



2007 – The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde hosted the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians Awards Banquet honoring Elizabeth Furse. Furse, a lifelong advocate for peace and justice causes, was a former Oregon congresswoman and was instrumental in helping the Grand Ronde Tribe gain Restoration in the early 1980s.

2002 – Cliff Adams was promoted by the Tribe to general manager. Previously, he worked for the Tribe as Natural Resources Division manager for 14 years.

1997 – Tribal Council made appointments to a re-organized Powwow Committee. Twenty-four applications were received and seven appointments were made. The seven new members were Donna Casey, Carol Gleason, Dana Leno, Mark Cook, Jon George, Kathy Tom and Joann Mercier.

1992 – Tribal Forester Cliff Adams received a gold-plated ax from Tribal Council, which nominated him for the InterTribal Timber Council's Earle Wilcox Memorial National/Regional Award. "Cliff has been most conscientious in maximum utilization of forest management, using state-of-the-art methods. Our Tribal Council is pleased with Cliff's dedication to his work," wrote Tribal Chairman Mark Mercier in the nomination letter.

1987 – Tribal member David LaChance, 95, of McMinnville received the Purple Heart 69 years after receiving wounds in World War I. He was wounded in the left shoulder and both legs while serving as a U.S. Army private with an infantry unit in France. His division was fighting to keep the Germans out of Paris. He was 26 and hospitalized for 22 months. The medal was awarded by U.S. Rep Les AuCoin.

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

Scholarship seeks applicants

West Valley Hospital Foundation scholarship applications for students in medically related fields of study are available and applications must be turned in by Saturday, March 31.

Applicants must have a permanent residence in Polk County or be a West Valley Hospital employee, or a family member of a West Valley Hospital employee, and must have applied to a college in their field of study before applying for this scholarship.

Visit www.salemhealth.org/scholarships and click on the West Valley Hospital Foundation Scholarship link. For more information, call 503-831-3456. ■

Family Movie Night showing Sandler comedy

Family Movie Night, sponsored by the Tribe's Youth Prevention Program and Community Awareness Team, will show the Adam Sandler comedy "Jack and Jill" at 5:30 p.m. Friday, March 23, in the Tribal gym.

Dinner will include chicken nuggets, fish sticks, tater tots and cookies.

Seventy-four people attended the February Movie Night. For more information, contact Youth Prevention Assistant Shannon Stanton at 503-879-1489 or Shannon.stanton@grandronde.org. ■

Willamette University holding Social Powwow on March 10

SALEM — Willamette University's Native American student organization presents its 10th annual Social Powwow in the university's Sparks Athletic Center on Friday, March 10.

This family-friendly activity is free and many of the dances are open for all.

Featuring more than 20 drum groups and 100 dancers, the powwow is an opportunity to experience Native American culture. More than 30 Native artisans and food vendors will participate, including a raffle with prizes such as vendor wares, hotel accommodations and a Pendleton blanket.

"Ten years ago, three students started the annual powwow to highlight their cultural identity," says Gordy Toyama, director of the university's Multicultural Affairs Office. "The growth of this event reflects upon our students' commitment to celebrating our diverse cultures."

Beginning with the colorful Grand Entry at 1 p.m., the event will feature flags, dancers and participants from many generations. This session ends at 4 p.m., and another begins at 6 p.m.

Both sessions feature two dance contests — the Men's Traditional Dance and the Women's Jingle

Dress Dance. Jingle dresses are fashioned with hundreds of small tin cones to audibly accentuate dancers' rhythmic motions.

In conjunction with "Marie Watt: Lodge," a major exhibition at the Hallie Ford Museum of Art, university alumna and contemporary Native American artist Marie Watt will hold a sewing circle from 2 to 5 p.m. All are invited to join the circle and work with Watt on a project that will become part of the museum's permanent collection.

Willamette alumnus and Grand Ronde Tribal Elder Bob Tom is the powwow's master of ceremony and David West, director of Native American Studies Program at Southern Oregon University, is the Arena Director. The Host Drum is The Woodmen, comprised of members from the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

As part of the event, the Native American Enlightenment Association will honor former Arena Director Craig Whitehead and Willamette University Native American alumni.

For additional information, call Willamette's Office of Multicultural Affairs at 503-370-6265 or visit www.willamette.edu/dept/oma/events/powwow/. ■

Powwow dance class set for Wednesdays

The Tribe's Cultural Resources Department offers a powwow dance class from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Adult Education Building.

This is a family dance class for all ages that teaches all powwow dance styles.

For more information, contact Cultural Education Specialist Brian Krehbiel at brian.krehbiel@grandronde.org or 503-879-4639. ■

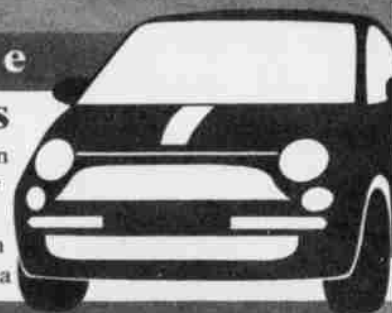
Transportation to Grand Ronde for Tribal members

The Portland Office has transportation day to Grand Ronde once a month for medical, dental appointments or enrollment cards. We need a minimum of 3 people to sign up. Please call Lisa

503-235-4230

We will leave at the Portland Office at 8 a.m.

Please call in advance for the scheduled monthly date



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Carving Class

Come learn the Columbia River art style. Cultural Resources will be having an ongoing apprenticeship class every Wednesday at the carving shop down by the food bank. We will only have room for 10 students. Please contact Brian Krehbiel at 503-879-4639.

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