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Interesting Facts

- Governor Kulongoski has visited Seven Feathers Truck & Travel twice. The first visit was during his campaign to become Governor.
- The freshwater reservoir will store 250 acre feet of water.
- The freshwater treatment facility will process up to 500,000 gallons of water per day.
- Treated freshwater will be stored in a one million gallon stainless steel distribution tank.
- Once the Creekside Sewage Treatment lagoon is complete it will be capable of processing up to 500,000 gallons of sewage per day and will be expandable to 1 million per day.

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The liner for the sewage lagoon recently installed at the Creekside Development

GOVERNOR KULONGOSKI PRAISES TRIBE

Tribal leaders welcomed Governor Ted Kulongoski to the Seven Feathers Truck and Travel Center on Monday, October 27, 2003 for a short meeting and tour of the Creekside Development Project located west of the travel plaza. Others invited to tour the project



Tribal Board members Sue Shaffer, Delbert Rainville and Tom Rondeau welcome Oregon's Governor to the Seven Feathers Truck & Travel Center's Creekside Restaurant.

were Canyonville Mayor Chuck Spindel and representatives from the Oregon Department of Transportation.

The day began with a brief over-

view of the project and a statement of the Tribes desire to provide an infrastructure for future development that will enable diversification and create more jobs.

Governor Kulongoski expressed how pleased he was with the community relationships that have been built by the Tribe. He was quoted by the News Review as saying the Cow Creeks are "the personification of what can be accomplished." Further, he stated that the relationship building efforts of the Cow Creeks should serve as a model to other Oregon tribes.

Another important point made by the Governor was that Oregon recognizes and respects tribes as sovereign governments and as nations within a nation. Tribal Chairman Sue Shaffer added "As for state-tribal relations, Oregon probably has one of the best tribal-state relations in the nation, which is backed by the passage

of Senate Bill 770 that mandates a government-to-government relationship between the tribes and state agencies."



Governor Kulongoski speaking at the Truck & Travel Center.

After the overview, the Governor held a short press conference with the local media, then proceeded on a tour provided by the Tribal Board members and staff of the Creekside Development Project.

(see Governor Visits—page 6)

Creekside Development on Schedule

Construction crews for the Creekside Development Project have taken advantage of the dry fall weather and are moving forward on schedule.

A modified work schedule has been adopted for the winter months of the project. Crews

will proceed with pumping water out of Dam 1, created from natural runoff and rain, which will allow digging and trenching work to continue.

The design team continues to monitor and make modifications to the erosion control plan. Con-

tractors have completed a "stair stepping" of the slopes surrounding Dam 3, as well as other steps including hydro seeding and mulching, and use of hay bails.

(see Creekside Schedule—page 6)

HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS REQUESTED

During the last several years, the Tribal Government Office has been collecting copies of various Cow Creek related historical photographs. The current inventory includes photographs representing each of the seven families of the Tribe.

Many of these photos originate from the early 1900's, however, some are much earlier.

There are a limited number of photographs that are of historical locations within Cow Creek Country, including Canyonville, Days Creek, Milo,

Other photographs of interest are of tribal members who are veterans or those who are currently serving in the military. Many photographs of tribal veterans were collected during 2000, when the Tribe organized a fundraiser for the WWII Memorial in Washington D.C.



4th of July at Tiller about 1935

Tribal members are urged to submit copies of their Cow Creek ancestors, as well as locations, that are historically or culturally significant to the Tribe.



Maybelle Rainville, WWII

If tribal members do not have copies of their photographs to submit to the office, they may contact Michael Rondeau in the Tribal Government Office at (541) 672-9405 or 1-800-929-8229 to make arrangements to have digital copies made for the collection.



Looking down Main Street in Canyonville, 1909.

Tiller, South Umpqua Falls and the Huckleberry Patch.

The collection also includes a number of photographs of Tribal family homesteads and cemeteries.



