New Klamath Tribal Youth Council 2019-2020

On Thursday, July 25th, the Klamath Tribes Youth Council election was held at the 3rd Annual Klamath Tribes Youth Summit in Klamath Falls, OR. These 12 young people were nominated and elected by a delegation of their peers to represent Klamath Tribal Youth in matters concerning them for the next year. The new officers attended an orientation immediately following their election, learning about the purpose of tribal youth councils, getting orientated with the Constitution & By-Laws of the Klamath Tribes Youth Council, and working on some community asset mapping to identify strengths and areas of improvement in the tribal communities that they represent.

The New Youth Council took their Oath of Office during the annual swearing-in ceremony on August 21, 2019 in Chiloquin, Oregon.

For more information on their current projects and schedules contact:

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**Klamath Tribes Youth Council Obtains Indigenous People’s Day Proclamation from Oregon Governor Brown**

On September 25, 2019, Oregon Governor Kate Brown issued a proclamation to declare Monday October 14, 2019 as Indigenous People’s Day for the State of Oregon. The proclamation serves as an acknowledgement of the first inhabitants of Oregon who have lived here since time immemorial and encourages all Oregonians to join in the observance of the holiday, formerly known as Columbus Day.

The first Oregon Indigenous People’s Day proclamation was issued in 2017, after pressure by a group of Klamath Tribal youth, later to become the first Klamath Tribes Youth Council, to declare the holiday in order to educate Oregon citizens about the negative history behind Christopher Columbus and his acts which are considered to be the first forms of colonization & genocide against Indigenous People of the North American Continent.
Local Celebration- October 14th

In celebration of Indigenous People’s Day, (October 14th) the public is invited to the 2nd Annual Indigenous People’s Day Celebration on the Oregon Tech campus in Klamath Falls, Oregon, where there will be a dedication ceremony to permanently display the flags of the 9 federally recognized tribes of Oregon in the Learning Resource Center.

Representatives and dignitaries from the 9 Tribes of Oregon are expected to attend and all are encouraged to come witness the event. There will also be a community dinner held that evening on campus to commemorate the holiday, which is open to the public as well.

Everyone Welcome!

Attention Klamath Tribal Members
Mark Your Calendars - GC Meetings

*Special General Council – November 2, 2019 @ 10:00 am – Tribal Auditorium - Among items to be discussed will be Natural Resource Updates to Include Water & Land Issues

*Regular General Council – November 23, 2019 @ 10:00 am – Tribal Auditorium
501 Chiloquin Blvd, Chiloquin, Oregon

For more information contact Tribal Council Secretary Roberta Frost at: 541-783-2219 ext. 170
HUMAN TRAFFICKING: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!

The Klamath Tribes hosted a Human Trafficking Training in Chiloquin, Oregon, on September 24th with all Casino, Hotel, and Truck stop staff, along with Tribal Council, other community members and tribal departments. The training was brought to the Tribe by Marta's House and the National Indian Gaming Association-Tribal Gaming Protection Network- TGPN.

Trafficking is a Crime and form of Modern Day Slavery. It is a huge problem in Indian Country and across the nation. Awareness, Education, Prevention, Victims & Barriers and Local Community Impacts were discussed. This evil is being exposed and the Klamath Tribe, along with local partnerships, will work diligently to expose and put a stop to this crime.

If you or someone you know is a victim of human trafficking, call National Resource Center 1-888-373-7888 or Klamath Crisis Center 541-884-0390 Text: 233733 (Text "HELP")

HELP IS AVAILABLE! WE WILL HELP YOU!

Human Trafficking by the Numbers

Human trafficking is a crime and a form of modern-day slavery. It involves the use of force, fraud or coercion to exploit human beings (children and adults) for some type of labor or commercial sex purpose.

- Fastest growing business of organized crime
- Third largest criminal enterprise in the world
- 55% of trafficking victims are women and children
- The average age a teen enters the sex trade in the U.S. is 12 to 14
- Human trafficking affects over 45 million people globally (with 2 million being children) in over 167 countries
- Millions of men, women and children are trafficked into forced labor situations and into the sex trade worldwide

Human trafficking cases breakdown:
- 80% sexual exploitation
- 20% labor exploitation

Learn how Financial Institutions serve as the frontline defense in the detection of Human Trafficking by visiting OnCourseLearning.com/HumanTrafficking
Klamath Tribal Courts - New Program:
The Juvenile Healing to Wellness Court

The Tribal Court has developed a new program for youth who might need extra services and supports in their daily lives and who are thirteen years of age and older.

The Juvenile Healing to Wellness Court has been developed to help our Children walk on a good path for self-discovery and connection with those in their lives, by providing cultural identity, guidance and resources. It is our Vision to improve the quality of life for our children, by reducing negative interactions and creating positive family and community environments. This program will respect and advocate for fair and equal treatment of all participant. Each family has unique structural and cultural diversity and this program can be shaped to fit the needs of each individual family, and we do that by involving the participant and their family in every decision that will affect their lives.

