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## Tribe to celebrate 32nd anniversary of Restoration

By Dean Rhodes

*Smoke Signals editor*

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde will celebrate its 32nd anniversary of 1983's Restoration on Saturday, Nov. 21, with events at the Atudship monument near the Tribal Cemetery and at the Tribal gymnasium.

After the Grand Ronde Tribe was terminated in 1954, Tribal Elders Merle Holmes, Margaret Provost and Marvin Kimsey started the arduous task of regaining federal recognition in the 1970s that culminated on Nov. 22, 1983, when President Ronald Reagan signed the Grand Ronde Restoration Act.

This year's celebration will begin at 9 a.m. with a prayer service at the Atudship monument. The site, first used during 2013's 30th Restoration celebration, is located on the Lash property

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## Tribe pursuing purchase of greyhound racetrack

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Tribal Council voted to pursue the purchase of the 31-acre Multnomah Greyhound Park site in Wood Village during its Wednesday, Oct. 14, meeting.

The site, which is no longer used for dog racing, was listed for sale at \$11.2 million earlier this year by owner Arthur McFadden.

Tribal Council Chairman Reyn Leno said that the Tribe is developing a business plan for the property that would diversify the Tribe's economic base.

"Economic diversification has always been a priority for our Tribe and our membership," Leno said. "We have worked hard since our Tribe was restored to become self-sufficient, and to provide essential programs for our members. Striving toward a diversified economy is an objective that helps us prepare for the future."

Leno said that the Grand Ronde Tribe has reached out to the city of Wood Village, neighboring municipalities in east Multnomah County and the surrounding community regarding the purchase and potential uses of the site.

"At Grand Ronde, we always take a community approach and we want to be as inclusive as possible in looking at the opportunities associated with this property," Leno said.

Grand Ronde Tribal members are familiar with the site since it was identified as a possible location for Oregon's first privately operated casino by Lake Oswego businessmen Matthew Rossman and Bruce Studer. They sponsored ballot measures in 2010 and 2012 to build a private

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Photos by and courtesy of Tony Bynum

Tribal member Tony Bynum is an outdoor photographer who lives in Montana. His images have been featured in many magazines, on book covers, calendars and a television show on NBC.

## Moments in time

**Tribal member Tony Bynum travels the world capturing images**

By Brent Merrill

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Imagine being high up in the Rocky Mountains of Montana and staring down an 800-pound grizzly bear sporting five-inch claws with nothing but a camera.

Imagine being close enough to two head-butting bighorn rams to not only capture the image, but feel the impact as well.

Imagine being flown into a remote location with nothing but the provisions in your backpack and then getting on a horse to



A grizzly bear shakes water off of itself.

ride even deeper into the bush knowing that for the next 14 days it will be just you and the elements.

This is the life of Grand Ronde Tribal member Tony Bynum.

Bynum, who lives at a 5,000-foot elevation on the Blackfoot Indian Reservation in East Glacier Park, Montana, is a celebrated outdoor photographer whose images have been

featured in many magazines, on book covers, calendars and an NBC television show.

Facing down Mother Nature in such a tangible way wasn't always a part of Bynum's plan, but after growing frustrated with the policy side of wildlife conservation and becoming a father, he decided to be more hands on with his love of the outdoors.

Bynum, 45, is the son of Tribal Elder Janis Duddles and David Bynum, the grandson of Sally Jones Myrick, the great-grandson of Avery Jones, the great-great-grandson of

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