The Klamath Tribes Stand with Standing Rock!

WATER IS LIFE! NO PIPELINES!

Attention Klamath Tribal Members!

Two General Council Meetings (Oct. & Nov.)

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10:00 am Tribal Administration Auditorium, Chiloquin, Oregon
Agenda: Hotel Development Presentation & Decision

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Agenda to be determined
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KLAMATH TRIBES OF OREGON NEWS RELEASE
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE- September 28, 2016

THE KLAMATH TRIBES OPPOSE LNG PIPELINE/JORDAN COVE ENERGY PROJECT

The Klamath Tribes are proud to announce at the September 14, 2016, Klamath Tribal Council meeting the following motion was made and supported unanimously to oppose the LNG Pipeline/Project. *In a Klamath Tribal Council Motion by Councilman Perry Chocktoot, second by Councilman David Ochoa, to send a letter of opposition of the LNG Project to FERC and other appropriate parties.

Motion passed 9 for, 0 opposed, 1 abstention.

For these reasons, the Klamath Tribes strongly support efforts by the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians (CTCLUSI) to require a great deal of additional archeological work and cultural resource identification if FERC were to reverse its decision to deny the applications for the Project. Our heartfelt hope is that after the rehearing, FERC will affirm its March 11, 2016, denial of the applications. The losses of our cultural resources and risks presented by the Project clearly outweigh any benefits to the public from building the LNG pipeline and the Jordan Cove terminal for the export of LNG.

The Klamath Tribes appreciate the efforts by the Oregon SHPO to protect our shared cultural resources which would be endangered if the Project is allowed to go forward. Please let me know of any communications about the Project or decisions by FERC with regard to the rehearing. If you have any questions about this letter, please contact me or Perry Chocktoot, Culture and Heritage Director, at (541) 783-2219.

Sincerely,

Donald C. Gentry
Chairman, The Klamath Tribes

cc: Mark Ingersoll, CTCLUSI Tribal Chairman
Paul Friedman, FERC
Charlene Dwyn Vaughn, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
John Eddins, ACHP
Jerome Perez, BLM
Alice Carlton, USFWS
Christine Curran, Oregon SHPO

Above: Klamath Members, Kim Cole and her family, brought their warrior spirit and prayers.
Below: On September 18, 2016, Klamath Members, the Aztec Dancers from Mexico, and the Rogue Valley Community coordinated to Stand in Solidarity for Clean Water! No Pipelines! Water for Life!
New Klamath Tribal Council Member, Perry Chocktoot, was sworn into office by Tribal Chairman, Don Gentry, on August 24, 2016, at the Tribal Administration offices in Chiloquin, Oregon. Mr. Chocktoot accepted the position, after Rosemary Treetop, stepped down from her elected position, due to family medical reasons. According to the Tribal election process, Mr. Chocktoot was next in line for the position.

Welcome Mr. Chocktoot

For more information or to contact Perry, you can email or call him at:

perry.chocktoot@klamathtribes.com
or
(541) 783-2219 ext. 178

Chiloquin First Coalition Leads Efforts to move forward ‘Indigenous Peoples Day’ amid effort to abolish Columbus Day

On September 22, 2016, the Chiloquin First Coalition, lead by Klamath County Public Health’s Valeree Lane, met with students at Chiloquin High School to propose a student-led drive to abolish Columbus Day in Klamath County and replace the holiday with Indigenous Peoples’ Day. Fellow Chiloquin First Coalition members in attendance were Klamath Tribal members Will Hess and Debbie Moran, along with Chiloquin High School Principal Denise Brumels.

Students were presented with a draft proposal letter, addressed to Klamath County Commissioner Chair Kelley Minty Morris, asking the commissioner board to consider recognizing Indigenous Peoples’ Day in place of Columbus Day, and encouraging them to recognize the fact that the county is situated within the homelands of the Klamath, Modoc, and Yahooskin people, furthermore adding to the reasoning for the recognition of the holiday. Efforts to pass the bill for abolishment of Columbus Day have been successful in many other areas around the country, including the City of Portland, Eugene, and the state of Washington, all of which now celebrate Indigenous Peoples’ Day as a federally recognized holiday in place of Columbus Day.

The students are excited about this proposal, and are currently working on gathering signatures for a petition to be sent to the commissioner board, and have hand delivered the letter to the commissioners themselves.

