

1,441 eligible voters need to verify signatures

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Butler, who serves as a member of the Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority Board of Directors, lives in Sheridan. He was nominated by Tribal Elder Gene LaBonte.

Tribal member **Leonard Leroy Logan II**, 41, Roll #3986. Logan works as a maintenance technician in the Facilities Department at the Tribe and lives in Grand Ronde. He was nominated by his wife, Tribal member Lydia Logan.

Tribal member **Valorie Sheker**, 47, Roll #2236. Sheker is a current Tribal Council member, serving since September 2006, and lives in Grand Ronde. She was nominated by Tribal Elder Adrainne Llaneza.

Tribal Elder **Sanda (Sam) L. Henny**, 62, Roll #409. Henny is Tribal Career Development manager in Spirit Mountain Casino's Human Resources Department and lives in Dallas. She was nominated by her cousin, Tribal member Connie Holmes.

Tribal member **Shelley Hanson**, 46, Roll #1779. Hanson is director of Spirit Mountain Community Fund and is a real estate professional. She lives in Salem. She was nominated by Tribal Elder Chip Tom.

Tribal member **Brent Merrill**, 48, Roll #1362. Merrill, former editor of *Smoke Signals*, now owns a public relations business and lives in Grand Ronde. He was nominated by his aunt, Tribal Elder Ellen Fischer.

Tribal member **Stanley Jeffers**, 53, Roll #1320. Jeffers, a retired carpenter, lives in Grand Ronde. He was nominated by his son, Tribal member Leo Jeffers.

Tribal Elder and Tribal Council Chairwoman **Cheryle A. Kennedy**, 61, Roll #1. Kennedy has served continuously on Tribal Council since September 2001, most of the time as chairwoman. She lives in Dallas and was nominated by her sister, Tribal Elder Cecile (CeCe) Kneeland.

2009 Tribal Council Nominees

Nominees

Michael Bolton
Alton Butler
April Campbell
Jack Giffen Jr.
Shelley Hanson
Denise Harvey
Sanda (Sam) L. Henny
Stanley Jeffers
Cheryle A. Kennedy
Leonard Leroy Logan II
Harold Lyon
Deborah Marrington
Toby McClary
Perri McDaniel
Bobby Mercier
Brent Merrill
Jackie Provost Many Hides
Valorie Sheker

Nominators

Harold Lyon
Gene LaBonte
Alicia Finney
Val Grout
Chip Tom
Wink Soderberg
Connie Holmes
Leo Jeffers
Cecile Kneeland
Lydia Logan
Robert Allen Nagel
Dianne Giffen
Marion Mercier
Jolanda Catabay
Jackie Provost Many Hides
Ellen Fischer
Sabrina McDaniel
Adrainne Llaneza



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Tribal Elder **Harold Lyon**, 72, Roll #4864. Lyon, who is now retired, serves on the Tribal Rodeo Special Event Board and Fish and Wildlife Committee. He lives in Dayton and was nominated by his cousin, Tribal Elder Robert Allen Nagel.

Tribal member **Toby McClary**, 31, Roll #1471. McClary is currently Shipping and Receiving supervisor at Spirit Mountain Casino, and previously worked as a writer/photographer at *Smoke Signals*. He lives in Willamina and

was nominated by his aunt, Tribal member Marion Mercier.

Tribal Elder **Deborah Marrington**, 56, Roll #181. Marrington lives in Sheridan where she helps her parents, Tribal Elder Dianne Giffen, who nominated her, and Edward W. (Bill) Giffen. She has worked in office and banking positions for many years.

Tribal member **April Campbell**, 35, Roll #1260. Campbell is manager of the Tribe's Education Division and lives in Dallas. She was nominated by her sister, Tribal member Alicia Finney.

Tribal member **Michael Bolton**, 41, Roll #4762. Bolton currently sells his art work, including beads

and paintings. He lives in Grand Ronde and was nominated by Tribal Elder Harold Lyon.

Tribal member **Perri McDaniel**, 48, Roll #2524. McDaniel, a Retail Buyer at Spirit Mountain Casino, lives in Grand Ronde and was nominated by Tribal Elder Jolanda Catabay.

At the time of the meeting, the Election Board had 2,251 verified signatures on file for 3,692 eligible voters. Only those Tribal members with verified signatures will receive ballots. At the time of the meeting, 1,441 eligible voters would not be receiving ballots in the scheduled mailing on July 29.

Eligible voters without verified signatures may, however, provide signatures to the Election Board until Sept. 11. Tribal member Penny DeLoe, chair of the Election Board, will be available to take the signatures in the Tribal Records Building, 6:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday, through July 26. From July 27 to Sept. 11, DeLoe will be available at the Elections Office in the Tribal Community Center, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

In addition, Election Board members and Tribal Elders with relatives running for office — Joann Mercier, Sharon Hanson and Anna Hannan — stepped down from their positions for the duration of the election. Alternate members stepping up to serve in their absence are Tribal members Michael Mercier and John Darcy II.

Candidate Statements will be featured in the next issue of *Tilixam Wawa*, slated to be mailed the week of July 27. Candidates will be limited to 600 words in their statements. Deadline for submission is 5 p.m. Wednesday, July 22.

Election results will be counted at the Community Center on Saturday, Sept. 12, and posted that evening on the Community Center's front doors.

This year's number of candidates is the largest in recent memory, surpassing the 17 Tribal members who ran for Tribal Council seats in 2002. ■

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Donations needed

The Grand Ronde Community Resource Center has a few fundraisers and other projects planned this year and is seeking donations, etc., for the following:

- **Spaghetti Feed and Auction in September:** Seeking donated items for a live and silent auction and/or food donations for the meal. The center will provide documentation of your donation for tax purposes.
- **Community Cookbook:** Looking for your favorite recipe. If you have a recipe you'd like to share, please e-mail it to grcrc@hotmail.com or mail to GRCRC, P.O. Box 55, Grand Ronde, OR 97347. Please include the name of dish, recipe, your name for publication in the cookbook and a phone number to contact you if there are any questions.
- **Food Preservation:** The center is still seeking food dehydrators for its food preservation program. If you have one you'd like to donate, please e-mail or call and leave a message at 503-879-5731.
- **Coupon Program:** The center is looking for food and non-food item coupons for its coupon program. ■