

Yachats Indigenous People History Interpretive Signs

Seven interpretive signs depicting our local First Nation history were created with funding by grants from Oregon Parks Foundation Fund and the Three Rivers Foundation and other donations. Among supporters of the signs were Ben and Kathee Christensen who were generous contributors to our community of Yachats. Among their many contributions to the community was that both of them were advocates for our trail system and the documentation of our local First Nation history. Ben was an avid trail crew member. He told a group of friends that when it was his time to die, he hoped it would be on a trail, and specifically his beloved Amanda Trail. On August 1, 2015, only two weeks later, while working with the trails crew on the Amanda Trail, Ben died. He is sorely missed. This interpretive sign project is in honor of Ben.

The seven signs were created with the help of volunteer Diane Disse and under the supervision of Robert Kentta, Cultural Resources Manager and Tribal Council member of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, and Jesse Beers, Cultural Resources Manager of the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians for which View the Future is eternally grateful.

Three of the signs can be found on the Ya'Xaik Trail and four of the signs can be found on the Amanda Trail. Installation was generously provided at no cost by the Angell Job Corps and the City of Yachats Public Works crew.

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