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UMPQUA

MOLALLA

ROGUE RIVER

KALAPUYA

CHASTA



Photo by Toby McClary

The West Valley Veterans' Memorial illuminates the night. The memorial, designed by Tribal Veteran Steve Bobb, was constructed in 2003 to honor all Veterans from local communities. On Saturday, November 11, Grand Ronde's Honor Guard participated in two separate Veterans' Day Parades.

Community Policing In Grand Ronde



Photo by Toby McClary

Sergeant Nathan Goldberg of the Polk County Sheriff's Office has been stationed in Grand Ronde for two years. Goldberg patrols the Grand Ronde area with five other deputies. Here, Goldberg makes a call to dispatch during a routine traffic stop in Grand Ronde. Polk County is working with Tribal Council and the Spirit Mountain Community Fund to improve relations between police and the Grand Ronde Community. **STORY ON PAGE 7.**

Tribal Vet Ready To Head Back To The Middle East

■ Frank Hostler is "a firm believer" in the cause.

By Ron Karten

"It doesn't seem like I've been back for two-and-a-half years," said Tribal member Frank Hostler. "It seems like last month. If you look at the scale of things, I was only gone 15 months, but the scale of that 15 months was intense."

Hostler served as a Specialist in Iraq from March 2003 to March 2004 with another few months in the states before and after. He served

"all over Northern Iraq" on his first tour. He was doing everything "from building towers to taking out IEDs (improvised explosive devices) along the road, patrolling and convoy security."

He served with the 52nd Engineers, an engineering and heavy construc-

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Photo courtesy of Frank Hostler

Tribal Veteran Frank Hostler (far right) spent his first tour of duty in Iraq. He expects to return to Iraq on his second tour sometime next year. He has just re-enlisted for six more years.



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