

*Walking On...***Candace Marie Diaz**

April 26, 1989 – Oct. 6, 2012

Candace Marie Diaz, 23, of Sheridan walked on Oct. 6, 2012.

She was born April 26, 1989, in Phoenix, Ariz., to Manuel Lerma Diaz Jr. and Denna Maria Diaz.

She was proud of being a good mother to her daughter, Jayde Diaz, and loved to sing and dance. She was an active and proud member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

She is survived by her parents; daughter, Jayde; brothers, Manuel Diaz III, Arthur Diaz, Donovan Diaz, Keenan Ulestad and Brendon (no last name provided); sister, Tajia Ulestad; and grandparents, Mazie Thompson and Mary and Manuel Diaz.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, Oct. 10, at the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde gym. A potluck fellowship followed in the Tribal Community Center.

Arrangements were handled by Adamson's Sheridan Funeral Home. To leave an online condolence, visit www.AdamsonsSheridanFuneralHome.com.

**Donald Gene Hudson**

Nov. 18, 1946 – Oct. 7, 2012

Tribal Elder Donald Gene Hudson, 65, of Siletz, Ore., walked on after losing his battle with cancer on Oct. 7, 2012.

He was born to Gene and Gladys (Lane Bolton) on Nov. 18, 1946, in Salem, Ore. He bravely served in the Army from 1965 to 1967. He was a proud member of the 82nd and 173rd Airborne Brigade in Vietnam, parachuting from war aircraft more than 300 times.

He was a member of the Grand Ronde Tribe and his mother's side of the family was Siletz. He was dedicated to the service of Native American people and worked as a program developer to assist other Native Americans in finding employment and developing job skills. He was a member of several Native American honor guards, the Northwest Indian Veterans Association and Siletz Veterans of Foreign Wars chapter.

One of his favorite hobbies was assembling model airplanes and sharing his knowledge of planes with his grandchildren. When he wasn't assembling model planes, he could be found sharing his love of beer and keno with his buddies at one of his favorite bars.

Don was preceded in death by his only son, Blue Hudson.

He is survived by a large family that includes his loving wife, Margo, of Siletz; his parents, Gene Hudson and Gladys Bolton of Keizer; daughter, Tamora Herrman; stepchildren, Lisa Norton and Maggie McAfee; brothers, William and Ronald Hudson; grandchildren, Chelsey and Clifford Herrmann, Michael Norton, Josh Rilatos, Trevor Norton and Madison and JayLee McAfee; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

A memorial Mass was held on Thursday, Oct. 11, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Siletz followed by burial of his ashes at Paul Washington Cemetery in Siletz.

Bateman Funeral Home in Newport, Ore., handled the arrangements.

Harvest Party set for Oct. 31

Lighthouse Church in Grand Ronde will host a Harvest Party from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31, in the Tribal Community Center.

Games, prizes, candy and more will be featured to celebrate the coming of fall. ■

Family Movie Night expands to 3-in-1

The monthly Family Movie Night put on by Youth Prevention will expand to a 3-in-1 affair on Friday, Oct. 26. "Moonrise Kingdom" will be shown in the Tribal gym while "Dark Shadows" will play in the Tribal Youth Education building and "Madagascar 3" will play in Early Child Education. The first two movies are rated PG-13 while "Madagascar 3" is rated G.

Dinner will be served at 5 p.m. and include a chicken stir fry with noodles, yogurt parfait, water, juices and snacks. Door prizes will be given out in the Tribal gym after all the movies are shown.

Children 6 to 12 years of age need to have a parent or guardian present at all times and youth 13 to 17 can attend either PG-13 movie although parental discretion is advised for those movies. The first 10 children 6 months to 5 years of age for "Madagascar 3" only will receive child care.

For more information, contact Shannon Stanton at 503-879-1489. ■

Road re-opening

Photo by Dean Rhodes

The Tribe officially marked the rehabilitation of 3.91 miles of Agency Creek Road on Friday, Sept. 28, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. The rehabilitation work was between the junction at Grand Ronde Road to the junction with Yoncalla Creek Road and included replacement of 37 corrugated metal culverts with new HDPE culverts. Tribal Project Engineer Manager Jesse White said many of the existing culverts were completely corroded away. The existing 96-inch culvert at Joe Creek was replaced with a new 116-inch arch culvert that will allow better fish passage. The existing asphalt was pulverized and areas in the road that had failed were repaired. Four inches of asphalt concrete was placed over the entire project's length. The budget was \$1.546 million and the project was completed on budget. Attending the ribbon cutting were, from left, White, Cascade Design Project Engineer Jessie King, K&E Excavating foreman Mike Acuff, Tribal Council Chairman Reyn Leno, Tribal Council Secretary Toby McClary, Tribal Public Works Manager John Mercier, Tribal Executive Officer Chris Leno, Tribal Senior Forester Zach Haas and Tribal Timber & Roads Program Manager Jeff Kuust.

Educational open house

Photos by Michelle Alaimo

Nacoma Liebelt looks through "Lucy the Lamb" as he looks at books on the giveaway table at the Tribal library during the Education Division Open House on Wednesday, Oct. 3.



Trinity Minahan, Tribal GED/HSC program coordinator, hands Elizabeth Watson-Croy a notebook and markers she won in a prize drawing during the Education Division Open House on Wednesday, Oct. 3.

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