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THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE

GRAND RONDE COMMUNITY OF OREGON

COUNCIL ESTABLISHES TRIBAL BURIAL FUND

On January 2, 1989, the Tribal Council established a Tribal Burial Fund which covers tribal members and their immediate families.

In establishing the fund, the Council adopted the following guidelines:

- 1) There is a limitation of benefit of \$3,000 per funeral. (There is some flexibility of additional monies for unforeseen costs; ie. transportation costs, etc.)
- 2) All tribal members on the roll, or who meet the criteria to be enrolled, are eligible for the tribal burial fund.
- 3) Tribal funeral funds will include the spouses and children who are not tribal members, provided they are married and the children are legally adopted (documentation required).
- 4) Funerals out of the six county area will be subject to the same policy with the exception of transportation costs (at the discretion of the administrator).
- 5) Upon the availability of funds, headstones may be provided.
- 6) The use of all other available resources shall be used toward the costs of the funeral, ie., Veterans, Social Services, insurance, unions, fraternal organizations, other tribes.
- 7) Arrangements will be made by a representative of the deceased, the provider and the tribal administrator. Statements from the provider will be submitted to the tribal administrator.

The Tribal Council designated Merle Holmes, council member, to administer the fund.

The Burial Fund will be paid for through tribal timber revenues.



Students fund-raising for trip to Florida include (left to right), Tom McKnight, Trevor Aaron, Leanna McKnight, Angela Leno and Cory Meneley.

STUDENTS BEGIN FUND-RAISING EFFORT FOR TRIP TO FLORIDA

Five tribal members attending Willamina High School have begun fund raising activities to participate in a four day, three night trip to Florida to visit the Kennedy Space Center, EPCOT Center and Sea World.

The five students, Trevor Aaron, Angela Leno, Leanna McKnight, Tommy McKnight and Cory Meneley met with the Tribal Council on January 18, 1988 to request support for their project. Also attending the meeting were two Willamina High School science teachers, Michelle Howard and Julie Peters.

The students need to raise \$575.00 each to pay for round-trip costs to visit Florida in late April. The five students are among about twenty expected to go. Students in any grade, and who are taking a science class are eligible to participate.

The students are looking for sponsors and donations. The group has raised about \$200 to date and has several activities planned, including a Bingo Game at the General Council meeting on February 5th, and a Bake Sale on February 10th in Willamina at the Pacific Security Bank, beginning at 3:30 p.m.

A challenge grant to individuals and businesses has been initiated. Interested persons can meet or beat a donation of \$25.00 to help the students.

The Tribal Council designated the Social Services Program to assist the students in fund raising efforts. The students must raise a total of \$2,875 for all five students to participate in the trip. If you are interested in helping the students, contact the Social Services Department at 879-5211.

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