

# Coquille Indian Housing Authority



# Sea~Ha Runner



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



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## Kilkich Community Garden Beds Are Still Available

Spring has finally arrived, and despite the March rains and infrequent sunshine, the flowers are in bloom, the trees are budding, and the hummingbirds are in search of nectar. It won't be long before it is time to start planting seeds and seedlings in the garden.

The perimeter fence deters deer, elk, and other animals; slugs are usually your most obnoxious and destructive pests.

weather crops generally perform well. Past success has been seen with artichokes, beets, broccoli, cabbage, carrots, chives, kale, kohlrabi, leeks, lettuces, mustard greens, onions, peas, potatoes, spinach, squash, and turnips, just to name a few.

The Kilkich Community Garden has raised garden beds available again this year.

As a gardener, you will be required to maintain your garden bed. This includes planting, weeding, and harvesting as needed, which will require a weekly commitment of time and energy.

If you are interested in a garden bed or have questions about the garden, call and speak with Dale at the CIHA office, 541-888-6501.

The garden beds are free to use, secured behind a padlocked gate, and on a timed watering system (you will not need to water your bed).

The garden beds have soil in them. You may amend the soil in the bed with fertilizer/compost. If you are new to gardening and are unsure what might grow in our coastal climate, cool

Garden beds will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.



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### Housing Payment Pickup

- ◆ Available for elders and persons with disabilities
- ◆ A CIHA employee will stop by your home and pick up your housing payment
- ◆ Call CIHA at 541-888-6501 to schedule your housing payment pickup



### LAST CALL FOR FREE TAX FILING ASSISTANCE ...

If you still need to file your 2016 income taxes and would like **FREE** tax assistance, AARP provides trained, tax preparation volunteers to help you with your filing at **no cost**. AARP has tax preparation sites in Bandon, Brookings, Florence, Lakeside, and North Bend. Call RSVP at 541-297-3722 for more information.



### KRA April Meeting

KRA will meet on Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. in the CIHA office.

All Kilkich residents are welcome and encouraged to attend the meeting.

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)

### Lawn Mower?

Heavy spring rains and intermittent sunshine have jumpstarted the grass season.

CIHA has lawn mowers, weed eaters, a wheelbarrow, and a rake that you may borrow for up to 24 hours; reserve a day in advance.

Contact CIHA for equipment availability and equipment reservations, 541-888-6501.

### Please Drive Slowly

With longer days and (eventually) warmer and drier weather, children, pets, and people will be enjoying more outside activities.

Please **SLOW DOWN** and pay extra attention to your surroundings. Children don't always look before running out into the street.

Please drive slowly. Be safe.

### Have You Noticed A Street Light Not Working?

If you notice a street light that is not working properly, please note the location of the light pole and if possible, the number on the light pole.

Call CIHA, 541-888-6501, with the street light information; Pacific Power will be contacted to remedy the situation.

Thank you for helping keep the Kilkich community well lighted.




**Charleston Fishing Families  
Easter Egg Hunt**  
Sat., April 15 at 11:00 a.m.  
Sunset Bay State Park  
See newsletter insert for complete information



**FREE Household Hazardous Waste  
Collection Event - Sat., April 8**  
from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at  
Beaver Hill Transfer Site  
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**oregon  
E-CYCLES** Oregon E-Cycles is  
**FREE! Collection  
sites are statewide.**

Anyone can take seven or fewer computers (desktops, laptops and tablets), monitors, TVs, and printers at a time to participating Oregon E-Cycles collection sites for FREE recycling. Computer peripherals (keyboards and mice) are also accepted free of charge. Other types of electronics are excluded.

Local collection sites include Goodwill, 541-269-9150, West Coast Recycling, 541-269-9212, and Beaver Hill Disposal Site, 541-396-7620.

Call listed sites for directions and hours of operation.

<http://www.oregon.gov/DEQ/ecycles/Pages/default.aspx>

### Maximize Your 2017 Holiday Credit

In 2016, as in previous years, the CIHA Board of Commissioners approved a December holiday credit to be awarded to each household on Tribal Lands. The credit ranged from \$25 to \$150.

If you are interested in earning the maximum holiday credit in 2017, the criteria is as follows:



1. Pay your rent/house payment on time and in full each month
2. Pass your annual household inspection
3. Return all paperwork in full and on time
4. Have no actionable neighborhood complaints
5. Have no power, water, or garbage shutoff notices
6. Have no yard notices

Call the CIHA office at 541-888-6501 if you have any questions.

## Safety Starts At Home - Be Vigilant, Practice Safe Habits, Stay Alert



The Kilkich community, in general, is a safe place to live. It is a quiet community with infrequent crime, and most residents are familiar with other community members and normal traffic.

There are, however, many people who are not Kilkich residents that frequent our community on a daily basis. The non-residents may be visiting family/friends, using the loop or dog trails for exercise or to walk their dog; kids and adults ride their bikes up the hill to ride the paved areas; and a variety of people come up to catch the CCAT bus.

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.

