

Quilt raffle benefits Food Bank Garden

A quilt raffle is benefiting the Garden Program at the Grand Ronde Community Resource Center.

The quilt, made by community member Ethel Taylor, has a garden theme and can be viewed at the Tribal Governance Center.

Tickets can be purchased from Tribal Financial Risk and Insurance Administrator Jim Holmes for a \$1 each.

The goal is to sell 1,000 tickets to raise \$1,000 for the Garden Program, which includes the Community Garden, Youth Garden and Food Bank Garden.

To buy tickets, contact Holmes at 503-879-2221.

CULTURAL GATHERINGS

■ MARCH 8: **EVERGREEN, BATTLE GROUND, VANCOUVER TITLE VII POWWOW.** Covington Middle School, 11200 N.E. Rosewood Road. **VANCOUVER, WA.** Contact Anna at 360-604-4000 ext. 1261.

■ MARCH 15: **FLORENCE INDIAN EDUCATION 15TH ANNUAL POWWOW.** Sluslaw Middle School, 2221 Oak St. **FLORENCE, OR.** Contact 541-997-2514.

■ APRIL 18-20: **PAH-LOOTS-PU POWWOW.** Beasley Performing Arts Coliseum, N.E. Stadium Way and N.E. Orchard Dr. **PULLMAN, WA.** Contact 509-335-8676.

■ APRIL 26: **LBCC POWWOW.** Linn-Benton Community College, 6500 Pacific Blvd. S.W. **ALBANY, OR.** Contact Nick Sixkiller at 541-484-4234 or nicks@ctsi.nsn.us.

■ MAY 30-31: **NW INDIAN YOUTH CONFERENCE POWWOW.** WARM SPRINGS, OR. Contact 541-553-3429.

If you or anyone you know has information on cultural events happening, Smoke Signals would be glad to list it in our Cultural Gatherings. Please e-mail news@grandronde.org or write to Smoke Signals, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347.

Tribal tour



Photos by Dean Rhodes

Six third-grade classes from Heritage Elementary School in Woodburn, Ore., visited the Tribal campus in Grand Ronde on Feb. 22 to learn more about Native Americans in Oregon. The students received a gift bag and were told the story about Turkey Buzzard and Coyote by Language Specialist Bobby Mercier. Above, students visited the Publications Department where graphic design specialist George Valdez showed them some of the computer programs he uses to create ads and graphics for Tribal publications. Below, Tribal Cultural Collections coordinator Lindy Trolan explained traditional Tribal crafts to each class as they rotated through stations in the Governance Center lobby. Trolan was assisted by Cultural Education specialist Misty Thorsgard, left.



Willamette University's Native American Enlightenment Association Presents 6TH ANNUAL SOCIAL POWWOW

In Honor of Rudy Clements and daughter Trudee

Cone Fieldhouse Sparks Athletic Center
Saturday March 8, 2008
Grand Entry 4pm
FREE Admission

- Dancers and Drum Groups Welcome
- Raffle - Grand Prize: Pendleton Blanket
- Native Arts/Craft and Food Vendors
- Fancy Shawl Contest - Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places

For info - Call: 503.370.6265

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY

Call to Tribal Members interested in becoming a Fireman

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde is working cooperatively with the West Valley Fire District to build a new fire substation in the Grand Ronde community. The Tribe is looking for students to participate in the Chemeketa Community College Fire Suppression I & EMT Paramedic Programs, so that Tribal students might have an opportunity to become a fireman/paramedic either here in Grand Ronde, or in any other location.

- The Associate Vocational Program will fund tuition, fees, books, and supplies for eligible students.
- The Fire/Paramedic program is a 3-year commitment during which students receive on-the-job training.

Prerequisite requirements are:

- Placement in WR121 or completion of WR115 or equivalent
- Placement in MTH70 or completion of MTH60 or equivalent
- Placement in RD115 or completion of RD90 or equivalent

Upon completion students will receive dual Associate Arts of Science degrees in Fire Suppression Technology and Emergency Medical Technology - Paramedic.

- Applications through Chemeketa are available now. Application close is March 28, 2008
- Classes begin June 23, 2008.

If you are interested in learning more or would like to sign up for the program please contact Joshua Cliff at joshua.cliff@grandronde.org or call 800-422-0232 ext. 1635.



Ad created by George Valdez

Walking On...

Franklyn Charles Hughes

March, 5, 1926 - Jan. 30, 2008

Tribal member Franklyn Charles Hughes passed away Jan. 30, 2008, at Glenwarren Lodge in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.

He was born March 5, 1926, in Victoria.

He was best known as an avid outdoorsman. A painter by trade, he retired from BCBC after 30 years to chase the next "big one" that would top the prized 42-pound sockeye he caught off Pachena Bay.

He will be missed by longtime companion Betty Haynes; daughters, Cathy (Tom) Bradfield and Teresa (James) Douglas; grandsons, Joe and Roy (Jolene); and three great-grandsons, Braedyn, Keegan and Ethan.

No services were held per Mr. Hughes' request.

Donations can be made in Mr. Hughes' name to Resthaven Lodge Bus Fund, 2281 Mills Road, Sidney, British Columbia, Canada.

"To live in the hearts of those left behind is not to die." Condolences can be sent to www.firstmemorialfuneral.com, Saanich link.