

Tribal Council Nominations Sunday, June 26 — 11 a.m. Tribal Community Center

Attention Tribal Members:

NOTE THAT ALL GENERAL COUNCIL MEETINGS START AT 11 A.M.

2005 GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

June 26 Grand Ronde — Tribal Council Nominations
SUMMER BREAK
September 11 Grand Ronde — (Second Sunday — Labor Day)
October 9 Grand Ronde — (Second Sunday — Hunting)
November 6 Grand Ronde
December 4 Grand Ronde

NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Meetings

DATE	TIME
June 8.....	5 p.m.
June 22	5 p.m.

Please call 1-800-422-0232 ext. 1309 and verify the time 24 hours in advance.

Letters

Dear *Smoke Signals*,

I wanted to thank all the wonderful people that donated towards getting Dean Mercier's riding lawn mower fixed and running for his birthday. Even with all the delays getting it repaired, I do believe it has brought Dean out of his sickness. He hasn't been off it for one day. I would like to give a special thanks to Donna Casey for all the hard work she put into inviting people. Even though the birthday notice didn't come out in the *Smoke Signals* until a day before the party, it was an open invitation. Many people came by just from word of mouth leaving us with standing room only. The birthday cake was wonderful Donna.

Thank you to Darrell Mercier for letting Tim "Gordon" Linton use his trailer to transport the mower back and forth. Tim was so great and put a lot of time into the venture that seemed to fall apart with delays with listening to my frantic phone calls.

God Bless you all,

Christina Mercier

Dear *Smoke Signals*,

The family of Emma Sell would like to thank all our friends and relatives for the immeasurable support you have shown for us in this difficult time of our personal loss. We would especially like to give a big thanks to Billie LaBonte, Claudia Leno and our cousins; Gene, Butch, Carol, Mark, Lenny, Walter, Jimmy B. and all the support staff. Thanks also to Jan Michael and Rex for their inspirational songs and to Louise and Kenny for their touching personal reflections. We would also like to express our gratitude to our cousins Fritz and Jean and all those who sent the beautiful flowers and cards. The words spoken and the memories shared at our mother's funeral evoked fond memories and brought healing to our hearts.

"There are stars whose radiance is visible on Earth though they have long been extinct. There are people whose brilliance continues to light the world though they are no longer among the living. These lights are particularly bright, when the night is dark."

Thank you,

The Family of Emma Sell

Dear *Smoke Signals*,

A sincere and heartfelt "Thank You" to every person, every entity of the Tribe for the gifts, flowers, food, plaques, blankets, the many cards, thoughts, visits and prayers extended to us and on behalf of our beloved husband, father, brother and grandfather, Theo. H. "Ted" Darling. Your kindness will never be forgotten.

The Family of Ted Darling

In Addition:

In the April 15 issue of *Smoke Signals* under "Walking On..." Carl Dee Jeffers is also survived by sister Elsie Cummings of Oregon.

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