

NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Wednesday Meetings

DATE	TIME
Wednesday, July 12.....	5 p.m.
Wednesday, July 26.....	5 p.m.

Please note that these times and dates are subject to change if needed.

Elders schedule sewing classes

Tribal Elders will be holding their next sewing classes from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 25 and Aug. 29, in the Elders Activity Center, 48940 Blacktail Drive.

Lunch will be available and the class is open to everyone, not just Tribal members.

There will be a \$10 fee for each class. Instructor is Susan Clark. Participants are encouraged to bring their own sewing machine.

For more information and to sign up, contact Elders Activity Assistant Dan Ham at 503-879-2233. ■

Rattlesnake Butte property taken into trust

Tribal Lands Manager Jan Looking Wolf Reibach announced on Wednesday, June 14, that 96.68 acres of conservation lands – Rattlesnake Butte – in Lane County near Junction City have been taken into trust.

The property was purchased by the Tribe through the Bonneville Power Administration’s Willamette Wildlife Mitigation Fund using BPA funding.

“The project is especially historic for the Tribe as it is the first property the Tribe has transferred into trust out of our local area,” Reibach said. “Transferring lands into trust is an inclusive and highly technical process that requires deliverable-based project management by the Tribal Lands Department and participation of several departments, including Legal, Natural Resources, Engineering/Facilities/GIS and THPO (Tribal Historic Preservation Office).”

Reibach recognized Realty Specialist Teresa Brocksen and Senior Staff Attorney Jennifer Biesack for their work to identify and implement multiple solutions during the process.

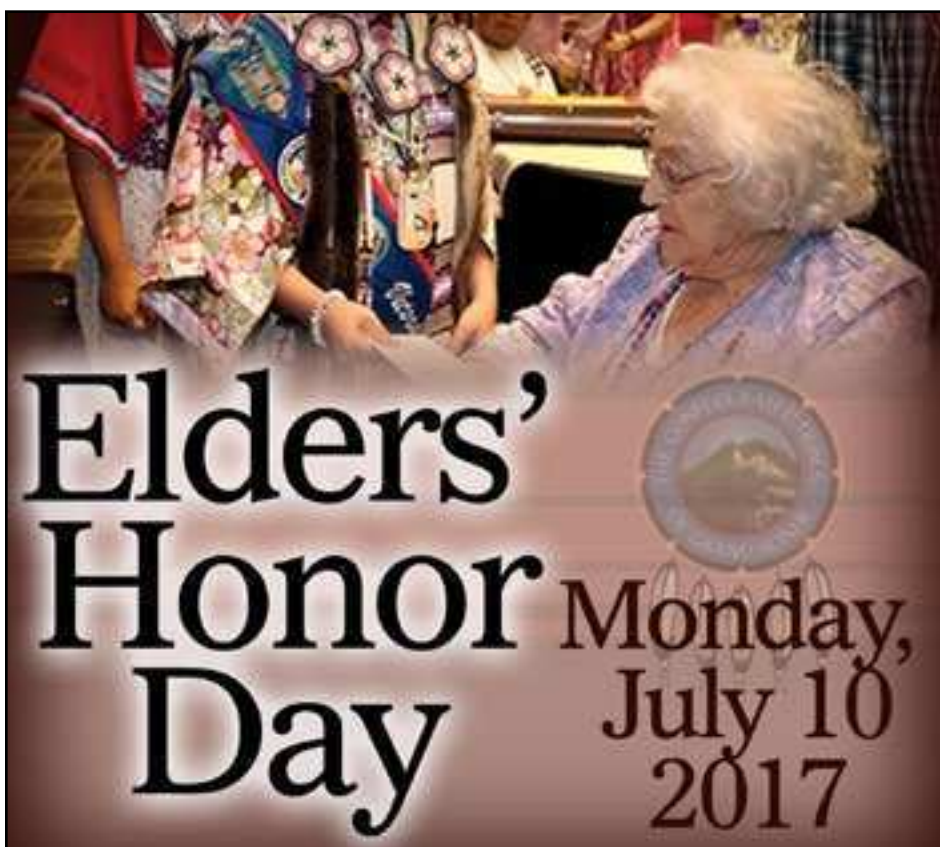
Under federal law, lands held in trust for Native Americans cannot be sold or transferred to non-Native Americans and can benefit from federal programs for business development, housing, environmental and cultural protection. ■

St. Michael’s offers brunch

St. Michael’s Catholic Church offers an open house brunch every Sunday following Mass. The brunch is free to the community. Brunch begins at about 11:30 a.m. following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Mass attendance is not required for brunch attendance. For more information, contact Janelle Justen at 503-550-0923. ■

Tribal Office Closures

Tribal offices will be closing on noon Monday, July 3, and closed on Tuesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.



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General Council meeting
11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 10
Community Center

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Monday, Aug. 7.....	Aug. 15

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