

Internet resource site for women's businesses

EVERETT, WA. — Sonya Tetnowski, OWBO Coordinator for ONABEN has contributed to the development of an Online Women's Business Center. ONABEN is a non-profit Native American Business Network public benefit corporation created by Northwest Indian Tribes to increase the number and success of private enterprises owned by Native Americans. Since ONABEN began delivering services in 1993, the success has been phenomenal.

By ONABEN's contribution to this Online Women's Business Center (OWBO) website, upcoming entrepreneurs have access to much needed information. By combining the technical knowledge of 42 OWBO representatives, this site far exceeds other online resource centers. In the first week of its operation, the online center received extensive press coverage and positive constituent feedback. The website has already been recognized as one of the best resources of its kind on the Internet. The Online Women's Business Center has received over 120,000 website hits, represent-

ing over 20,000 individual users from over 40 countries. It has been so successful that more than 30 prominent women and business-related websites have ran feature articles and information on the online center. To date, the site has received the following awards:

- "Best of WWWomen" Award from WWWomen, the most inclusive, up-to-date search site for women's topics.

- Cited as a "Fab Find" by Beatrice's Web Guide, a high-traffic and well respected resource guide compiled by Yahoo and Women's Wire for women on the Internet.

In addition, America Online and Women Connect Online are both providing extensive coverage of the website. Interactive chat sessions are planned with both companies and expect high exposure to their users.

Be sure to take advantage of this innovative opportunity and tour the new Online Women's Business Center at www.onlinewbc.org. You may also visit ONABEN at www.onaben.org.

New directory for Native construction businesses

Look for a brand new directory of tribal members and Native Americans in the construction business. The Grand Ronde Tribe's Small Business Development Division would like to include everyone that does related work as well, such as brick laying, house painting, carpet/linoleum installation, telephone wiring, electricians, plumbers,

drywallers, etc. Small Business Development plans to share this directory with Tribal Council and anyone else who would be interested in obtaining a copy for business use.

For information to be included in this directory, please give us a call at 879-2476 or 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2476.

ONABEN class notice

The ten-week series of classes entitled "Starting a Successful Business" which was planned to be held in Keizer at Nanitch Sahallie has been cancelled due to lack of participation. However, the Grand Ronde class is already in progress. Classes will be offered again in the fall by ONABEN and the Tribe's Small Business Development division.

~ OPEN INVITATION ~

Please join the
OREGON NATIVE AMERICAN
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
on FRIDAY, APRIL 24 in Portland.
The luncheon will be held from
11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
McMenamins Kennedy School
5536 NE 33rd in Portland.

This is a great opportunity for
Native people to help
Native businesses.

For more information, please contact
Sheila Herber, Small Business Consultant
at 879-2492 or 1-800-422-0232.

Oregon State offers Spring Term class in Ethnic Studies

In collaboration with Oregon State University, the Tribal Education Division will be offering **NATIVE AMERICAN EXPERIENCE AND OREGON TRIBES, ES 345** (3 credits), cost is \$360 per Spring Term 1998. Class will be held on Wednesdays from 5:30-8:30 p.m. in the Education Division classroom. This course is in Native American history, political and social relations, with an emphasis on Native life in the United States 1871 to present. Course objective is to provide an interdisciplinary examination of issues, events, and discrimination shaping the lives of Native Americans, and how Native experience intersects with that of other ethnic groups. To sign up please contact Hollie at 879-2275. All participants will need to complete an OSU registration form.

Spring classes offered in Grand Ronde

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Education Division and Chemeketa Community College will offer classes beginning March 30, 1998.
Finals week is June 8 - 11. Memorial Day holiday is May 25.

MONDAY

English Comp, WR121, 5:30-8:30, \$107
 English Comp, WR122, 5:30-8:30, \$107

TUESDAY & THURSDAY

Intro to Algebra & Geometry, 5:30-7:30, \$105
 Intro to Algebra, MTH060, 5:30-7:30, \$140
 Elem Algebra, MTH070, 5:30-7:30, \$140
 Interm Algebra, MTH095, 5:30-7:30, \$140

WEDNESDAY

Fund Speeches, SP 101, 5:30-8:30, \$105
 Bus & Prof Speaking, SP130, 5:30-8:30, \$105

THURSDAY

Intro MicroComputers, CS101, 5:30-8:30, \$117

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Chem Allied Health, MWF, 11:30-12:20, \$183
 Study Skills, HD112, MWF, 12:30-1:20, \$105
 History US, HST203, MWF, 8:30-9:20, \$105
 Intro Algebra, MTH060, TTH, 11:30-12:20, \$140
 Bus English I, OAO84, TTH, 10:00-11:20, \$105
 Bus English II, OAO85, MWF, 9:30-10:20, \$105
 Office Procedures, OA116, TTH, 8:30-9:50, \$105
 Writing Skills, WR040, MWF, 10:30-11:20, \$105
 Intro World Lit, ENG109, M, 6:00-8:50, \$105

Tuition fees listed do not reflect book expenses. Books can be purchased at the Chemeketa campuses. Tribal members wishing to enroll in these classes need to complete a SHORT TERM TRAINING APPLICATION prior to the enrolling. You will also need to complete a Chemeketa Community College, Spring Term '98, registration form, which you can do the first night of class. Short Term Training applications can be obtained by calling Tribal Education Office at 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2275. All classes will be conducted in the Tribal Education Center classroom or upstairs in the Molalla classroom.

Community Education

GED CLASSES

Grand Ronde GED classes, co-sponsored with the Tribe and Chemeketa Community College, are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 7 p.m. Classes will end on March 17 for spring break and begin again on Tuesday, March 31. Classes are open to the community. Additional tutoring is also available for Grand Ronde tribal members by scheduling an appointment with Gayla Tulensru at 879-2282.

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MOCCASIN MAKING CLASSES

Salem and Portland: There are a few spaces still available for moccasin making classes in the Salem and Portland areas. Interested people please call Gayla Tulensru at 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2282. To be eligible for the classes, you must be a Grand Ronde tribal member who is at least 16 years of age. The Grand Ronde class started on March 7.

DRUM MAKING CLASSES

Portland: Classes with Clifford Latta have been scheduled for **Saturday, March 28** from 1:30 to 5 p.m. The location for the classes is tentatively planned for Portland Community College (phone: 788-6230) at the Southeast Center at 2850 S.E. 82nd. To sign up, call the Tribal Education office at 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2282.

Grand Ronde, Salem, and Eugene: Please call if you are interested in attending a drum making class in one of these areas. Supplies are included for Grand Ronde tribal members, ages 16 and above. Although on-site registration may be possible, priority will be given to those who have signed up in advance. Proof of age and tribal identity will be required for those who register on site. If you are interested in attending these classes, please call at 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2282 or 879-2282.