For more information on this subject, community members can contact Valeree Lane at 541-851-3737 or by email at vlane@klamathcounty.org, Will Hess at 541-884-1841 will.hess@klm.portland.ihs.gov, or Debbie Moran at 541-884-1841 deborah.moran@klm.portland.ihs.gov

Attention: Klamath Tribes & General Council

There are many deceased Klamath Tribal Members whose families have left outstanding funeral balances at Davenport’s Chapel of the Good Shepherd- Funeral Directors.

If you have an outstanding balance for your family’s services, or if you are not sure, please contact, Klamath Tribal Council Treasurer, Brandi Hatcher at: 541-783-2219 ext. 176. She has a list and the amounts still owed for your loved one.

You can also contact:
Davenport’s Chapel of the Good Shepherd- Funeral Directors
2680 Memorial Drive, Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601
Ph: 541-883-3458  Email: davenportschapel@hotmail.com

Klamath Tribal Council and Spirit Mountain Community Fund Representatives: LtoR: Councilman, Steve Weiser; Vice-Chairwoman, Gail Hatcher; Community Fund Director, Kathleen George; Chairman, Don Gentry; Grants Coordinator, Julia Willis; Councilman, David Ochoa; Secretary, Roberta Frost.

Chiloquin, OR- The Klamath Tribes are pleased to announce they are the recipient of a grant award in the amount of $125,000 for the Klamath Tribes Water Preservation Project. The grant came from the Spirit Mountain Community Fund and the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde. The Klamath Tribes have received several grants from the Spirit Mountain fund in the past, which have been instrumental in helping tribal programs with our storage and other building needs. But this award is specific to tribal government and the tribes Water Preservation Project, which continues to be a top priority for treaty resource protection and water rights issues.

The philanthropic arm of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, has given upwards of over $62 million in grants since its inception in 1997, and they are happy to continue to support the Klamath Tribes in this important endeavor for water rights and restoration. On August 23, 2016, a check was presented to the Klamath Tribal Council and Chairman Gentry, at the Tribal Administration Offices in Chiloquin, Oregon. The Community Fund receives 6 percent of Spirit Mountain Casino profits and uses the money to award grants to non-profit organizations in 11 western Oregon counties. Grants are awarded in the categories of arts and culture, education, health, historic preservation, public safety, environmental preservation and other areas.

The Spirit Mountain Community Fund Executive Director, Kathleen George, and Grants Coordinator, Julia Wil- lis, personally traveled to Chiloquin, Oregon to present the check to the Klamath Tribes. Kathleen George emphasized the fact that they felt it was important to deliver the funds face to face to each tribal recipient. "We are honored to be here to present this check to the Klamath Tribes. We feel there is no substitute when it come to visiting people where they live and work." She added, "When Tribes come together and support one another, we can make a change, we support you and give you thanks for the critical work you are doing for us all. It is our pleasure to partner. The Board of Trustees and Tribal Council join me in wishing you continued success."

Klamath Tribal Chairman Gentry stated, "Of course the Klamath people appreciate your continued support. We know the Grand Ronde to be people of integrity and honor. These funds will assist us in making sure we can continue to work hard in our community, build relations, and continue to work towards water quality and protection of our water rights in the basin." He added, "We appreciate the assistance and look forward to working together and supporting one another in the future. Many thanks from the Klamath Tribes and our entire Council and the Klamath Tribes."

A small meeting followed the check presentation with members of the Tribal Council, and Jana DeGarmo, the Klamath Tribes Grant and Contracts Compliance Officer, who was instrumental in preparing the application and finalizing the entire process for the grant award. Tribal Council acknowledged her hard work and dedication to this very important project. Mrs. DeGarmo will help facilitate the grant over the next year and ensure compliance for any regulations and reporting requirements.

Klamath Tribes Vice-Chairwoman, Gail Hatcher, echoed the thanks from all the Council Members and concluded the meeting by saying, "Thank you, Tribal People need Tribal People to fight for Tribal Rights."

