



# Sea~Ha Runner



*A fun and informative Newsletter for the Residents of the Kilkich Community*

## Emergency Preparedness - Not Just For Tsunamis

March 11, 2016 marked the five year anniversary of the 2011 devastating 9.0 earthquake in Japan - one of the most powerful earthquakes ever recorded.

The earthquake initiated a deadly tsunami that killed thousands of people and left thousands of others injured and homeless.

It is hard to believe an event of similar magnitude could happen here, but the fact is ... it can, and it is predicted to happen.

Earthquakes and tsunamis are not the only hazards that the Oregon coast faces. Hurricane force winds and heavy rains have also caused significant damage and outages in the past.

No matter what the event (natural disaster, house fire, stranded in a snow storm, or your car breaks down), being prepared for any emergency can mean the difference in life and death for you and your family.

Getting by without electricity for a few days or weeks is doable, but people cannot survive without adequate food, water, shelter, and everyday necessary medications.



If you and your family have not yet made a disaster plan, packed an emergency go kit for every family member (and a vehicle pack), and practiced what to do in the event of an emergency, please start today. Wishing you would have had a plan and the necessary life-saving supplies in the face of a real emergency is too late.



Numerous preparedness websites and resources exist today; a few are listed below. In addition, CIHA has planning brochures and checklists to help you put together your plans and kits. Another valuable resource is the Tribe's Emergency Management Coordinator Anthony (Tony) DiBenedetto. Tony can be reached at 541-888-9494, ext. 2100.

[www.emergency.cdc.gov](http://www.emergency.cdc.gov)

[www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)

[www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov)

[www.co.coos.or.us/Portals/0/Emergency%20Management/Preparedness\\_Booklet.pdf](http://www.co.coos.or.us/Portals/0/Emergency%20Management/Preparedness_Booklet.pdf)



### April Calendar

April Fool's Day 1

KRA Board Meeting at 5:30 p.m. 11

Earth Day 22

CIHA Board Meeting at 3:30 p.m. 28

### Monthly Housing Payment Pickup

is available for elders and people with disabilities. Please give CIHA a call at 541-888-6501 if you would like to schedule a payment pickup.

## You Have A Couple Of Weeks Left To File Your Income Taxes

**FREE TAX HELP** If you have not filed your 2015 income taxes yet and would like **FREE** tax assistance, AARP provides trained, tax preparation volunteers who are ready to help you with your filing at **no cost**. The North Bend tax preparation

site is at College Park Community Church located at 2548 Newmark Street. The tax preparation site is open Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.; no appointment is required. You will need to provide your household photo

ID's, Social Security cards, your 2014 income tax return, and your 2015 income tax information. AARP also has tax preparation sites in Bandon, Brookings, Florence, and Lakeside. Call RSVP at 541-297-3722 for address and contact information.

### Killich Residents Association (KRA) Board Meeting on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>

KRA will hold an April Board meeting on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> in the CIHA office at 5:30 p.m. All Killich community residents are invited and encouraged to attend.

If you are unable to attend but would like to submit a comment or a question, please send an email to: [killichresidents@gmail.com](mailto:killichresidents@gmail.com)

### Drum and Dance Practice on Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

All Tribal members and Killich community members are invited to drum and dance practice every Wednesday night at the Community Plankhouse from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.



**Children age 13 and under MUST be accompanied by an adult.**



For questions or additional information, contact Lyman Meade at 541-297-5582.

## Attend the Art Show Gallery at the Tribal Community Center on April 19<sup>th</sup> in Support of Child Abuse Awareness Month

The After School and Head Start children will be hosting an Art Show Gallery on Community Night, Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in support of Child Abuse Awareness Month at the Tribal Community Center.

This event is open to the Killich community and their families. Light hors d'oeuvres will be served. Please come out and join us in an evening of fun.



If you have any questions, please call 541-888-9494.

**Don't forget to wear BLUE in support of Child Abuse Awareness Month.**



## Elections Are Approaching - Are You Registered To Vote?

As with every general election year, candidates are heavily campaigning and vying for your vote. The 2016 primary election will be held on Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>; the general election will be held on Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. Any U.S. citizen age eighteen and older may register to vote.



If you are not a registered voter, if you need to update your name or address, or if you would like to change your party affiliation, you may do so online by logging on to: <https://secure.sos.state.or.us/orestar/vr/register.do> You may also download a

voter registration form from this website and mail your voter registration form in or you may register in person at the local county elections office. The Coos County Elections office is located at 250 N. Baxter Street in Coquille; the telephone number is 541-396-7610.



## Local History Resources Are Available at the CIT Library

A patron interested in learning more about the history of the city of Coquille and the surrounding area visited the CIT Library. The visitor came to the Tribe's library because she was researching the Athabaskan dialect speaking Upper Coquille villages in that area. What better place to go, right? To properly research Coos County history, you have to research the first peoples who lived here.

So while helping her with her research, I thought of some of our Library's resources focusing on local history after the arrival of pioneers and settlers.

