

Cultural Corner

CTGR Tribal Headquarters
9615 Grand Ronde Road
Grand Ronde, OR 97347
Weekly Classes:

Mondays:

- **Class: Chinuk Wawa 2nd year**
Time: 5 - 6:30 p.m.
Location: Cultural Center, 8728 Grand Ronde Rd
- **Class: Chinuk Wawa**
Time: 5 - 6:30 p.m.
Location: Cultural Center, 8728 Grand Ronde Rd
- **Class: Dancing**
Time: 4 - 5 p.m.
Location: Adult Ed Building Rm 126 A and B

Tuesdays:

- **Class: Basket Making**
Time: 12:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Location: Elders' Activity Center

Wednesdays: July 17, 24, 31

- No Aug. classes**
- **Class: Chinuk Wawa**
Time: 5 - 6:30 p.m.
Location: Cultural Center, 8728 Grand Ronde Rd

Thursdays:

- **Class: Regalia Making**
Time: 4:30 - 7 p.m.
Location: Adult Ed Building Rm 126 A and B



Grand Ronde Area

CTGR Portland Office
4445 S.W. Barbur Blvd.
Portland, OR 97239

Weekly classes in PDX for July:

Mondays, 3 - 7 p.m. – Lifeways

Tuesdays, 5 - 8 p.m. – Beading

Wednesdays, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. – Chinuk Wawa

Aug. 23, 24, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. – Juncus Gathering

Portland Area

Northwest Indian Language Institute

By Kathy Cole

Cultural Education and Outreach Program manager

The Northwest Indian Language Institute (NILI), through the University of Oregon, is helping strengthen and preserve not only Native American language, but its culture as well.

This year the Tribe was fortunate enough to have five Tribal member participants in NILI's Summer Institute: Jeff Mercier and Halona Butler from the Tribe's Education Department; Kathy Cole from the Tribe's Land and Culture Department; and Kyoni Mercier and ChyAnne Schlappie, high school students.

Cole taught Chinuk Wawa and chaperoned the high school students as well as provided support for staff. The group attended classes every day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. as well as a few evening events. The classes consisted of classes in linguistics, Chinuk Wawa, teaching methods and a technology class.

In the technology class, attendees all learned how to make an Ibook, creating three new books during NILI's two-week session. These books will be used in the Tribe's language program and attendees, with their new knowledge, will be able to create additional books for use in teaching Chinuk Wawa.

Bobby Mercier attended the summer session one day and taught a lesson in Chinuk Wawa on making cordage. The Grand Ronde Language staff and high school students stood up with Bobby and sang songs in Chinuk for the rest of the participants. Jeff and Halona also put on a final presentation in Chinuk Wawa. They taught about their daily routine in the preschool classroom.

Grand Ronde was well represented at NILI's Summer Institute. The entire group came back with much enthusiasm and knowledge gained, ready to put it all to work and additionally they earned four hours of college credit.

Note:

• Culture classes are free for enrolled Grand Ronde Tribal members: No charge for the classes or materials.

• These classes are also free for Tribal member spouses, family and descendants – if materials (beads, dentalia etc.) are required, they must bring their own, use donated if available or reimburse for any materials provided. See instructor for details.

• Members enrolled in any other federally-recognized Tribe: \$10 fee per class – bring their own materials, use donated materials if available or reimburse for materials provided.

• For all other persons: \$15 fee per class – bring their own materials, use donated materials if available or reimburse for materials provided.

Lamb Cottage Meeting Facility
(located in Skinner Butte Park)
101 Cheshire Road, Eugene OR 97401

• **Class: Chinuk Wawa**
Date: Mondays, July 15, 29 Aug. 5, 19
5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

• **Class: Lifeways**
Date: Tuesdays, July 16, 30 Aug. 6, 20
1:30 - 4:30 p.m.

• **Class: Beading**
Date: Wednesdays, July 17, 31 Aug. 7, 14
3 - 7 p.m.

Eugene Area

For more information please contact Flicka Lucero, Land and Culture Dept. Secretary, at 503-879-2268