

EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

2006 Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde College/Career Fair!

Wednesday, April 26, 2006 — 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

To be held at the Tribal Gym/Auditorium.

Take advantage of this excellent opportunity to explore college programs and/or career fields. Community Colleges, Four-Year Colleges/Universities, Vocational Colleges, Armed Forces, Job Corporations, Lending Agencies and Trade/Apprenticeship Agencies will be present.

The day will be full of information, break-out sessions, free bags that you can fill with goodies from the vendors, and door prizes!

This event is open to the public and free. Lunch is provided!!

For more information contact Trinity Minahan at 503-879-1478.

Sponsored by The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Education Division.

American Indian Education Foundation Scholarship

The American Indian Foundation is now accepting applications for their scholarship. Applicants must be of Native American or Alaskan Native descent; attending an accredited 2 or 4 year school; enrolled full time; and not be in a master's degree or higher program. Deadline for applications is May 4. For an application and more information, visit www.aiefprograms.org, or contact Luhui Whitebear, CTGR Scholarship Coordinator at 503-879-1345, 1-800-422-0232 ext 1345 or luhui.whitebear@grandronde.org.

Current Tribal Members Who Are High School Sophomores And Juniors

University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, Washington June 24-28, 2006
GPA Requirement: 3.0

Space is limited to the first students, so priority will be given to those students who apply before February 15. Students who will apply after February 15 will be selected according to the date their application is received. All applications must be received before May 15 to be considered. Cost: FREE!

This is a five-day "crash course" in preparing you for college. Expert college counselors, teamed up with college admission officers to help you:

1. Select colleges suitable for you
2. Complete winning applications and write memorable essays
3. Learn what turns an applicant into an admitted student
4. Become a test-prep "whiz kid"
5. Find your way through the financial aid/scholarship jungle

You will learn about a broad variety of colleges and universities, and establish personal relationships with admission representatives and college counselors that will continue long after the program is over.

Space is limited, so apply now!

For an application to apply or questions: Call Trinity Minahan at 503-879-1478.

Congratulations to Twyla Ferdig on getting her GED recently. In fact, there have been several more GED grads this month! In asking Twyla how she reached her goal, I began to appreciate a pattern of success caused by strong connections in the Tribal family.

Twyla had ongoing support from many Tribal resources. She gradually became familiar with the GED classroom and started a beading project to develop her comfort level. Then, in order to keep a job that she enjoyed, her motivation to finish increased. Her supervisor and fellow workers encouraged her, gave her time for tutoring, and celebrated every step of the way. The backing of family, friends, and staff at Grand Ronde was pivotal.

I also want to thank Sydney West for encouraging and supporting Penny Zimmer, a fellow co-worker and recent grad.

There are many "Elder Heroes" within the Tribe, like Katherine Harrison, Geneva Hansaker, Rosalie Schmidt and Marilee Norwest, who have brought GED students to the classroom with that special caring and concern that is found with the Elders.

Thank you to all of you who let students know how important they are to the future success of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and are there for them, as they tackle their educational and career goals.

Thank you,
Joanne Carr



**Tribal Member & Recent
GED Graduate
Twyla Ferdig**

Wildland Fire Guard School May 16-19

Social Services, in conjunction with the Education and Natural Resources Divisions, will be hosting a week long Wildland Fire Guard School the week of May 16 - 19. The school will take place in the Adult Education Building in Grand Ronde and will run from 8 a.m. to approximately 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Included trainings:

S-130 — Basic Wildland Firefighting

S-190 — Introduction to fire Behavior

I-100 — Introduction to the Incident Command System

L-180 — Human factors on the Fireline

This Fire School encompasses all relevant courses to train students as a Firefighter Type 2 (Basic Wildland Firefighter). Students must be prepared for 3 days of classroom activity and one day of field training on Friday. The Friday field day will be outside, leather boots and leather gloves are required and raingear is recommended, all other gear will be assigned for the day. A successful Pack Test is still required in order to be employable in any wildland fire profession.

Class size is limited and is first come first serve. If interested please contact Joshua Clift, Short Term Training Coordinator at 503-879-1635 by Friday, May 5.

College Preparation Week

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 - ◆ Learn what turns an applicant into an admitted student
 - ◆ Become a test-prep "whiz kid"
 - ◆ Find your way through the financial aid/scholarship jungle
- Where: University of Puget Sound — Tacoma, Washington
Who: Open to current CTGR high school sophomores and juniors
For more information contact Trinity Minahan at 503-879-1478.

AIGCS Undergraduate Scholarships

The American Indian Graduate Center Scholars Program is accepting applications for their undergraduate scholarships. Students are eligible if they are an enrolled American Indian or Alaskan Native; have an outstanding academic record; demonstrate leadership and community service abilities; and will be a full-time, degree seeking student Fall 2006. The 2006 application deadline is May 2. For more information and to download an application, please visit www.aigc.com. You can also request an application from Luhui Whitebear, CTGR Scholarship Coordinator by calling 1-800-422-0232 ext 1345.



Tribal Library News

Monday - Wednesday: 8 A.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Thursday & Friday: 8 A.M. - 5 P.M.

(closed Friday Noon - 1 P.M.)

Saturday: 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

New additions to the library collection in March include:

Children & Youth Books: Two series were donated by Wink & Kathy Soderberg. Thanks Wink & Kathy!

Reading American History: A 10 book series for Elementary age group.

Animals Growing Up: A 6 book series for pre-school - 2nd grade age group.

Native American Books: 19 books were donated by Chemeketa Professor Jennifer Hagloch that includes: *War Chief Joseph, North American Indian Landmarks, Go Indians! Great Indian Athletes, Custer's Fall and Shaman*. Ms. Hagloch is the instructor for the CTGR / Chemeketa on-site Writing classes. Thanks Ms. Hagloch!

Saturday Activity: K - 3rd grade youth on April 22 at 12 p.m. - 1:30.

Book Club: Tuesday, April 25 from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.