

Cultural Resources seeks plankhouse giveaway items

In anticipation of an early fall opening of the Grand Ronde plankhouse, the Tribe's Cultural Resources Department is seeking donations of giveaway items for the planned blessing ceremony.

Giveaway items can be about almost anything, including beads and blankets, but not alcohol or drugs.

The items are intended to recognize people from outside the Grand Ronde community who will come for the blessing ceremony.

"By having people from outside the community, they are helping to strengthen our house," said Tribal member and Cultural Resources Protection Coordinator Eirik Thorsgard.

Giveaway items can be dropped off at the Cultural Resources Department in Grand Ronde or at the Tribal satellite offices in Eugene and Portland.

For more information or to check on the appropriateness of possible giveaway item, call Angella McCallister at 503-879-2268, Thorsgard at 503-879-1630 or Language & Culture Specialist Bobby Mercier at 503-879-2076.

An article on proper plankhouse protocol written by Cultural Resources Department staff will appear in *Smoke Signals* closer to the blessing ceremony. ■



Happy 5th Birthday

James Peña

Love, Mama and Papa.

At right, James touches the paddles at the Smithsonian American Indian Museum in Washington, D.C. The paddles were made by Tribal member Santiago Atanacio and Tribal descendant Joey Holmes.



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
4. Attend school regularly and be in good standing
5. Sign and comply with Royalty Guidelines and Agreement
6. Must have one year of dancing experience and powwow protocol

GRAND RONDE VETERANS' ROYALTY

All interested girls and boys must be able to meet the following guidelines in order to be eligible for the Veterans' Royalty Court:

- All must be enrolled members of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde.
 - Participants should have never been married and have no children.
 - All must be enrolled in and currently attending a public or private school.
 - All must be drug and alcohol free.
 - Must have one year of powwow experience.
 - Must have their own regalia, or be able to make their own regalia before the application deadline. Participants must be willing and able to attend all Veterans' events and be prepared to represent the Veterans and the Tribe.
 - Must have a parent or sponsor willing to participate and attend activities with the girls and boys and provide transportation.
 - As of July 9, 2009, you must be **9 to 13 years of age** for Junior Veterans' Royalty Queen/Junior Veterans' Young Warriors; and **14 to 18 years of age** for Senior Veterans' Royalty Queen/Senior Veterans' Young Warriors.
- Deadline is June 20, 2009.**

~ OFFICIAL APPLICATION ~ GRAND RONDE VETERANS' ROYALTY

Category: Veteran's Princess _____ Veteran's Young Warrior _____
Name: (Last) _____ (First) _____
CTGR Roll #: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
Phone Number: (_____) _____-_____
Age: _____
Please list individual dance styles you do: _____

Are you available to travel? Yes or No

Are you available to attend meetings? (1st Tuesday of month, 6 p.m. to end):
Yes or No

Please list any activities or experience which would make you a good candidate for this service? _____

Why do you want to serve as Veteran's Royalty? _____

Return this application to: Veterans' Powwow Committee

PO Box 38, Grand Ronde, OR 97347

Phone: 503-879-1602 — Fax: 503-879-1610

Applications due no later than June 20, 2009.

~ 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