UNITY 2018

The Klamath Tribes Youth Council helped make history this year at the 42nd Annual 2018 United National Indian Tribal Youth (UNITY) Conference by joining a record breaking 2,300+ youth attendees from across Indian Country.

Referred to as UNITY for short, this annual event is the largest and longest running Native American youth gathering in the United States, with the number of attendees growing steadily each year. Seven members of the Klamath Youth Council traveled to this year’s gathering at the Town and Country Resort in San Diego, CA, and were one of over 200 different youth councils representing their tribes and communities.

The council spent 6 full days networking with peers, professional facilitators, and tribal leaders from across the continent and beyond, attending a series of sessions and workshops where they gathered tools and knowledge to bring back to our communities, and also participated in various cultural exchanges and fun interactive activities.

Klamath Tribes Youth Council pictured: Orville Schroeder; Vice-Chair- Sahalie Crain; Laura Schroeder; Natahna Schonchin-Nene, Treasurer-Hannah Schroeder; Council Chair- Ashia Wilson; and Riggs Schonchin. Accompanied by two chaperones and Klamath Tribes Youth Coordinator, William Hess.

Klamath Tribes Youth Council: For more information on how to become involved with the Klamath Tribes Youth Council you can contact the administration office at (541) 783-2219 and also be sure to give them a “like” on Facebook to keep updated on their current events.
KLAMATH TRIBES OREGON PRESS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE- May 24, 2018

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KLAMATH TRIBES FILE LAWSUIT TO KEEP ENDANGERED FISH FROM EXTINCTION

Tribal Elder, Betty Blackwolf prays for the c’waam at the Annual C’waam Ceremony

Saving endangered C’waam and Koptu will also help salmon and bring back a healthy Upper Klamath Lake

Chiloquin, OR – The Klamath Tribes today filed a lawsuit under the federal Endangered Species Act to protect endangered C’waam and Koptu (Lost River and Shortnose suckers, respectively) through better management of water levels, water quality and habitat protection in Upper Klamath Lake.

“Our creation story tells us that if the C’waam go away, the people go away. Both the C’waam and Koptu, which are vital to our culture and subsistence, are now at imminent risk of extinction. The science makes it clear that this was the only option left to us to address the water and fish emergency in the lake,” said Klamath Tribal Chairman Don Gentry.

Once the most important food-fish in the Upper Klamath Lake region, C’waam and Koptu were available by the thousands as a mainstay of the Klamath Tribes’ diet, and were also an important non-tribal recreation fishery. Today the Tribes’ have voluntarily suspended fishing, a treaty right, and harvest just two fish every year for ceremonial purposes.

“These fish are reaching a tipping point. Too many fish are dying before they’re old enough to reproduce,” said Mark Buettner, a fisheries biologist for the Tribes, who also studied C’waam and Koptu when he worked for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. “Most of the younger fish are offspring of older fish that are nearing the end of their lifespans. We’re basically looking at a biological bottleneck.”

The collapse of C’waam and Koptu fisheries has marched virtually in lock-step with the declining health of Upper Klamath Lake, the largest body of freshwater west of the Rocky Mountains.
Once a major destination for boating, birding, wildlife watching, paddling, and fishing, people now avoid the lake from late Spring into Fall in most years due to chronically low lake levels. Low water levels are a key cause of severe algae blooms that not only kill fish, but prompt Oregon officials to regularly post health advisories warning against contact with toxins in lake water. Drought conditions in 2018 put additional stress on the ecosystem and the health and survival of C’waam and Koptu.

Upper Klamath Lake is one of North America’s biggest stopovers for migratory birds and home to the largest gathering of wintering Bald Eagles in America outside of Alaska.

“The lake is the crown jewel of the Klamath Basin in terms of its biodiversity. It’s a fascinating and beautiful place,” said Ron Larson, a retired U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service biologist. “Managing water levels to benefit fish would improve water quality and the health of the lake so it can be more a part of the benefits and quality of life of living around here.”

Improving water quality in Upper Klamath Lake would also mean cleaner water for the public and all the species that live in the Basin – including threatened Coho salmon downstream. Well-timed water releases from the lake can help maintain healthier river flows and water quality for Coho and to dilute the concentration of deadly parasites that infected as many as 4 in 5 salmon in 2014 and 2015.

