



Family Math/Family Science continues to be educational and fun. During one of the classes in March, the kids learned about earthquakes and seismic activity. Coincidentally, Oregon experienced a moderate earthquake (5.7 Richter) just a week after the class. Wendi Spencer facilitated. See class times on April calendar.

JOMS Programs Face Limited Funding

According to the February 1993 issue of the Coalition for Indian Education Newsletter, (Albuquerque, New Mexico) JOM has been bantered about during the last 10 years by the BIA. "The Bureau of Indian Affairs, in providing funding for JOM has generally reduced funding in the past and has attempted to have responsibility for JOM dollars shifted from the Bureau to the Tribes." For FY 1993, "JOM funding has almost levelled out. This year (funding) is at 23.8 million, almost the same level as last year. But...the Bureau has added another group of students for eligibility---a total of \$16,000 in new students. As a result, per student funding amounts were cut out again this year."

The Coalition for Indian Education, in Albuquerque, is asking Indian educators and tribes to support a plan submitted by Senator Inouye and the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, which calls for a proposed five year out-year funding for JOM at \$44 million by FY 1997. Tribes are urged to voice their support.

Indian Program To Host Graduation Dinner

As in the years past, the Tribal Education Program, the Education Committee, and the Tribal Council wish to recognize all graduating high school seniors, Adult Vocational Training, and Higher Education graduates of the 1992-93 school year. The program will sponsor an HONOR DINNER on the evening of May 21, 1993, from 5:30 to 7:00 P.M. Students and their parents are invited to attend this recognition activity. We also ask families who have relatives who are graduating this year to contact the Education Department by calling 1-800-422-0232. We would like to recognize all tribal graduating Seniors from the "Class of 93".

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Thanks From Cemetery Committee

The Committee would like to thank Tracy Hubbell for setting up the tables and chairs for the Opal Robertson family luncheon, you were a lot of help, it was well appreciated.

Also thanks to the Ladies Alter Society for the food they brought and their help, cleaning the kitchen wards. Thanks to Val Grout and Janell Haller for their help, too.

The Committee would appreciate any kind of dish you could bring to help with these luncheons. We are happy we are able to do these luncheons for tribal families.

When requesting tribal funeral expense benefits, please call Margo Mercier at 1-800-422-0232. Margo will explain the tribal benefits and notify the Cemetery Committee of the date of the funeral. If you have further questions please contact me or Margo.

Sincerely,
Wilmadene Butler
Chairperson, Cemetery Committee
phone--838-0049

New Editorial Policy Letters From Our Readers

Smoke Signals is a publication of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon. We have recently adopted an Editorial Policy that encourages input from readers about stories printed in *Smoke Signals* as well as other tribal issues. However, all letters from readers must be received at the Newsletter Office no later than the 20th of each month, with the author's signature, address, and phone number in order to be considered for publication.

Letters must be printed or typed, and cannot exceed 300 words. *Smoke Signals* reserves the right to edit any letter for clarity and length, and to refuse publication of any letter or any part of a letter that may contain libelous statements or personal attacks. Not all letters are guaranteed publication upon submission. Published letters do not necessarily reflect the opinions of *Smoke Signals*, tribal employees, or Tribal Council. Mail letters to: SMOKE SIGNALS, 9615 Grand Ronde Rd., Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347 ATTN: Tracy Olson

Job Announcement

TITLE: Higher Education/Adult Vocational Training Coordinator

REPORTS TO: Education Director

CLOSING DATE: April 30, 1993

SALARY: \$17,000-\$23,000

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Performs a variety of technical and administrative tasks in implementing Tribal Higher Education, Adult Vocational Training and Education Trust Fund Scholarship programs. Works with tribal members in: planning educational objectives, filing financial aid process, recruitment, and placement. Works with community colleges, four year colleges and university programs in developing post-secondary services for members. Works with tribal Education Committee in developing educational foundations for future services and activities. Develops educational reports for Tribal Council and appropriate funding agencies.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- *B.S./B.A. degree and three years experience working in an educational setting with program administration responsibilities.
- *Knowledge of financial aid application process. Familiarity with post secondary programs pertaining to community colleges, four year colleges, and universities. Awareness of college recruitment and placement process, Awareness of available scholarship, resources, and grant programs for students.
- *Ability to communicate effectively, both verbally and in writing; coordinate and administer program services to meet overall objectives; identify funding resources and scholarship programs; work toward resolving problems that may arise between students and higher educational institutions; maintain effective working relationship between schools, tribal programs, and educational agencies.
- *Possession or ability to obtain valid Oregon Driver's Licence.

OTHER DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- *Bachelor's degree in Education and a combination of skills and abilities in working with post secondary programs.
- *Familiarity in working with programs governed by federal regulations and contract process.
- *Familiarity in working with tribal communities and Native American Programs as they pertain to higher education.
- *Tribal/Indian preference applies.

Please send detailed resume, three letters of recommendation attesting to past experience, and a copy of college transcripts to:

Barbara Mercier
Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
9615 Grand Ronde Rd.
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