For more information regarding this award you can contact: Klamath Tribal Government at 541-783-2219 ext. 170

Chanda Aloysius Yates

Mrs. Yates is originally from the Deg Hit'an Athabascan community of Holy Cross, Alaska. She has lived in Anchorage, Alaska for the last 25 years, is married to Darin Yates and has two children Jacob and Victoria. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Organizational Management and a Master's Degree in Business Administration, and has 25+ years of experience in Health Care. Previously, she was the Vice-President of Southcentral Foundation in Anchorage (SCF), Alaska and responsible for executive management of a workforce of 300 employees and a $29 million dollar operating budget. As part of SCF's Leadership Team, Chanda worked in partnership with the President/CEO and other VPs to solicit feedback from SCF's 65,000 Alaska Native customer-owners, to project the short and long term needs of the Native Community, and set the strategic direction for the organization.

Chanda's passion is customer driven health and wellness. Fifteen years ago, Chanda helped develop SCF's initial plans to integrate behavioral health providers into the primary care environment. One of the first in the nation to accomplish this. This behavioral health/primary care integration has since won national accolades, including SAMHSA Science and Service Award recognition. This model was later spread to the emergency room services. Chandra has also secured grants for introducing primary care providers into behavioral health programs, including a program for the severely and persistently mentally ill. Among her other achievements, Chanda implemented electronic medical records, both CARF accreditation and TJC accreditation across programs. She was responsible for providing services in rural Alaska as well as Anchorage and the Mat-Su Valley in 25 different locations.

Welcome Chanda!

Klamath Tribal Health & Family Services
3949 South 6th Street
Klamath Falls, OR
For more information please call: 1-800-552-6290
NOTICE

2016 Returned Klamath Per Capita Checks

The Klamath Tribes Member Benefits Department is posting this public notification as required by The Klamath Tribes Revenue Allocation Plan Section 50.14 (k), listing the names of all eligible person who have not picked up their per capita checks and for whom the Klamath Tribes have no valid mailing address. ALL checks will be VOID after 180 days and non-negotiable per KTRAP 50.14(l). Please keep check stub for Federal Income Tax reporting. 1099 tax forms are sent when the income is over $599.00.

NAME CHANGES, GUARDIANSHIP, DEATH BENEFITS

It is the responsibility of each member to keep The Klamath Tribes Member Benefits Department informed regarding your and your minor children’s address, name changes, and custodial appointments. If you have had any of the following, submit listed documentation to change name on file or claim death benefits.

Name Change: Submit marriage license, divorce papers, court papers, adoption records to change name on record. Be sure to update Social Security Card and submit to Member Benefits Department.

Change in Guardianship: Submit guardianship papers or custody awards.

Death Benefits: Submit death certificate, copy of will or petition of personal representation to claim benefits for any member who may have passed away since the last per capita.

Please call 541-783-2219 and request Change of Address Forms, Member Benefits Applications, and Deceased Benefits Forms to be mailed to you or you may come in and pick up forms at The Klamath Tribes, Administration Building, 501 Chiloquin Blvd. Chiloquin, Oregon. All forms and applications are on our website www.klamath-tribes.org.

If you have any questions, please contact the Culture and Heritage Department at (541) 783-2219 x140

News Alert from the Klamath Tribes Culture and Heritage Department

We would like to the make the general public, including tribal members, aware that picking up of artifacts on State, Federal and Private land is illegal. And in some cases with private property, it can be considered theft of private property and is subject to legal action. We caution our people in taking artifacts from non-tribal people without knowing how they were acquired. Artifacts found on private property are owned by the private property owners.

All acquisition of artifacts should be directed to the Klamath Tribes Culture and Heritage Department for disposition.
Cobell v. Salazar Settlement Funds that may be available for Klamath Members

Below is a current list of Klamath Tribal members whose whereabouts are unknown or whose records do not otherwise contain mailing addresses. These members may have a settlement due them from the Indian Trust Settlement (Cobell v. Salazar). The members or their heirs may contact Garden City Group at (1-866-591-2958), or Mary Gentry at the Klamath Tribes Administration office (1-800-524-9787 ext. 195). It is important for members to provide certified birth certificates, tribal identification and in the case of deceased family members, prove of heirship, certified death certificate, birth certificate to demonstrate you are an heir to the deceased, certified copies of wills and or Affidavit for Small Estates that have been filed in the county where family member passed:

For more information call: (1-866-591-2958) or (206)-753-0529

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Info: Secretary Frost
541-783-2219 ext. 170
NOTICE TO TRIBAL MEMBERS:  
Office Furniture Surplus Give-Away 
October 21, 2016

Klamath Tribal Administration will be making available to tribal members on Friday, October 21, 2016 between the hours of 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, the following office furniture that has been declared surplus.