Today’s filing is one of many tools the Klamath Tribes are using to protect and restore C’waam.

“The Klamath Tribes look forward to continuing the valuable work we’re doing in partnership with federal and state officials, ranchers and others towards water quality improvements, water conservation and habitat restoration,” said Chairman Gentry.

The Tribes’ lawsuit to protect listed C’waam and Koptu requests that the Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and National Marine Fisheries Service take “immediate, emergency measures” to provide sufficient water for the tribal fisheries to address deficiencies in the 2013 Biological Opinion. The Tribes and their scientists see 2018 as a potential tipping point, believing that the Biological Opinion is inadequate to preclude the possibility of an extinction level event for the C’waam, the Koptu, or both this water year.

The C’waam and Koptu fisheries sustained the Tribes’ people for millennia. In addition to providing for the Tribes’ subsistence, treaty resources are central to the Tribes’ ability to maintain and exercise their cultural and spiritual practices, which in turn are critical to the physical and social health of tribal families and community. Without these treaty resources, the Tribes do not have the ability to live as Klamath People in the way their Creator intended. The Klamath Tribes have a responsibility to restore and steward the C’waam and Koptu, and other tribal treaty resources, for their current members and future generations.

The lawsuit was filed in U.S. District Court, Northern District of California.

For more information on why the Tribes’ filed the lawsuit please visit: http://klamathtribes.org/restoring-fish-and-a-dying-lake/ and www.klamathtribes.org
it is critical that low-income and minority populations are not disproportionately affected. The Environmental Justice Task Force (EJTF) was created by the Legislature to help protect Oregonians from disproportionate environmental impacts on minority and low-income populations. The EJTF encourages state agencies to give all people knowledge and access to improve decisions that affect environment and the health of all Oregonians.

For information about the Environmental Justice Task Force or to be added to the Interested Parties email list, please send your request to: EJ.TaskForce@oregon.gov

This section: Update provided by Hannah Sohl - Rogue Climate
On Tue, Jun 12, 2018 at 3:24 PM, Hannah Sohl <hannah@rogueclimate.org> wrote:

Hi Folks:

I wanted to give you an update on the Environmental Justice Task Force Meeting that took place in Klamath Falls on Friday, June 8th.

Four tribal nations including The Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw, The Klamath Tribes, The Yurok Tribe, and The Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians attended to share concerns they have regarding the project's impacts to cultural and natural resources. Some of the speakers also raised concerns with the permitting and consultation process. Rogue Climate and Nick Caleb also testified, raising additional EJ issues, asking for public meetings, a longer comment period, and more.

You can watch the video of the EJTF meeting here,

I definitely recommend watching is as there is some powerful testimony: https://www.facebook.com/rogueclimate/videos/905631742943143/

The EJTF committed to writing a letter to Governor Brown and state agencies, with input from impacted tribes, regarding the environmental justice concerns of both the project and of the public process.

EJTF chair Joel Iboa even said that the EJTF agrees that the pipeline is not in the best interest of Oregon!

Thanks to everyone who helped make the EJTF meeting a success.

Thanks,
Hannah Sohl
Director, Rogue Climate
541.840.1065
3932 South Pacific Hwy
Medford, OR 97501

On June 7, 2018, Klamath Tribal Health and Klamath Tribal Council held a small ground breaking and blessing for the new Klamath Tribal Health Multi-Purpose Building. The new facility will be built at Pioneer Street in Chiloquin, Oregon, adjacent to the Chiloquin City park. Klamath Tribal Health will be facilitating this new building and future use. Projections for completion is fall 2018. Modoc Contracting Co., Inc is handling construction of the new facility.

Members of Tribal Council, KTHFS Staff, Health Authority Board, and contractor, Modoc Contracting, join together for the ground breaking ceremony at the new site location. Those in attendance included: Mary Gentry, Jude Marchessault, Steve Weiser, Shawn Jackson, Don Gentry, Jeannie McNair, Roberta Frost, Gail Hatcher, Jerry Melentine, Kathleen Mitchell, Missy Say, Jennifer Vigil, and David Ochoa.

Prayers and blessings were offered for the new project immediately following the ground breaking.

Blueprint of outside of the new multi-purpose building. A full service kitchen will also be part of the new use area.

