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**Nakoosa Moreland dances during an Intertribal during the Restoration Powwow of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde 32nd Restoration Celebration held in the Tribal gym on Saturday, Nov. 21.**



**Culture Committee members Faye Smith, left, and Francene Ambrose hand out Restoration T-shirts during the Restoration Powwow of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde 32nd Restoration Celebration held in the Tribal gym on Saturday, Nov. 21.**

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Quenelle, stood next to the veterans when the flags were presented.

Tribal Council Secretary Cheryle A. Kennedy gave the invocation and the veterans' introductions began with Bobb.

During the powwow, the Tribe's Culture Committee honored the Tribe's oldest living member, Pearl Lyons, who is 103 and was in attendance with her family. Siletz Tribal Elder Gladys Bolton, 92, was honored as the oldest living woman other than Lyons in attendance and her companion, Grand Ronde Tribal Elder Herman Hudson Jr., who is 90, was honored as the oldest man.

During the powwow, Tribal descendant Cheyenne Simmons was crowned Veterans Special Event

Board Senior Queen.

Also during the powwow, Michael Wilson was honored for 23 years of working at the Tribe. Wilson has been the Natural Resources Department manager since 2006 and before that he worked for the Tribe as the lands manager.

Wilson was honored for his impact on the Tribe's hunting and fishing rights and overall effect on the Natural Resources Department.

During Wilson's honoring, he called up Tribal Fish and Wildlife Manager Kelly Dirksen and honored Dirksen for his work with the Tribe as well.

Leno said the future of the Tribe rests on its young members.

"I acknowledge all of our past people," Leno said. "I acknowledge what we do today. More importantly, I love seeing all of our kids here because I believe that they are the ones who will carry us into the future." ■



**Natural Resources Department Manager and Tribal member Michael Wilson is gifted a Tilikum Crossing Pendleton blanket as he is honored for his years of work in natural resources during the Restoration Powwow of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde 32nd Restoration Celebration held in the Tribal gym on Saturday, Nov. 21. Wrapping him in the blanket are Dell Dickison, left, Betty Bly, behind Wilson, Goldie Bly and Marta Lu Clifford. Dickison and Clifford are Wilson's aunts.**



**Kailiyah Krehbiel dances during an Intertribal during the Restoration Powwow of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde 32nd Restoration Celebration held in the Tribal gym on Saturday, Nov. 21**



**Cheyenne Simmons reacts to being named Veterans Senior Queen during the Restoration Powwow of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde 32nd Restoration Celebration held in the Tribal gym on Saturday, Nov. 21.**