

Graduates honored



Photos by Michelle Alaimo

Myriah Shandy shakes hand with Education Committee member Alton Butler during the Tribal Education Department's Graduation Celebration held in the Tribal gym on Friday, June 17. Shandy completed a bachelor's degree and was one of 100 graduates recognized at the event ranging from Chinuk Immersion kindergarten through third-grade graduates to doctoral degree graduates.

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Erin Soderberg was the guest speaker at this year's Graduation Celebration. Soderberg graduated from Eastern Oregon University with a bachelor's degree in History.

Candidate statements to be featured in *Tilixam Wawa*

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three vote getters will fill three vacancies created when the terms of Tribal Council Vice Chair Jack Giffen Jr., Denise Harvey and Ed Pearsall expire. Giffen and Harvey are seeking re-election to their fifth and second terms, respectively, while Pearsall decided he will not run for Tribal Council again.

Following are the nominators followed by the nominees:

- Tribal member Miranda Rodriguez nominated Tribal Elder Jackie Many Hides;
- Tribal Elder Steve Bobb Sr. nominated Tribal member Michael Langley;
- Tribal member Bryan Langley nominated Spirit Mountain Community Fund Director Kathleen George;
- Tribal Elder Les Houck nominated Giffen for re-election;
- Tribal Elder Val Grout nominated Tribal Elder and Member Services Manager Penny DeLoe;
- Tribal member Joshua Darcy-Chantell nominated Tribal member Jason Darcy;
- Tribal Council member Chris Mercier nominated Harvey for re-election;
- Tribal Elder Ed Larsen nominated Tribal Youth Prevention Supervisor Lisa Leno;
- And Tribal Elder Ann Lewis nominated Tribal member Monty Herron.

Ballots will be mailed out to voters with verified signatures on Wednesday, July 27. Tribal members may create a verified signature card at any time up to and including Election Day.

Starting Monday, July 25, through Thursday, Sept. 1, the

Election Office in the Community Center will be open from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with a half-hour lunch from noon to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The office can be reached at 503-879-2271.

Candidate statements are due to the Publications office by 5 p.m. Wednesday, July 6, and will be featured in the next edition of *Tilixam Wawa*, scheduled to be mailed out the following week.

Candidates are limited to 600-word statements and candidates are encouraged to submit their statements via e-mail to dean.rhodes@grandronde.org or on a compact disk or memory drive. Hand-written statements are discouraged to avoid transcription errors and late statements will not be accepted for any reason.

Candidate statements run "as is," meaning the Tribe's Publications staff will not edit the submissions in any way other than to ensure they do not exceed 600 words in length.

Candidates also should contact Tribal photographer Michelle Alaimo at 503-879-1961 or michelle.alaimo@grandronde.org to schedule a time to have their portrait taken for *Tilixam Wawa*, or candidates can submit their own photo. Deadline for photos is also 5 p.m. Wednesday, July 6.

A Candidates Forum is scheduled for 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 20, in the Tribal gym in Grand Ronde. Questions for Tribal Council candidates may be e-mailed to candidatequestion@grandronde.org. Please include your name and roll number.

Ballots will be counted at the Community Center on Saturday, Sept. 10, and election results will be posted that evening on the Community Center's front doors. ■

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There are now only two Higher Education programs depending on whether you are full-time or part-time. The deadline for the Full-Time College program is at least 30 days before the start of classes. The deadline for the Part-Time College program is at least 10 days before the start of class.

Visit the Tribal website for more program information and an application. www.grandronde.org/departments/education/higher-education/ ■

2016 Tribal Council Nominees

Nominators

- Miranda Rodriguez
- Steve Bobb Sr.
- Bryan Langley
- Les Houck
- Val Grout
- Joshua Darcy-Chantell
- Ed Larsen
- Chris Mercier
- Ann Lewis

Nominees

- Jackie Many Hides
- Michael Langley
- Kathleen George
- Jack Giffen Jr.
- Penny DeLoe
- Jason Darcy
- Lisa Leno
- Denise Harvey
- Monty Herron

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