For more information contact Klamath Tribal Health at 541-882-1487.
A natural career: Klamath Tribes members learn forest stewardship from Lomakatsi

BY Morgan Theophil of the Mail Tribune | July 05, 2018

Janae Wilder, left, and Jenna-C Wilder, learn how to survey trees with the Lomakatsi Restoration Project near the White Rabbit Trail Head in Ashland, Oregon. Kiya, Jena and Jenna-C Wilder awake each day before dawn. By 7 a.m., the three sisters are out in the Klamath Reservation Forest with hardhats on and equipment in tow, learning forestry restoration skills through practical, hands-on experience.

"Back at home we care about these same things, so it’s been really good to be out here and get this real experience learning about trees and how the density and health of a forest affects our ways of life," said Jena, 20.

Members of the Klamath Tribes, the sisters are immersing themselves in the forest as part of the Tribal Youth Ecological Forestry Training Program.

The six-week-long program is part of a large-scale forest restoration stewardship initiative on the Klamath Reservation Forest, and is a long-term, collaborative partnership with Ashland nonprofit Lomakatsi Restoration Project, the Klamath Tribes and the Fremont-Winema National Forest.

"The heart of this program is to help youth gain this experiential learning experience to eventually work and run the departments for their own tribes, to be able to stay connected with their ancestry and their land," said Belinda Brown, Lomakatsi’s tribal partnerships manager.

On a day-trip to Ashland Thursday, four of the seven members of this year’s program — the Wilder sisters and Ahk-ta-na-hi Goodblanket — spent their afternoon near the White Rabbit Trail Head learning about fixed radius plots.

Led by Lomakatsi’s lead forester, Andy Lerch, the four participants worked together to count trees, measure tree diameters and log the species of trees within a tenth-of-an-acre-sized plot.

Joe Ochoa, Lomakatsi’s tribal restoration crew manager, said he feels it is important for youth to be spending their days outside, learning about the land around them.

"It’s very valuable to get youth out here to learn what is going on in our forests, and then to teach them how to manage them and restore it," he said. "Too many kids are losing spending their days indoors, when they should be learning about the world out here — and, they can likely go on to use these skills in future careers."

Participants in the Tribal Youth Ecological Forestry Training Program range from 18 to 24 years old, and work 10-hour days Monday through Thursdays, earning $12 per hour. All participants are enrolled Klamath Tribal members, Klamath Tribal descendants or members of a federally recognized tribe.

"The central point of the program is really to stimulate interest in these natural-resource-focused careers, while getting to learn the skills needed for them and get paid for learning at a fairly young age," Brown said.

The Wilder sisters each said they plan to use the skills they are learning in the program in future jobs, whether those jobs be in forest management, forestry operation of heavy equipment or something in between.

Goodblanket, a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, said he is glad to be taking part in the program, as he wants to “inspire, help take care of Mother Earth and the people who live on it. “What we do now on our land we won’t always see right away, but it’ll change the way the forest is for future generations,” he said. “Learning these skills is a step toward future growth.”

Reach Mail Tribune reporting intern Morgan Theophil at mtheophil@rosebudmedia.com or 541-776-4485. Follow her on Twitter @morgan_theophil.

NOTICE TO KLAMATH TRIBAL MEMBERS COMPUTER EQUIPMENT GIVEAWAY - August 30th

Klamath Tribal Administration will be making available to tribal members on Thursday August 30th 2018 at 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, the following computer equipment that has been declared surplus.

COMPUTER EQUIPMENT
(Monitors, CPU, and Keyboards)
*Note: computer items are “as is”. They may need operating software and/or components.

LOCATION
All surplus computer items will be set up at the Klamath Tribes Administration Office
501 Chiloquin Blvd
Chiloquin, Oregon

TIME SCHEDULE/Bring I.D.
Tribal Elders/Veterans: 9am-10am
Tribal College/High School Students: 10am-12am
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 computer equipment has been developed.

First priority will be for tribal elders; second priority is for tribal members currently enrolled in college or currently attending high school; third priority is for general tribal membership; and fourth 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 computer/parts for someone else or set aside computer/parts for anyone else.

