

## Walking On...

With sadness, we say goodbye to Tribal Elder Merle Leno, long a Tribal leader and model for all Tribal members. Merle was a member of Tribal Council, Chairman of both the Health Commission and Health Authority. He was active for many years on the Pow-wow Committee. A Vietnam Veteran, Merle also served with distinction on the Tribal Color Guard. He was active in such important efforts as the Tribe's Restoration and little league. We all are better for his life, and we will miss him every day.



### Merle E. Leno

May 9, 1932 — April 2, 2004

Merle Leno, a leader with the Tribe, passed away on April 2 at Willamette Valley Medical Center in McMinnville. He was 71. Leno was born May 9, 1932 in Grand Ronde. He married his wife, Claudia, on June 26, 1965 in Warrenton. He worked for Zimbrick Logging for many years. He last worked as a bingo supervisor at Spirit Mountain Casino in Grand Ronde. He served as a member of the Grand Ronde Tribal Council for many years and as chairman of the Health Committee and Pow-wow Committee. He enjoyed attending races at the Lebanon Speedway and helped sponsor Todd Shandy's race car. Survivors include his wife, Claudia of Grand Ronde; a son, Greg Leno of Willamina; daughters; Michelle Kelley and Emma Leno, both of Grand Ronde; brothers, Orville of Sheridan, Russ of Grand Ronde and Bud of Los Angeles, California; a sister, Margaret Peters of Lebanon; and five grandchildren. Services were held Monday at the Sheridan Baptist Church with burial in the Tribal cemetery.

### Timothy Leonard Ham

June 28, 1986 — April 1, 2004

Timothy Ham, 17, of Sheridan died April 1. He was born June 28, 1986 in Port Angeles, Wash. He attended school in Sheridan. He loved to hunt and fish. Survivors include his father, Alan of Sheridan, and grandmother, Joyce Ham of Portland. He was preceded in death by his mother, Sharon. Services were held at the Tribal cemetery.

### Lucille Jeffers Lanning

September 6, 1928 — February 10, 2004

Lucille Lanning passed away on February 10, 2004 at her home in Crooked River Ranch, Oregon of natural causes. She was 75.

She was born in Bucoda, Washington to Melvin and Edna Michael Jeffers. She graduated from Crow high school in Crow, Oregon. She married Pete Lanning on July 27, 1979 in Elko, Nevada.

She worked as a bartender for the VFW Fireside Lounge and retired in 1995.

She belonged to the VFW Post # 4108, American Legion Post # 44 auxiliary and the Moose Lodge # 1801 chapter.

She enjoyed playing bingo and spending time with her family.

She is survived by husband Pete and 4 children: Chester Purdy, Rhonda Purdy, Nancy Freel of Crooked River Ranch and Troy Purdy of Redmond. Seven grandchildren, three brothers, Ivan and Carl Jeffers of Eugene and Dale Jeffers of Elmira; Three sisters, Rose Teem, of Laytonville, California, Hazel Adams of Lewiston, Idaho and Elsie Cummings of Lebanon, Oregon.

Services were held at the VFW Lodge February 16, 2004.

Burial was at Deschutes Memorial Garden of Bend.

Lucille Lanning was a member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

### Marvin James Hoff

May 28, 1939 — February 11, 2004

Marvin Hoff lost his battle with cancer on February 11, 2004. Marv leaves behind his wife, Tribal Elder Floriene Vivette Hoff of Beaverton, Oregon, daughters; Colette Abdie, Renee Gordon, Nicole Hoff and son Mitch Hoff. Six grandsons; Taylor and Cole Abdie, Nathan Hoff, Jared Hoff, twins Trevor and Nolan Gordon. He will be missed by many nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, brother-in-laws, sister-in-laws and father-in-law Tribal Elder Leonard Vivette.

Marvin enjoyed golfing, fishing and spending time at the beach with his family and friends. Marvin will be missed at our Grand Ronde Pow-wow for his volunteer time he spent selling t-shirts at the Pow-wow t-shirt booth. Marvin joins his mother and father, brother Bob, an infant daughter, brother-in-law Chuck Vivette, nephew Scott Galligher, nephew Mark Cook and others dear to the Hoff family. We love you Marv. Peace.

