

Seeking women interested in business partnership

A new program, entitled "Venture Out," is inviting Native American women to create a new form of business ownership called "Venture Teams."

An Open House is scheduled to introduce the program in Grand Ronde on **May 12 and June 13** from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Molalla Room at 28840 Salmon River Highway. Participants are assisted with every aspect of business ownership through the following components:

1 Instruction — business and technical training. The training will be held on June 26 and 27 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Education Classroom, and July 9 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Molalla Room.

2 On-going Technical Assistance — one-on-one business counseling.

3 Locating Appropriate Sources of Operating Funds — helping owners secure money needed to buy equipment and/or supplies.

4 Marketing Support — marketing the business product or services.

The "Venture Teams" will consist of three to five women with similar interests to form home-based and/or income supplementing businesses. "Venture Out" is seeking women who possess special skills, talents, and abilities found in small business owners, but who may not consider business ownership because of the large commitments involved. Through "Venture Teams"

a group of women can divide up necessary assignments, time, and responsibilities between all its partners. This allows individual team members to contribute their personal strengths to run a business they might not choose to operate alone.

The business possibilities are endless. Listed are examples of the types of businesses "Venture Teams" might start:

- ☛ Catering
- ☛ Native American Arts and Crafts
- ☛ Cleaning Services
- ☛ Daycare or Elder care
- ☛ Phone Messaging Services
- ☛ Payroll Services
- ☛ Packaging
- ☛ Sewing or Beading
- ☛ Landscaping

This is a new partnership program among ONABEN (Oregon Native American Business and Entrepreneurial Network), the Small Business Association's OWBO (Office of Women's Business Ownership), and the Grand Ronde Tribe. To learn more about the "Venture Out" program, please contact Sheila Herber at Small Business Development at 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2492 or 879-2492. Watch your dreams of small business ownership become reality!

May Computer Training

MONDAYS

from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

May 5, 12 or 19:

Beginning Windows

WEDNESDAYS

from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

May 7 or 21:

Beginning GroupWise

May 14: Beginning Word

May 28: Beginning Excel

FRIDAYS

from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

May 9 or 23: Beginning Internet

May 16: Intro to Networks

May 30: Beginning PowerPoint

FREE to tribal members and staff.

\$10 for non-tribal.

You must pre-register for classes.

Contact Doug Hampton at 879-2484

or Barbara Lake at 879-2476.

28840 Salmon River Highway

in Grand Ronde.

Services available

The Tribe's Small Business Development (SBD) Division offers many services to tribal and community members who own a business or are interested in starting a successful small business.

Business Consulting Services

Staff is available to assist tribal members in their business or business idea.

Business and Personal Development Library

The Business Information Center (BIC) features books, audio tapes, and video tapes on marketing, sales and collection, and financial management.

Computer Lab and Software Training

Training programs and computer classes are offered monthly. The use of the computer library is available for business related projects like business cards, menus, and access to the Internet.

ONABEN

The Oregon Native American Business and Entrepreneurial Network works with tribes in Oregon to increase the success of Native American businesses throughout Oregon. They offer a series of classes and business information through the Grand Ronde Tribe.

For your small business needs, please call 879-2476 or 1-800-422-0232.

Attention Small Business Owners

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Fill out and send in your form to be included in the next publication.

Name of Business: _____

Name of Native American Owners: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Brief Description of Business: _____

Is this business home based? YES NO

Tribal Affiliation: _____

Form of Ownership (you must meet one of these requirements):

Sole Proprietor (Native American)

Partnership (50% or more Native American owned)

Corporation (50% or more Native American owned)

Mail this form to:

Small Business Development, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde,

9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347

Telephone: (503) 879-2476 or 1-800-0232, ext. 2476