The goal of this court is to help the participants achieve and maintain safe, healthy and drug-free lifestyles.

For more information contact Tribal Court at: 541-783-3020

Protecting Yourself from Human Trafficking

There are more slaves now than anytime in history. Today’s slaves are forced into sex, labor, or service to make money for their trafficker. It is important to be aware of how traffickers recruit people. Tactics often used include:

**Boyfriending:** #1 tactic used to win a girl’s trust. If a guy is professing undying love within days of meeting, there may be more going on. Recruiters will “boyfriend” to lure you.

**Too Good to Be True:** False promises of a better life, a job that is too good to be true, the chance of a lifetime, an amazing travel opportunity, are all excuses to lure and trap you.

**Targeting Vulnerabilities:** Traffickers prey on vulnerabilities— female, poverty, addiction, runaway, etc. and offer whatever it is you want or need: money, love, drugs and housing to lure you in.

**Social Media:** Facebook, Twitter, etc. are used to find and lead you to an in-person meeting where you become trapped and forced into slavery.

**Social Events:** Traffickers use parties, clubs, bars, etc. to take advantage of intoxicated or unconscious people who cannot fight being transported elsewhere. They may also resort to drugging and kidnapping you.

If you or someone you know is a victim of human trafficking, call the National Human Trafficking Resource Center **1-888-373-7888**
Klamath Crisis Center, Community Advocacy Center **541-884-0390**
Text: **233733** (Text "HELP")

Vendors Needed

The Klamath Tribes Children and Family Services Program is requesting vendors for the upcoming Annual ICWA/State Conference

October 28, 29, 30th
Running Y Resort, Klamath Falls Oregon

The Klamath Tribes are co-hosting this event! Conference attendee’s are coming from all over the State! This is a great opportunity to show your talents and items you may have for sale!

RSVP TO: Candi Uses Arrow 541-783-2219 ext 152
Coming Soon... Census 2020
Notice to all Tribal Members...

The 2020 Census is fast approaching. The Klamath Tribes will soon be bringing you more information regarding this very important process. Our Tribal Council has passed a Resolution regarding the upcoming census, as it is more important than ever, especially for Native peoples living in tribal communities, urban areas, penitentiaries, and outside the service area. Tribal people are historically under-counted, hard-to-count communities require additional in-person engagement to get them to take the Census, and we know it is more important that ever that every Klamath Tribal Member is counted.

On October 5th, Klamath Tribal Council/Census Liaison Willa Powless, and Public Relations Manager-Taylor Tupper, attended census training with other Oregon Tribal representatives, Census Liaisons, and Community Organizers to meet, learn and inspire each other in preparation for the 2020 Census. The Oregon Tribal Summit was generously hosted by The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians and was organized in partnership with the US Census Bureau, the PNW Tribal Census Project, and #oregontribalcensus

In the near future you will see more information, a large klamath tribal census committee will be formed, thousands of people will be hired across the nation and in early 2020 the Klamath Tribes Census Campaign will begin.

**JOBS:** More than 500,000 temporary and part-time jobs are available as the Census Bureau ramps up hiring to conduct the 2020 Census next year. Hiring has begun for a variety of jobs including census takers who visit homes and office workers who check home addresses among other things. Pay ranges from $13 to $30 an hour, depending on where you live. People across Indian Country will be hired to assist with the 2020 Census. Earn extra income while helping your community. For more information or to apply go online to: census.gov

Tribal governments play a critical role in ensuring a complete and accurate count of American Indian and Alaska Native populations. Learn more about the Census Bureau’s relationship with tribal governments from our partners listed below. Also, once the Klamath Tribes Census Committee has been formed, notices and material will be sent to the membership via multi-media platforms including email and Facebook.

Our friends helping to make the Census a Success:

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Your Privacy Matters

When you respond to the census, your answers are kept anonymous. They are used only to produce statistics. The U.S. Census Bureau is bound by law to protect your answers and keep them strictly confidential. The law ensures that your private information is never published and that your answers cannot be used against you by any government agency or court.

The 2020 Census Safety and Security
Letter to the Editor:
Why I refuse to hang my paintings in Governor Brown’s Office
By Ka’ila Farrell-Smith - Klamath Tribal Member

I am an Indigenous artist, based in Klamath County. Recently, Governor Kate Brown invited me to show my art at her Salem office as part of the annual “Art in the Governor’s Office Program”—an invitation they say is “considered a lifetime honor.” I declined.

I said no because Brown can’t have it both ways. She can’t support Oregon tribal members by showcasing our art while at the same time refusing to stand up for us when a huge fossil fuel company tries its very best to ram a fracked gas pipeline though our traditional lands—a pipeline that would threaten our sacred sites, the natural resources we have harvested for millennia, and the safety of our women.

