

**SUMMER SCHOOL**

This summer, beginning July 21st, the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde education department will hold a three day summer school program for all enrolled members from kindergarten through fifth grade. The program hours will be from 9:00-12:00, at the Community Center. We will hold a graduation ceremony and pot-luck Friday the 24th, starting at 10:00 a.m. The following Wednesday (29th) the graduates will be taken on a field trip to the new Oregon Coast Aquarium in Newport. Several classes are planned including some craft classes making shields and masks. Flyers and letters with more details will be forthcoming.

**DISPLAY ITEMS NEEDED**

We would like to obtain more Indian artifacts, crafts, photos, etc. to put in the Tribal Community Center display cases. We would like to have the display cases filled before the annual Pow wow. Each display case has its own lock, and they remain locked until the owner claims their property. We would appreciate any help with items you would like to share for display.

If you have something to display, please call or write Tracy Hubbell at 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, Oregon, 97347. Phone: 879-5211 or 1-800-422-0232.

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Failure to meet any of these requirements may result in disqualification from the Royalty Court. There may be other required events not mentioned at this time. Due to lack of interest, the Pow-wow Committee made the decision to drop the deadline date, and to invite tribal members who fit the Royalty guidelines to apply for 1992 Royalty. Please remember, you will need Regalia to compete in the pageant.

If you are interested, please fill out the form below and mail it in to 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, Oregon, 97347

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Enrollment Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
 School: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hobbies and outside activities: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**YOUTH ENCAMPMENT**

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Health Department is sponsoring a tribal youth encampment on July 29th, 30th, and 31st. The camp focuses on healthy life-styles and good choices. The camp is for tribal youth ages 8 to 18. It will be held at the Chemawa school in Salem. We will require one chaperone for every four kids. If your kids are interested in participating, call Mary or Teri at Tribal Health Program, 1-800-422-0232.

**New Mental Health Employee**

My name is Tomoko Gersch. I have just begun working in the Mental Health Department as a mental health professional. It was very fortunate for me to attend the "Wellness & Spirituality Conference" June 15-17 in Janzen Beach, Portland. I have learned how to slow myself down, and I am feeling better about myself. I have also learned not to go to extreme directions, but rather to walk in balance. I have learned and enjoyed from everybody there. I was born, raised, and educated in Japan. I left there to the United States due to my husband's transfer in December, 1988. During the past eight years, I have worked for the United States Navy, Oregon State Hospital, Western Health Clinic, and Lane County Mental Health as a health specialist. I moved from San Diego to Salem, Oregon in 1987. Experiences in America have been very positive for me, and I'm still experiencing new things on a daily basis. It is my goal to make mental health services accessible to anyone who wants or needs them. Looking forward to seeing you, Tomoko.



Tomoko Gersch

**Bush Issues Proclamation**

Last March, President Bush issued a national proclamation stating that 1992 was the Year of the American Indian. During 1992, he urges states and communities across America to honor this country's native peoples as vital participants in the history of the United States. It is also an opportunity for all to recognize the place Native Americans have in society, as well as acknowledge the right of Indian tribes to exist as sovereign entities.

This proclamation was issued in recognition of the tribes existing today as well as the ones which inhabited North America half a millennium ago. Bush stated in his proclamation that we should celebrate each tribe that formed a community with its own customs, traditions and system of social order. He encourages local, State, and Federal government officials, interested groups and organizations, and people of the United States to observe this year with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

**FAMILY MATH & FAMILY SCIENCE**

With the close of the 1991-92 school year, the tribal FAMILY MATH AND FAMILY SCIENCE program conducted its final FM\FS class for the year on May 21, 1992. This year's activities covered a wide range of topics:

- Making of Yarn Spider Webs
- \*Designing of Career Steps in Math and Science
- \*Balloons and Creating Creations and Frosting
- \*Studying Scorpions
- \*Making Spinners for Probability Activities
- \*Designing a Paper Structure using Squares, Rectangles, and Triangles
- \*Designing a Dwelling Model Using Graham Crackers and Frosting.

This year's attendance was down from last year, we averaged approximately 28-30 parents and children for this school year. The program did see some new faces and also had several parents and staff members receive FM\FS training through Portland State University. The FM\FS program would like to recognize the following parents and staff:

- WENDY SPENCER, JOM coordinator
- SHAWN HOSTLER, Education Program Secretary
- MARGO MERCIER, Parent Volunteer
- KAREN LORD, Parent Volunteer
- COLLEN KIMSEY, Parent Volunteer

A big thank you goes out to these staff and parents for volunteering time and energy into making the FM\FS class activities a success. If you missed out on FM\FS activities this year, be ready to join us next school year. The program will begin in September and will run through May, 1993. Remember--Math and Science are fun!

**TOBACCO CAUSE OF MANY ILLNESSES AMONG INDIANS**

According to a 1989 report by the Surgeon General of the United States, approximately 480,000 people in America die each year from diseases directly related to tobacco use and 53,000 of this total is directly caused by second-hand smoke (the smoke that is exhaled or comes off the end of a burning cigarette). Second-hand smoke is also known as environmental tobacco smoke (ETS). Smoking and chewing tobacco are highly related to one out of every five deaths in the general American population. An Indian Health Service Report (Trends in Indian Health-1991) lists diseases of the heart, cancers, and chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases among the top ten causes of death in Indian country for all age categories. These diseases are highly related to tobacco use and cause two out of every five deaths in Indian country. As a result, American Indians have twice the death rate than does the average American. Here are some reminders about smoking:

1. Smokers are twice as likely to die from cancer as non-smokers.
2. Smokers are three times as likely to die from heart attacks as non-smokers.
3. 60% of children who smoke start by the age of 14 and children who smoke are 15 times more likely to go on to use narcotic drugs.
4. The tobacco industry spends more than 10 million dollars every working day to promote smoking, more than is spent advertising any other product.
5. More than 2500 deaths of infants under one year old are attributable to smoking mothers.
6. A recent survey showed that almost two-thirds of smokers say they would like to quit. (Gallup Poll, May 31, 1990).