

## Letters

### Dear Tribal members:

This is the last call for signing the Per Capita Payment Petition.

We have had a great response to our Per Capita Payment Petition and have already met our initial goal of 200 signatures. As I write, we are now exceeding our goal as we receive various numbers of signatures almost on a daily basis. Five former Tribal Council members have signed our petition.

If you would like to request that our per capita percentage be restored to the percentage that was distributed from 1999-2010, please write to me at rmarybayci@aol.com and I will e-mail you a petition.

If you do not have access to a computer and/or a printer, cut out the wording of the Per Capita Payment Petition shown in the April 1, 2012, *Smoke Signals*, and fill in the designated spots. After you have completed that step, send by regular mail to the name and address given at the bottom of the Per Capita Payment Petition wording.

Thank you to each Tribal member who has spoken on this matter.

My best to you all.

**Rosemary Jameson**

Roll #883

### IN THE TRIBAL COURT OF THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE GRAND RONDE COMMUNITY OF OREGON

In the Matter of:  
PETITE, Kristi,  
Petitioner,  
For  
HALL,  
Jesse Izayah, a Minor

CASE NO. C-12-04-001  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE:  
NAME CHANGE

On April 2, 2012, a petition was filed in this Court on behalf of the minor child Jesse Izayah Hall. The Petitioner seeks an order changing the name of the minor child to Izayah Jesse Hall.

#### NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. Hearing in this matter is set for May 30, 2012, at 1:30 p.m.
2. Any parent, guardian or relative of the first degree interested in the matter shall appear for the hearing to show cause, if any there be, why the Court should not enter an order granting the proposed change of name.
3. Any parent, guardian or relative in the first degree may file a written objection to the proposed name change with this Court prior to the hearing date set out above.
4. Petitioner and the minor child shall appear at the hearing.
5. The Clerk of the Court shall cause a copy of this Order to be published in *Smoke Signals*, the Tribal newspaper of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, for two consecutive editions.

DATED THIS 20th DAY OF APRIL, 2012.

**Suzanne Ojibway Townsend,**  
Chief Judge

## All veterans invited

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ones to the memorial in the year ahead, said Tribal Elder Dakota Whitecloud, chair of the Tribe's Veterans Special Events Board.

To Marine veteran, Tribal Elder and Tribal Council member Steve Bobb Sr., designer of the memorial, the day marks, "A day of remembrance for freedom.

"As our young people find that inner strength that tells them, 'I want to serve, to stand and protect this nation, to have the honor of wearing a uniform of one of the fighting forces of the United States of America, to join the ranks of the brave men and women who will never run from those who would bring harm and destruction to our nation.'

"Even with the potential of being emotionally and physically scarred for the rest of their lives, of dealing every day of their lives with things

they are asked to do, for having to witness mankind at its worst and maybe the giving of your own life and the heartbreak that their families will have to forever endure; even at times feeling very alone, homesick and fearful, there are still those who step forward to take on the challenge and responsibility of protecting a nation.

"All of us who live our lives under the umbrella of freedom need to be reminded that freedom is a fragile thing, so I absolutely believe that we need to recognize their contributions. They are the 'Protectors of Freedom.'"

Veterans and veteran groups from the area have been invited and the Grand Ronde Color Guard will post the colors.

The Tribe's Veterans Special Events Board is hosting the event again this year.

The program is expected to last from 1 to 3 p.m. ■

## Walking On...

### Bernice June (Langley) Jensen

June 7, 1917 - May 9, 2012

Tribal Elder Bernice Jensen, 94, walked on May 9, 2012, at Dallas Village Retirement in Dallas, Ore., where she had been residing since February of this year.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Monday, May 14, 2012, at the Grand Ronde Tribal Cemetery.

Bernice June Jensen was born on June 7, 1917, to James and Emma (Zuker) Langley in Tillamook, Ore.

Bernice's growing up years were spent near Grand Ronde. Her formal education ended just short of the eighth grade.

Bernice worked in St. Paul processing turkeys, in Portland for Kienow's Bohemian Bakery as a counter clerk and later as a nanny.

Bernice called Grand Ronde, St. Paul, Dayton and finally Portland her home.

She was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 4 for 60 years and loved to garden, do crafts and dance.

She is survived by her son, Robert Nagel of Willamina; sisters, Pearl Lyon and Ruby Bigoni; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were handled by Adamson's Sheridan Funeral Home.



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

Tribal Elder Gene LaBonte, right, Ken Rober, a member of Willamina Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4211, and DOA Pro Wrestling, based in Portland, worked together to hold a professional wrestling fundraising event at the VFW Hall in Willamina that took place on Saturday, April 21. The \$400 raised will be used to add two pillars to the West Valley Veterans Memorial.

## Veterans raise \$400 for new memorial pillars

By Ron Karten

*Smoke Signals staff writer*

Willamina VFW Post 4211 and DOA Pro Wrestling, based in Portland, hosted a professional wrestling event and fundraiser for the West Valley Veterans Memorial on Saturday, April 21, at the VFW Hall in Willamina.

The Willamina Post has hosted DOA wrestling events monthly since 2010, said Ken Rober, past-president of the post. On May 19, he will become District 16 commander, supervising six posts in the Willamette Valley.

More than 100 attended the event that raised \$400 for two new black granite pillars needed to continue adding names of Army and Navy veterans to the memorial. New names are added to the pillars each Memorial Day.

"This was a great way of giving back to the veterans that gave so much for our country," said Terry Farness, owner and promoter for DOA Pro Wrestling.

It was a group effort, said Tribal Elder and Northwest Indian Veterans Association member Gene LaBonte, who also served as chairman of the Governor's Task Force on Veterans Affairs in 2009-10.

"I made the suggestion," he said. "Ken took it up and took off with it. Those guys really believe in the veterans and we want to give a big thank you to the vets for all they've done for the U.S. It was a very entertaining night. The crowds are fun to watch."

There is no date yet for the anticipated installation of the new pillars, said Tribal Elder Dakota Whitecloud, chair of the Tribe's Veterans Special Events Board, which is tasked with seeing the project through. ■