



2012 – Grand Ronde Tribal Chairwoman Cheryle A. Kennedy testified before the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs in support of a bill that would amend the 1988 Grand Ronde Reservation Act to streamline how the Tribe takes former reservation land into trust.

2007 – A groundbreaking ceremony was held for Spirit Mountain Casino’s expansion project. The South Expansion Project will add 135,196 square feet and include a new, larger buffet, as well as a two-story events center, conference rooms and internal office space.



File photo

2002 – Marine Corps veteran Steve Bobb Sr. started a walk from Table Rock near Medford to Grand Ronde on Feb. 23 to raise awareness and money for a planned Veterans Memorial in Grand Ronde. Bobb walks almost five miles daily on his lunch hour.

1997 – Gayle Patterson, managing attorney at Grand Ronde Legal Services, reported that she has received 279 requests for legal assistance in the last eight months. She said the program has “exceeded all our expectations and projections.”

1992 – Myrna Brandon won a \$50 gift certificate from Fred Meyer for submitting the name for the Community Council’s project to obtain input concerning Tribal health care needs. The name of the project was “chee mamook,” which is Chinook jargon for “new beginnings.”

1987 – Greg Archuleta joined the Tribal staff as the Hunting & Fishing/Newsletter employee. He is a graduate of the University of Oregon with a degree in journalism. His first day on the job was Jan. 19.

Yesteryears is a look back at Tribal history in five-year increments through the pages of Smoke Signals.

Farewell, Daphney



Photo by Chelsea Clark

Tribal Council members, from left, Denise Harvey, Chris Mercier and Kathleen George presented Recruitment/Employee Relations Administrator Daphney Colton with a Tribal Pendleton blanket on Friday, Feb. 3, during Colton’s going-away party held in the Employment Services building. Colton recently reached the 21-year mark in employment with the Tribe and is planning on managing property near Willamina that she recently inherited, as well as working as a consultant.

Health & Wellness Center Entrance

Reminder: The drive-through entrance at the Health & Wellness Center is for loading and unloading only.

The entrance was built with our Elders and those with mobility issues and their ease of access in mind. If you are coming to the center to pick up prescriptions, please park in one of our regular parking spaces.

Thank you,

Grand Ronde Health & Wellness Center Administration

Community Health Program

Medical Transport Services

Medical transportation services are available to Tribal members within the six-county service area when an alternate means of transportation is not available. Advance notice required.



Please call 503-879-2078 to schedule a reservation.

American Museum of Natural History

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The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and the American Museum of Natural History are now accepting youth applications to participate in our Annual Tamanowas Ceremony and Museum Internship Program.

The Application Process is open to High School Females that meet the following qualifications:

- Enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
- Current Sophomore, Junior, Senior in High School
- G.P.A. of 2.5 or above
- Oregon Resident

Application Deadline is March 24th, 5pm

Application is available online at grandronde.org

Please contact Travis Stewart for further information at: travis.stewart@grandronde.org



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TAX TIME 2016

Doris Rose CPA
Tribal Housing Grand Ronde
Feb. 7 thru April 6
Tuesdays & Thursdays
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
503-879-1477

Portland Office
4445 SW Barbur Blvd. #101
Feb. 15 & March 15
9 a.m. – noon

Tigard office
to schedule appointments
503-293-4128