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Photo by Michelle Alaimo

Retired NBA player A.C. Green, middle, bends his knees to lower himself as Tribal Chairwoman Cheryle A. Kennedy and Tribal Vice Chair Reyn Leno gift him a Pendleton blanket during his visit with Tribal Council on Wednesday, Jan. 27. Green visited Tribal Council again to further discuss economic development opportunities the Tribe is pursuing. Green, an Oregon State University graduate, played 16 years in the NBA.

Unmarked grave sites

If anyone knows the location of an unmarked grave or knows the name of someone who was buried at the Grand Ronde Cemetery and their grave has not been marked, contact Mike Larsen, Facilities Manager, at 503-879-2407. ■

CULTURAL GATHERINGS

- FEB. 27: **130TH BIRTHDAY POWWOW.** Chemawa Indian School, 3700 Chemawa Road N.E. SALEM, OR.
- MARCH 6: **EVERGREEN & BATTLE GROUND SD'S TITLE VII POWWOW.** Covington Middle School, 11200 N.E. Rosewood Ave. VANCOUVER, WA.
- MARCH 13: **8TH ANNUAL SOCIAL POWWOW.** Willamette University. SALEM, OR. 503-370-6265. SEE AD ON PAGE 12.
- MARCH 20: **17TH ANNUAL POWWOW.** Siuslaw Middle School, 2525 Oak Street. FLORENCE, OR. 541-997-5458 or landerson@siuslaw.k12.or.us

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, OR 97347.

Native Youth Wellness Day slated

Native Youth Wellness Day, for middle and high school students, will be held from 1 to 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 19, at Spirit Mountain Casino.

For more information, contact Tribal Youth Program Assistant Shannon Simi at 503-879-1489 or shannon.simi@grandronde.org. ■

Free parenting classes offered

Parents with children between the ages of birth and 8 can participate in Make Parenting a Pleasure parenting classes co-sponsored by Healthy Start and the Grand Ronde Indian Child Welfare Program.

The six consecutive classes will be held on Mondays beginning March 29 through May 3. Classes will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Adult Education Building and dinner and child care will be provided.

Skills taught will include strategies to deal with stress, tips for communicating with babies and young children, child development facts, discipline and ways to encourage positive behavior. Certificates will be awarded to those who complete all six classes.

For more information or to register, contact Carmen Mercier at 503-879-1646 or carmen.mercier@grandronde.org. ■

Finishing touches



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James Walsh, a welder/fabricator with Solid Form Fabrication, smooths out a metal railing as he installs it in the Tribal plankhouse on Tuesday, Feb. 9.

Wellbriety meetings set

Tribal Behavioral Health and Social Services programs are inviting community members to join an open discussion about Wellbriety (wellness and sobriety) in the Grand Ronde community.

Wellbriety is a resource used to help heal individuals, families, communities and nations from the destructive nature of drugs, alcohol and violence. The meetings will focus on gathering together those individuals who are interested in trainings specific to healing family and communities with prevention and intervention.

The first meeting is set from 2 to 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19, in the Molalla Room of the Tribal Health & Wellness Clinic. For more information, contact Tribal Alcohol and Drug Counselor Linda Burton at 503-879-4535. ■

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**Invitation To Tribal Members,
Spouses of Tribal Members,
Parent Of A Tribal Member And Legal Guardians Of
Grand Ronde Tribal Member Children
To Apply For The Temporary Staffing Pool**

**The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde's Temporary
Staffing Pool is accepting applications.**

Tribal members, descendants, spouses of Tribal members, parents of a Tribal member, and legal guardians of Grand Ronde Tribal member children interested in assisting with filling temporary vacancies on an "on-call" or an "extended duration" basis are encouraged to contact the CTGR Human Resources office. Employment applications are available at the Human Resources office located in the Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road.

Applicants must pass the following background checks:

Criminal background
Work history
References
Tribal membership
Drug screen

**Temporary employees will be subject to the CTGR's
Employee Handbook.**

This is an excellent opportunity for our membership to supplement their income and gain experience while aiding us in continuing a smooth delivery of services.