

Happy 7th Birthday
Ethan Leno



May 12
We love you....
Your family & friends.

Happy Birthday
Kristina Summers

May 1
With love from family, friends and
the Grand Ronde Tillicum.



Grand Ronde Royalty

Royalty participants and their parent or sponsor must attend all required events (powwows, parades, fundraisers, organizational meetings and others). Absences can be prearranged with the Royalty Coordinator. Three unexcused absences will result in disqualification from Royalty. Royalty participants are expected to stay for the duration of the events. This includes helping set up for events, such as meetings and parades, as well as dancing during Grand Entry, InterTribals and staying until the flags are retired unless pre-approved with the Royalty Coordinator. Participants are expected to speak in front of large groups of people. Royalty participants must be willing and able to dance. **Remember: You are all part of a team and are expected to treat yourselves, running mates and others with respect at all times.**

GRAND RONDE ROYALTY COURT

Participating in Royalty court is an excellent opportunity for Tribal girls and young women to learn our traditions and powwow protocol. Participants represent the Tribe by attending powwows and various community events.

We encourage all young woman ages 5-18 to join. Participants must provide their regalia.

Serving on Royalty Court requires a considerable commitment from the participant and her sponsor; travel, fundraisers, classes, and meetings are required for all competing participants.

Little Miss Grand Ronde — 5-8 years of age

Junior Miss Grand Ronde — 9-13 years of age

Senior Miss Grand Ronde — 14-18 years of age

General Requirements:

1. Enrolled Grand Ronde Tribal member
2. Must be alcohol and drug free
3. Never married, no children
5. Attend school regularly and be in good standing
6. Sign and comply with Royalty Guidelines and Agreement
7. Must have one year of dancing experience and powwow protocol

Having a ball



Contributed photo

Tribal members Mike Lane and Kathryn Harrison posed for a photo during the Oregon 150 Ball at the Salem Convention Center on Feb. 14. Harrison, former Tribal chairwoman and a Tribal Elder, gave the invocation at the event. The 1859-themed party also coincided with the Oregon National Guard's Senior Leader's Conference and annual Military Ball, which was attended by many Oregon Air and Oregon Army National Guard members and their spouses, including Lane.

Culture Committee sets celebration

The Tribe's Culture Committee will hold a Native foods celebration from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 9, in the Tribal Community Center.

The committee invites everyone to join in the celebration of Native foods, including meats, berries, seafood and roots. Food will start being served at noon by Royalty representatives.

For more information, call Kathy Provost at 503-857-8440. ■

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE HEALTH CARE TASK FORCE

The Health Care Task Force (HCTF) is scheduled to have its first meeting of 2009 on May 11, from 10 a.m. to noon. The HCTF is made up of nine members and is currently looking for two Grand Ronde members who live outside of the Tribe's six-county service area to participate on the task force.

The HCTF's mission and goals are:

To review the Skookum Tribal Member Health Plan services and benefits and make recommendations to the Tribal Council that increase the plan's financial efficiency and promotes long-term sustainability.

Goals

1) Create recommendations for financial efficiency and plan sustainability based on changes that affect benefits to members the least.

2) Develop creative opportunities that focus on prevention and wellness, thereby reducing long-term plan costs and increasing the overall health and wellness of the Tribal membership.

This mission and goals are incredibly important to the Tribe's long-term self-sufficiency as the Skookum plan is supported solely with Tribal funds. The plan costs the Tribe, each of you, more than \$20 million annually.

The HCTF will be meeting twice monthly through September. If you live outside of the Tribe's six-county service area and have an interest in helping with this important task force, please send a short letter or e-mail to:

Mark Johnston
Executive Health Director
9605 Grand Ronde Road
Grand Ronde, OR 97347
Mark.Johnston@grandronde.org

Please include in your letter if you have any experience in the health arena and why you feel you would be a good candidate for this opportunity. ■

~ OFFICIAL APPLICATION ~

Applicant's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone (Day): _____ (Evening): _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Sponsor's Name, Address and Phone (if different than a parent): _____

Why do you want to participate in Royalty? _____

Applicant's Signature _____

Parent's Signature _____

Sponsor's Signature (if different than a parent) _____

**Return this application to: Powwow SEB/Royalty Coordinator
9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347**