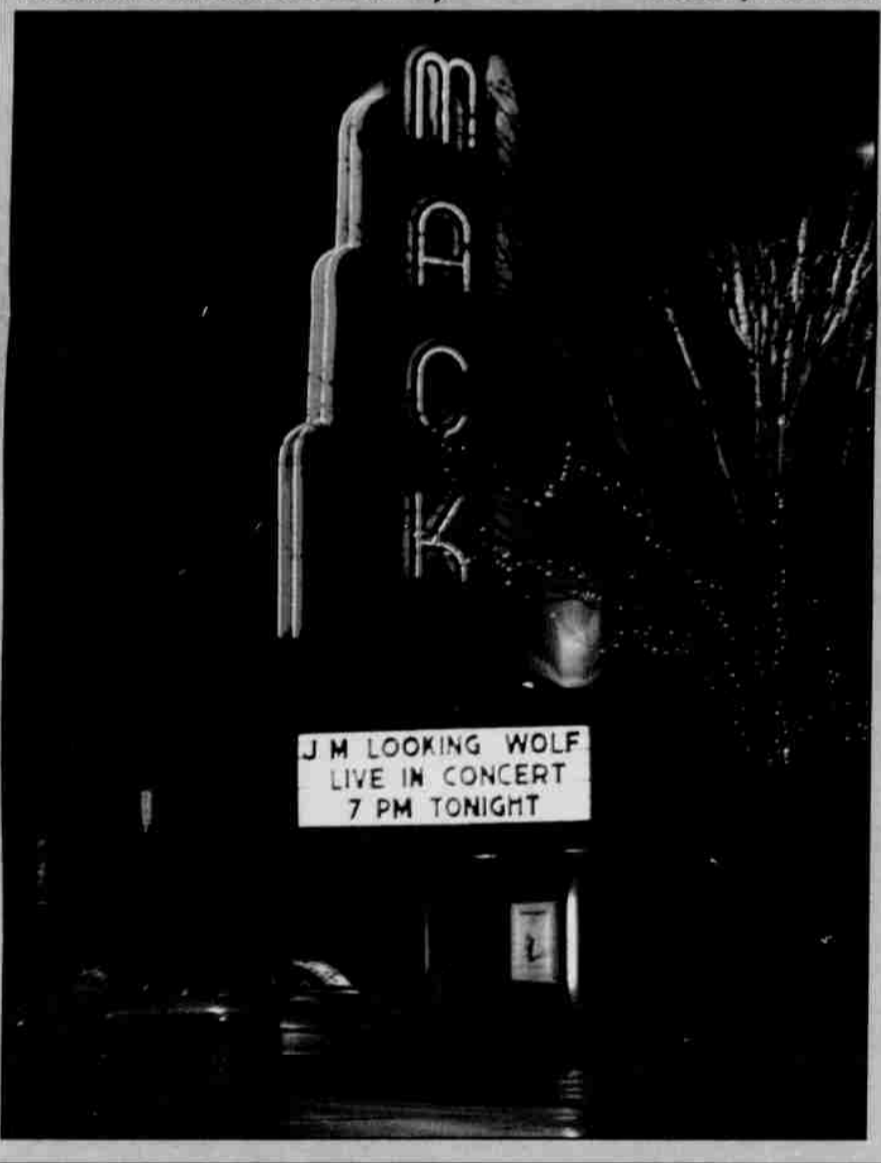




**New Release**— Tribal member Jan Michael "Looking Wolf" Reibach performed at the Mack Theater in McMinnville on Friday, December 10 to announce the release of his new C.D. "A New Day." Photos by Peta Tinda



### Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde invite you to offer your advice on how to best address the housing needs of our Tribe. You will soon receive a survey asking you a few questions about housing needs. **If we receive your completed survey by January 17, you will be eligible for a drawing to win a \$100 cash prize.**

This survey and your responses are part of a five-year planning effort. The plan will guide housing policy and actions, such as housing development, assistance and housing services over the next *several* years. Your voice is very important and will help us know our needs better. Without your voice, we will miss important information and you will lose the opportunity to win some extra cash. *It will only take about ten to fifteen minutes of your time.* Look for it in early January.

