

TRIBAL ELECTIONS INFORMATION

WHO MAY VOTE: Any enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Community of Oregon who will be 18 years of age or older on the date of the scheduled Tribal Council elections.

APPLICATIONS FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS: Each person applying for an absentee ballot must fill out and sign an application form. Application forms shall be available at the Grand Ronde Tribal Offices in Grand Ronde. The application forms may also be requested from the Election Board. No request for an application shall be valid after 5:00 P.M. on the last working day prior to the election.

DATE AND LOCATION OF ELECTIONS: The Tribal Council Elections will be held Saturday, September 12, 1992, at the new Tribal Offices in Grand Ronde. An absentee ballot request form and this year's candidates are listed below.

1992 CANDIDATES FOR TRIBAL COUNCIL:
(The candidates are listed in the order in which they will appear on the ballots.)

Joseph Brisbois
Wilmadene Butler
Valarene Grout
Kathryn Harrison
Andrew Jenness
Earl Floyd LaBonte
Eugene R. LaBonte
Edward Larsen Jr.
Reynold Leno
Patricia Martin
Robert Mercier
Michael Reibach

PLEASE USE THIS REQUEST FORM OR A PHOTO COPY OF THIS FORM TO MAKE AN ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST

ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST

I, _____, am an eligible voter
Print Enrolled Name *Roll Number*

of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon wish to have an absentee ballot sent to me at the following address:

Mailing Address

City State Zip Code

MUST BE SIGNED TO BE VALID: _____

Mail this request to:
Election Committee
P.O. Box 99
Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347

I need a voter signature card mailed to me () yes () no

Tribal Youth Find "Common Ground" at Conference

On June 10-17, Celeste Wolf, Willie Mercier, Crystal Tonihka, Peggy Brickell, and their advisor, Camille VanVleet attended the National UNITY Conference in St. Paul, Minnesota. There were approximately 1,000 Native American youths from all over the United States who attended.



Peggy Brickell, Willie Mercier, Crystal Tonihka, Camille VanVleet, and Celeste Wolf Attended the UNITY conference in St. Paul, Minnesota.

"I made friends not only with people from all over the U.S., but with people from my own community," said Willie Mercier. The theme of the conference was "Discovering our Common Ground". Conference lectures and discussions centered around environmental issues, and how Native American youths can be leaders in their community. Leadership skills and self-esteem were enhanced by the conference activities. Said Crystal Tonihka, "I believe common ground is where all native people come to be as one in our Indian population. I learned about myself. I found out I was not alone. I, as all Native American youths, have problems in dealing with people who don't understand our culture." United National Indian Tribal Youth (UNITY) holds a conference every year for Native American young people. The fund raising wheels are already in motion for next year's conference. All four participants in the conference said they were glad to have had the opportunity to go, and that it was a valuable experience.

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City: _____

State/Zip: _____

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