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UMPQUA

MOLALLA

ROGUE RIVER

KALAPUYA

CHASTA



Photo by Peta Tinda

Marching — The Grand Ronde Color Guard leads the Annual Red Ribbon Walk on Grand Ronde Road, held on a cold October 31. Tribal Council, parents, teachers and students from Grand Ronde Elementary School marched from the Grand Ronde Elementary School to the Tribe's Governance Center. **(More photos on page 7)**

Rez Moon



Photo by Brent Merrill

You Just Get That Feeling — This image of a brilliant full moon was taken from a landing on the Grand Ronde Indian Reservation and seems appropriate here with the passing of the Hallows Eve. Tribal members gathered on the Rez at a unique memorial being established for loved ones who have walked on.



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Roy Hawthorne Headlines Veterans' Memorial Fund Raiser

■ Code talker tells how the code developed.

By Ron Karten

Roy Hawthorne is a tall, thin Veteran of one of the military's most elite corps. He has a strong voice, a lot of presence and a real public face. Now a Baptist minister, he said he is "still a soldier, only wearing a different uniform."

He came to Grand Ronde at the beginning of November to support the Veterans' Memorial's fund raising effort, and in that regard, his presence helped raise an additional \$3,000 for the \$360,000 project.

He not only starred in this latest fund raising effort, but also waived his usual \$4,000 fee for speaking, and gave back the \$400 honorarium provided him by the Cultural department to help defray his expenses.

"All of my comrades to be — we were all 13-15. We were in school, mostly government boarding schools, and at these schools there was a (and he grasped for the word) policy that said, the Navajo lan-
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Photo by Ron Karten

Roy Hawthorne — His road to success, and the nation's in World War II, was the Navajo language. A few years earlier, government boarding schools were trying to eradicate the language. They punished Hawthorne and his schoolmates for using it.