"The best things you can give your children, next to good habits, are good memories," Marv Hoff

The family would like to thank Gene LaBonte and Russ Leno for their assistance at the grave site. Margo Mercier for her prompt assistance with the funeral. The Tribal Council and staff for the beautiful bouquet of flowers. Violet Zimbrick and her granddaughters, Connie Graves, Dana and Lisa for helping preparing and serving the nice meal after the services.



## You're Invited To A Mother's Day Luncheon

(for Mom's-to-be and Mom's of babies less than three years old)

Monday, May 10, 2004

Noon to 2 p.m.

Grand Ronde

Community Center

Luncheon will include: Assorted salads, rolls, beverage and dessert. Gift bags for all who attend.

Special drawings for prizes. Grandmothers, Sisters, Aunts or other childcare providers are welcome to accompany you as your guests.

RSVP Required! Please call 503-879-2020 or 1-800-775-0095 and ask for Dental by Wednesday May 5.

### Temporary On-Call Fire fighter

June - October/Flexible On-Call basis

Applications must be received in Human Resources by

April 27, 2004 - 5 p.m.

Natural Resources' fire program is currently accepting applications for On Call Fire Fighters. These positions will be called active when fire crews are needed. Duties include handline construction, mop up work, Initial attack, and rehabilitation duties. Assignments are typically two weeks long.

Must be willing to work long hours outdoors in fire conditions. Applicants must be able to live in a camp environment for up to two weeks and be able to pass a pack test. The pack test is a test of endurance practiced throughout all wildland fire agencies. Applicants must be able to walk 3 miles in under 45 minutes with a 45lb backpack. Applicants must have good communication skills, be able to work well with others on a crew, and enjoy the outdoors.

**Requirements:** All leather work boots with Vibram sole. Pack test completion, successful completion of Fire Guard School, pre-employment drug test and criminal background check. Valid Drivers license is strongly preferred.

Applications may be obtained at , by then clicking on employment and application. Return completed applications to CTGR Human Resources Department, 9615 Grand Ronde Rd., Grand Ronde, OR 97347. Please call the HR Dept. at 503-879-2109 with any questions or to request an application by mail.

### Dennis W. Lake

October 29, 1958 — March 25, 2004

Dennis Lake died March 25, 2004, in his home in Grand Ronde. He was 45. He was born October 29, 1958, in Stayton, where he lived until moving to Toledo in 1964. He attended Toledo High School, then worked for Oregon Oyster after leaving school. He also worked in reforestation for several Lincoln County companies. Mr. Lake moved from Toledo to Willamina in 1987 and began working in lumber mills. He moved to Grand Ronde in 2000. He loved woodworking, collecting dragons and wizards, and reading science fiction.

"Dennis should be remembered for how he touched people's lives and his wonderful laugh," his family said.

Survivors include his mother Wilda Lake of Willamina; his father, Arthur Lake of Willamina; a son, Nathaniel Lake of Bend; two stepsons, Seth Mercier and Winston Mercier, both of Grand Ronde; a foster daughter, Jordan Mercier of Grand Ronde; four brothers, Ted Lake of Willamina, Frank Lake and Pat Lake, both of Grand Ronde, and Mike Lake of Newport; and a sister Kathy Hannemann of North Bend

### Eva Rosetta Pichette Renquist

December 10, 1907 — January 3, 2004

Eva Rosetta Pichette Renquist went home to be with God on January 3, 2004 in Roseburg, Oregon. She was 96 years old. Eva came from a family of early Oregon Pioneers. She was the great-granddaughter of Louis Pichette, a trapper for the Hudson's Bay Company who was one of the first settlers on the French Prairie in the Oregon Territory and his Indian wife Marguerite Bercier. Her maternal great grandparents were Gustavus Spooner and his wife Edith Belle Spooner who homesteaded on Spooner Mountain outside of Southerlin.

Eva was born to Joseph Prosper Pichette and his wife Edith Belle Spooner Pichette on December 10, 1907 just outside of Oakland. She was the fourth of six children, four girls and two boys.

Eva loved to be surrounded by people of all ages and always enjoyed a party. She was lively, stubborn and independent all of her life.

She leaves behind her daughter Laverne, four grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren, one sister Peggy and her many nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews. Her parents, husband Roger, sisters Rose and Edna and her brothers Bert and Carl greet her in heaven.