

Nixwa's friends



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

Veronica Gaston pets Nixwa, the Tribal K-9 officer, during a Friends for Nixwa meeting held at the Tribal Community Center on Tuesday, May 13, as Grand Ronde Police Department Officer Patrick McConnell, Nixwa's handler and partner, holds his leash. Gaston is the organizer of the group that is raising funds to purchase the canine police officer a bulletproof vest, which cost about \$1,000. She is currently selling raffle tickets for \$1 to win prizes including a Pendleton blanket, a two-night stay at Spirit Mountain Casino, dinner for two at the casino and an American Red Cross survival kit. The raffle drawing is expected to take place at the General Council meeting on Sunday, May 18, at the Community Center. For more information or to purchase raffle tickets, contact Gaston at 503-560-8217.

Elders' phone numbers wanted

The Tribal Elders Committee is compiling a volunteer phone list of Elders. If you would like to submit your phone number and address to be available to other Elders, send it to elders.committee@grandronde.org or leave a message at 503-879-2231. ■

Happy Birthday
Dennis M.
 Hope you have a safe birthday!
 May 22, 1965
 Love, Debbie, Rick, Pete and Tim.

Happy Birthday
Jeanette Harrison
 May 16, 2014
 & many more!
 Love, from the whole family.

Qhapa nayka shawash Tillicum.
 Nayka q'at kanawi-mayka!

I am writing this to give thanks to my dad, mom and all my family for all the help and support you all continuously give to me. Thank you. Also to say Happy Birthday to my sons, Jacob and Yarrow. I love you, boys. You are what makes my heart beat. Also want to thank my brothers, Josh, Lil' David, Bobby, Crow, Brian, Joe and Miah for having my back no matter what and doing all you do for our family.

Also want to thank big cuz/bro Willy, you know. Also to my big bros Lenn-Dawg and Greg, love ya. And thanks to Aunt Cindy for everything! Uncles Cole, Alan, Dennis, Steve, Chad, Dino, Robert, Arlen, Lala (John S.), Lil' Johnny, Uncle John Clark, Russ L., thank you.

Also big love to you women folk who make us strong: Jessica, Veda, Shatara, auntie Carole, auntie Percy, Claudia, Nelda, Arleta, Julie-mom, Yuba, Laura, Mish, Anna, Lydia, Lisa Bug, Nannett, Melinda, Dawn, Sylia, Yevone, Laverne, Lorraine, Rose, Wanda, Connie, Deanna and Brenda. Also Jackie.

And to all my cousins and relations. Thank you all.

Nayka q'at mayka, ma Tillicum, chilchil-itsxut
 Jacob Lee Holmes
 Roll #2682



CHACHALU

TRIBAL MUSEUM & CULTURAL CENTER

Chachalu Phase I Opening
 June 5th

4 to 4:45 p.m.

Ceremony at Chachalu (outside weather permitting)

1. Opening prayer
2. Drum song
3. chinuk wawa song by the preschool and K-2 classes
4. Welcome
5. Tribal Council remarks
6. Chachalu operations
7. Recognitions
8. Education Summer Kick-off Announcements

4:45 to 6:30 p.m.

Walkthrough of facility, including exhibit space and program staff in each area presenting operations

Light refreshments provided

Please RSVP to landandculture@grandronde.org or Chelsea Clark at 503-879-1418