David LaChance, WWII



Antoine Pariseau and John Rondeau, WWI



Old Tiller Store

VETERANS REMEMBRANCE SCHEDULED

The South Umpqua Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 5714, invites the public to honor all veterans, past and present, on Veterans Day, November 11, 2003.

anniversary of the dedication of the Memorial.

Speakers for the ceremony will be State Representative Susan Morgan and Tribal Chairman Sue Shaffer.

Should there be inclement weather, the function will take place in the Public Works truck bay at the south end of City Hall.



The ceremony will take place at Canyonville City Hall at 11:00 a.m. near the Veterans Memorial.

The ceremony also marks the



ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GETS REDUCED FUNDING

Funding for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) has been reduced dramatically from the previous years funding. In the 02/03 funding year, the Tribe received over \$12,000.00 for energy assistance. For the 03/04 funding year the amount is only \$4,800.00.

Applications for this year are currently being accepted by the Tribal Government Office for the elderly and disabled. General tribal membership may apply beginning December 1, 2003. To be eligible, the applicant must qualify by income, live in the service area and there must be at least one tribal member in the home. To receive an application or ask questions, call Rhonda Malone at 1.541.672.9405 or 1.800.929.8229.

TRIBE HOSTS OREGON YOUTH AUTHORITY TRAINING

The Tribal Government Office hosted a training for representatives from the Oregon Youth Authority, Rogue Valley Youth Correctional Facility, Douglas County Youth Correctional Facility and volunteers from the Southern Oregon Indian Center on Friday, October 31, 2003.

Speakers for the event were Tribal Chairman Sue Shaffer, Tribal Government Office CEO Sherri Shaffer and Jack Lawson, of the State of Oregon Office of Minority Services. The presentation included Tribal History, State/Tribal Rela-

tionships and general information to familiarize the participants with the uniqueness of Cow Creek.

"Cow Creek was the second tribe in the State of Oregon to sign a memorandum of understanding with the OYA, which mandates that the tribes have the right to be notified when their youth are placed in protective custody. This also enables the Tribe to work closely with government agencies to deliver the best possible culturally relative services to the youth," said Lawson.

The training emphasized the legal

responsibility of workers at correctional facilities and agencies that work with the tribes once an MOU has been signed.

"Today, for the first time, we have brought together all relevant parties to ensure the rights of our youth that are in protective custody. We were extremely pleased with the turnout and the feedback we received today," said Sherri Shaffer.

ELDERS DINNER SET

The Second Annual Elder's Fall Harvest Dinner has been scheduled for Saturday, November 22, 2003 at the Seven Feathers Hotel and Casino Resort Convention Center. Taking suggestions from those who attended last years dinner, the event time has been moved up to 3 pm with dinner to be served at 4:30.

This year the entertainment will be Tom Doty, storyteller and author in residence at Dragonfly Place, a Siskiyou Mountain Retreat & Center for the Study of Storytelling, Literature and Performance in Ashland, Oregon. He is also the resident storyteller at The High Desert Museum in Bend.

Doty uses native myths, native stories, dialogues and numerous other oral tradition forms to dramatize the adventures that his mythic friend, Coyote, and he take.

Reservations can be made by contacting Rhonda Malone at 541-672-9405 or 1-800-929-8229 and must be made by November 19, 2003.

EDUCATION NEWS

FAFSA Due in February

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form for the 2004-05 academic year becomes available in January 2004. Applicants need to have the form completed and mailed by February 1, 2004 to be considered a priority for funding.

Questions about scholarships or the FAFSA should be directed to Kelly Strickler, Education Director at the Government Office. Kelly can be reached at 1-541-672-9405 or 1-800-929-8229.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Packet information for the 2004-05 Gates Millennium Scholarship is now available. Guidelines for this scholarship are:

1. Must be a Native Ameri-

can/Alaskan Native, African American Asian/Pacific Islander American, or a Hispanic American.

2. Must be entering a nationally accredited college or university as a full-time freshman in the fall of 2004-05.
3. Candidates must graduate from high school with a cumulative 3.3 GPA on a 4.0 scale and must also meet Federal Pell Grant eligibility criteria and demonstrate leadership qualities through community participation or extracurricular activities.

