

## EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

### Turning a page



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

Tribal Elder Gladys Hobbs reads a book about dinosaurs to her great-grandson, Tribal descendant Morgan Madsen, during the Tribal Library Open House on Thursday, June 2. An expansion of the library, which more than doubled the size of the facility, was recently completed and the open house was part of the Education Division's Summer Kickoff barbecue.

### INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Department of Interior, Office of Appraisal Services (OAS), wants to hire at least one intern for each of their 12 offices across the nation. The ideal interns would be Native Americans, currently enrolled in community or four year college, preferably with some experience, course work or at least some interest in real estate. The interns would work predominantly in the regional OAS offices, but would likely also need to spend some time 'in the field' to help appraise the Tribal properties within the jurisdiction of each particular OAS regional office. Interns are needed ASAP.

Contact Dana Durfee - [durfee.dana@dol.gov](mailto:durfee.dana@dol.gov), 415-625-7938, or Ingrid Nyberg, Federal Project Officer, US DOL, Employment and Training Administration, Region 6, San Francisco. 415-625-7947 or [nyberg.ingrid@dol.gov](mailto:nyberg.ingrid@dol.gov).

### Applications now being accepted

Grand Ronde Head Start (0-5)/Preschool is now accepting applications for children ages 0-5 years old and expectant mothers for the 2011-12 school year. Please contact Sandy Bobb at 503-879-2161 or by e-mail at [sandra.bobb@grandronde.org](mailto:sandra.bobb@grandronde.org) for an application. Completed applications must be received no later than June 30 at 3 p.m. Selection will take place July 15.

### Chemeketa offers Driver Education

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The goal of the program is to eliminate preventable accidents and to prepare young drivers for a complex driving environment. This traffic safety course includes 34 hours of classroom and 12 hours of behind-the-wheel instruction. It will also meet 50 of the 100 documented supervised hours that are required to get a license.

The program serves students ages 15 through adult. Cost for students with an Oregon instruction permit who are under 18 is \$260, and cost for adults with an Oregon instruction permit and/or student with a license is \$360.

To register, students will need a photocopy of the front and back of their permit or license, a completed enrollment form and payment. Pre-registration is required.

Please visit our Web site at [www.drivereducation.chemeketa.edu](http://www.drivereducation.chemeketa.edu) to download a registration form and get additional class date/time options or call the Chemeketa office at 503-584-7541.

#### Class times and location:

Grand Ronde

July 25 - Aug. 16

Monday - Thursday - 9:30 a.m. - Noon

Instructor: Tony Olliff

### Chinuk immersion classes available

The Tribe has two Chinuk immersion classes that are available to preschool and kindergarten students. The Tribal Preschool immersion class is for 3-to-5 year-old children. The Preschool is housed at the Head Start building and the class follows all the Head Start standards with focus on the Chinuk language and culture. The class enrolls 10 students every year and usually has a waiting list.

There is still room to enroll your child for the 2011 school year. If you are interested, call Sandy Bobb at 503-879-2161. Be sure to specify that you want your child to be in the Immersion class.

The Chinuk Kindergarten class also is housed at the Head Start building. The children attend Willamina Elementary in the morning for literature and math and then they are picked up by the Grand Ronde bus after lunch and bused out to Grand Ronde for the remainder of the day. Whatever the children miss in the afternoon at Willamina, they are taught in Grand Ronde using our language and culture. One example is the unit on life cycles. In Willamina they learn about the life cycle of a butterfly and out here we teach them the life cycle of salmon. One advantage of the Tribal Kindergarten class is smaller class sizes and a better teacher/student ratio. We are accepting applications for the 2011-12 school year.

We are on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are interested or have any questions, call Kathy Cole at 503-879-2249.


### Attention all GED, High School & College Grads

If you graduated, or will graduate during the 2010-11 academic year, please contact Education with your information. We will be holding a Graduation Celebration on June 24 and would like to announce your accomplishment. We can also help cover your graduation expenses up to \$100. Please contact Education at 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2275, for more information.


### Need scholarship help?

Are you looking for scholarships and don't know where to start? Do you need assistance with your scholarship applications and/or personal statements? If so, contact the Tribal Scholarship Office at 1-800-422-0232, ext. 1345, or e-mail [luhui.whitebear@grandronde.org](mailto:luhui.whitebear@grandronde.org).


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