

# Forklift practice



Photo by Ron Karten

**Scott Ryan, wearing an orange vest, is a light equipment instructor from the Northwest College of Construction. He led the field practice for running a forklift on Monday, June 23, for a class sponsored by the Tribal Employment Rights Office. Student driver Jack Provost drove the forklift around a small obstacle course and practiced using the machine's functions during the practice that took place down the road from the Elders' Activity Center. Nine students participated in the class.**

## College Placement Testing offered

College Placement Testing offered on-site at the Adult Education Building for Chemeketa Community College, Linn-Benton Community College and Mount Hood Community College. The Placement Test is one of the first steps to beginning college classes. Call 503-879-2282 to sign up for your placement test – allow about one week for scheduling purposes. ■

# Important notice to full-time students

All full-time students must submit verification that they have applied to a scholarship outside the Tribe before funding will be released for the term/semester. Verification can include a scholarship award or denial letter, e-mail verification that an application was submitted, a copy of the application or the financial aid award letter that lists an outside scholarship. Please contact Education at 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2275, if you have any questions. ■

# Firewood Permits

Attention firewood permit holders! According to the National Inter-agency Fire Center, Oregon is expected to have an "above normal fire potential." With this forecast and an abundance of fuel wood available, we are encouraging valid permit holders to fill the issued permits as soon as reasonably possible to avoid a closure due to fire season. For questions or to obtain a firewood permit, contact Natural Resources at 503-879-2424 or visit [www.grandronde.org/departments/natural-resources/](http://www.grandronde.org/departments/natural-resources/). As a reminder, firewood permits are issued to all Grand Ronde Tribal members for personal use and may not exceed five cords in a calendar year. ■

# Sears honored by gaming magazine

Tribal member Angela Sears, advertising supervisor at Spirit Mountain Casino, will be honored as one of five Great Women of Gaming Rising Star Winners in the August issue of *Casino Enterprise Management*.

Sears, 42, started working in the gaming industry in 1996 as a table games dealer. After six years as a dealer, she began working her way up to floor supervisor and pit supervisor while going back to school.

In 2006, she received a bachelor's degree in Journalism and Communications with an emphasis in Advertising and Public Relations and a minor in Communications from the University of Oregon. She worked for a year in Public Affairs for the Tribe before returning to Spirit Mountain Casino in 2008 as a marketing coordinator.

In 2012, Sears was promoted to advertising supervisor. She manages a team of three graphic designers and a production coordinator. In addition to her daily involvement with radio, TV, print, outdoor and copywriting, she provides input on the logistics of sponsorships, which is critical to the casino.

"Advertising is only a small portion of everything I still need to understand," Sears said about her eventual goal of overseeing the entire casino operation. "In order to see the big picture and make intelligent decisions within an organization, based on day-to-day strategy, I need to interact and breathe with each and every department."

"I feel that I am helping the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde succeed, and am giving back to the community. Essentially, promoting the casino is promoting the Tribe." ■



## The Shakespeare Experience

Visit Ashland, Oregon on July 21-23, 2014 with Youth Education as we pay a visit to Southern Oregon University and learn about what they have to offer prospective students. We will also be taking in "Richard III" at the Oregon Shakespeare festival. In addition to the play, students will be given an opportunity to learn about the play beforehand and then talk to a performer after the play.



This event is limited to 8 students. Students will need to fill out an application to be considered for this trip.

**Applications are due 7/18/14.**

For more information or to request an application, contact the Tiffany Mercier at: (503) 879-2101

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