

# Sea~Ha Runner



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



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## Annual "Kids In The Woods" - Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup>



The Natural Resources Department and the Culture, Education and Library Services Department present the 2016 annual "Kids in the Woods" event on March 4<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is welcome to attend this fun and educational field trip.

On the day's agenda are presentations by CIT staff and a visit to the Sek-wet-se forest. Presentation topics include:

- ◆ Salmon
- ◆ Forestry
- ◆ Plant Identification
- ◆ Tree Planting

Bus transportation will be provided. The bus will load at the Tribal Community Center at 8:45 a.m. and leave at 9:00 a.m. The bus will return to the Tribal Community Center in the afternoon around 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The bus will arrive at the Sek-wet-se forest around 11:15 a.m. A tour and CIT staff presentations will be held before the 12:30 p.m. lunch. Tree planting will take place after lunch. Please wear weather-appropriate clothing as the climate can be very unpredictable.

If you have any questions, please call 541-756-0904 and speak with either Danielle Summers, ext. 1238 or Casey DiBenedetto, ext. 1210.

## Housing Payment Pickup

Housing payment pickup is available every month for elders or persons with a disability. If you would like a CIHA staff member to stop by and pick up your housing payment, please call the CIHA office at 541-888-6501 during normal office hours.

## Daylight Saving Time (DST) Begins Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup> - Spring Forward



Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup> is the beginning of Daylight Saving Time. The time officially changes at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. An hour of time is lost as clocks are turned ahead one hour, but an hour of daylight is gained in the evening.

As you turn your clocks ahead, check your smoke alarm to ensure it is in good working order. Install fresh batteries if you haven't done so recently. A working smoke alarm may save you and your family's life!



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## Community Garden Beds In Previous Years



## Kilkich Community Garden Beds

Are you interested in planting a vegetable garden this year? If so, there is one garden bed available in the Kilkich Community Garden at this time.

There is no charge to use the community garden, but your bed MUST be maintained.

As a gardener in the Kilkich community garden, you are required to plant, weed, and harvest your bed as needed. This will require a weekly commitment of time and energy.



**WATER** - The garden is on an automatic, timed, watering system, so you will not need to water your garden bed.

**CROPS** - Cool weather crops generally perform well in our

coastal climate. Past success has been seen with artichokes, beets, broccoli, cabbage, carrots, chives, kale, kohlrabi, leeks, lettuces, onions, peas, potatoes, spinach, squash, and turnips, just to name a few.

The garden has a perimeter fence to deter deer; slugs are usually your most obnoxious and destructive pests. **Pets are not allowed in the garden area.**

If you are interested in a garden bed this year, would like to be put on the waitlist, or have a question about the garden, call the CIHA office at 541-888-6501.

The beds are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.



**HAPPY GARDENING!**

### KRA Meeting on Monday, March 14th at 5:30 p.m.

KRA will meet on Monday, March 14th at 5:30 p.m. in the CIHA office. All Kilkich residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you are unable to attend but would like to submit a comment or a question to KRA, please send an email to: [kilkichresidents@gmail.com](mailto:kilkichresidents@gmail.com)



### Need to Borrow Yard Equipment? Please Call a Day in Advance

CIHA has lawn mowers, rakes, a shovel, and a wheelbarrow available for Kilkich community members to borrow to maintain their yard and lawn.



Please call CIHA at 541-888-6501

**A DAY IN ADVANCE** to request the yard equipment. The equipment will be delivered, if available, the following morning and may be checked out for 24 hours at a time.

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



All Tribal members and Kilkich 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.

## Dig into Mining and Logging History at CIT Library

During a recent tour of the Euphoria Ridge section of the Coquille Forest, I listened to Chief Don Ivy speak on how both native peoples and pioneers used the natural resources in this area and how those used impacted the local ecosystem. The context of the discussion was the design of a tree-thinning project that would allow for the removal of some harvestable trees and help assure Euphoria Ridge remains an open meadow area where native plant species of cultural significance to the Tribe will continue to thrive – species that would not survive if Douglas fir and other evergreens were allowed to spread unchecked and turn the open meadow into a forest.

