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2009 Canoe Journey Paddle to Suquamish



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

The Grand Ronde Canoe Family paddles towards the Suquamish dock on landing day of the 2009 Canoe Journey, Paddle to Suquamish, on Monday, Aug. 3. The Canoe Family started their journey on Monday, July 27, in Lummi, Wash. This years journey marked the 20th anniversary of the first canoe journey, Paddle to Seattle that took place in 1989, and departed from Suquamish, Wash. *More photos on pages 8-9.*

Tribal Council Candidate Forum set for Aug. 22

Event to be held in Tribal gymnasium at noon

By Dean Rhodes

Smoke Signals editor

Tribal Council has authorized an officially-sanctioned Tribal Council Candidates Forum to be held noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22, in the Tribal gymnasium.

Lunch will be served.

Tribal members can submit questions for the candidates at any of the drop boxes located throughout the Grand Ronde Tribal campus in the Governance Building, Education, Library, Elders' Activity Center, Health & Wellness Clinic, Natural Resources and Tribal Housing.

All questions must be signed and have the Tribal member's roll

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Contest Powwow set for Aug. 14-16

By Dean Rhodes

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The Grand Ronde Tribe will host to one of the largest powwows annually in Oregon the weekend of Aug. 14-16 when the Contest Powwow returns to Uyxat Powwow Grounds, 9390 Highway 22.

Powwow registration begins at 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 14, with the first Grand Entry slated for 7 p.m.

On Saturday, a parade with cash prizes will be held, starting at 10 a.m. at Fort Yamhill State Park and winding down to the powwow grounds. Grand entries are slated

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Health clinic gets \$600K grant

Funds will add Wellness offices, remodel existing dental office

By Dean Rhodes

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If you thought the Grand Ronde Health & Wellness Center was going to change when \$500,000 worth of work to expand the current dental clinic begins, you ain't seen

nothing yet.

The Tribe was notified in late July that it will receive \$600,000 in American Recovery and Re-investment Act funds to remodel the existing 300-square-foot dental office space and build a 1,900-

square-foot addition to Wing C to allow the Wellness Department staff to relocate into a single office area and provide access to space for dietary and exercise classes, which are especially important for diabetic clients.

In early January, the Tribe received \$500,000 in federal Department of Housing and Urban Development Indian Community Block Grants to add almost 1,900 square feet to the current dental

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