You need to be present at the designated times, to select a computer/parts. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Questions call the IS Department, at 783-2219 ext. 206.
The Tribal Transportation Program is building a new office to house its anticipated staff, and will include a small shop area. The construction of a 2,100 S.F. pre-engineered metal building includes a small conference room with kitchenette, offices, rest rooms, second floor storage area, shop area, fencing, asphalt parking lot, curbs, sidewalks, connections to existing utilities including sewer, water, power, telephone and cable, and related work. JP Prinz, LLC. is the General Contractor, with the local contractor Morello Construction doing the site work. Tribal members are employed on this project. Tribal Members Bill Jackson, Sr. and Brandon Parrish are at new work site. Tribal Project Manager is Anna Bennett.

TRIBAL/ PUBLIC NOTICE
OF
UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION

Please be advised that the Tribal Transportation Program will begin construction of the following projects:

Reconstruction of the Research Station Access Road and Parking Improvements is anticipated to begin within the month of July.

Construction of the Congregate Housing Complex Parking and Accessibility Improvements is anticipated to begin within the month of late July/August.

These projects are funded through the Bureau of Indian Affairs, 638 Indian Reservation Roads Program Funding

Direct all inquiries to:
Anna Bennett, Tribal Transportation Program Manager
The Klamath Tribes Planning Department
(541) 783-2219 ext. 185

Deadline July 20, 2018
HIGHER EDUCATION

The deadline to submit an application for the 2018 / 2019 School year is upon us; 20 July, 2018

The Higher Education Program is a secondary source of financial aid, for enrolled members of the Klamath Tribes seeking a two to four year college degree. To be eligible, an applicant must be an enrolled member of the Klamath Tribes, a High School Graduate or have earned a General Equivalency Diploma, admitted for enrollment in an accredited institution of higher education, and demonstrate a financial need.

In order to maintain an award for the academic year, the student must maintain a minimum Grade Point Average of 2.0 and earn the minimum credit hours as stated on the Scholarship Agreement Form.

For more information contact the Education & Employment Department (541) 783-2219 ext 115 or ext 133

You Can Stay Connected to the Tribe thru...
Email, Facebook, Newsletter, and the Web!

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

Ways to help you stay connected?

1. Send your email, name and roll# to: taylor.tupper@klamathtribes.com

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.
Suicide Prevention Awareness

Suicide Awareness Fundraising Walk

September 8th @ 9:00 am
Come join us at Chiloquin High school track

If anyone that would like to donate items please do so for the raffle that will be held after the walk.

We will have 600 shirts to give away. So first come first serve! After the walk there will be free lunch provided.

The Klamath Tribes, Oregon Tech NASU & Oregon Indian Education Association presents

2nd Annual Youth Leadership Summit & OIEA Youth Conference

August 20, 21, 22 2018 — Klamath Falls, OR

BUILDING THE BRIDGE TO SUCCESS:
PREERVING OUR IDENTITY & CULTURE

Are you an Oregon tribal youth interested in learning how to promote culture, leadership & education in your community? If so, please join us!

Program to include:

- Interactive cultural & educational workshops
- Career Pathway Opportunities
- College Prep
- Cultural Sharing Opportunities
*AND MUCH MORE*

Conference will be hosted on the Oregon Tech Campus in Klamath Falls, OR. On campus housing options available for first 50 participants to register. Chaperones required for each youth/group who attend. A registration fee of $100 per student is required upon registration.

For student registration and workshop facilitator information contact
Will Hess at will.hess@klamathtribes.com or (541) 783-2219 x111
DRIVERS NEEDED
The Community Services Department is in need of Medical and Bus Drivers. This position is temporary part time/on-call starting at $11.95 per hour/No benefits/NTE 950 hours per year. Please go to the website at klamathtribes.org to see the Job Description and Application. You may also come to the Klamath Tribes Administration Offices and get the Job Description and Application. For more information please call Michelle Carson at 541-783-2219 Ext. 175.

