

HBO seeking Sacagawea, Native speakers for series

Casting director Rene Haynes and her team, which specializes in Native American and First Nations casting, will be in the Northwest this month and early November to conduct exploratory casting searches for the young female lead in the HBO six-hour mini-series "Lewis and Clark," the story of America's first contact with the land and Native Tribes west of the Mississippi River. In addition to seeking Native women age 17 to early 20s for the lead female role of Sacagawea, Haynes also will be seeking Native Americans of all ages who are familiar with the following languages: Shoshone, Nez Perce, Mandan, Hidasta, Arikara, Blackfeet, Chinook, Clatsop, Walla Walla, Sioux and Shawnee via an online open call.

"These are the languages of some of the peoples whom Lewis and Clark encountered on their journey and who were important to the expedition's success," Haynes said. "We will make every effort to find as many authentic speakers as we can to be respectful to everyone's contribution to this important story."

Native men who are lean, fit and skilled horseback riders also are encouraged to apply.

For more information on the casting call schedule or to learn how to submit a taped interview if you are not able to attend one of the casting calls, visit www.rhsearch.com.

"Lewis and Clark" is based on "Undaunted Courage" by historian Stephen E. Ambrose and will star Casey Affleck as Meriwether Lewis. ■

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Elders Bazaars scheduled

Elders Bazaars will be held in November and December on the Tribal campus and at Spirit Mountain Casino.

The schedule is Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7-8, at the Tribal gym; Friday and Saturday, Nov. 14-15 at Spirit Mountain Casino; and Friday and Saturday, Dec. 12-13, at Spirit Mountain Casino.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fridays and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays.

Tables cost \$10 per day per table for the Tribal gym and \$20 per day per table at the casino.

To sign up for a table or tables, contact Elder Activity Assistant Dan Ham at the Elders' Activity Center at 503-879-2233. ■

Tribe awarded \$500K to build police station

By Dean Rhodes

Smoke Signals editor

The Grand Ronde Tribe received a \$500,000 federal grant to help build a new Tribal police station.

William Block, Northwest regional administrator with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, sent a letter to Tribal Council Chairman Reyn Leno informing the Tribe of the award on Sept. 29.

Tribal Council approved in July applying for the \$500,000 Indian Community Development block grant to design and build a new police station in Grand Ronde.

The current modular building near Spirit Mountain Casino is 1,443 square feet and too small for the current police and emergency services staff. It also lacks a holding cell and evidence room.

Tribal Engineer Jesse White worked with Grand Ronde Police Chief Al LaChance on the design and \$960,000 estimate for the 3,900-square-foot project. The block grant will cover more than half

that cost with a \$167,000 match provided by the Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority and at least \$40,000 in Tribal funds for the otherwise ineligible police administration space share.

Tribal Planning & Grants Manager Kim Rogers said the Tribe can apply to the U.S. Department of Justice and other grant agencies to help cover the balance of the cost, or use Tribal funds if the grant applications are unsuccessful.

In July, Grand Ronde Police Chief Al LaChance said he favors locating a new police station either on the Tribal campus near the Governance Center or next to the fire station on Grand Ronde Road. These site options were included in the grant application to help qualify for the grant and a thorough options analysis will now be prepared, Rogers said.

In addition, Rogers said, the Tribe also received a \$300,000 U.S. Department of Justice COPS grant to cover the cost of another police officer for three years, as well as some funding for supplies and training. ■

Fee assistance

Enrolled Tribal members can request assistance with test fees (i.e. GRE, SAT, LSAT, ACT) and admissions application fees. Contact Higher Education for more information at 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2275. ■

Community resources

The Clothing Closet on the Tribal campus.

- 10 a.m. to noon Monday.
- 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday.

Grand Ronde Food Bank, 9600 Hebo Road, Grand Ronde.

- Contact: 541-921-2881. ■

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