Office Furniture
(chairs, desks, file cabinets, office equipment)
*Note: items are “as is” and may not be in operating condition. Repairs may need to be made to be functional.

LOCATION
All surplus office furniture items will be set up at the Klamath Tribes Maintenance Building located at:
Tribal Administration
501 Chiloquin Blvd
Chiloquin, Oregon

TIME SCHEDULE/Bring I.D.
Tribal Elders/Veterans:  8am-9am
Tribal College Students:  9am-11am
Tribal High School Students:  11am-1pm
Tribal Members:  1pm-3pm
Tribal Employees:  3pm-4pm

The time schedule will be adhered to – if you fall into one of the above-mentioned categories, that is your scheduled time.

A priority system for the release of the furniture and equipment has been developed. First priority will be for tribal elders/veterans; second priority is for tribal members currently enrolled in college; third priority is for tribal members currently attending high school; fourth priority is for general tribal membership; and fifth priority is for tribal members currently employed by the Tribes. College and high school students need to bring proof of school attendance and everyone will need to bring their tribal enrollment card.

Each individual will need to check in with the Receptionist. No one will be allowed to pick up any furniture and/or equipment for someone else or set aside for anyone else. You need to be present at the designated times, to select furniture. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Questions call the Maintenance Program, at 783-2219 ext. 143 and ask for Todd.
2016-2017 Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program

The LIHEAP Caseworker started taking applications for Elders beginning October 3, 2016. If you did not receive an application in the mail please call the Community Service Department at 783-2219 ext. 134 and leave your name and address along with a phone number.

Start Dates:
Elders 60 yrs and above – October 3, 2016
All Others – November 1, 2016 please call 541-783-2219 ext. 134 to make an appointment.

Definitions:
Elder Client- A person who is 60 years and above
Disabled Client – an individual who, by reason of illness, injury, advanced age, congenital malfunction, or other permanent or temporary incapacity or disability with special requirements. (Must show proof of long-term disability from SSI award letter or GA award letter).
If a disabled client or Elder cannot come in for an appointment the Caseworker will be able to go to your home and take all the information.

Income Guidelines: Net income is based on total of all income in the household (for all members of the household). Income includes the following:

- Receipts from Self employed business- income tax records current tax records
- Public Assistance (TANF/NAFA verification)
- Social Security payments (an award letter)
- Copy of check or bank statement showing a direct deposit
- Unemployment benefits
- Workers’ compensation monthly benefits
- Veterans benefits
- Regular Foster Parent grants or payments
- Alimony / Child Support
- Monthly payments from sale of property, house, or car
- Per-Capita payments
- Gaming Revenue income

For further LIHEAP information please contact Casey Hicks at 783-2219 ext. 134.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

I Got Flowers Today
I got flowers today.
It wasn’t my birthday or any other special day.
We had our first argument last night,
And he said a lot of cruel things that really hurt me.
I know he is sorry and didn’t mean the things he said.
Because he sent me flowers today.
I got flowers today.
It wasn’t our anniversary or any other special day.
Last night, he threw me into a wall and started to choke me.
It seemed like a nightmare.
I couldn’t believe it was real.
I woke up this morning sore and bruised all over.
I know he must be sorry.
Because he sent me flowers today.
I got flowers today,
And it wasn’t Mother’s day of any other special day.
Last night, he beat me up again.
And it was much worse than all the other times.
If I leave him, what will I do?
How will I take care of my kids?
What about money?
I’m afraid of him and scared to leave.
But I know he must be sorry.
Because he sent me flowers today.
I got flowers today.
Today was a very special day.
It was the day of my funeral.
Last night, he finally killed me.
He beat me to death.
If only I had gathered enough courage and strength to leave him,
I would not have gotten flowers…today.

By Paulette Kelly

There is no shame when your loved one dies. When your car is stolen. When you’re diagnosed with cancer. Friends and loved ones gather around you for support. They don’t blame you for "bringing it on yourself."

“My Daughter died in a car crash.”
“Well that’s what she gets for not taking the bus!”

It should be the same with sexual violence. But all too often, survivors who have the courage to tell someone what happened are blamed for bringing it on themselves.