I was a recent college graduate when one of Brown’s predecessors, Gov. Ted Kulongoski, threatened to go to federal court to stop a Canadian company from building a liquefied natural gas (LNG) pipeline across southern Oregon, including ancestral lands of my Klamath Tribe.

Following Kulongoski’s challenge, the company dropped the project. Will Brown follow in Kulongoski’s footsteps, or let the Trump administration railroad through the proposed Jordan Cove fracked gas export terminal and pipeline?

My family’s history of being betrayed by powerful forces goes back more than 150 years. My great-great-great-grandfather was among the signers of a peace treaty between the Klamath Tribe and the U.S. government in 1864.

But in 1873, the Army hanged four of the Modoc leaders. My great-grandmother, Emma Ball, then six years old, was forced to watch.

More than a hundred years later, my father filed a landmark federal court case after he was fired from his job for participating in Native American religious ceremonies. As a young girl, I accompanied him to Washington, DC for the Supreme Court hearing. His case led Congress to pass Amendments to the American Indian Religious Freedom Act of 1994.

A few years ago, I went to Standing Rock, where I saw how corporate special interests used state-sponsored violence to impose a fossil fuel project on Indigenous people.

The Jordan Cove fracked gas export terminal and pipeline would jeopardize my ancestral land. Construction would mean “man camps” of workers, which have led to violence against Indigenous women in other places. The highly flammable, 229-mile pipeline across Oregon would add to fire risks. It would impact nearly 500 waterways. And it would create the largest source of climate pollution in the state, affecting tribal members and all Oregonians.

These are some of the reasons why Jordan Cove is opposed by the Klamath, Siletz, Yurok, Karuk, and Tolowa Dee-ni’ Tribes.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has been stacked by President Trump with appointees who have made a career of representing the interests of the oil and gas industry. That means that FERC, which refused Jordan Cove a federal permit before Trump took office, is likely to rubber stamp the project now. That leaves Governor Brown and our state agencies as the last line of defense for Indigenous people and for all Oregon communities.

Even if FERC grants a federal permit, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, Department of State Lands, and Department of Land Conservation and Development all have authority to deny state permits and certifications. And, like Kulongoski, Brown could go to court to oppose Trump administration moves to force this project on Oregonians.

Instead of a giant new fossil fuel project, Governor Brown should be promoting solar power and other cleaner energy sources, as well as greater energy efficiency.

My family knows from experience that elected officials like Governor Brown can choose whether to be on the right side of history or not. Indigenous people, and all Oregonians, are counting on her to make the right choice. Today, my art hangs at the Portland Biennial show at the Disjecta Contemporary Art Center. Several of my paintings express my anguish over this proposed pipeline. Someday, I would love to paint stories of triumph and power, of solidarity between native and non-native Oregonians. When Brown stops Jordan Cove in its tracks, maybe I will. And maybe then I’ll hang those paintings in the Governor’s office.

Ka’ila Farrell-Smith is a member of the Klamath Tribe.
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Please contact: Member Benefits Department Jeannie McNair at ext. 203

On September 25, 2019, Klamath Tribal Council Member, Jeannie McNair, visited Tribal Inmates at the Snake River Correctional Institute. Jeannie said, "My visit to see our people was great, everyone was happy, excited, and had lots of questions, especially about home and transitional options like jobs/housing after release." She added, "Another interesting thing I learned from Chaplain Armstrong, is that out of the 9 Tribes in Oregon, the Klamath was the first to ever visit with their members at S.R.C.I. It was a good trip, and I'm very glad I was able to go. Our people need to know they are not forgotten."

*Snake River Correctional Institution is a medium security prison in eastern Oregon, the largest facility in the Oregon Department of Corrections system. It is located in northeastern Malheur County, about five miles northwest of the city of Ontario.

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Traditional Dugout Canoe Project
Coming Soon

- Learn how to build a traditional dugout canoe. We need your help!
- Make your family canoe paddle during the Family Fall Festival 11/25-26/19
- If you would like to help or for more information call: Mandy at (541) 783-2764 x101 or Felicia McNair at (541) 884-1841 x416

Family Fall Festival
November 25th & 26th
9am-3pm
RSVP by Nov, 18th
Limited Transportation will be provided
This will be the kick off of the Traditional Dugout Canoe Project

For more information: Please contact the Culture and Heritage Department (541) 783-2764 x101

Disasters – are you prepared?

Have you ever thought about being an integral part of the response to a disaster in your community?

If the answer is yes, the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is the place for you!

