

Housing Authority hosts neighborhood ice cream social

On July 13, residents of Grand Meadows had an opportunity to meet with their neighbors and get acquainted at the Community Center in Grand Ronde as they enjoyed ice cream sundaes! The Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority (GRTHA) hosted a Recognition Night, which involved residents, housing staff and commissioners, Tribal Council and tribal staff.

Linda Layden, GRTHA Executive Director, introduced the Tribal Council members in attendance and GRTHA commissioners Robert Watson, Tim Holmes, Linda Hale, David Foster and Sheri Wahrgren who enjoyed helping with food preparation, meeting the residents as they

were served ice cream and trimmings.

Layden introduced Bob Watson, GRTHA Chair, and Kathryn Harrison, Tribal Chair, who both spoke briefly about the historical significance of Grand Meadows as the Tribe's first housing development on tribal land. This is the first opportunity since Restoration for tribal members to move back to the homeland as foreseen by the Tribe's original Reservation Plan. It is also a significant part of the Tribe's overall community development.

The unique HUD Section 184 Loan Guarantee Program, along with Northwest Mortgage, is providing the opportunity for homeownership on

tribal trust land. This program is still new (4 years) and complex, and these loans are part of a total of less than 500 mortgages completed nationally on tribal trust land. Layden presented Certificates of Recognition as Charter Members to all Grand Meadows homeowners. A special certificate was presented to Carl and Betty Lambert as the first tribal household to live on tribal land. Special certificates were also presented to Louise and Duane Coulson and Dakota Whitecloud for obtaining the first successful mortgages on CTGR tribal land through the loan guarantee program. These three households also received gifts from the Tribal Council and GRTHA.

The GRTHA staff (Bryan Langley, Terri Eastorp,

Lonnie Leno, Nancy Holmes, Linda Layden) and several tribal staff (John Mercier, Kim D'Aquila, Ted Darling) were also recognized and presented with tee-shirts for their individual roles in the successful implementation of Grand Meadows. Drawings for perennial plants and gift certificates from nurseries and Spirit Mountain Casino completed the festivities. Everyone enjoyed visiting and getting to know one another. GRTHA would like to thank every-

one who attended for making this event a fun evening!

A formal dedication of Grand Meadows will be scheduled on-site at a later date when landscaping is completed.



ABOVE: Bryan Langley shows off a tee-shirt he received.

LEFT: Kathryn Harrison presented Duane and Louise Coulson with a special certificate.

FAR LEFT: About two-thirds of Grand Meadows residents attended the social gathering.

Hunter's Safety Course

The Tribe's Fish and Wildlife Department will be offering the annual Hunter's Safety Course starting on **Monday, August 17**. Hunters between the ages of 12 and 18 must complete this course to earn their Hunter's Safety Certificate and be eligible to hunt during the 1998 hunting season. The course will be held at the Natural Resources Department facility located at 47010 SW Hebo Road, Grand Ronde. The course is a total of 12 hours of classroom instruction which will be held over a two week period. Please call the Fish and Wildlife Department for more information: 879-2382 or 879-2396.

Businesses on web site

Business cards of tribal member owned and operated businesses are listed in the directory that is posted on the Small Business Development's web site located at: <http://www.macnet.com/home/ctgreemore/Hpage/SBD.html>

Any tribal members who have business cards that they would like to see on the SBD's business directory web page, please send them to: Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Small Business Development Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Rd., Grand Ronde, OR 97347.

Also, if you have a business and would like to create your own business cards, then SBD can help with that too. Call for an appointment at 879-2476 or 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2476.

AUGUST COMPUTER CLASSES

MONDAYS from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Aug. 3: **Beginning Windows 3.1**

Aug. 10: **Beginning Windows 95**

Aug. 31: **Beginning Windows 3.1**

MONDAYS from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

Aug. 17: **Intermediate Windows 3.1**

Aug. 24: **Intermediate Windows 95**

WEDNESDAYS from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

Aug. 5: **Group Wise**

Aug. 12: **Introduction to Tribal Network**

Aug. 19: **Beginning MicroSoft Word**

THURSDAYS from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

Aug. 6: **Introduction to Internet**

FRIDAYS from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

Aug. 14: **Beginning Excel**

Aug. 21: **Beginning Word Perfect**

Computer classes are **FREE** to tribal members and staff. \$10 for non-tribal members. You must pre-register by calling Doug Hampton at 879-2484 or Barbara Lake at 879-2476. The computer lab and Business Center are located at 28840 Salmon River Highway. The lab is open for use, please call first for availability.

Small Business Development Center and ONABEN presents:

You and Your Business Idea

WHAT: A series of classes designed to "discover" tribal and local entrepreneurs and encourage the development of your business idea beyond "just an idea."

WHEN: Tuesday, September 15 and 22 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Starting a Successful Business

WHAT: A ten-week series of classes designed to guide participants through the business plan writing process. The course materials and individual counseling sessions allow participants to work through the business planning process. The end result is a comprehensive business plan that can be taken to financial institutions for loan consideration!

WHEN: The classes will be held on Tuesdays from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., beginning September 29 then every Tuesday thereafter for 10 weeks: September 29; October 6, 13, 20, 27; November 3, 10, 17, 24; and December 1. Graduation will be held on December 4.

WHERE: Both classes will be held at the Tribe's Small Business Development Center located at 28840 Salmon River Hwy. in Grand Ronde, OR. To sign-up call (503) 879-2476.