This needs to change.
“I’ve been raped”

What will your reaction be?

Start By Believing
To Support Survivors of Sexual Assault Our Reaction to Sexual Assault Makes the Difference

For more information contact:
Jeri Allen, Domestic Violence Program Manager
Klamath Tribes Social Services
(541)783-2219 ext. 121
Fax (541)783-7783
jeri.allen@klamathtribes.com

Attention Klamath Tribal Members- Re-burial Update

This is a short update to let you know that 20 of the 81 of our ancestors held at UC Berkeley are getting closer to being returned to us for reburial. We had hoped to rebury the first 18 this summer, but I am afraid we are not going to make it before the snows come. The good news is that we should have two more, for a total of 20, to rebury next summer.

Perry Chocktoot and I reported to the National NAGPRA Review Committee last month on our struggle with the Phoebe Hearst Museum at UC Berkeley. We told the committee about our successes working with the Bureau of Reclamation and the Lava Beds National Monument to get these first 20 returned. We also told them about our ongoing struggles with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the museum for the remaining 61.

Contact me, Clay Dumont Jr., if you want details. Either: cdumont@sfsu.edu or (925) 285-5773.
Klamath Tribes Natural Resources Department Update

There are seven Programs within Natural Resources Department:
- Administrative Program
- Aquatics Program
- Water Management Program
- Forestry Program
- Wildlife Program
- Game Enforcement Program
- GIS Program

The Administrative Program is staffed with a Director, an Office Manager and a Program Clerk.

*The Natural Resources Administrative Program is located at the Tribal Administration Offices in Chiloquin, Oregon

The Administrative program provides direction to program managers and supervisors; ensures that internal processes flow effectively and efficiently; and ensures that policy is implemented and followed appropriately.

The Aquatics Program is staffed with nineteen positions.

The Aquatics Program oversees all things related to water-based ecosystems with an emphasis on the restoration of those systems. The Program, also, provides technical and professional assistance to Tribal Government in settlement and adjudication matters.

The Aquatics Program is divided into 6 sub-programs:
- Administrative Program
- Sprague River Water Quality Lab
- Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Program
- Fisheries Program
- Hydrology Program
- Fluvial Geomorphology Program

The Administrative Program is staffed with an Aquatics Supervisor who oversees the Aquatics Program, an Office Manager and an Administrative Assistant.

The Administrative program provides direction to program scientists; ensures that internal processes flow effectively and efficiently; and ensures that policy is implemented and followed appropriately.

The SRWQL is staffed with a Lead Chemist and two Chemist positions.

The Lab provides water quality analysis testing on a variety of chemical and biological components contained within any given water source, for example, UKL, the Sprague River and other tributaries in the upper basin.

The Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration program is staffed with an Ecosystem Restoration Scientist, an Ecosystem Restoration Technician III, a Water Quality Technician III, two Water Quality Technician II and a Water Quality Technician I.

The Aquatics Ecosystem Restoration program collaborates extensively with other entities involved with nutrient monitoring, and restoration implementation and monitoring throughout the Upper Klamath Basin.

The Aquatics Ecosystem Restoration program is responsible for monitoring a long-term water quality network in and above Upper Klamath Lake, including the analysis of the data sets generated by the monitoring. The results of the data analysis are then integrated into the development of a Restoration Strategy for Impaired Aquatic Ecosystems.

Other areas the Aquatics Ecosystem Restoration program is involved with include: planning, evaluating, and implementing a Riparian Action Plan for tributaries to Upper Klamath Lake; wetland treatment projects designed to reduce nutrient loading; an Upper Klamath Basin Restoration and Monitoring Plan; planning, evaluating, and implementing specific restoration projects; and assisting with the development of reintroduction plans for endangered suckers and Chinook salmon.

The Fisheries Program is staffed with a Fisheries Biologist, a Fisheries Technician III and Fisheries Technician I.

The Fisheries program focused on recovery of endangered suckers and reintroduction of anadromous salmonids in the Upper Klamath Basin.

Other areas the Fisheries program is involved with include: assisting with the planning of a Riparian Action Plan for tributaries to Upper Klamath Lake; fisheries monitoring and management in the upper basin; and assisting with the planning of an Upper Klamath Basin Restoration and Monitoring Plan.

