

Native American Scholarship Fund Helping Dozens of Students Across the Country

The Native American Scholarship Fund has funded 96 high-potential Indian students for the 1992-93 school year. The largest tribe represented was Navajo, with 28 students.

Cherokee and Chippewa students won six awards, while Eskimo and Sioux students won five awards. These tribes had three students each—Hopi, Choctaw, and Lumbee. Five tribes had two students each; these tribes were Cheyenne, Blackfeet, Cochiti Pueblo, Acoma Pueblo, and the Creek Nation of Oklahoma.

Another 37 tribes had one student each win a scholarship. Amounts of the scholarships ranged from a low of \$500 to as high as \$3,000. The amounts of scholarship awarded vary according to student needs, said Dr. Dean Chavers, NASF President.

"Our maximum package is up to \$8,000 per year in both grants and loans," he added. "We encourage students with high potential to rely on us for part of their funding package."

"Any enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe is eligible to apply for scholarship assistance," he continued.

The largest group of students are majoring in science, which includes nursing and medicine. There are 21 students studying science. The next largest group is business, with 16, followed by education with 15 students. Social sciences and social work, which is not a priority area, has 12 students. Six students are studying law or pre-law, and only one is studying math. No awards were made in computers, even though it is a priority area. The rest of the students are studying in other fields, such as Indian Lands and Resources, or are undeclared.

New Face: Gayla Tulensru

Gayla Tulensru joined the Grand Ronde staff on March 16, as the Adult Education Coordinator. Ms. Tulensru is a graduate of Western Oregon State College and holds a B.S. degree in Secondary Education from Western Oregon State College. She has spent the last two years working in the Salem and Woodburn school districts as a substitute teacher. Prior to substituting, she worked at the federal prison in Sheridan as an instructor. She also set up their basic library system.

In addition to her teaching experience, Ms. Tulensru worked for almost four years as a tutor for the "Micronesian Special Services" at W.O.S.C. She feels as though she has gained a lot working with such a culturally diverse group of people.

Education is a very rewarding profession for Ms. Tulensru, who feels it provides many unique opportunities and challenges. A single mother of three young children, she understands the incredible demands that jobs and family can place on one's time.



Gayla Tulensru—new addition to the Education Department.

"Education is so important...used wisely it can be an equalizer, and always offers hope to those who will take advantage of the opportunities it provides."

Ms. Tulensru's first priority as Adult Education Coordinator is to conduct a survey for people interested in pursuing their GED.

"I want people to let me know what their needs are," she said.

Education Update

By Dean Azule

Winter Term 1993 has been a hectic one for many of our 62 HIGHER EDUCATION and ADULT VOCATIONAL TRAINING students. In addition to having to deal with book reports, final exams, and midnight studying, students also faced the task of filing Financial Aid Forms for the 1993-94 school year. The Tribal Education Program set a priority that students enrolled in school for this year need to file their FAFs by February, 1993, in order to be considered as a priority for funding for the 1993-94 school year.

In looking to the future, the Tribe should realize a total of approximately four Higher Education graduates and a total of seven Adult Vocational Training graduates by June 1993.

The Tribal Education program applauds all of our students for a successful completion of Winter Term 1993 studies. We wish you a restful and fun Spring Break!

