

## Elder Honor Day T-shirt design sought

Tribal Elders are seeking help in the form of suggested designs for a T-shirt to be worn during Elder Honor Day in July.

T-shirt design submissions should be sent to Julie Duncan at the Tribal Elders' Activity Center by Friday, March 16.

For more information, call Elders Activity Assistant Daniel Ham at 503-879-2233. ■

## Walking On...

### Jesse Francis Robertson Sr.

Dec. 15, 1942 - Feb. 26, 2012

Tribal spouse Jesse Francis Robertson Sr., 69, walked on Sunday, Feb. 26, at his Willamina home.

He was born Dec. 15, 1942, in McMinnville, Ore., to John and Opal Rita (Brandon) Robertson. He was a timber tramp, working from Alaska to Coos Bay. He worked as a yarder and engineer. He was a member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

He is survived by his wife, Candy Robertson of Grand Ronde; daughters, Diana Sohappy of Grand Ronde, Angie Blackwell of McMinnville, Debbie Larsen of Beaverton and Mychal Leno of Salem; sons, Kenneth, Jesse Jr. and Brandon of Willamina and Lynn A. Robertson of Fort Myers, Fla.; brothers, Bob Robertson of Tillamook, Ronald Robertson of Willamina and John A. Robertson Jr. of Mount Angel; sister, Ruby Christopherson; 30 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Michael A. Robertson.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, March 3, at the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde gym.

Adamson's Sheridan Funeral Home handled the arrangements.



### William Avery Hudson Kellogg

Feb. 21, 1945 - Feb. 25, 2012

Tribal Elder William Avery Hudson Kellogg, 67, was born in Walla Walla, Wash., on Feb. 21, 1945, and walked on Saturday, Feb. 25, in Grand Ronde.

He is survived by his wife, Kris Kellogg; children, Travis, Tasha, Elyssa and Rachelle; brother, Joe Kellogg; and sister, Kandee Kellogg.

He loved to read, write and hunt. He was a second generation auto body man by trade all of his life.

The family wanted to share one of his passions for writing with this poem that expressed his lifelong battle.

#### "The Trail"

"I feel a need to write my thoughts and experiences, the urge to write, as if it were an unstoppable wind blowing through the forest. I stand on a mountaintop looking down the trail these 50 years have brought me. I see a trail with many twists and curves, a trail with very little sunshine and much sadness, but when the sun shined, it was so bright and soul warming.

"I realize that with mixed feelings you can chart your own trails. As a Native American I have always felt oneness with the land. As far back as I can remember, when the trail of life led into nature I was most happy. But there is a demon that holds me; it has been like a shadow that is always there, night and day. It is always deceitful and it will fool you; similar to a Chinook summer that then turns to a high plains blizzard which numbs your brain, forcing you off the straight trail to wander and stagger in circles.

"Losing sight of the trail you wander into dark canyons where you are attacked by bears and fall into a rushing flooded river. Always you fight with a strength inherited a ghost lurking around you even in your sleep. You'll build a magnificent camp on a wide and well-traveled trail where the sun shines almost year-round. Then for some reason not understood you will strike off into the wilderness, taking the hardest and toughest trails you can find, returning from your journey wondering why you left.

"Standing at the top of the mountain and looking down that trail I can see this demon and identify it, because it has been with my family forever. It ate my mother, my aunt and now it seeks my children. But now I know your name and will fight you again as I climb the mountain to that well-traveled trail that is true."

His life was celebrated and will continue to be remembered by family and friends forever.

To leave private online condolences, visit [www.macyandson.com](http://www.macyandson.com).

# Wellness Day set for Friday, March 16

The 10th annual Native Youth Wellness Day will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, March 16, in the Tribal gym.

Registration and a continental breakfast will begin at 9 a.m. and opening remarks start at 9:30 a.m.

The event is open for Native American middle and high school youth. Attendees can be dropped off at Youth Education between 8 and 9:30 a.m. or picked up from Willamina and Sheridan schools between 8:15 and 8:45 a.m. Lunch will be provided.

The conference will end at 5 p.m. However, dinner and entertainment will be provided from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the Tribal Community Center.

Area schools have agreed to consider Wellness Day as a school activity and/or field trip. Parents need to follow school policy and pre-approve their student's absence. Students will not be allowed to board the bus without approval from the school and a signed Youth Prevention permission form.

This year's speaker is from Inspire. Motivate. Lead, a company dedicated to the resilience, passion and potential of indigenous communities.

The Agency Creek Round Dance will begin at 7 p.m. in the Tribal gym on Friday and Saturday, March 16-17.

For more information, contact [Cristina.lara@grandronde.org](mailto:Cristina.lara@grandronde.org) or 503-879-2040 or [Shannon.stanton@grandronde.org](mailto:Shannon.stanton@grandronde.org) or 503-879-1489. ■

## Tribal vendors sought for showcase

The Tribe is seeking Grand Ronde vendors for a Grand Ronde Showcase to be held during the EPA District 10 Tribal Leaders Summit between Monday, April 30, and Friday, May 4, at Spirit Mountain Casino.

Tables will be \$25 each and must be paid in advance on a limited first-come, first-served basis.

All items for sale must be Native Northwest made and must be Tribally themed arts and craft items.

Logo wear is not permitted.

Tables must be staffed from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, April 30; 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 1; 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 2; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, May 3; and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, May 4.

To obtain a vendor application, contact the Tribal switchboard at 503-879-5211, stop by the front desk to pick one up or e-mail Public Affairs Director Siobhan Taylor at [Siobhan.taylor@grandronde.org](mailto:Siobhan.taylor@grandronde.org). Application deadline is Monday, April 23. ■



### 2012 REGION 10 EPA TRIBAL LEADERS SUMMIT VENDOR APPLICATION

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## APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:		
Tribe/Organization/Business Affiliation	Tribal Enrollment #	Phone: Cell: Home:
Current address: Email:		
City:	State:	ZIP Code:
Brief Description of Items being sold <small>**All Items Must Be NW Native made</small>		

#### Instructions

- 1) Each application will be pre-screened and notified of acceptance or denial.
- 2) You are limited to 1 table per vendor. (Tables provided by event organizers. Personal tables NOT allowed)
- 3) You may only sell NW Native made items.
- 4) Tables must be staffed during the following hours:  

Monday, April 30	9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Tuesday, May 1	8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 2	8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Thursday, May 3	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Friday, May 4	8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- 5) Tables must be prepaid with this application. \$25 per table (Payments are not allowed at the event)
- 6) No waiting list (All vendor spots are on first-come basis.)
- 7) There will be designated spaces for all accepted vendors. (No vendor will be allowed to change location)

**\*\*No Logo Wear\*\***  
**Deadline to submit is April 18, 2012**  
 For more information contact: Scarlett Holtz 503-879-1453