at Bare Ranch Park. Applications have been mailed out to all Tribal members. Included in the application packet is a schedule and complete information on classes offered. If you have any questions regarding any of the information in the packets or you didn't receive your packet in the mail, please contact Louis LaChance in the Cultural Department at 541-677-5575.



## Education News: JOM Program Services

### What is JOM or Johnson O'Malley?

The Johnson O'Malley (JOM) Program is a supplemental education program that provides services to the Cow Creek Tribal members from Pre-School to the 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Tribal members that live outside of the 7-county service area are eligible for parental costs and tutoring services. Students must be attending a school in order to receive services. JOM consists of a 7 member parent committee that meets the first Monday of each month. The JOM Parent Committee plans the yearly activities for students in the 7-county Tribal service area every year. The JOM Parent Committee also approves tutoring requests for students in the 7-county service area.

### How do I utilize JOM services?

Even though JOM is planned by the JOM Parent Committee, in order to receive services you need to contact the Education Director. All new applicants need to fill out a JOM Application. For every request for services such as Parental Costs or Tutoring a "Request for Services" is required to be filled out. Any changes in address, phone number or school, please notify the Education Director to update your student's file.

### What are Parental Costs?

Parental Costs is a \$100.00 per year allowance for JOM students. The 100.00 per year follows the calendar year of January through December. Parental Costs cover any school fees, sports fees, pre-school fees, music fees, dance fees, etc. To verify if a fee will be covered contact the Education Director.

### School Supplies:

Each year JOM students are eligible for \$25.00 per student for school supplies. The \$25.00 per year follows the calendar year of January through December.

### Higher Education Deadline is fast approaching:

The Higher Education deadline for fall is August 1<sup>st</sup>. For students that want to be funded for the 2010-2011 academic year this is the deadline to send in the completed application. Education forms can be downloaded from the Cow Creek Tribal website [www.cowcreek.com](http://www.cowcreek.com) or contact the Education Director.

## Summer's Coming!! Get your Cow Creek Camp Chairs, Now For Sale

The Pow-Wow Committee is selling camp chairs to raise money for the Pow-Wow. The chairs are available for \$25 at the Government Office until July 1<sup>st</sup>. The chairs will also be available during the pow-wow, July 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>. Choose from four colors, black, royal blue, navy blue and forest green.

These chairs are made of sturdy construction, both arms have cup holders, and each chair will hold up to 300 pounds.

There will be no shipping you must pick-up at the Government Office. To place an order, please contact Tammy Woodruff at 541-672-3861.





## Blue Jeans for the Holidays Fundraiser

If you have visited the Government Office on a Friday lately, you may have noticed something different. Employees wearing blue jeans!

The Government Office has implemented a new program, Blue Jeans for the Holidays. This program allows employees (should they wish to participate) to wear blue jeans to work on Fridays. Each employee that participates pays one hundred dollars and is able to wear jeans on Fridays throughout the year.

The funds earned will be used to sponsor our Government Office Tribal Families during the holidays. Each year, the office selects one or more families to help during the holiday season. These families are selected using one or more of the following sources: Nesika, Contract Health, Housing Director, Human Services Director, Board of Directors Assistant or employee suggestion.



## Oregon Archaeology Celebration Exhibit Comes to Seven Feathers

Oregon Archaeology Celebration (OAC) is Oregon's archaeology month that is held every October with activities all over the state. Since 1994 the OAC committee has designed a unique poster every year for the celebration that features an aspect of Oregon archaeology, and provides information about how to get a calendar of events.

In 2008 the OAC committee created an exhibit called "OREGON ARCHAEOLOGY CELEBRATIONS: INVITATIONS TO THE PAST" to bring attention to archaeology in Oregon. The exhibit features the annual posters and describes their themes, such as preservation of shipwrecks and shell middens, technologies through time, archaeological evidence of climate change, volunteers in archaeology, Fort Rock Cave, the Oregon Trail, and Champoeg. A new poster is added every year. The exhibit's goals are to show that Oregon has a rich archaeological past worth supporting and protecting, and that the public is invited to activities celebrating Oregon archaeology every October.



So far the exhibit has been seen at the Columbia River Maritime Museum in Astoria, the High Desert Museum in Bend, the Newberg Library, Tamastslikt Cultural Institute in Pendleton, and OMSI in Portland. During April-May it will be at the Washington County Museum, and then move to the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians "Seven Feathers" Casino in Canyonville this June through September.

## Hellgate Jetboat Elders Trip

The Hellgate Jetboat Dinner Excursion is scheduled for Saturday, August 28. Those planning on attending will meet at the Rogue River Hellgate Jetboat facility located at 966 SW 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Grants Pass, OR by 2:30 p.m. for check-in. There is a 30 person maximum. Interested Tribal Elders need to RSVP to Rhonda by August 15th at 541-677-5575 or 1-800-929-8229.



**Announcements**

**Births/New Enrollments**

Riley Scott Almen, Kaiden Ray Wright, Neykah Lorene Ann Deardorff, Tyson Gordon Shane Botts, Carly Ann Koyano, William Anthony Postlethwait Jr., Jennifer Alexandria Gibson, Juli Ann Gibson, Elliana Wren Leusch

**Obituaries**

Emily Rose Krantz, Rowena Mae Cross

**Veterans**

The Tribe continues to maintain a list of past and present Veterans of the United States Armed Forces for the purpose of bestowing on them, or their family, the Native American Medal of Valor.

The Tribe has also begun a Tribal Honor/Color Guard for community and Tribal activities as requested.

Robert VanNorman, is the current Leader for the Honor/Color Guard. Please send in your name, current address and phone number along with the branch of service and years served to Rhonda Malone, 2371 NE Stephens, Roseburg, Oregon 97470.

**Social Service Program Information**

Applications for the various Social Service programs such as Child Care reimbursement, LIHEAP (energy assistance) and Project Warmth are available through Rhonda Malone at 800-929-8229 or 541-677-5575 or by coming into the South Building Reception desk at 2371 NE Stephens St. in Roseburg.

**Thundering Water Drum Classes**

Thundering Water Drum classes are being held once again at the Block House behind Seven Feathers Casino. Classes are every other Friday beginning April 30th at 6:00 p.m. The class also includes a pot luck so don't forget to bring a dish to share. Everyone is welcome! Please call Teri Hansen at 541-677-5586 for more information.

**Tribal Identification Cards**

Tribal Identification Cards are available to all Tribal members upon request. To obtain an I.D. card, contact Reggi at the Cow Creek Government Offices at 800-929-8229. You will be sent an application to fill out and sign. Enclose a photo and mail the completed application back to the Tribal Government Offices for processing. Properly filled out applications will be processed with the Tribal Chairman's signature and will be mailed back to you.

**Address Updates**

Tribal members are encouraged to maintain a current address at the Cow Creek Tribal Government Offices.

Those who have minor children who are not living in their households should also make sure their children's updated addresses are on file at the Tribal Government Office. If you know of any Tribal members who have not been receiving correspondence from the Tribal Government Office, please recommend that they call the toll free number: 1-800-929-8229.

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