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UMPQUA

MOLALLA

ROGUE RIVER

KALAPUYA

CHASTA



Photo by Brent Merrill

Still Royal — Senior Miss Grand Ronde Leah Brisbois participated in Saturday's grand entry at the 2006 Annual Contest Pow-wow held in Grand Ronde. The pow-wow took place over the weekend of August 18-20. 216 dancers competed this year. **SEE THE 2006 POW-WOW EDITION PULLOUT INSIDE.**



The 2006 Annual NAJA Conference was held in Tulsa, Oklahoma on the week of August 9-12. This statue serves as the centerpiece of Woodward Park in downtown Tulsa. **SEE STORY ON PAGE 4.**

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"Our Story" Debuts

■ A virtual experience is up and running in Grand Ronde and wherever people have access to the Internet.

By Ron Karten

Ntsayka Ikanum — Our Story — an on-going virtual experience of the Tribe's Cultural Resources Department, is now online at <http://www.grandronde.org/culture/ikanum/>. With a website created by Portland-based ISITE Design, sections covering the Tribe's past, present and future emerge as an adventure into the life of the Tribe with hundreds of web pages already out there, and more on the way.

"Nothing will ever be taken down," said Lindy Trolan, the department's Cultural Collections Coordinator. "It will only

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New Site — On Friday, August 18, the Culture Department introduced their new virtual gallery that can be viewed online. Here, Special Projects Coordinator Kim Mueller explains the benefits of the virtual gallery and shows appreciation to those who contributed to its inception.