

# NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Wedding Announcements

Congratulations to tribal member Corey Turman and his new bride, Kersten. They were married August 29, 1992, in Spokane. Corey's parents are Charles Turman and Jean West Turman. After the wedding, the couple traveled to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho for their honeymoon. They will reside in Spokane.

Tribal member Stephen D. Hughes wed Virginia A. Schroeder at the Minnesota Veterans Home in Hastings, Minnesota on August 29, 1992. Mr. Hughes' parents are Verne and Ethel Hughes. The couple will reside in Caledonia, Minnesota.

Helona Rae Butler is proud to announce the wedding of her parents: Cindy Jean Martin and Leland Wayne Butler, on November 28, 1992, at 1p.m. in St. Michael's Gym--Grand Ronde, Oregon. There will be a potluck and mini pow-wow following the ceremony.

## Study Claims Saunas and Hot Tubs Increase Birth Defects

Pregnant women who soak in sauna or hot tubs increase the chances their fetus may develop a crippling birth defect, a study of the Boston University School of Medicine says.

"Use of hot tub by mothers during the first six weeks of pregnancy increased risk by two or three times," says Aubrey Milunsky, the study's lead author.

The study examined the habits of 22,762 women. Of that group, 1,254 reported hot tub use in early pregnancy, and seven had fetuses with flaws in their brain and spinal cord cell structure. That translates to a rate of 5.6 defects per 1,000 women.

Info: The Boston University School of Medicine, Center for Human Genetics, Boston, Mass. (Taken from *Community Health Funding Report*.)

## Cradleboard Class Offered

The tribal Health Program and Education Program are joining together to sponsor a class on how to make a baby cradleboard on October 24, 1992, at the Community Center. Cecile Kneeland, Grand Ronde tribal member will teach participants how to make a cradleboard as well as share in some of the traditional beliefs and customs in using the cradleboard. The class will run from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and ask that all participants plan to spend the day on this project.

There will be a potluck lunch from 12:00 to 1:00, please bring a main dish, salad, or dessert. Coffee will be provided.

Materials will be provided for the basic cradleboard, so the class is limited to 10 participants. Each participant is responsible to provide their own sewing machine, and decorative ornaments for the bow portion such as shells, beads, bells, etc. Please call Cecile Kneeland or Bonnie Martin to sign up for the class, at 879-5211. Expectant mothers are encouraged to come.

## SKATING RINK OPENS SOON

The Health Department is working on getting the skating rink opened. The charge will be \$35.00 per night by the Catholic church. We are asking for \$3.00 per family, and some input from families on this new activity.

## Community Health Update

By James Holmes

Greetings from the Health Department! As many of you are aware, Linda Smith and I were sadly absent from the Pow-wow celebration because of our prior commitment with the Community Health Representative Basic 100 Training Course in Sacramento, California. This three-week course was designed by Indian Health Service to assist CHR personnel in their work in the community with their clients. We attended classes covering a wide array of subjects; everything from Anatomy and Physiology to Environmental Health issues, Diabetes, Mental Health, Dental, and Family Planning. We had a test after every session, to prepare us for the final exam, which covered every subject.

There were a total of 36 CHR students in the class, including four outstanding individuals from the Navajo Nation. According to our instructor, we were the first class to have every student pass. We made a lot of very special friends in Sacramento, people that neither Linda nor I will ever forget. We want to send out a special "hello" to Naomi and Darlene in Southern California, Dondi in Ukiah, Willie and Rosie in Washington, Robert, Juanita, and Eunice in Oklahoma, and Deb Scott in Warm Springs. But we never forgot about the people back home and missed them very much.

Give us a call at the Health Department, we're looking forward to getting back in touch with our people and keeping everyone healthy.

## Prevention Counselor Resigns

September 15, 1992, was tribal member Camille VanVleet's last day working for the Tribe as the Alcohol and Drug Prevention/Education Counselor. Camille worked for the Tribe for 3 1/2 years starting out as the Johnson O'Malley Coordinator and then as a Prevention Counselor. She is resigning in order to finish her Bachelor's Degree at Linfield College in McMinnville, Oregon. She hopes to complete her degree in the Area of Health and Human Services by next Autumn. Camille would like to thank everyone who has touched her life in one way or another while she was employed with the Tribe.

## Craft Classes Resume

Craft classes will begin on Monday, October 12, at the Community Center at 6:30, and will continue on Mondays as long as there are enough interested people.

## Council Member Expresses Thanks

Kathryn Harrison, newly re-elected council member and Vice-Chair, wishes to express her gratitude to the tribal members for their faith and encouragement in re-electing her. She appreciates the vote of confidence and support she has received in working for the Tribe.

## MEDICAL CLINIC SPECIAL HOURS

Medical Clinic will be open Monday November 16 9:00 to Noon, and will be closed Tuesday, November 17. Wednesday November 18 9:00 to 4:30 it will be open. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Hurricane Relief Needed

Two tribal members who live in Hawaii were devastated by Hurricane Iniki, which struck various islands of the state on September 11.

Asa Gasaway and Deuce Pettibone, both sons of Judith Pettibone, are in need of support and donations to help rebuild their lives. Judith Pettibone, who only received minor damage from the hurricane at her home in Hawaii, is asking for tribal members to send prayers and letters of encouragement to her sons. Tools and supplies would be greatly appreciated, as would cash donations to help pay for needed gas and food.

If you are interested in donating to their cause, you can help by sending your contribution to the following addresses:

Asa Gasaway  
P.O. Box 1458  
Kapaa, Kauai, Hawaii  
96746

Deuce Pettibone  
P.O. Box 895  
Eleele, Kauai, Hawaii  
96705

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to Loran and Eyvette Davidson on the birth of their daughter, Janesse Emma Lieie Davidson, May 15, 1992. Janesse weighed 6lbs, 3 1/2 oz., and was 19 3/4 inches long.

Janesse's grandmother is Opal Mercier Davidson, and proud aunt and uncle are Sharene and Theodore Justen.

## CORRECTION

Last month SMOKE SIGNALS announced the birth of Miranda Rose Ellis to tribal member Angela Bedortha. At this time we would like to add congratulations to her grandparents Tribal Council member Candy Robertson and Jess Robertson, and Wes and Connie

## Philomath Pow-wow

The Philomath Pow-wow will be held October 24, 1992, at Philomath Middle School in Philomath, Oregon. Grand Entry will be held at 1:00 and 7:00 p.m. The host drum will be Dancing Again Singers, M.C. is Lee Merrill. Whipman is Paul Whitehead. For more information, please contact: Scott Sutton--929-5996 or Sharon Walking Stick--929-4039.

## Still Seeking Witnesses

Tribal member Shirley Flansberg is still seeking any people who attended last year's Pow-wow (1991) and witnessed her accident. She is in need of these witnesses to sign affidavits to help aid in her defense. Please contact her at 876-4663. She wishes to express her thanks and gratitude for the support she has received from the Tribe and tribal members.

## Pow-wow Logo Contest

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde is sponsoring a contest for artists interested in creating the logo for the 1993 Pow-wow. All logos must have a tribal theme and be submitted on or before December 31, 1992. Prizes awarded to the person who created the winning logo will be \$50 cash, Grand Ronde satin jacket, and Grand Ronde t-shirt. All entries should include your name, address, and telephone number, and should be addressed to the tribe. Please put ATTENTION: JANELL HALLER.