Tribal members with questions, or who desire an application packet, should contact Kelly Strickler, Education Director at the Government Office. Kelly can be reached by calling 1-541-672-9405 or 1-800-929-8229.

College Information/ Financial Aid Night Well Attended

The Third Annual College Information Night was held in the Tribal Government Offices on October 21, 2003. The event was coordinated by Tribal Education Director Kelly Strickler and Julie Marez, Roseburg Indian Education Coordinator.

Nearly 30 tribal members and other Native students joined representatives of Oregon State University, University of Oregon, Southern Oregon University, Lane Community College, Linn-Benton Community College and Haskell Indian Nations University.

"Plans are to have this Information Night at the same time every year" said Kelly Strickler.

HEALTH NEWS

Cow Creek Health & Wellness Center Hours

Monday and Tuesday	9 a.m. – noon 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Wednesday	9 a.m. – noon 3 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Thursday and Friday	9 a.m. – noon 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Call 1.541.672.8533 or 1.800.935.2649 to schedule an appointment.

Notice to Over-the-Counter Program Users

The Cow Creek Over-the-Counter Program is concluding another year of service to the tribal membership. As in previous years, requests for approval of preventative items will not be granted for a short period of time to enable year end close out of the program.

All requests for the Over-the-Counter Program must be received by Cow Creek Health and Wellness by November 14, 2003. Please note there will not be any exceptions.

Access to the Over the Counter Program will again be available to Cow Creek tribal members on January 2, 2004.

Tribal members who have questions regarding this program are encouraged to contact the Cow Creek Health and Wellness Center at 1-541-672-8533 or 1-800-935-2649.



INFORMATION & HAPPENINGS

Tele-Health Information

The Tele-Health teleconference call focuses on a different health topic each month. Calls occur on the second Thursday of each month at noon and 7 p.m. Each call lasts one-half hour and there is ample time for questions. Any tribal member with an interest in the Tele-Health topic may call in (1.800.930.9525) and become part of the teleconference.

Tele-Health topics for the remainder of the year are listed below. Topics for 2004 will be listed in an upcoming issue if KIU-YUM-ID.



For information on how to participate in a Tele-Health call, contact the Cow Creek Health & Wellness Center at 1.541.672.2649 or 1.800.935.2649.

The next Tele-Health teleconference is scheduled for:

November 13, 2003

Topic: Tobacco Cessation

Provider: Andrea Davis, CHR

The direct and indirect health costs of smoking or chewing tobacco are an estimated \$100 billion annually. Tobacco kills more people than the combined deaths caused by suicide, homicide, illicit drug use, alcohol abuse, car accidents and AIDS.

The Cow Creek Health & Wellness Center assists people with smoking cessation. Call in to the Tele-Health call on Nov. 13 and gain additional information on how a person can quit this addiction.

Also, the Cow Creek Health and Wellness Staff encourage tribal members to attend the Great American Smokeout at Seven Feathers Hotel & Casino Resort on Nov. 20, 2003.

A Tele-Health teleconference on **Stress Management** is scheduled for **December 11, 2003**, and will be provided by Dr. Cheryl Gifford.

November Is Bone Marrow Awareness Month

The Cow Creek Health and Wellness Center is participating in the National Bone Marrow Drive during the month of November. For patients with life threatening diseases like leukemia and other cancers, bone marrow donors can give the gift of life.

Each Monday, Cow Creek Health and Wellness Center staff, in conjunction with the American Red Cross, will be conducting a Bone Marrow Drive. To join the 4 million heroes on the National Bone Marrow Registry, people are encouraged to stop by the Cow Creek Health and Wellness Center on any Monday in November for a simple blood draw.

For more information on the National Bone Marrow Registry, please contact the Cow Creek Health and Wellness Center at 1-541-672-8533 or 1-800-935-2649.