This FREE 24 – hour series of classes will be held on multiple Saturdays in Chiloquin, starting September 14, 2019

Disaster Preparation, Fire/Utility Control, Disaster Medical, Psychology & Terrorism, Search & Rescue

HANDS-ON Training
LIVE – FIRE Extinguisher Training
Fun, lively, interactive learning

Instruction and class supplies provided by FEMA CERTified Instructors!

Sponsored by Klamath County Emergency Management & Klamath Tribes Emergency Management
Registration required for seat of availability call或 e-mail Ron Miller, CERT Coordinator at (541) 892-4914 or ronmiller@klamathcounty.org or Zeke Jackson, Klamath Tribes Emergency Manager at (541) 783-2219 ext. 136 or zeke.jackson@klamathtribes.com to register or for more information regarding the CERT Program.
**TRIBAL COURT ART**

EASE HELP THE KLAMATH COURT STAFF HONOR TRIBAL HERITAGE AND CULTURE THROUGH YOUR ART WORK!

The Theme for this contest is Culture is Sacred. Please create something that you feel represents the theme. The Art picked will be framed and featured in the Tribal Courtroom.

All ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED BY OCTOBER 31, 2019, TO TRIBAL COURT BY 3:00 P.M.

The address is 116 E. Chockout, Chiloquin OR 97624

THERE WILL BE TWO AGE GROUPS

AGES 6-12  1st place, 2nd place and 3rd place
AGES 13-18  1st place, 2nd place and 3rd place

**THIS CONTEST IS OPEN TO TRIBAL YOUTH**

THERE WILL BE PRIZES FOR THE TOP THREE ENTRIES FOR BOTH GROUPS

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING ALL YOUR WONDERFUL TALENT

Questions- contact Danita, Michele or Chrissy at 541.783.3020 or Danita.herrera@klamathtribalcourts.com, Michele.lyon@klamathtribalcourts.com or Christine.Isaacs@klamathtribalcourts.com

Hurry...
Deadline for the Art Contest is October 31st!

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**TRIBAL FOSTER FAMILIES NEEDED**

The Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) is working with the Klamath Tribes on recruiting foster homes for youth within the Klamath Tribes. OYA is looking for caring, nurturing and diverse people willing to work with youth as foster parents. These youth are ready to live in a stable family setting, attend public school or may be working toward independence and to continue their paths toward being productive, crime-free adults.

You will receive training to help ensure your success as an OYA foster parent. You will have 24/7 access to OYA professionals who will answer your questions and support your success. The youth will have health care coverage through the Oregon Health Plan, and you will receive a monthly stipend to cover your expenses.

Some requirements are:

- Must be at least 21–years-old with a separate source of income
- Pass the Criminal History Check
- Meet health and home safety standards
- Be able to adequately provide supervision and care for youth between the ages of 12 and 24 years of age.

Please contact: Sheila Kelly 971–283–6404
Email: Sheila.kelly@oya.state.or.us

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(we do this for our children)
3rd Annual Native Holiday Bazaar

Saturday
November 16, 2019
10:00 am-4:00 pm

PLACE:
go oLgi gowa
35601 Chochecherry Way
Chiloquin, Oregon

* CRAFTS *
* FOOD *
* DOOR PRIZES *

Come Support Your Local Tribal Artists and Businesses

Vendors Contact: Lahoma Schonchin (541) 539-7359

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Chiloquin Powwow Club

Interested in learning to drum, dance, or just have a place to practice? Join us!

When: Every Wednesday Starting
October 9th, 2019
Time: 5:30-7:30 pm
Location: go oLgi gowa
35601 Chochecherry Way
Chiloquin, OR

Youth & Adults of All Ages Welcome!

For more information contact:
Will Hess, Youth Initiative Coordinator
(541) 783-2219 x. 111

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KLAMATH TRIBAL HEALTH YFGC

WEEKLY EVENTS

Prevention Program

MONDAYS
wewe-asaliko doa wewe-asaliko wembi (parents healing parents) @
633 Main St. Klamath Falls 530-630pm

TUESDAYS
Indigenous Way @ 204 Pioneer St. in Chiloquin 330-630pm
Wellbriety @ 204 Pioneer St. in Chiloquin 530-7pm

WEDNESDAYS
Indigenous Way @ 633 Main St. Klamath Falls 4-7pm

FRIDAYS
Drumming @ 635 Main St. Klamath Falls 3-4pm
Talking Circle @ 633 Main St. Klamath Falls 4-5pm

Please call 541 884 1841 if you have any questions.

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The Klamath Tribes

“School is Cool” POWWOW

October 11, 2019 @ go oLgi gowa in Chiloquin, Oregon

5:00 pm Meal Served
6:00 Grand Entry
9pm Retire Colors

Please join us in honoring and celebrating all local tribal students with our 2019 “School is Cool” Social Powwow. All students in attendance will receive a free t-shirt as incentive. All dancers and community members are welcome.

For more information contact Will Hess@ (541) 783-2219 x. 111