

Nora's 102nd



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

Tribal Elder Linda Brandon, left, shows her grandmother Nora Kimsey, Tribal Elder and oldest member of the Tribe, photos during a 102nd birthday celebration for Kimsey at the Elders' Activity Center on Thursday, Dec. 2. The celebration took place during the Elders' lunch and Tribal Council provided two cakes for the event.

Family Movie Night set for Dec. 20

The next Tribal Family Movie Night will feature the Christmas movie "The Polar Express" from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 20, in the Tribal gymnasium.

Like the young characters in the movie, attendees are encouraged to wear pajamas, and bring a snuggly blanket and portable chair. Raffle prizes will include a popcorn tin, movie tickets for a family of six and family board games. Refreshments will include hot chocolate and cookies, turkey sandwiches and popcorn.

The first movie night was attended by 43 people aged 2 to 67. Raffle winners were Alex Bly and Wynter LaChance.

For more information, contact Shannon Stanton at 503-879-1489 or e-mail at shannon.stanton@grandronde.org. ■

Chinuk Family Night set for Jan. 25

There will be a Chinuk Family Night from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 25, in the Tribal Community Center.

For more information, contact Kathy Cole at 503-879-2249. ■

Saddle Club open

The Grand Ronde Saddle Club is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday near the former Grand Ronde Food Bank west of Grand Ronde Road.

The Saddle Club is closed on Thursday and Sunday.

Everyone is invited to visit the horses and go for a ride.

For more information, contact Tribal member Clint Folden at 503-559-1977. ■

Tribe starts annual food drive

Tribal employees are holding their annual Food Bank drive that will last through Friday, Dec. 17.

Collection barrels are located in the Tribal Governance Center, Health and Wellness Center, Education Building, Social Services Building, Natural Resources Building and the Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority office.

Cost for a food basket, minus the turkey, is about \$20. There will be a drawing for a Sioux Star Robe Pendleton Blanket for anyone who donates \$20 for a food basket.

Useful food donations include stuffing, mashed potatoes, au gratin potatoes, gravy, vegetables, fruit and desserts. Additional food donations can include macaroni and cheese, ramen, soup, canned beans, tuna, canned pork or chicken, boxed cereals, oatmeal, tomato products, dry beans and non-perishable food items.

Donations of five food items or \$5 will earn a ticket for the prize drawings.

Prizes that have been donated for drawings include two tickets to the Portland Taiko 2011 fall concert, general admission tickets to the Oregon Zoo and family passes to the Portland Children's Museum.

Spirit Mountain Community Fund is coordinating the donations and all food donations are welcome. ■



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In an effort to more efficiently and more rapidly communicate with Tribal members, the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde is asking Tribal members to register at the Tribal Web site and allow the Tribe to electronically send them news updates, e-zines and PDFs of *Smoke Signals*, among other news and informational items.

To register, go to www.grandronde.org.

Click on the "Log in here" link in the upper right-hand corner.

Enter your user name and password, and click the "login" button, or if you are not registered, click the link below the login button to register with the Web site.

If you have registered with the site before and have forgotten your login information, you can click the link to recover it by providing the e-mail address that you verified when you registered with the site.

If you have not registered before, you will need to do so to view the Tribal member-only section of grandronde.org.

First-time users will need to fill in the required fields and click the register button at the bottom of the form.

After you click the "register" button, you will need to check the e-mail address that you provided and click on the link in the e-mail that our system sent to you. The e-mail should arrive moments after you click the register button. If you do not see an e-mail you will want to check your junk mail folder/spam filter. Clicking the link will verify that the e-mail address you provided is correct and active, and you will be able to log on to the Tribal member section of the Web site. ■

NW Natives Club Member Meeting

When: Tuesdays and Thursdays

Time: 1 - 2 pm

Where: Clubs Workroom Bldg. 2/178

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