NEW! NEW! NEW!
THE KLAMATH TRIBES TRANSIT PROGRAM OFFERS GROCERY SHOPPING
The Klamath Tribes Transit Program is now picking up Elders and Disabled persons at their home to go to Klamath Falls to do grocery shopping. The Transit Program will also pick up Elders and Disabled in Klamath Falls. The Quail Trail starts picking up at 9:00am in Chiloquin on the 1st and 2nd Monday of every month. Please call Rachel or Michelle on the Friday before to schedule your pick-up. Phone # is (541)783-2219 Rachel @ Ext. 174 and Michelle @ Ext. 175

SUMMER TRANSIT
The Quail Trail Public Transit Bus operates Monday thru Friday with 5 Routes per day going from Chiloquin to Klamath Falls. Thursday, there is an additional bus which travels to Sprague River, Beatty, Bonanza, and Klamath Falls. Bus schedules are available at the Tribal Administration Building, Tribal Health, on the buses, and on the Tribe’s website. This services is FREE of charge and open to the public. You also can request up to 2 Basin Transit Transfer tickets to help you commute in Klamath Falls. Come enjoy a ride on the Quail Trail Bus this summer. If you have any questions feel free to call us at (541)783-2219 Ext. 174 (Rachel) and Ext. 175 (Michelle).
### Annual Elders Picnic
Klamath Falls, OR.

**Moore Park (740 Lakeshore Drive)**
Klamath Falls, Oregon - Picnic Areas A & B

**Wednesday, July 25, 2018**
10 AM to 1 PM

There will be a BBQ, Bingo, Cribbage Tournament, Cake Walk, Bocce Ball, and Horseshoes! Presentation by the Youth Council is tentative. Tribal Elders and non-Native Seniors are welcome to attend.

To RSVP, please call Rachel at (541) 783-2219 ext. 174. Limited transportation provided, please reserve your spot with Rachel. To register for the Cribbage Tournament call Wanita at (541) 783-2219 ext. 186.

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### RESTORATION BUS SCHEDULE FOR THE QUAIL TRAIL BUS

**Saturday & Sunday, August 25th & 26th**
Free of charge! OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

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**Sunday, August 26, 2018**

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| KLAMATH FALLS | Corner of Pine & 7th Down Town BTS Transfer Station | PU/DO | 10:35 am |
| Sherm's Thunderbird Parking 2nd Parking Lot 1851 Avalon | PU/DO | 10:45 am |
| CHILoquin | Kla-Mo-Ya Casino | PU/DO | 11:15 am |
| 202 Pioneer St. Bus Shelter | DO | 11:25 am |
| Chiloquin High School | DO | 11:35 pm |

### ROUTE 2

**Sunday, August 26, 2018**

| CHILoquin | Chiloquin High School | PU | 5:30 pm |
| 202 Pioneer St. Bus Shelter | PU | 5:35 pm |
| Kla-Mo-Ya Casino | PU/DO | 5:45 pm |
| KLAMATH FALLS | Corner of Pine & 7th Down Town BTS Transfer Station | PU/DO | 6:25 pm |
| Sherm's Thunderbird Parking 2nd Parking Lot 1851 Avalon | PU/DO | 6:35 pm |
| CHILoquin | Kla-Mo-Ya Casino | PU/DO | 7:05 pm |
| 202 Pioneer St. Bus Shelter | DO | 7:15 pm |

For more information call The Klamath Tribes Community Services Department @ (541)783-2219 Ext. 174 or 175.
Many thanks to Rachel Belenfant and her class for this opportunity!

“One a rainy March Friday, Chiloquin Elementary teacher Rachel Belenfant and the kindergarten classes at Chiloquin Elementary released twenty-five 2-year old C’waam as part of the Klamath Tribes C’waam propagation program. The fish were small start to a burgeoning effort to raise C’waam at the Tribes’ research station; making a positive impact on the struggling population that inhabits Upper Klamath Lake.

Shown here is Cwidiak Henthorne and Daniel Belenfant kindly releasing their fish at Kircher’s bridge in Chiloquin, a few weeks before the adult C’waam were expected to return for their annual spawning migration.

Each fish is tagged to monitor their movements throughout the lake and tributaries as part of the Tribes’ efforts to help the struggling species.”

For more information:
Dr. Alex Gonyaw
Senior Fisheries Biologist
The Klamath Tribes

Guest Column by Klamath Tribal Elder, Frieda Kirk | 2018

BAPTISM, DEATH OF A LANGUAGE

In church the other day, we were asked to think back to our own baptism. Of course I don’t “remember” it because I was a baby. But having witnessed other baptisms as I grew up, I knew how it all went. Remembering that old church brings lots of nostalgia. It was the Indian mission established on the reservation by the Methodist church. My family was directly involved on the board, in the building, in the preaching. It’s one of those things that are taken for granted but that history passes by. The building sits there now, deserted, empty. It was given over to the tribe by the church, but at this time—2018—it is not valued as the strong part of the tribal history that it is for our family and others.