HEALTH & WELLNESS STAFF CONDUCT HEALTH FAIR

Tribal members from the Bend and Redmond area took time out of their busy weekend to attend the Second Annual Cow Creek Health Fair, sponsored by the Tribe and organized by the Cow Creek Health and Wellness Staff. The event was held at the Comfort Suites in Redmond on October 11, 2003.

Nearly 60 ?? Tribal members and their families were able to view educational displays and materials and talk with the nutritionist, psychologist, nurses and other Health and Wellness staff members. Information was available on a wide variety of health and wellness topics such as proper nutrition, portion control, tobacco, alcohol and substance abuse issues and addictions. Preventative



Cow Creek's oldest Tribal Elder, Emily Rose Krantz, receives a health check.

tests, which included blood pressure checks, blood sugar readings and cholesterol screenings, were offered as well.

For those wishing to take steps to help avoid winter illness, flu and pneumonia vaccinations were available after a short consultation.



Cow Creek Health and Wellness Staff gather around an eagle sculpture by Lorenzo Ghighieri in the lobby of the Comfort Suites in Redmond. Lorenzo Ghighieri is the artist who sculpted the Eagle at Seven Feathers Hotel and Casino Resort.

Andrea Davis, Community Health Representative, explains a health approach to tribal members.



2003 Great American Smokeout Slated

The Cow Creek Health & Wellness Center will again hold a health fair for the Great American Smokeout at Seven Feathers Hotel & Casino Resort on Thursday, Nov. 20., from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.



The fair will be located, as it has been every year, in the hallway between the hotel and the casino floor. The health booths will have multiple displays, brochures and stop smoking aids. The Health & Wellness staff will be on hand to check blood pressures, carbon monoxide levels, and to discuss smoking cessation.

Directing your effort to a commitment to quit smoking is a three-phase plan: (1) deciding to quit; (2) preparing to quit; and (3) following through. Ask about the Health & Wellness Center's smoking cessation program available for all tribal members, tribal affiliates and employees. For additional information, call the Cow Creek Health & Wellness Center at 1.541.672.8533 or 1.800.935.2649.

Interesting Fact

The American Cancer Society took the Great American Smokeout nationwide in 1977 after it met with success in Massachusetts, Minnesota, and California.



Governor visits (continued from page 1)

During the Governors visit he was given the opportunity to detonate an explosive that was set for rock quarry development for use on the site.

When the tour concluded, Tribal leaders hosted a private luncheon with Governor Kulongoski at Seven Feather Hotel and Casino Resort.



Members of the design team and media view Creekside's Dam #2.



View of the north side of the Creekside Project as Governor Kulongoski detonated an explosive in the onsite quarry.

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CHILD CARE PROGRAM HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS

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The Child Care Program is a federally funded program operated by the Tribal Government Office Social Service Department. Currently, the program has openings for two eligible tribal families to receive assistance with the costs of child care.

The Cow Creek Child Care Program is designed to assist parents who are employed full or part time or are attending school

or employment related trainings.

"Currently, we have seven tribal families receiving Child Care Program assistance. The program requires tribal certification to help ensure that tribal children's safety is achieved," said Rhonda Malone, Social Services Representative for the Cow Creek Tribe.

For further information about the Child Care program, or to

obtain an application, please contact Rhonda Malone, Social Services Representative at the Cow Creek Tribal Government Office at 1-541-672-9405 or 1-800-929-8229.

Creekside Schedule—Lagoon Liner installed (continued from pg 1)



The liner for the lagoon has been completed ahead of schedule due to good weather and hard work of the design team. This part of the project originally

was not scheduled to be complete until the spring of 04.

This lagoon will be the holding pond for sewage pumped from the resort facilities.

Other steps are being taken to continually deal with erosion control. Hydro seeding, hay bails and hydro mulching have all been utilized within the erosion control plan. Erosion will be an ongoing issue which will be monitored after every heavy rain.



