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Kim Roybal performs a shawl song dance during the plankhouse ceremony of the Tribe's 31st Restoration Celebration at Achaf-hammi on Saturday, Nov. 22.

31st Restoration Celebration delivers in four venues

Tribal Elder Pearl Lyon, the oldest member of the Tribe at age 102, looks at a necklace gifted to her during the 31st Restoration Celebration held in the Tribal gym on Saturday, Nov. 22.

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Grand Ronde Restoration Day, celebrating the 31st anniversary of the Tribe regaining federal recognition, started at 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, at the Tribal Cemetery where a private prayer service was held at the Atudship memorial.

"The cemetery is the anchor of the Tribe," said Tribal Council Chairman Reyn Leno.

At 10 a.m., the day's activities moved to the Tribal plankhouse, Achaf-hammi, where Cultural Outreach Specialist Bobby Mercier led drumming, dancing and singing. For those who came into the plankhouse at the start, the fires were already hot and the flames headed upward.

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