I see it as the choice for spiritual continuation of our tribal beliefs at that time. I always heard that the bible stories were the same as our tribal stories, just with different words and names. So it was a way to hold on to spiritual connections using English words. The easiest example was of the great flood, the top of the mountain that was the first to reappear, now called Pelican Butte, and the name of the rocky point where the people first stepped off the boat. So in hearing the bible story of Noah’s Ark, we could relate to the lessons told.

I never learned the names of the places in Klamath because every effort had been made with my dad’s generation to stamp out the use of our Klamath language and religion. The threat was that if the government people heard any of the children speaking Klamath they took them away and sent them to boarding school. My dad’s generation of course learned to understand the language heard all around them and could speak it at will. But never being able to openly use it in daily community situations took its toll. By my generation, the language was not heard much, and it was judged better for us not to learn it so we could make our way better in the life that was now all around us.

I used to hear Grandma talking it sometimes, especially if she was mad at Grandpa. And sometimes when we were camped way up in the mountains, somebody would answer my questions about what some words meant. Then, as kids do, we’d run around playing, practicing saying them. Five days ago I turned 82.

Frieda Kirk is a longtime Washington resident with Klamath roots and memories as a Klamath Tribal Member.
Guest Column by Klamath Tribal Elder, Frieda Kirk | 2018

BAPTISM, DEATH OF A LANGUAGE

In church the other day, we were asked to think back to our own baptism. Of course I don't "remember" it because I was a baby. But having witnessed other baptisms as I grew up, I knew how it all went. Remembering that old church brings lots of nostalgia. It was the Indian mission established on the reservation by the Methodist church. My family was directly involved on the board, in the building, in the preaching. It's one of those things that are taken for granted but that history passes by. The building sits there now, deserted, empty. It was given over to the tribe by the church, but at this time—2018—it is not valued as the strong part of the tribal history that it is for our family and others.

I see it as the choice for spiritual continuation of our tribal beliefs at that time. I always heard that the bible stories were the same as our tribal stories, just with different words and names. So it was a way to hold on to spiritual connections using English words. The easiest example was of the great flood, the top of the mountain that was the first to reappear, now called Pelican Butte, and the name of the rocky point where the people first stepped off the boat. So in hearing the bible story of Noah's Ark, we could relate to the lessons told.

I never learned the names of the places in Klamath because every effort had been made with my dad's generation to stamp out the use of our Klamath language and religion. The threat was that if the government people heard any of the children speaking Klamath they took them away and sent them to boarding school. My dad's generation of course learned to understand the language heard all around them and could speak it at will. But never being able to openly use it in daily community situations took its toll. By my generation, the language was not heard much, and it was judged better for us not to learn it so we could make our way better in the life that was now all around us.

I used to hear Grandma talking it sometimes, especially if she was mad at Grandpa. And sometimes when we were camped way up in the mountains, somebody would answer my questions about what some words meant. Then, as kids do, we'd run around playing, practicing saying them. Five days ago I turned 82.

Frieda Kirk is a longtime Washington resident with Klamath roots and memories as a Klamath Tribal Member.

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Klamath Tribes Seasonal Round - The Calendar used through the year for hunting, fishing, gathering, and getting ready for each season.

**THE KLAMATH SEASONAL ROUND**

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<th>MONTH</th>
<th>Activities</th>
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<tr>
<td>MARCH</td>
<td>move to fishing camps; old remain at winter villages;</td>
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<td>APRIL</td>
<td>fishing (continues, in varying intensity, year-round);</td>
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<td>MAY</td>
<td>fishing; women dig for ipos; waterfowl eggs gathered; yellow pine cambium sought;</td>
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<td>JUNE</td>
<td>camas gathered in meadows; waterfowl and small game hunted;</td>
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<td>JULY</td>
<td>same</td>
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<td>AUGUST</td>
<td>women harvest pond lily seeds (wokas) on lakes; men hunt mule deer and antelope;</td>
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<tr>
<td>SEPTEMBER</td>
<td>harvest wokas; gather berries in uplands; hunt; fish; return to winter villages;</td>
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<td>OCTOBER</td>
<td>prepare winter provisions; hunting and fishing restricted;</td>
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<td>NOVEMBER</td>
<td>some hunting and fishing;</td>
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<td>DECEMBER</td>
<td>some fishing; some hunting of deer, bear, and water fowl; shamanic ceremonies;</td>
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<td>JÀNÚARY</td>
<td>some hunting and fishing; where possible;</td>
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<td>FEBRUARY</td>
<td>same; provisions often low; in times of famine, moss and lodge pole pine cambium eaten;</td>
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Stern n.d.; Spier 1930:145-46; dates are approximate.
Annual Root Digging was held at Willow Valley Reservoir near Bonanza, Oregon on June 11, 2018

