

## Smoke Signals receives four newspaper awards

Smoke Signals received four awards, including two first places, from the Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association on Friday, July 18, as a participant in the annual Associate Member Publications Contest.

Smoke Signals received two first-place awards. Photographer Michelle Alaimo received the top award in Photography while the entire staff was honored with first place in the Target Audience category, which honors the “level of interest, relevance, creativity and commitment to the target audience.”

Graphic Designer George Valdez was honored in the Graphics category with a second-place award and page designer Justin Phillips was honored in the Design category with a third-place award.

Like in 2013, only three out of 25 qualifying newspapers in Oregon received awards in the Associate Member contest – *The Portland Tribune*, *The Capital Press* in Salem and *Smoke Signals*, which again was the only Tribal newspaper to receive awards from ONPA.

“If you look at the competition – *The Portland Tribune* and the agricultural newspaper *The Capital Press* – you’ll understand that *Smoke Signals* receiving four awards was an honor,” said Publications Coordinator Dean Rhodes. “We went head-to-head with the heavyweights in our category and turned in a very respectable performance, winning four of the 13 awards handed out.

“The awards reflect the talent, dedication and professionalism of the entire staff, as well as the great assistance we receive from our Tribal colleagues. Winning the Target Audience award again reflects that we concentrate on covering Grand Ronde Tribal news as our priority.”

*Smoke Signals* previously won the Target Audience award in 2009 and 2012. *The Portland Tribune* received the Sweepstakes Award in the Associate Member category, accumulating 10 points for its five awards. *Smoke Signals* and *The Capital Press* both accumulated nine points in winning four awards apiece to tie for second place.

The Associate Member Publications Contest was judged by members of the Indiana Press Association.

During the Native American Journalist Association conference held July 11-13 in Santa Clara, Calif., *Smoke Signals* received 10 awards. ■

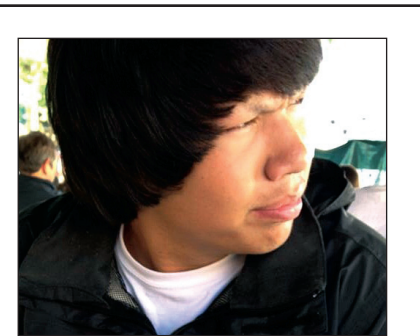
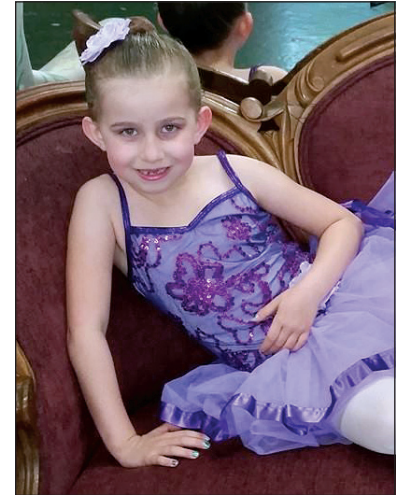


Happy 4th Birthday

### Ian David Mercier

You bring so much happiness and laughter into our lives. We love you little man! Love Mommy, Daddy and Mikayla.

Happy 7th Birthday  
**Mikayla Shea Mercier**  
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### Dakota Rock

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**Girl jingle dancers, including Aleena Westley, second from left, participate in Grand Entry during the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde 2013 Contest Powwow held at Uyxat Powwow Grounds last August.**

# Camping is \$5

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Grand entries will be held at 1 and 7 p.m. with the deadline for dancer registration set for 2 p.m.

On Sunday, Aug. 17, the lone Grand Entry will occur at 1 p.m.

In addition to dancing, the third annual youth 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament will be held. The tourney is open to middle and high school youth and teams consist of four players. For more information, contact Recreation Coordinator Matt Mosley at 503-879-1369. Deadline to register is Aug. 8.

Scheduled host drums will be Young Bear and Young Spirit with The Woodsmen as the honorary host drum. Women’s traditional and Men’s round bustle will be the

dance specials with \$800 first-place awards and four consolation prizes each. Day pay will be guaranteed for the first 20 visiting drums.

Master of ceremonies will be Edmund Nevaquaya, Charlie Tail-Feathers will act as head judge and Fred Ike Jr. will be the arena director.

Camping at Uyxat Powwow Grounds is available for \$5, which includes a parking pass. Parking is \$1 a day or a donation of canned food. Weekend passes are available for \$3.

A shuttle also will transport powwow enthusiasts from Spirit Mountain Casino to the powwow grounds.

No pets are permitted around the powwow arena and the powwow is a drug- and alcohol-free event. ■

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No rush orders will be permitted and requestors must allow 30 days for delivery. Requestors must be Tribal members. In addition, reprint requestors must agree that the reprint is for personal use only, and not for use in an ad, or for commercial, political or promotional purposes.

*Smoke Signals* reserves the right to decline a reprint request. To request a reprint order form, write to *Smoke Signals* at 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347, or call Michelle Alaimo at 503-879-1961 or 800-422-0232. ■

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