

# New challenges



Photo by Ron Kartern

**Exiting Tribal Engineer Eric Scott, second from right, receives thanks for a job well done from Tribal member and Director of Development Pete Wakefield, second left, and Natural Resources staff members, from left, Mike Wilson, manager of the department, Jeff Nepstad, Silviculture and Protection coordinator, center, and Kelly Dirksen, right, Fish and Wildlife coordinator. Scott started as an engineering consultant for the Tribe in 1993. He began working for the Tribe full-time as director of Public Works in 2000 and was named Tribal Engineer in 2002. He is leaving the Tribe to work for Shaw Environmental and Infrastructure Group to manage installation of a power transmission line that will go through Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, Idaho and Oregon.**

## Elders' garage sale seeking donations

Tribal Elders are regularly seeking donations of items for their fundraising garage sales. To donate an item or items, call Tribal Elder Linda Brandon at 971-267-0918. ■

## PSU receives funds to start American Indian Urban Teachers program

PORTLAND — Portland State University's Graduate School of Education is recruiting student candidates for its new project, the American Indian Urban Teachers Program, funded by the Office of Indian Education in the U.S. Department of Education.

Portland State applied for the four-year professional development grant in conjunction with the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation.

The first group of students will begin classes in July to earn a teaching license.

Native American students enrolled in the program will be awarded tuition, fees and books and a living allowance, including dependent care. The program will train 18 Native American teachers during the next four years to teach in schools with significant numbers of Native students enrolled.

Portland State is one of eight colleges and universities nationwide

awarded the funding. To apply or receive a program application, students should contact Marilyn Quintero at quintem@pdx.edu or 503-725-9943.

The link to the Graduate School of Education Web site is [www.pdx.edu/education](http://www.pdx.edu/education) and the link for the program is [www.pdx.edu/aiutp](http://www.pdx.edu/aiutp).

Students interested in enrolling for the 2012 teacher education program should contact the program office to receive an application as early as possible. The deadline of Dec. 1, 2011, requires an online application be submitted to both Portland State and the Graduate Teacher Education Program, as well as the submission of three letters of recommendation and copies of transcripts.

While graduate students are not required to take the Graduate Record Exam, teachers applying for a state license are required by the Teachers Standards and Practices Commission to take either the CBEST or the Praxis. Each academic department also may have other testing requirements prior to admission. ■

## Elder's bingo changes days

Bingo at the Elders' Activity Center has been moved to the second and fourth Fridays of the month.

Potluck starts at 6 p.m. and bingo starts at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, contact Elder Activity Assistant Daniel Ham at 503-879-2233. ■

# The Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon

invite you to visit and participate in some of our annual events

Veterans' Powwow  
July 8, 9, 10

Competition Powwow  
August 19, 20, 21