- It is a good practice to keep external doors locked, even when home

- NEVER open your door to a stranger and teach your children the same or always have an adult greet unknown visitors
- Leave a porch light on at night so you can see out the peep hole; NEVER open your door if you do not know who is knocking
- Keep the perimeter around your home clean and tidy so that it does not provide hiding places
- ALWAYS 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 AT ALL TIMES; personal property stolen from unlocked vehicles has been a problem in the past and is avoidable
- Always walk with a buddy and carry a fully charged cell phone

- Always let someone know where you are going and when you will be back
- Be aware of your surroundings at all times
- Do not approach strangers, even if they seem in distress; dial 911

The listed tips are just a few safety habits to practice. Use common sense when it comes to safety and don't become complacent.

Crime never takes a day off and is always looking for opportunity. Deter criminal activity by practicing safe habits both at home and when you are out and about.

**As always, if you see suspicious people, or suspicious or unusual activity, contact the Tribal Police dispatch immediately at 541-269-8911.**



## Identity Theft And Cybercrime - What To Do If You Become A Victim



The 2017 Identity Fraud Study, released by Javelin Strategy and

Research, found that \$16 billion was stolen from 15.4 million U.S. consumers in 2016, compared to \$15.3 billion and 13.1 million victims a year earlier.

Following the introduction of microchip equipped credit cards in 2015 in the U. S., which make the credit cards difficult to counterfeit, criminals focused on new account

fraud. New account fraud occurs when a thief opens a credit card or other financial account using a victim's name and other stolen personal information.

If you or someone you know is a victim of identity theft, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has an easy to follow, extremely useful guide on what to do.

**The guide is called, "Taking Charge, What To Do If Your Identity Is Stolen".**

You can download the step-by-step,

detailed, thorough guide at:

<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/pdf-0009-taking-charge.pdf>

**Tips on how to prevent identity theft:**

<https://www.usa.gov/identity-theft>

**Tips on how to prevent cybercrime:**

<https://www.dhs.gov/topic/combating-cyber-crime>

Parts of this article excerpted from:

<http://www.iii.org/fact-statistic/identity-theft-and-cybercrime>

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Come out and enjoy a fun evening at the “Bite of the Bay” Pacific Cove Humane Society Fundraiser on April 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

There will be a live auction, silent auction, live music, and beer, wine, and food samples from local vendors.

**This is an age 21 and over event.**

Tickets are on sale at Kó-Kwel Gifts, 541-756-8800, ext. 9.

Tickets are \$40 per person in advance; \$45 at the door.

For more information, please call Kate Sharples, 541-404-6704.

## Oregon Unclaimed Property Search

Oregon is holding millions of dollars in unclaimed assets – savings bonds, stock dividends, tax refunds, and uncashed checks.

State law requires businesses and organizations to send all unclaimed funds to the Department of State Lands if the owner cannot be contacted after a certain amount of time, usually within three years.

Each year, about \$50 million is remitted to DSL, and about half of that amount is returned to rightful owners (nearly 20,000 people or entities).

All unclaimed funds are held in Oregon’s [Common School Fund](#) until claimed.

Interest earnings from the fund are sent to Oregon schools twice a year.

To search for unclaimed property/funds, log on to the following website:

<http://www.oregon.gov/DSL/Money/Pages/Lost.aspx>

## 12<sup>th</sup> Annual “Ahhh Shucks!” Oyster Feed Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>

Celebrate Oregon Oyster Week on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Oregon Institute of Marine Biology (OIMB) dining hall, 63466 Boat Basin Drive in Charleston.

This event is hosted by the Charleston Community Enhancement Corporation.

Large and small oyster meals will be available; oysters will be fried, sautéed, or steamed.

Meals will be served with dipping sauces, baked beans, coleslaw, garlic bread, and a choice of beverage.



There will be live music, Oregon wines, shrimp cocktails, and beef hotdog meals.

The non-profit group, Charleston Fishing Families, will be selling desserts. All proceeds from the dessert sales will go to the Fisherman’s Relief Fund that has been established to help fishing families in times of tragedy or need.

For more information about the “Ahhh Shucks” Oyster Feed, call 541-269-0215.

For more information about the Charleston Fishing Families - Fisherman’s Relief Fund, contact Jackie Chambers at 541-404-5934.



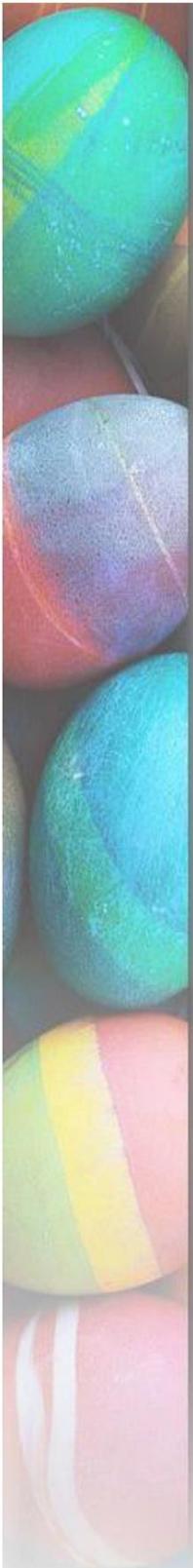
**Tina Turner**  
“Queen of  
Rock and Roll”  
Tribute Concert  
Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>

Two Shows - 6:00 p.m. and 8:00

The Real McCoy LLC presents Cookie Watkins and her incredible high-energy tribute to Tina Turner performing many of Tina’s mega hits like, “Higher”, “Simply the Best”, “What’s Love Got to Do with It”, “Proud Mary”, and many more.

