



2007 – Tribal Council members Steve Bobb Sr., Chris Mercier and Wink Soderberg attended the 10th Tribal-State Summit held at Kah-nea-ta High Desert Resort and Casino in Warm Springs. The event provided state officials, including Gov. Ted Kulongoski, a chance to interact with representatives from Oregon's nine federally recognized Tribes.

2002 – The Tribe's Behavioral Health Department successfully received its second certification. A Drug and Alcohol Certification was awarded in May 2001 and the department received its Mental Health Certification from three credentialing agencies — Indian Health Service, state of Oregon and Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care.

1997 – The Tribe celebrated 14 years of Restoration. The festivities included a meal, historical displays, blessing of the Sacred Hide created by Jon A. George and a mini powwow. Speakers included Marvin Kimsey, Margaret Provost and Tribal Council Chair Kathryn Harrison.

1992 – Indian Health Service honored Cheryl A. Kennedy as the Outstanding Portland Area Tribal Health Administrator. Kennedy was the Grand Ronde representative on the Native American Indian Health Board in the Portland area and had worked for the Grand Ronde Health Department for eight years.

1987 – A former Chinook Indian village on Sauvie Island was surveyed by archaeologists. They found a seal's tooth, charred acorn, hazelnut shells and wapato, bones from a variety of fish, birds and game, obsidian flakes, and cedar and choke cherry shavings. The site would be one of Oregon's most important "wet" sites, meaning the artifacts are buried in water or mud.

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

Elders' garage sale seeking donations

Tribal Elders are regularly seeking donations for 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. ■

Veterans visit



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

Tribal Council member Steve Bobb Sr. shakes hands with a Willamina Middle School student as she thanks him for his service and his participation in Veterans Visit Day at the school on Friday, Nov. 16. For the event, veterans who served in various wars came to speak to the students about their time and experiences in the military. Along with sharing his own story about serving in the Marines Corps during the Vietnam War, Bobb also focused on Native Americans and their high participation numbers in the military, particularly the enlistment of Grand Ronde members.

Volleyball nights held

The Tribe's Recreation Program has started an open volleyball night every Wednesday from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Tribal gym. Volleyball is open to anyone who wishes to participate. For more information, contact Recreation Coordinator Matthew Mosley at 503-879-1369 or matthew.mosley@grandronde.org. ■



Tribal Council Christmas Party

Dec. 2, 2012

@ the Tribal Gym

10:30 - 11:45 a.m. – Visit with Santa
(Please bring your camera)

Noon - MC Tribal Council Chairman Reyn Leno

12:15 p.m. - Lord's Prayer by Royalty

1 p.m. – Invocation by Tribal Councilman Steve Bobb Sr.

Meal Served

2:30 p.m. – Children singing

Please bring donations for Food Bank
Hats & Gloves