The Hydrology Program is staffed with a Hydrologist and a Hydrologic Tech III.

The Hydrology program is responsible for establishing and maintaining a continuous flow monitoring network of gages at sites above Upper Klamath Lake to verify compliance with in-stream water rights or settlement-based flow regimes, and to plan and implement water management strategies in and below Upper Klamath Lake.

Other areas the Hydrology program is involved with include: measuring flows at a network of sites that do not have continuous gages; assisting with the planning of a Riparian Action Plan for tributaries to Upper Klamath Lake; assisting with the planning of an Upper Klamath Basin Restoration and Monitoring Plan; and assisting with the planning of specific restoration projects.

The Fluvial Geomorphology Program is staffed with a Fluvial Geomorphologist and an Aquatics Technician III.

Fluvial Geomorphology deals with the processes associated with rivers and streams and the deposits and landforms created by them. The Fluvial Geomorphology program provides support for aquatic ecosystem restoration efforts.
The Water Management Program is also responsible for assisting in project planning with the Forest Service through their NEPA process (National Environmental Policy Act) for any major vegetation management projects within the former reservation. The Program is also responsible for planning, implementing and monitoring projects under a Master Stewardship Agreement with the Forest Service. The emphasis for the Forestry program’s involvement in these efforts is to ensure that tribal natural resource interests are addressed.

The Wildlife Program is also responsible for assisting in project planning with the Forest Service through their NEPA process for any major vegetation management projects within the former reservation. The Wildlife program conducts nest surveys by monitoring peregrine falcon nests, golden eagle nests, and bald eagle nests to determine nest occupancy and survival of nestlings. The program conducts mule track counts on 81 different sites during September and October. The Wildlife program is staffed with a Wildlife Biologist.

The Forestry Program is staffed with a Forest Manager, a Forester and a Forestry Technician II.

The Forestry program is responsible for assisting in project planning with the Forest Service through their NEPA process for any major vegetation management projects within the former reservation. The Forestry Program is staffed with a Forester and a Forestry Technician II.

The Game Enforcement Program is staffed with a Lead Enforcement Officer.

The Game Enforcement program is responsible for enforcing tribal fish, game, camping and woodcutting codes and regulations on the tribal membership who engage in these activities.

The GIS Program is staffed with GIS Manager.

The GIS Program is staffed with GIS Manager. The GIS program provides project support for all programs within the Natural Resources Department. The program also assists other Administration departments with GIS services and products on an as need basis.

Other Department Programs include oversight of the Firewood program, the online game tag sales system, and the Camping program.

For more information about the Natural Resources Department they can be reached at: 541-783-2219 or 1-800-524-9787. Game Tag On-line sales at: www.klamathtribes.org

IYS Youth Enhances Klamath County Scenic Beauty

LtoR: Tiona Villanueva, Joseph Ortiz, Cherokee Hills, and Outstanding Team Leader, Adolph Riboli. *Not pictured Jason Troots.

Integral Youth Services (IYS), in partnership with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Freemont/Winema Forest Services and the Klamath Falls City Water Department hires community youth for the OYCC Summer Youth Employment Program as a great way to expand the youth’s job skills and environmental awareness.

Klamath County is full of scenic beauty and sometimes that beauty needs a little assistance from those willing to care enough to put forth a little extra effort to make a difference. Sometimes our youth also need a little assistance and that’s where IYS comes in, putting forth a small extra effort to provide these youth with more than a paycheck, they learn how to complete a job application, learn interview skills, CPR training, learn to work as a team and develop a good work ethic.

From cleaning weeds for fire prevention and removing brush away from water towers to clearing paths and trails, IYS summer youth work crews exemplify the passion we all share for nature.

Klamath Tribal Member, Adolph Riboli, the Youth Crew Leader said, “The youth here are the greatest I’ve ever worked with. Joe is my tool man, he takes care of our tools for us. We got Cherokee here, who does our safety, she asks everyone every morning if they have their equipment, writes it down, documents it for when we have our safety meetings. Tiona here takes care of us, she takes down notes in between times, not just the time we spent at the sites, but the time it took us to get from point A to point B. We have Jason, our newest worker, started out with shorts and a T-shirt and we said no, no, no (laughter from the crew) but he has come a long way. He is one of our best workers and he’s doing really well. I’m very proud of all these guys, they are excellent workers and I’m sure they will go a long way once they get done with this.”