OREGON TRIBES EXPRESS CONCERN OVER LAWSUIT

Concern among Oregon Tribes is increasing over a lawsuit filed by an anti-gambling group recently formed to oppose the efforts of the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw in building a casino near Florence, Oregon. The group called "People Against a Casino Town" (PACT) files a lawsuit against the State of Oregon arguing that former Governor John Kitzhaber violated state law and had no authority to enter into a Tribal/State gambling compact with the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw. They further argue that the Oregon State Constitution specifically bans casinos in the state.

The lawsuit is a result of many years of controversy between the Confederated Tribes and many residents of Florence. Residents argue that an Indian casino will cause Florence to "lose its beach-town character," because of traffic snarls, increased noise and parking issues that would result.

A spokesman for the Coos Tribe points out that Florence has among the highest rates of lottery gambling in the state but that the town has not objected to the state

run video lottery games located in bars and taverns. The Tribe also raises the issue of possible racism as a motive for the opposition.

While the suit is directed at preventing the Confederated Tribes from building a casino in Florence, there is a growing uncertainty of how the results of this lawsuit may affect the remaining eight tribes in the state.

The Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians were the first to enter into a compact with the State of Oregon in 1992, followed by the Siletz, Grand Ronde, Coquille, Warm Springs, Burns Piute and Umatilla. The Confederated Tribe of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw were the last to enter into an agreement with the state.

Cow Creeks' position is that the Tribal/State Compact was negotiated in accordance with the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, which is federal law.

PACT has adopted a strategy that has been successfully used in New Mexico and New York.

On their website, the anti-gambling group is soliciting support from other communities in

Oregon that oppose Indian casinos in their community. The PACT website carries an anti-Indian rights theme that provides links to news articles that are unfavorable to tribes, and charge that the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 has been "subverted into a means for casino developers to enhance their commercial position at the expense of the town in which they plant their casino."

Oregon Gaming Tribes are expected to meet in early November to continue discussions on the possible strategy to em-

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- People Against A Casino Town

Tribal Identification Cards

Tribal Identification Cards are available to all tribal members upon request. To obtain an I.D. card, contact Carol Ferguson at the Cow Creek Government Offices at 1-800-929-8229. You will be sent an application which you should fill out and sign. Enclose a photo and mail the material back to the Tribal Government Offices for processing.

Properly filled out applications will be processed with the Tribal Chairman's signature and mailed back to you.

First Ever "Eleanor Roosevelt Award" Presented To Chairman

Tribal Chairman Sue Shaffer, along with other tribal leaders, attended the "Oregon Democratic Summit" held at Sunriver Resort near Bend last month. At the Summit Banquet, Chairman Shaffer was awarded the first ever "Eleanor Roosevelt Award" in recognition for her community and tribal leadership. Shaffer was to receive the award from

Key Note Speaker, National Strategist James Carville, however, he was unable to attend due to a family illness. Shaffer said she was looking forward to meeting Mr. Carville and congratulating him on his "shy and delicate demeanor."

In Carville's absence, Senator Ron Wyden presented the award and called upon Shaffer to speak

to the crowd of about 500.

Other attendees included Secretary of State Bill Bradbury, Attorney General Hardy Meyers, Secretary of Labor Dan Gardner and Susan Castillo, Superintendent of Public Instruction.





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IMPORTANT NOTICES

TRIBAL OFFICE CLOSURES

The Cow Creek Tribal Government Offices will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday, November 27 & 28, 2003 and for the Christmas Holiday, December 25 & 26, 2003.

The Cow Creek Tribal Government Offices were open Columbus Day, October 13, 2003 and will be

open on Veteran's Day, November 11, 2003.

TRIBAL JOBS LINE

Tribal members interested in employment opportunities at any of the tribal businesses can call the Tribal Jobs Line at 1-800-676-0854 to hear a pre-recorded listing of openings. The Tribal Jobs line is updated

on a weekly basis and provides instructions as to where and how to apply.

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 also should

make sure their children's updated addresses are on file with the Tribal Government Offices.

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) or write to the Cow Creek Tribal Government Office, 2371 NE Stephens Street, Suite 100, Roseburg, Oregon 97470.



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