



Many Veterans' groups representing different conflicts attended this year's event.



Tribal Elder Dean Mercier and his wife Christina Mercier were joined by Willamina's Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4211 Commander Lloyd Abbott in honoring Christina's son PFC Keoki Santos who was killed earlier this year in an experimental military plane crash in Arizona. A special service was held for Marine Santos at the Tribal Cemetery.



AMVETS Regional Commander Gary Carver (right) is flanked by visiting Veteran August "Gus" Smoorenburg while he addresses those in attendance about the relationship between the Tribe and local Veterans' organizations. Carver presented the Tribe's Veterans' Memorial Committee with a check for \$500 to go towards the planned memorial. The memorial will honor Tribal Veterans and non-Tribal Veterans from Grand Ronde, Willamina and Sheridan.



The Grand Ronde Tribal Council received a plaque of appreciation from the Yamhill County Disabled American Veterans Chapter and Unit #5. The plaque was in appreciation of the Tribe's donation of a new van to provide transportation disabled Veterans from home to the hospital and back again. The van was donated through the Tribe's Spirit Mountain Community Fund.

CULTURAL GATHERINGS

Please call phone numbers listed to verify exact dates and locations.
Smoke Signals has no further information on these events.

- **AUG. 4-6:** SACRAMENTO SKINS POW-WOW. O'Neil Park. 6th & Broadway. SACRAMENTO, CA. Contact: Marcia at (916) 421-0657.
- **AUG. 4-6:** KALISPEL SALISH FAIR. Pow-wow Grounds. **USK, WA.** (509) 445-1147.
- **AUG. 4-6:** SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA POW-WOW. Oregon County Fairgrounds. COSTA MESA, CA. (714) 663-1102.
- **AUG. 4-6:** NORTH FORK POW-WOW. North Fork Recreation Center. **NORTH FORK, CA.** (209) 877-2115.
- **AUG. 5-6:** ROGUE RIVER GATHERING & TRADE FAIR. Riverside Park. **GRANTS PASS, OR.** (541) 474-6394 OR (541) 839-6704.
- **AUG. 5-6:** KITSAP CO. INDIAN CENTER POW-WOW. Erlands Point Road. **CHICO, WA.** Vendors call (360) 879-0914. Contact: kitsapcoindiancenter@yahoo.com
- **AUG. 10-13:** OMAK STAMPEDE & WORLD FAMOUS SUICIDE RACE. **OMAK, WA.** (509) 826-1002, (800) 933-6625.
- **AUG. 11-13:** NESIKA ILLAHEE POW-WOW. Pauline Ricks Memorial Pow-wow Grounds. **SILETZ, OR.** Contact: Craig Whitehead at (800) 922-1399 or craig@ctsi.nen.us
- **AUG. 15:** COEUR d'ALENE TRIBAL PILGRIMAGE. Old Mission State Park. **CATALDO, ID.** Contact: Bill Scudder or Roger Howard at (208) 682-3814 or old@IDPR.state.id.us
- **AUG. 18-20:** GRAND RONDE CONTEST POW-WOW. **GRAND RONDE, OR.** Grand Entries: Fri. at 7 p.m.; Sat. at 1 and 7 p.m.; Sun. at 1 p.m. Contact: Dana Leno (800) 422-0232 or dana.leno@grandronde.org
- **AUG. 18-20:** CHIEF LOOKING GLASS POW-WOW. **KAMIAH, ID.** (208) 935-2502.
- **AUG. 18-20:** CHIEF SEATTLE DAYS. **SUQUAMISH, WA.** (206) 598-3311.
- **AUG. 19-20:** SANTA ROSA POW-WOW. Sonoma County Fairgrounds. **SANTA ROSA, CA.** (707) 869-8233.
- **AUG. 25-27:** KLAMATH TRIBES RESTORATION CELEBRATION. **CHILOQUIN, OR.** Fri: Free BBQ at 3-6 p.m. Sat: Fun/Run Walk at 9 a.m., Parade at 11 a.m.; Sat & Sun: Softball Tourney & 8 a.m. Grand Entries: Fri. at 7 p.m.; Sat. at 2 and 7 p.m.; Sun. at noon. (541) 783-2219 or (800) 524-9787.
- **AUG. 25-27:** SPOKANE FALLS POW-WOW. Riverfront Park. **SPOKANE, WA.** (509) 535-0886.
- **AUG. 25-27:** MAKAH DAYS. **NEAH BAY, WA.** (360) 645-2205.
- **SEPT. 1-4:** SPOKAN TRIBAL CELEBRATION. Pow-wow Grounds. **WELLPINIT, WA.** (509) 258-9114.
