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Land & Culture Corner **Upcoming Classes** For class descriptions and to view instructional videos visit our webpage at http://www.grandronde.org/culture/ Grand Ronde Area Portland Area Eugene Area **Chinuk Wawa Chinuk Wawa Chinuk Wawa** First year First and Second year August 11 & 25 Wednesdays Mondays 5:30 - 8:30 pm 5:30 - 7:30 pm 5:00 - 6:30 pm Lamb Cottage **CTGR Portland Office** Chachalu Second year First year Wednesdays Wednesdays 5:00 - 7:00 pm Noon - 1:00 pm **CTGR Portland Office** Chachalu Lifeways August 5 & 26 1:30 - 4:30 pm Lifeways Lamb Cottage Mondays **Dancing & Drumming** 3:00 - 7:00 pm Tuesdays **CTGR Portland Office** 4:00 - 5:00 pm CTGR Adult Ed, Room 126 **Coastal Style Purse** August 6 & 20 **Coastal Style Purse** 3:00 - 7:00 pm Tuesdays Lamb Cottage 5:30 - 8:30 pm **Regalia - Wing Dresses CTGR Portland Office** Thursdays 4:00 - 7:00 pm Chachalu Lamb Cottage **CTGR Portland Office** (located in Skinner Butte Park) 4445 SW Barbur Boulevard 101 Cheshire Road Portland, OR 97239 Eugene, OR 97401 **Moccasins Thursdays** 4:00 - 7:00 pm **NEW ORAL HISTORY PROJECT!** Chachalu Cedar (Mat, Basket or Hat) July 22 and August 12 & 19 12:30 to 4:00 pm or 4:00 to 8:00 pm and recorded with a small mobile audio device. **Elders Activity Center** CTGR Adult Education and **Elders Activity Center** 9615 Grand Ronde Road Chachalu 8720 Grand Ronde Road Grand Ronde, OR 97347

NOTE:

Enrolled Grand Ronde Tribal Members: No charge for the classes or materials.

For all other persons: No charge to attend the classes. Reimbursement to the Tribe for cost of materials if applicable.

For additional information on classes visit or contact Flicka Lucero, Cultural Education Specialist, at 503-879-2268.

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There are several ongoing efforts to acquire oral histories from our Elders, Tribal Members, and communities. These stories are a very important part of preserving the Tribe's history. They will help current and future generations understand the incredible journey of our people, how we have persevered, and provide a connection for Tribal families. Some of those stories are recorded here at Chachalu. Others are shared with staff by visiting off-site

I am pleased to announce a new oral history project that the Land and Culture Department is launching on August 1st: "Stories of Tribal Veterans, Honoring our Warriors" (see full page in Smoke Signals). This is an opportunity for Tribal Veterans and/or their families to share stories of their service to our country. These recordings will be cherished by the Tribe and, with approval by participants, possibly included in future cultural exhibits here at Chachalu. We will also be asking to make a copy of any photos of the Tribal Veteran that could be used as well.

According to the National Department of Defense, Native Americans hold the highest record of military service per capita when compared to other ethnic groups. Today, there are nearly 190,000 American Indian and Alaska Native military veterans. Following that statistic, the Grand Ronde Tribe has maintained a long history of Tribal Members who served in the armed forces. These folks dedicate years to serving our country, endure perilous threats, and in some cases give up their lives to protect us and others.

This is a great project for the Tribe that will help honor our veterans and their families. Please contact Reina Nelson at 503 879-2226 for more information.

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