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News Release

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Tamástlikt Cultural Institute Celebrates American Indian Heritage Month On November 8 With Two Special Guest Appearances.

Pendleton - Tamástlikt Cultural Institute continues to celebrate American Indian Heritage Month on Saturday, November 8 with two special opportunities. At 9:00am master basketweaver and noted author, **Minerva Soucie**, from the Burns Paiute Tribe, will be on hand to exhibit her basketry techniques, and to give a special presentation at 1:00pm on the book “First Oregonians,” which is the basis for the **Oregon Is Indian Country** traveling exhibit, and in which she authored a chapter about the culture and history of the Burns Paiute.

Minerva T. Soucie is a member of the Burns Paiute Tribe, and works as a consultant, artist, storyteller, and master basketweaver. Ms. Soucie is acknowledged as having revived traditional techniques among the youth of her tribe, and since the 1980s, she held every elected position in the tribe, including one term as chairwoman.

She has dedicated herself to teaching the essentials of tribal culture to the next generation. In addition to authoring a chapter on the Paiute people in *The First Oregonians* published by Oregon Council on Humanities, she regularly fields requests to speak on Paiute history and cultural resources.

Also on Saturday, November 8 at 10:00am to 1:00pm, **Virginia Roberts**, a retired librarian, and Pendleton Round-Up Hall of Fame Board Member, will host a special *Genealogy Workshop* which is also open to the public. In this hands-on workshop Ms. Roberts will demonstrate how to find and use the latest online tools and resources available to discover and trace your family genealogy.

Tamástlikt Cultural Institute information is available by dialing 541-966-9748, or visit www.tamastlikt.org.

Tamástslikt Cultural Institute is located at Wildhorse Resort & Casino, 10 minutes east of Pendleton. From Interstate 84 take exit 216 and follow the signs five minutes to Wildhorse Resort and the Institute. Coming from the north, take the Mission exit from Highway 11 just northeast of Pendleton and follow the signs for about ten minutes to the Wildhorse Resort and the Institute. Tamástslikt is open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. In addition to exhibits telling the story of the three Tribes' history and culture, there is also a Museum Store and the Kinship Café. Tamástslikt is owned and operated by the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation.

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