### Fish & Wildlife Committee Seeking Position

The Fish & Wildlife Committee is accepting applications for a vacant committee member position. This position is open to interested Tribal members. An application may be obtained at the Natural Resources Division Office at 47010 S.W. Hebo Road, P.O. Box 10, Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347. Phone: 503-879-2378 or 1-800-422-0232. **Completed applications must be received by Natural Resources no later than Friday, January 14, 2005.**

If you have any questions, please contact Mel Holmes at 503-363-2543.

## Coho Salmon: Keystone Species On The Reservation

Local Coho salmon have a long haul to get to and from the ocean in order to spawn on the Reservation. It is a 250-mile journey past predators such as Bald Eagles and Osprey and over Willamette Falls to reach the ocean from Agency Creek. Then, after feeding in the Pacific for 1 ½ years, they must travel the same treacherous 250 miles back upstream in order to spawn where their parents spawned.

Coho's return to the streams of their origin is not just important for the survival of their own species, but also to the health of the entire ecosystem. While they are feeding at sea, their bodies are absorbing specific proteins that can only be gathered in the ocean. When they return to spawn, these nutrients are then passed on to the plants, aquatic bugs, bears, eagles, and other creatures that are a part of the freshwater environment. This dependence of so many other species on the presence of one is why salmon are considered a "keystone species."

While many Coho do return, not enough come back to provide the necessary amount of these stream-derived nutrients to sustain a healthy stream ecosystem. For this reason, the Tribe's Fish and Wildlife Department placed 406 Coho salmon carcasses in Agency, North Fork Agency, and West Fork Agency Creeks on November 23 and 30. The average weight of these fish was eight pounds, totaling about 3,270 pounds of salmon distributed in Reservation streams. Fish were deposited in backwaters, behind logs, along stream margins, and in other areas where they would not rapidly move downstream. Since the addition of the carcasses to the Agency Creek system, there have been reports of an unusual sight on the Reservation: several Bald Eagles have been gathering at the streams to feed on these nutrient-rich salmon. Coho carcasses were obtained through Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) and came from Sandy Fish Hatchery. They were inspected by the hatchery personnel to make sure that they did not contain any diseases or parasites that were not already present in fish of the upper Willamette basin. This ensured that no new diseases or parasites were introduced by this project. So nobody panic if dead fish are seen in the streams; this is just part of a Tribal program to enhance stream productivity!



**Tribal Biologist Jeff Baker tosses a Coho carcass into Agency Creek.**

Photo courtesy of Natural Resources

### IN THE TRIBAL COURT OF THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE GRAND RONDE COMMUNITY OF OREGON JUVENILE COURT

In the Matter of: **CASE NO. J-03-08-001**  
**B.D. D.O.B. 10-30-93 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE**  
**D.E. D.O.B. 08-26-01**  
**D.F. D.O.B. 01-03-03**  
**Minor(s)**

Based upon the Motions filed by the children's attorney for an Order to Show Cause and the affidavits in support thereof:

**IT IS ORDERED THAT** the mother of the children, Deanna Wheeler, and the father of the child B.D., Derek Bishop, and the father of the children D.E. and D.F., Shane Justen, and any person objecting to the granting of the Petitions for Guardianship shall appear in the Tribal Court of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon, located at 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, Oregon on, January 26, 2005, at 1:30 p.m., to show cause why the Court should not enter judgments granting the proposed guardianships.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that any written response to this Order by any party to this case shall be filed on or before January 19, 2005.

The Clerk of the Tribal Court shall cause a copy of this Order to be served upon all parties, and file proof of service with the Court on or before the date set for hearing in this matter.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Tribal Court Clerk shall cause a copy of this Order to be published in the Tribal Newsletter at least two consecutive publications prior to the hearing date.

DATED this 6th day of December, 2004.

**Katharine English, Chief Tribal Court Judge**