



**2007** – Tribal Council members Jack Giffen Jr. and Reyn Leno dug up some dirt during the ground breaking of the Spirit Mountain Casino south expansion project. The two-story expansion will add 135,196 square feet and include a new, larger buffet, events/entertainment center, conference rooms and internal office space for casino departments.

**2002** – Tribal member Steve Bobb Sr., a Marine veteran, was planning to walk the 265 miles from Table Rock to Grand Ronde to help raise money for a planned Veterans Memorial. Bobb walks five miles daily on his lunch break and hopes to cover the distance in 14 days.

**1997** – Michael Larsen, chairman of Spirit Mountain Casino's Board of Directors, recommended appointment of Len Bergstein, Clyde Hamstreet and Clyde Stryker to the board. Tribal Council approved the three appointments.

**1992** – A Tribal museum/cultural center, campground/RV park and full-service restaurant/lounge topped the list of tourism development projects supported by Tribal members at an Economic Development meeting held in January.

**1987** – Tribal member Doug Colton went to Australia along with 15 other college and high school students to represent the United States in the U.S.A./Australia baseball tournament. The team made history by being the only U.S. team to come home undefeated with a 9-0-1 record.

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

## Children's InterTribal Powwow set for Feb. 17

The second Children's InterTribal Powwow will be held from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17, in the Tribal gymnasium.

Everyone is welcome for a free night of singing, drumming and dancing.

For more information, contact Halona Butler at 503-580-9865, Washie Squetimkin at 206-200-3794 or Brian Krehbiel at 503-879-4639. ■

## Sacred Hoop Ceremony slated for March 9

The Tribe's Behavioral Health and Prevention programs are hosting a Sacred Hoop Ceremony at 1 p.m. Friday, March 9, in the Tribal gym.

The four gifts of the Sacred Hoop are the power to forgive, healing, hope and unity. The hoop brings healing for all recovering from different kinds of trauma and also helps strengthen sobriety and Wellbriety in the community. The ceremony is open to all.

People planning on attending need to RSVP to Cristina Lara at 503-879-2040 by Friday, March 2. ■

## Elders' garage sale seeking donations

Tribal Elders are regularly seeking donations for their fundraising garage sales. To donate an item or items, contact Tribal Elders Linda Brandon at 971-267-0918 or Duane Wheeler at 541-992-3254. ■



Yesenia Angulo, of Salem, shows her son, Jude Plemmons, 4, a yellow flash card with the Chinuk Wawa jargon word for yellow on it as he and his friend, Kaya Moreno, 4, left, do a color by numbers activity during the "Our Native American Neighbors" program. On the right is Kathy Cole, Cultural Resources Department program manager and Tribal member, who put together the activity to teach words for colors in Chinuk Wawa.



Brian Krehbiel, Tribal Cultural Education specialist and Tribal member, sings and drums and his daughter, Tribal member Kailiyah Krehbiel, 10, dances.

# Cultural exchange

The Tribe's Cultural Resources Department taught the public about the Grand Ronde Tribe through the series "World at Your Doorstep" held at the Salem Public Library on Saturday, Feb. 4. The program was titled "Our Native American Neighbors" and it included a basketry display, singing, drumming and dancing, a Chinuk Wawa jargon coloring activity and David Lewis, the department's manager and Tribal member, discussed the Tribe's history.

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Tribal Elder Connie Graves tells people about a fish trap that Native Americans traditionally used to catch fish during the "Our Native American Neighbors" program.