

— Tribal Life —

MARCH HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



BRYAN LANGLEY

Knowledge needed of area plants

Many of you are probably aware that the Fish and Wildlife department is in the process of constructing a day use park on the North Fork of Agency Creek. The park will provide everyone an opportunity to see a very beautiful part of the reservation. In addition to providing a chance to commune with nature, we hope to provide an educational opportunity as well. The park will contain a series of educational signs which we are currently in the process of writing.

We plan to place a number of plaques on the predominant plant species in the park, to identify them and to provide a brief description of the historical Native American uses for the plants.

If you have knowledge of the traditional historic uses of plants of this region, we would love to hear from you. We are particularly interested in the following:

- Douglas Fir
- Western Hemlock
- Bigleaf Maple
- Cascara
- Red Elderberry
- Sword Fern
- Vine Maple
- Bitter Cherry

So kids, bug your grandparents and have them give us a call. Please contact Kelly at the Fish and Wildlife department of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde at 879-2382. Thanks!

Timber Sale

The Natural Resources Division is now advertising for the Running Bear timber sale. The estimated volume for Douglas Fir and other conifer---Peeler and Sawmill Grade Logs is 3,670 MBF. The minimum bid price is \$616.30 mbf. For more information and a sample contract, contact the Natural Resources Division at 879-5522 or stop by at the offices located at 47010 SW Hebo Road, Grand Ronde.

Craft Class

Craft class will begin on Monday, April 22. It will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Tribal Government Building. We will start making moccasins and discuss other items for future classes. All children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

To pre-register, please call Camille Mercier at 879-2901. Classes are sponsored by the Pow-wow Committee.

Royalty to meet

A mandatory meeting for Royalty girls will be held on Monday, April 29 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Community Center.

Also, if you are interested in volunteering some of your time to help coordinate Royalty activities, please contact Camille Mercier at 879-2901.

NANITCH SAHALLIE ALUMNI GATHERING and EXTENDED FAMILY CELEBRATION

**Chemawa Indian School
3700 Chemawa Road
Salem, Oregon
Saturday, April 20**

- 8 a.m.: Opening Ceremony
- 8:15 a.m.: Nanitch Sahallie Family Fun Run and Walk
- 9:30 a.m.: DARE Program
- 10 a.m.: HIV/Aids Prevention Presentation by Lisa Tiger
- Noon: Lunch/Potluck
- 1 p.m.: Pow-wow honoring Nanitch Sahallie Alumni, Family and Special People
- 3:30 p.m.: Raffle and prizes
- 5 p.m.: Closing Ceremony
- 5:30 p.m.: Dinner Break
- 7 p.m.: Jim Boyd, Native American Folk Singing Band

**Contact: Mala Pope or
Jeanne Larsen
at (503) 390-5904**

Student Profile: Bryan Mercier studies abroad

Tribal member Bryan Mercier is not only a student at the University of Oregon participating in the Tribe's Higher Education Program, but he's also seeing the world.

As a business major, Bryan had the chance to attend classes in Germany during Fall Term. He attended the University of Cologne as a participant in the Northwest Coalition of Universities exchange program, which is operated in conjunction with the American Heritage Association. He was one of several other students from the Northwest who applied to the program.

Bryan was in Eugene for Winter Term and continued his core classes in Business and Education, which is his minor.

"In Germany most of the classes Americans take are grammar and cultural classes," he said.

Bryan said that he had to work hard to



learn the German language and keep up with his classes, but he could grasp the basics of what his professors were saying.

For Spring Term, Bryan is back in Europe again, this time in Tübingen, Germany, where he will be taking some classes and traveling. He left for

school early, so he would have the chance to spend some time in other countries before his classes begin.

"Fall Term I stayed with a German family, which was a great experience," he said, "but this term I will be in a residence hall with other students, so I am looking forward to meeting people."

Bryan is also Vice-Chair of the Tribe's Youth Advisory Board, and volunteered to be a chaperone at the Oregon Indian Education Youth Conference last month.

After graduation, Bryan hopes to pursue a teaching career.

4th ANNUAL VETERANS' POW-WOW

Saturday, June 8 Grand Ronde Grade School

Doors open at 8 a.m. • Grand Entry: Noon to 4 p.m. • Dinner: 6 p.m.

DRAWINGS AND RAFFLE ~ OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

All Drums & Dancers Welcome

Contact: Marcellus & Sharon Norwest 879-5878

Bud Haskins 879-5211

Sponsored by Grand Ronde Veterans' Committee

Outreach Office

We have an outreach office in Portland. This office is staffed on Tuesdays; there are Chemical Dependency, General Assistance, Vocational Rehabilitation, and JOBS program workers in the office on that day. You still need to call 1-800-775-0095 in Grand Ronde to schedule an appointment.

**Portland Outreach
1110 SE Alder
1-800-775-0095**

Ext. 5 — Chemical Dependency and General Assistance.

Ext. 3 — JOBS Program and Assistance Program.

U.S.D.A. Distribution

SALEM:

May 1, 2, 3

SILETZ:

May 14, 15, 16

USDA Update

During the last couple of months the USDA program has been updating files and guidelines. Letters have been sent out to clients requesting the information needed to complete the filing process. If you have not submitted the requested information to USDA by your next scheduled appointment, you may not be able to pick up your commodities. Call 1-800-922-1399 for more information.