Ortiz really enjoyed his experience working with IYS Summer Work, “It’s pretty fun, especially when you get to play dodge rock every day. (Dodge rock) is trying to avoid getting hit by as many rocks as you can from the weed eaters.”

The crew agrees that what they take away from this experience is teamwork, an understanding of group effort, friends and most important a good work ethic as Ortiz explained, “Well, this is my first job, I would have thought the jobs would be easy, you just show up and do really nothing, but here you actually have to work, you have to show up on time and endure the sun for seven hours and keep working. At the start of summer, Grant Weidenbach from Bureau of Land Management (BLM) explains to the crew leader, Adolph Riboli, Cherokee Hills and Joseph Ortiz what they need to be doing at Wood River. The youth cleared the walking trail, trimmed branches for easier access to the benches and docks. They also helped to keep the bathrooms clean as well as pick up trash as needed.

“The youth built community pride through restoration and seeing the changes they make in the environment. The crew worked at Wood River two days a week. The same crew worked with the city water department and did weed abatement for the water towers,” said Sue Cahill, the Case Manager for the IYS HELP Team and the Summer Youth Employment Supervisor.
Klamath Tribes New Early Childhood Center
Join us for our Open House on November 1, 2016

We are so proud of our new Early Childhood Development Center. Our Children Are Our Future! Come see the wonderful place the Tribes have build for them!

Good Food + Good Friends + Good Guidance = Good Medicine.
We are dedicated to the children's needs and well-being.

We hope to see you at our Open House
Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC)
Tuesday, November 1st, 2016
318 Chiloquin, Blvd, Chiloquin, OR 97624
Time: 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Come learn about your new daycare, tour the center, meet some of our new staff, and find out more about our activities and future endeavors!

Your ECDC provides care for children ages 12 weeks - 12 years old.

Help is still needed. Positions Open. Volunteers also needed.

For Enrollment and more information contact:
Dalene McNair at 541-783-0804

Don't Miss the Beatty Walk
Saturday, October 15, 2016
at the IrwinWeiser Memorial Community Center
Beatty, Oregon
Registration begins at 9am
Walk begins at 10am *Lunch and Incentives provided
Info: Jackie Guiley 541-882-1487 x 304

WEELBRIETY MOVEMENT
What: Sobriety, Recovery, and Wellness Meetings
When: Thursday's 3:00 - 4:00
Where: Chiloquin Community Center
Everyone is Welcome to Attend
Questions call Taylor Hawk at 541-880-6796

WE ARE IN NEED OF:
Gently Used Clothing - Donations
The Klamath Tribes is gathering CLEAN and gently used clothing to give to youth through the Chiloquin First Coalition (ages newborn - 12th grade). Drop off: Klamath Tribes Social Services Dept.; Klamath County Public Health; or Klamath Tribes Learning Center: 541-783-2040

Klamath Tribal Health & Family Services
Youth & Family Guidance Center
Invites You To CULTURE CLUB -Beginning Oct. 18th
An Open Social Learning Environment for All Ages
Tuesdays 3:15 - 5:45pm at Modular in Chiloquin
Wednesdays 3:15 - 5:45 at 633 Main in Klamath
Materials and snacks provided. Call 541-884-1841

Native Stand- Students Together Against Negative Decisions
The prevention program at Klamath Tribal Health will be implementing a new program for tribal students at Chiloquin High School beginning in September. The curriculum focuses on issues surrounding teen sexual health, STD prevention, alcohol & drug prevention, suicide prevention, etc. Youth grades 9-12 will be eligible to participate in year 1 of this 2 year cohort program. For more information call Will Hess at 541-884-1841 or by email: will.hess@klm.portland.ihs.gov

Did you know in-between the quarterly tribal newsletter you can stay connected by getting electronic tribal updates:

How do I stay connected?
1. Klamath Tribal Member Emails
Send your email, name and roll# to:
taylor.tupper@klamathtribes.com
*Information emails almost daily!

2. Facebook:
Become our Friend at: www.klamathtribes.org
"click" the facebook link on the web or find us at:
"The Official Klamath Tribes Page"

3. "What's Happening" Link on Website
Visit the Website: www.klamathtribes.org
Click : "What's Happening"
(Dwaa Nee Pqa) on the website homepage.