

## Discussing the Gorge



Photo by Dean Rhodes

**Columbia River Gorge Commissioner Doug Crow visited the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde campus on Dec. 28 to become more familiar with the Tribe and its interests in the Gorge. Tribal members met Crow at the Oct. 29 Future Forum for the Gorge held in The Dalles and he expressed interest in visiting the Grand Ronde Tribe. Crow talks with Tribal Council member Val Sheker during his visit. Crow is serving a second term as the governor's appointee to the commission. He is a retired businessman with degrees from Oregon State University and Stanford. He lives near Mosier in the National Scenic Area.**

## Tribe to host College Goal Oregon event

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde campus will be one of 20 sites in Oregon to participate in a one-day statewide effort on Saturday, Jan. 26, to help students and families complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid form. FAFSA is a need-based application for federal, state and campus-based financial aid.

College Goal Oregon sites throughout the state will have trained volunteers and financial aid professionals available to provide assistance and support from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Locally, it will be held in Room 126 of the Tribe's Adult Education Building.

Help will include completing the FAFSA worksheet, submitting an online application and training on other educational funding opportunities.

Each site will have a drawing for one \$500 education award.

Students should bring a parent or guardian, if possible; most recent completed federal tax return; current value of assets, including cash, checking, savings, investments and value of business or farm; Social Security numbers of student and parents; driver's licenses, if any; and alien registration card if an applicant is not a U.S. citizen.

College Goal Oregon is part of the national College Goal Sunday program to help students access millions of available financial aid dollars. In 2007, more than 800 students and their families participated in the first College Goal Oregon at 15 sites.

For more information about College Goal Oregon, visit [www.CollegeGoalOregon.org](http://www.CollegeGoalOregon.org). ■

## Chemeketa Community College 1st Nations Club

Contact Ember Hudson at [ehudson4@chemeketa.edu](mailto:ehudson4@chemeketa.edu) for more information. Held on Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

## GRAND RONDE RECYCLE CENTER HOURS

Due to misuse, the recycle center will be open during the following hours only: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 8 a.m. to noon Saturdays. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause you, but we have found it necessary to put tighter control on this service. Everyone needs to remember, the center is for recycle materials only. **NO ONE IS ALLOWED TO DUMP PERSONAL GARBAGE OR YARD DEBRIS AT THE SITE.** Please tell your friends and families, too. Most people respect and appreciate this service, and we want to acknowledge that. If you see someone abusing this privilege, contact Mike Larsen at 503-879-2407. If I'm not available, please leave a message and I will get back to you.

## Walking On...

### Leann Teresa Rogers

Jan. 25, 1985 – Dec. 25, 2007

A memorial service for Tribal member Leann Teresa Rogers of Culp Creek was held Jan. 5 at Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel in Cottage Grove.

Miss Rogers died Dec. 25 in a motor vehicle accident at age 22.

She was born Jan. 25, 1985, in Cottage Grove to Bill and Arnell Houck Rogers.

She was raised in Disston, about 25 miles outside Cottage Grove, and graduated from high school in Cottage Grove in 2004. She worked at Kendall Motors.

Miss Rogers also was a former Special Olympics participant. "In terms of basketball, she was very competitive," said Michele Portmann, a retired counselor at Cottage Grove High School who coached Rogers' Special Olympics team. "She was a hard worker and got along with others.

Portmann called Rogers a "dynamo" with a great attitude.

"She helped kids who caught on more slowly," Portmann said. "She was really encouraging to the other athletes."

She enjoyed driving, riding four-wheelers, going to the beach, swimming, being outdoors, hiking and being with friends and family.

Survivors include her parents; two sisters, Michele Volz and Christal Allport; two brothers, Patrick Rogers and William Rogers of Willamina; and five nieces and nephews. She was the niece of Shelly Houck-Kent and the great niece of Val Houck-Grant.

Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel handled arrangements.



### Carmen Lea Norwest

April 28, 1949 – Dec. 22, 2007

Tribal member Carmen Lea Norwest, 58, of Grand Ronde passed away on Saturday, Dec. 22, in Portland.

She was born on April 28, 1949, in Klamath Falls to Marcellus J. and Patricia Hoover. She lived in the area for 45 years and worked as a computer specialist for Pacific Power & Light for 23 years and for PacifiCorp. for 10 years.

She loved fishing, hunting, attending pow-wows and watching movies. Family members said she was generous to a fault.

She moved to Grand Ronde in August to continue her battle against liver cancer.

She is survived by her father, Marce Norwest, and stepmother, Sharon Norwest, of Grand Ronde; brothers, Michael Cortez of Maine, Daniel Gonzalez of Klamath Falls, David Gonzalez of Portland, Melvin Norwest of Sheridan, and Robin and Johnny Norwest of Grand Ronde; sisters, Marie Cortez of Portland, Leatrice Gonzalez of Portland, Marlita Robles Gonzalez of Fairview, Jackie Brown of Kent, Wash., Shirley Norwest of Keizer, LaDonna Norwest and Daniele Powley of Grand Ronde, and Lyndell Norwest of Salmon Arm, British Columbia; and 33 nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother and brothers Marcellus Norwest, Lonnie Norwest, Andrew Norwest and Lyle Johnson.

Funeral services were held Jan. 5 at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Gresham. Bateman Carroll Funeral Home handled arrangements.

## Red Cross Blood Drive

There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16.

The Bloodmobile will be parked outside the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde gymnasium.

People interested in making an appointment to give blood should call 503-585-5416.

## Workshop classes in Grand Ronde

- Feb. 12 — Intermediate Microsoft Excel II
- March 11 — Intermediate Microsoft Excel III
- April 8 — Intro to Microsoft Publisher I
- May 13 — Intermediate Microsoft Publisher II

The workshops will be taught by Northwest Computer Learning Center and will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the computer lab in the Adult Education Building.

Cost for a workshop is \$150 and eligible Tribal members can apply to the Noncredit Program (formally Short Term Training) for assistance with registration costs. Space is limited to the first 15 who register.

To register, contact Joshua Clift, Adult Vocational Training coordinator, at 503-879-1635 or e-mail [joshua.clift@grandronde.org](mailto:joshua.clift@grandronde.org).