HIGHER EDUCATION

WILLARD ADAMS	WSU
DEANA GARDNER	PCC
ADAM HENNEY	OSU
DAVID HOLMES	CORNISH
DANA LENO	OSU
LISA LENO	OSU
PERRI MCDANIEL	CLARK COLLEGE
SHELBY OLSON	CHEMEKETA
D. SHANNON PARAZOO	WYOMING CENTRAL
MARCEE PETERSON	CLARK COLLEGE
JOSEPH TURMAN	EASTERN WASH.
TRACIE DURANCEAU	PCC
TRINA LAMOTTE	HASKELL
TRACY COONEY	UNIV. OF PORTLAND
ERIC JORDAN	DARTMOUTH
KAREN OLSON	UNIV. OF OREGON
NICHOLE LONG	PCC
CHADWICK STRYKER	OSU
ANGELA LENO	PSU
KATHLEEN FEEHAN	DOMINICAN COLLEGE
TERRY THOMAS	ST. MARTIN'S
MICHAEL FENWICK	LEWIS & CLARK
WENDELL OLSON	CHEMEKETA
BRYAN MERCIER	UNIV. OF OREGON
PATRICK GALLAGHER	WILLAMETTE
MELANIE DUGGAN	LINFIELD
PETE WAKELAND	OSU
JEFFEREY DAVIDSON	CHEMEKETA
MATTHEW KIRKLAND	WOSC
DELIGHT SATTER	UNIV. OF WASH.
CAMILLE MERCIER	LINFIELD
ROGER HARRISON	INSTITUTE OF A.I.A.
RENAE DOUGLASS	OSU
KRISTI SEIDEL	KANSAS
APRIL FINNEY	WENACHEE VALLEY
DARRON HOUK	LANE CC
HEATHER JEFFERS	LANE CC
RICHARD NICHOLS	PSU
ROB NICHOLS	PSU
CLIFFORD OLSON	LANE CC

ADULT VOCATIONAL TRAINING

TRACY HOWERTON	LANE CC
JILL JEFFERS	CHEMEKETA
SONYA YOUNG	CHEMEKETA
ROBERT SCHMID	CHEMEKETA
ANTHONY BARQUEZ	CLAKAMAS
OSCAR NORWEST JR.	CHEMEKETA
KRISTINA SUMMERS	CHEMEKETA
MICHAEL SCHMID	CHEMEKETA
KRISTINA FREEMAN	CHEMEKETA
LARRY FINSTER	PCC
JENNIFER GRABLE	PCC
CANDI HENRY	CHEMEKETA
KENNETH SCHMID	CHEMEKETA
VALERIE SHEKER	CONCORDE C.I.
PATRICIA WATSON	CHEMEKETA
CARMEN MERCIER	CHEMEKETA
DARRELL FOSTER	WEST COAST TRAINING

ATTENTION!

If you plan to attend school, Higher Education, or Adult Vocational Training during the 1993-94 school year, you must submit your application to the tribal office by these dates:

Fall term 1993—deadline July 1, 1993
Winter term 1993—Nov. 1, 1993
Spring term 1994—February 28, 1994
Summer term 1994—April 30, 1994

GED/ABE Classes To Begin

Ms. Gayla Tulensru, the Tribe's newly hired Adult Education Coordinator is in the process of organizing, planning, and implementing GED/ABE classes to be held in the Tribal Community Center during the month of April. While schedules are still tentative, classes will start the week of April 12, 1993, on possibly Tuesdays and Thursdays, late afternoon and early evenings.

At this time Gayla is currently working with Chemeketa Community College to plan class structure, materials, and establish times and dates. The GED/ABE classes are available to all tribal members, employees and the public. Tuition and fees will be provided by the Adult Education Program for tribal members, and employee cost will be provided by the respective tribal programs. Non-tribal community members will need to provide for GED testing fees. Persons wishing for more information should contact Gayla at 1-800-422-0232 or 979-5211.

Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to Karen Olson and Tracey Cooney! At the close of Winter Term, 1993, these two students were informed they were to be awarded scholarships. Ms. Olson, who attends the University of Oregon, majoring in Art and Psychology, applied for an American Indian Arts Council Scholarship. This scholarship is based on academics, leadership, and need. The scholarship program is in its first year of operation and awards to Indian students who demonstrate they have a strong academic grade point average, major in the arts, and were involved in community/tribal leadership activities. Ms. Olson will receive \$250 for school.

Tracey Cooney, an Elementary Education major, attends the University of Portland. Tracey was awarded a \$1500 scholarship, which is a University of Portland institutional program. The scholarship is awarded to students majoring in education who demonstrate they have a strong academic background and are in need.