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UMPQUA

MOLALLA

ROGUE RIVER

KALAPUYA

CHASTA



Photo by Toby McClary

Gathering Of Honor — On the weekend of July 8-10, Grand Ronde hosted the annual Veterans' Pow-wow. Nez Perce Tribal Elder Steve Rueben led the afternoon grand entry with about 300 people following. With no fry bread on the property, people relied on the elephant ear stand which closed after four hours due to exhaustion and a shortage of supplies. There were 24 vendors, 118 motorcycles and as many as 500 Medals of Valor handed out. **VETERANS' POW-WOW PULLOUT INSIDE.**

Tribe Visits Tomanowos In New York



Photo by Toby McClary

Showcase — Tribal member Alicia Selwyn presented a replica of a traditional plankhouse at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City on Thursday, July 14. Selwyn described how the plankhouses were built and what purposes they served to Indians of the Northwest. **More on page 7.**

Elders' Honor Day 2005

■ Living treasures from all over the Northwest come to the community of Grand Ronde for the Tribe's annual event.

By Ron Karten

Hundreds of Elders from more than a dozen Tribes joined Grand Ronde Elders on Friday, July 15, for the 2005 Elders' Honor Day activities.

The Tribal gymnasium was packed from 11 a.m. throughout the day, beginning with the invocation from

Tribal Council member Wesley "Buddy" West, singing and drumming from Richard "Bubba" Sohappay (Yakama) and Tribal member Travis Mercier, and a historical essay by

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Photo by Ron Karten

Friends — Tribal Elders Ray Petite Jr. (left) and Gladys Hobbs (right) smile during the Elder Honor Day activities. Next to Ray is his wife, Sally, and next to her is Tribal Elder Violet Folden. Next to Gladys is her husband, Rusty Hobbs.



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