Every year, this event is hosted by the Klamath Tribes Culture and Heritage Department. Casey Hicks of the Community Service Department brought a bus full of Tribal Elders and Youth Coordinator, Will Hess, brought a bus full of Tribal Youth to assist the Elders with digging. Klamath Tribal Health also joined in the festivities, with both Erin Tecumseh and Chloe Say joining the crew. Approximately 40 participants joined, including tribal elders, tribal youth, and local Bonanza community members who wanted to learn about food sources in their back yard. Root Digging for Ipos: Once you locate what you’re looking for in the meadow, you hunker down and get to work! It's all about the tool, technique, and blessings from Creator.

Enjoy some pics from our adventure! Hope to see everyone next year for more food, fun, and laughter!

1. Arnie Baker, from Beatty, Oregon drove out to meet the team and enjoy the day. 2. Betty Blackwolfe shows off her grape sized traditional food called “ipos” in the Tribal language. 3. A truck load of youth came to enjoy the day and help some of our elders dig. Thank you everyone! 4. Tribal Youth Coordinator, Will Hess, demonstrates the proper use of a traditional tool called the ‘Umda’ - It might be a little easier if you’re not over 6’4, using a 2ft Umda 5. The Roberson clan seems to know exactly where to look and how to dig for those yummy roots! 6. Ipos a traditional food. Yum! It was a blessed and beautiful day. We hope everyone enjoyed themselves on this cultural root digging experience. Sep’kee’c’a- Thank you! The Klamath Tribes Culture and Heritage Department (541) 783-2764.

Indigenous band Broken Walls to hold Workshop & Concert “Carry the Cure” for suicide prevention & wellness

Monday, July 23, 2018
Chiloquin, Oregon

"Carry the Cure" Workshop will be 2-4pm
Klamath Tribes Community Center
Chiloquin, Oregon -off Hwy 62 (35601 Choke cherry way)
*Free feed will follow workshop at the Community Center

Free Broken Walls Concert at 6pm @ Chiloquin High School
Chiloquin, Oregon (300 Elm Street)

Everyone Welcome! Free to Attend! All Ages!

Chiloquin, OR. — Internationally acclaimed indigenous band Broken Walls, with Jonathan Markel and Bill Pagaran, will provide a workshop and perform a live concert in Chiloquin, Oregon on Monday, July 23, 2018, to raise suicide prevention and wellness awareness.

The day will begin at the Klamath Tribes Community Center off hwy 62, with a powerful "Carry the Cure" workshop from 2-4pm. A free feed will follow the workshop at the community center, then everyone is invited to attend the free concert at the Chiloquin High School at 6pm. Admission is free.

The purpose is to talk about suicide, raise wellness awareness and bring a message of hope.

Broken Walls hails from Canada. They are a NAMMY nominee, six time Aboriginal Music Awards Nominee and are an internationally known Native American Band. Broken Walls, will share their music and messages that bring hope, restoration and unity to indigenous people throughout the world. They share a traditional and contemporary blend of Native American Music and Dance, along with workshops and powerful messages and stories, that promote healthy lifestyles, unity and an understanding of “contextual” worship. Contextual worship means worshipping Creator (Yahweh) in the form, style and culture that He has given to us.

The Broken Walls ministry motto is “Breaking Walls of Separation.” Their mission is to break walls of division through worship, and to demonstrate a message that restores dignity and brings healing to the broken hearted.

Their vision is that through reconciliation, to see people of every tribe, tongue and nation be lifted up to their place in the body of Christ for the healing and empowerment of the whole Body of Christ.

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