***Pioneers and Incidents of the Upper Coquille Valle, Alice Woolridge*** – Several local history collections are anthologies of newspaper clippings and journal entries. This book is a collection of remembrances from pioneers who moved to eastern Coos County in the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

There are many accounts in this book of exchanges pioneers had with the area's original settlers (Upper Coquille); not all of them bad.

***A Century of Coos and Curry, Emil Peterson and Alfred Powers*** – Alfred Powers is the founder of the city of Powers: an area occupied by Upper Coquille and other native peoples for thousands of years. The book offers stories, biographies and photographs of local communities and their residents. Glasgow and Norway are located in Coos County and this book proves it. Several chapters are dedicated to individuals and events involving ancestors of the Coos and Coquille tribes. While some of the accounts are to say the least questionable, such as the story of Battle Rock, this book is still used as a resource by members of

the Tribe's community.

***The Coos Bay Region, 1890 - 1944, Nathan Douthit*** – "Life On A Coastal Frontier" is the subtitle for this local history. The author has several titles exploring the relationships between native peoples and settlers in southwest Oregon and was a guest speaker and one of the Tribe's culture conferences. This book focuses on the major industries of the time such as logging and shipping and includes over 100 historic photographs.

***Bandon By The Sea, Dow Beckham*** – The infamous fire that razed Bandon in 1936 is one of the subjects covered in this book about the city built on the former site of the Nasomah village complex. Written in 1981, the book includes interviews with many survivors of those fires plus biographies of many of the city's early civic and business leaders.



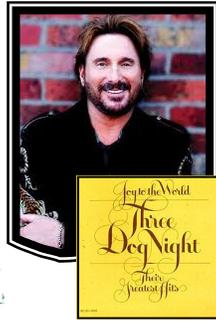
**Gardening Anyone?** If you are a gardener or would like to learn more about gardening, stop in the library and borrow a gardening book or two. Spring gardeners are already sowing peas, greens, onions, and a variety of other herbs, flowers, and vegetables. An excellent book you might want to peruse is ***Growing Vegetables West of the Cascades by Steve Solo-***

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**Chuck Negron** - formerly a Three Dog Night member will be **in concert on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at The Mill Casino - Hotel.**

Tickets are on sale now at Kō-Kwel Gifts - \$30 premium seating; \$20 standard seating (\$5 off for Mill Club member). Must be 21 or older to attend.



Call 541-756-8800, ext. 9 for tickets and information.



## PONY VILLAGE MALL EVENTS

**The South Coast Woodcarver's Show** will be held on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the space across from JoAnn's Fabrics. There will be carvings and wood burning creations on display - many for sale. There will be lots of raffle items. Call 541-756-0433 for more information.



**The South Coast Rhododendron Show** will be held on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. in the space across from JoAnn's Fabrics.

For more information about this event, contact Pete Baumer by email at [cbaumer1@charter.net](mailto:cbaumer1@charter.net)



## Ahh Shucks! Oyster Feed - April 23

The Oyster Feed will be held on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> from noon to 4:00 p.m. at the Oregon Institute of Marine Biology dining hall at 63466 Boat Basin Road in Charleston. Projected prices: 9 Oyster Meal \$15; 6 Oyster Meal \$13; 3 Oyster Meal \$11. Oysters will be prepared in a variety of ways and served with dipping sauces, baked beans, coleslaw, bread, and drink (soda, coffee, or tea); add a shrimp cocktail for \$1! Gourmet hotdog meals, wine, and desserts will be available for an additional charge. For additional information, call Kathy Hornstuen at 541-404-6593.



## Practice Good Safety Habits to Keep Your Home and Family Safe

Being safe in our community is something that is easily taken for granted. There is little crime in the Kilkich community and most residents are familiar with the other community members.

In reality, there are many people who are not Kilkich residents that frequent our community on a daily basis - traffic off of Cape Arago drives through the neighborhoods either visiting family/friends or just curious to see what is up here; a variety of people come up to catch the CCAT bus; kids and adults ride their bikes up the hill to ride the paved areas; non-residents walk their dogs around the loop or use the loop as an exercise area.

Having unknown people in the neighborhood is normal and no

cause for concern, however, it is ALWAYS wise to practice good safety habits at ALL TIMES to keep your home and family safe.

- Keep external doors locked even when you are at home
- NEVER open your door to a stranger; teach your children the same or always have an adult greet visitors
- Leave a porch light on at night so you can see out the peep hole
- Keep perimeter around home clean and tidy so that it does not provide a hiding place
- Secure your home when you leave (doors and windows) and use a range of lights on timers so that your home always looks occupied

- Keep your vehicles locked
- Walk with a buddy; carry your cell phone
- Always let someone know where you are going and when you will be back
- Be aware of your surroundings at all times



The above tips are just a few safety habits to practice. Use common sense when it comes to safety and don't become complacent. Crime is everywhere, but we can deter the criminals by practicing safe habits.

**As always, if you see suspicious people or activities, contact the Tribal Police dispatch immediately at**