The evening promises two dazzling tribute shows complete with dynamite dancers and upbeat musicians taking the stage in the Salmon Room of The Mill Casino · Hotel.

Tickets go on sale March 28<sup>th</sup> at Kó-Kwel Gifts, 541-756-8800, ext. 9; \$25 for premium seating; \$20 for standard seating. Receive a \$5 Mill Club discount when you use your Mill Casino · Hotel Club card.



# **CHARLESTON FISHING FAMILIES 1<sup>ST</sup> EVER EASTER EGG HUNT**

**Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>**

**At 11 A.M.**

*\*Kids will be released to hunt eggs at 11:15 am\**

**Sunset Bay State Park**

(To the left, at the grassy area by the Volleyball Court. Some shelter provided)

**\*Bring Your Own Basket\***

**\*All ages are welcome\***

**\*Different areas will be set up for ages 0-4, 5-9,  
and 9 and up\***

**\*Prizes, grand prizes, light snacks and more!**

For more information, e-mail

[charlestonfishingfamilies@gmail.com](mailto:charlestonfishingfamilies@gmail.com)

Or Call Jackie Chambers at 541-404-5934 OR Melissa  
Clemens at 541-297-9353

Event Date: April 8, 2017

## Properly Dispose of Your Toxins

Event Time: 9:00am—1:00pm

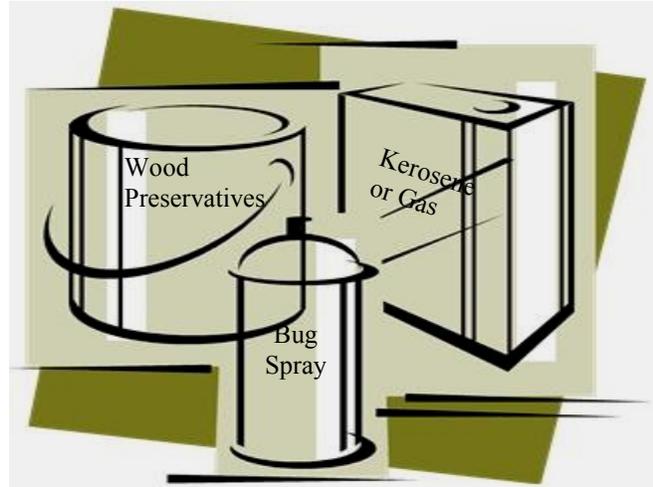
Location :

Beaver Hill Transfer Site

1/4 mile south of Milepost 253

Highway 101

between Coos Bay & Bandon



# Free Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event

**Please call to  
make an  
appointment:**

Coos County  
Solid Waste Dept.  
541-396-7624  
Mon-Fri (9-2)

### **WHAT NOT TO BRING**

**Ammunition  
Asbestos  
Explosives  
Fireworks  
Medical Waste  
Sharps  
Radioactive Waste**

### **HOW TO BRING YOUR HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS TO THE EVENT:**

Products should be left in their original container. Label materials not in their original container only if you are sure of the contents.

Please do not mix products together. Dangerous reactions can occur when some materials are mixed.

Make sure containers are properly sealed so they won't leak or spill. If a container is leaking, secure it in a secondary leak-proof container.

Transport in a sturdy box or tub in your trunk or truck bed.

Please do not put items in plastic bags.

Bring in any of the items listed and we will dispose of them for you in a manner friendly to the environment.

- Aerosol Spray Products
- Antifreeze
- Art & Hobby Chemicals
- Brake Fluid
- Cleaning Supplies
- Degreasers
- Engine Cleaners
- Fluorescent Lamps/Tubes
- Furniture Stripper
- Herbicides
- Kerosene/Gas/Oil
- Lead Acid Batteries
- Lighter Fluid
- Mercury
- Paints/Stains/Shellacs
- Pesticides/Insecticides
- Poisons
- Pool/Spa Chemicals
- Rechargeable Batteries
- Rose Dust
- Rust Remover
- Slug Bait
- Solvents & Thinners
- Thermostats
- Thermometers
- Transmission Fluid
- Turpentine
- Weed Killers
- Wood Preservatives

Celebrate Oregon Oyster Week at the  
12th Annual Charleston

# OYSTER FEED



*Saturday*  
**APRIL 29th**  
**NOON to 4 PM**

**Oregon Institute  
of Marine Biology**

*63466*

*Boat Basin Dr.  
Charleston, OR*



also featuring...  
Live Music, Oregon  
Wines, Fishing  
Family desserts,  
shrimp cocktails &  
optional beef  
hotdog meals