- **SEPT. 1-4:** KLA HOW YA DAYS. Tulalip Tribal Grounds. **MARYSVILLE, WA.** (360) 651-4000.
- **SEPT. 1-4:** PACIFIC COAST INDIAN CLUB POW-WOW. Barona Indian Reservation. **LAKESIDE, CA.** Contact: Lori Phoenix at (619) 443-6612.
- **SEPT. 1-4:** CALIFORNIA INDIAN MARKET. Mission. **SAN JUAN BAUTISTA, CA.** Contact: Sonny or Elaine Reyna at (831) 623-2379.
- **SEPT. 1-4:** PUYALLUP TRIBE ANNUAL POW-WOW & SALMON BAKE. Exit 135 off I-5. **TACOMA, WA.** Contact: Loren Butler Thomas at (253) 573-7872.
- **SEPT. 8-10:** PRECIOUS SUNSET POW-WOW. Recreation Point. **BASS LAKE, CA.** (559) 855-2705.
- **SEPT. 8-10:** MAIDU-MIWORK BIG TIME POW-WOW. **AUBURN, CA.** (916) 885-2752.
- **SEPT. 8-10:** SYCUAN POW-WOW. **EL CAJON, CA.** Contact: Cheryl Shendo at (619) 445-1643 ext. 159 or Arlene Galven at (619) 445-7776.
- **SEPT. 13-17:** PENDLETON ROUND UP. **PENDLETON, OR.** (800) 457-6336.
- **SEPT. 15-17:** ELWAH RIVER POW-WOW. Location TBA. **PORT ANGELES, WA.** Contact: Linda Wiethman at (360) 457-4196.
- **SEPT. 15-17:** SALMON HOMECOMING CELEBRATION. The Seattle Aquarium. **SEATTLE, WA.** (206) 386-4300.
- **SEPT. 15-17:** SKOPABSH POW-WOW & CELEBRATION. Muckleshoot Reservation. **AUBURN, WA.** Contact: Walter Pacheco at (253) 393-3311 ext. 153 or Wpacheco@Muckleshoot.nsn
- **SEPT. 16-17:** EVERYTHING IS SACRED POW-WOW. Borchard Community Park. **THOUSAND OAKS, CA.** (805) 493-2863.
- **SEPT. 16-17:** NORTHERN SIERRA INDIAN DAYS. Greenville High School. **GREENVILLE, CA.** (916) 283-3402.
- **SEPT. 17-18:** CALIFORNIA AMERICAN INDIAN DAYS CELEBRATION. Balboa Park. **SAN DIEGO, CA.** Contact: Juan Castellanos at (619) 281-5964.
- **SEPT. 21-24:** NATIONAL INDIAN DAYS ANNUAL POW-WOW. Pavilion. **WHITE SWAN, WA.** Contact: Yakama Tourism at (509) 865-5121.
- **SEPT. 22-24:** EAGLE PLUME POW-WOW. **NESPELEM, WA.** (509) 634-4711.
- **OCT. 5-6:** WHITE SWAN INDIAN SUMMER CELEBRATION. Pavilion. **WHITE SWAN, WA.** Contact: Yakama Tourism at (509) 865-5121 or (509) 865-7570.
- **OCT. 6-8:** CAL STATE SAM MARCOS TRADITIONAL POW-WOW. California State University. **SAN MARCOS, CA.** (760) 750-4137.
- **OCT. 7:** GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE MINI-POW-WOW. Skagit Valley College, Pavilion (gym). **MT. VERNON, WA.** Contact: Michael Pena at (360) 416-7943 or pena@skagit.ctc.edu
- **OCT. 7:** MASON SCHOOL POW-WOW. 2812 N. Madison. **TACOMA, WA.** Contact: Jim Egawa at (253) 571-1139.
- **OCT. 7:** MUCKLESHOOT MINI POW-WOW. Muckleshoot Tribal School. **AUBURN, WA.** Contact: Walter Pacheco at (253) 939-3311 ext. 153 or at Wpachevo@Muckleshoot.nsn
- **OCT. 27-29:** MID-COLUMBIA RIVER ANNUAL POW-WOW. Cellio Indian Village. **CELILO, OR.** Contact: Yakama Tourism at (509) 865-5121.
- **OCT. 27-29:** FOUR NATIONS POW-WOW. **LAPWAI, ID.** (208) 843-2253.

Support Royalty: buy raffle tickets

The Grand Ronde Royalty is selling raffle tickets to support the Royalty girls. The tickets are \$1.00 a piece. There is a great variety of prizes which include: 13" TV/VCR combo, Pendleton blankets and jackets, bead work, two free nights at Spirit Mountain Lodge, \$100 cash, sports and camping equipment, CD player, \$50 cash, one free night at Vineyard Inn (McMinnville, OR), one free night at Ashley Inn (Lincoln City, OR), gift certificates and lots more.

Please help support the Grand Ronde Royalty — buy a raffle ticket. The raffle will be held at the annual Grand Ronde Pow-wow the weekend of August 18-20. To buy a raffle ticket you can get a hold of any Royalty member or give Teresa Henry a call at 876-3277 or 879-2254. Thank you for your support.