

2006 — Grand Ronde Tribal Chairwoman Cheryle A. Kennedy joined 33 other parties in signing an agreement supporting future plans for the Clackamas River hydro project. Issues resolved in the agreement include a plan for improved fish and wildlife protection along with provisions for a number of recreational activities. The agreement with Portland General Electric was to be submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for approval.

2001 — Artist Ann Murray was commissioned by the Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority to paint murals for Elder housing. Her work was done on the quadraplexes at Coyote, Beaver and Blue Jay courts, and the triplex at Eagle Loop. Housing and Urban Development provided the \$8,000 commission for the project.

1996 — Tribal Council members attended a Town Hall in Willamina that featured Gov. John Kitzhaber, who was invited by Mayor Twila Hill. Tribal Chairman Mark Mercier said that Tribal Council members attended the meeting to make Kitzhaber and the community aware of future plans and growth of the Tribe, including the pursuit of 7,000 acres of original reservation lands.

1991 — Tribal Enrollment Clerk Margo Mercier reported that membership now stands at 2,707 and Tribal Elders Ila Dowd and Nora Kimsey were pictured at the grand opening of the Polk County Museum in Dallas, where the Grand Ronde delegation displayed a set of baskets that were made almost 100 years ago.

1986 — Tribal Elder Eula Petite was teaching Chinook Jargon classes at Grand Ronde Elementary School on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. She was offering 10 one-hour lessons in the Tribal language as part of the Grand Ronde Title IV Indian Education Program.

Yesteryears is a look back at Tribal history in five-year increments through the pages of Smoke Signals.

Parenting classes set

Parents with children from newborn to 8 years of age are invited to participate in "Make Parenting a Pleasure" classes to be held on six consecutive Wednesdays from April 6 through May 11.

Classes will be held from 5:30 to 8 p.m. in the Tribe's Adult Education Building. Parents will learn stress strategies, tips for communicating with babies and young children, facts about child development, discipline techniques and ways to encourage positive behavior.

Dinner and child care will be provided.

For more information or to register, call Indian Child Welfare Prevention Specialist Carmen Mercier at 503-879-1646 or e-mail carmen.mercier@grandronde.org.

BOOK FOR SALE

"The Kalapuyans: A sourcebook on the Indians of the Willamette Valley" by Harold Mackey, Ph.D.



This book, through collaboration between the Cultural Resources Department, Mission Mill Museum, and the Mackey Family, has been re-released in a second edition with a new cover, an updated bibliography with more current and accurate sources, new photographs, and a new afterward explaining the Grand Ronde Tribal perspective.

\$12.95 per book
Books may be purchased from the
Tribe's Cultural Resources Department
located on the second floor of Tribal
Building 14 (Adult Education Building) for \$12.95 each. To have an order
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Capitol player



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

Jan Michael Looking Wolf Reibach, Tribal member and Tribal Lands
Manager, performed an old Cherokee prayer song on his flute and said the
"One Heart" prayer to open the Oregon House of Representatives session
at the State Capitol building in Salem on Thursday, March 10. Reibach
was invited by Rep. Jim Weidner, the representative for the district where
Reibach lives in McMinnville, to open the session and he also gave him a
letter of commendation for his musical accomplishments.

Public Notice March 15, 2011
Indian Community Development Block Grant
(ICDBG) Program Community Development Statement
Amendment Application

Tribal Council met and reviewed options for the best current use of the Tribe's \$500,000 Indian Community Development Block Grant recreation facilities project B05SR410530. Based on information from Tribal meetings and surveys and the recommendations of Tribal staff Tribal Council is planning to amend the grant so it can be used to construct a 2,432-square-foot Youth Activity Addition at the western end of the Tribe's Youth Education Building. The space will allow for a variety of activities that current facilities do not allow. The estimated operating cost for the space is \$16,920 a year. The Tribe's existing match obligation is \$167,000. The amendment is planned for the March 16, 2011, Tribal Council meeting. Those wishing to comment on the plan can also call Kim Rogers, Planning & Grants Manager, at 503-879-2250 or write to him at 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347-9712. Comments are needed by March 23, 2011, and those received will be provided to Tribal Council and made available to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development.

Attention Parents and primary caregivers of Grand Ronde children with disabilities, special needs, or extra challenges:

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We are creating a support group for parents and caregivers of Grand Ronde children with special needs. We will first begin an e-mail and telephone contact list and later we will be coordinating meetings with the group.

If your child, grandchild, foster child, etc. has extra challenges (medically, emotionally, or developmentally) and you would like to collaborate and share resources with other parents, please send your contact information in an e-mail to: lewis.dm@comcast.net or call us at 503-566-3093.

Thank you,

David (2741) and Donna Lewis

parents to Saghaley (5132) and Inatye (5323)

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