During the tour, two books were referenced for being excellent resources on the historical coal and logging industries and their impact on local communities.

Both contain interviews with local families who worked their whole lives in these industries including Coos and Coquille ancestors who worked as loggers and miners to provide for their families.

### **Stars in the Dark –**

This book covers coal mining in coastal southwest Oregon from 1853 to the closing of mine shafts and portals in the early 1900s. It talks about the industry and the communities, such as the aptly named Coaledo, that developed around it. Also referenced are mines located in the Coquille River watershed and family member interviews which add depth to the history.

### **Swift Flows the River –**

This book focuses on “traditional” technique of log driving on Oregon’s rivers. The book’s author worked in his father’s logging camps as a youth and returned to the industry as

an adult after a stint as a school teacher. The tools and techniques for floating logs from the woods to the mills as well as the well-known dangers of this type of work are detailed and can be found here.

Both books were authored by local historian Dow Beckham who along with his son Stephen Dow have authored many works on southwest Oregon history including several focusing on native peoples including, *The Indians of Western Oregon: This Land Was Theirs*; *Oregon Indians: Voices From Two Centuries*; and *Requiem For a People: The Rogue River Indians and the Frontiersmen*. These and various histories of southwest Oregon are available at the CIT Library.

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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.

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## Local Weekly Happenings

Comedy Night at The Mill Casino · Hotel every Wednesday in Warehouse 101.

Two shows - 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.; 541-756-8800.



Downtown Coos Bay Wine Walk every Friday from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Walk starts at the Coos Bay Visitor Information Center; 541-269-0215.



Live Music at The Mill Casino · Hotel every Friday in Warehouse 101 from 9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.;

541-756-8800.



**Saturday \$7.99**

**All American Buffet**

**at The Saw Blade**

**located inside**

**The Mill Casino - Hotel**



An All American buffet is being served Saturdays in March from 2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Saw Blade Buffet located inside The Mill Casino · Hotel for only \$7.99

The buffet features slow-roasted carved pork shoulder, barbecued pork ribs, grilled chicken breast, pizza, and much more.

Children ages 5-12 are \$5.99.

Children ages 4 and under are free.

**The buffet will be CLOSED on March 12th during the Clambake Jazz Festival.**



March 11, 12,  
and 13



At The Mill Casino · Hotel

The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Clambake Jazz Festival has an incredible band lineup again this year.

The doors open at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at The Mill Casino · Hotel.

Evolution will perform at 6:30 p.m., the Young Bucs heat up the night at 7:45 p.m., and wrapping up the Warm-Up Party will be High Street at 9:00 p.m.

Log on to [www.clambakejazz.com](http://www.clambakejazz.com)

for detailed information about this year's bands, their Clambake Jazz Festival performance schedule, and ticket information and pricing.

Tickets are also available by calling The Mill Casino · Hotel Kō-Kwel Gift Shop at 541-756-8800, ext. 9, or at the door of the Salmon Room any time during the event.

Don't miss this weekend of fabulous music, exceptional performers, dancing, and fun!



## 15th Annual "Fertilize Your Mind" Garden Seminar at SOCC on March 26th from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

"Fertilize Your Mind" annual garden seminar is a day-long event offering practical, hands-on learning for both novice and experienced gardeners



sponsored by the OSU Extension Service and the Coos County Master Gardeners.

Whether you are new to the coastal area or have lived here for years, this informative seminar has something to offer all gardeners.



Experienced, practical speakers will present a variety of classes covering a wide range of horticultural interests.

Vendor displays will be available for viewing all day.

The registration fee is \$30 and includes the keynote address, three class sessions, and access to the vendor displays.

To download a registration form, log on to:

[http://extension.oregonstate.edu/coos/sites/default/files/Mg/documents/fymseminar\\_registration2016.pdf](http://extension.oregonstate.edu/coos/sites/default/files/Mg/documents/fymseminar_registration2016.pdf)

You may also contact the local Myrtle Point OSU

Coos County Extension Service at 541-572-5263.



There are four classes to choose from in each of the three sessions, so register early to get the classes you prefer.

