

## Spreading awareness



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

**Tribal Activities/Wellness Promotion Coordinator Kandee Little, left, gives Tribal Elder Betty Lambert an emery board during the Breast Cancer Awareness Event held in the Grand Ronde Health & Wellness Center atrium on Thursday, Oct. 19. Oct. 19 was also Indigenous Pink Day, a national breast cancer awareness campaign for American Indians/Alaska Natives. Tribal staff was encouraged to wear pink and a group picture was taken at the clinic. There were prizes for the three departments that were most well represented "in pink" and the individual employee that was "the most pink." Health & Wellness staff won first place for the departments and won a pizza party at their next staff meeting. Runner-ups were Adult Education and the Tribal Attorney's Office winning one free coffee drink at Khofi Haws for each staff member. Tribal Dental Assistant Whitney VanArsdel won eight hours of administrative leave for being "the most pink."**

## Health & Wellness Center hours

The Health & Wellness Center is pleased to add additional access for patients during holiday weeks on Thursday mornings.

The clinic will be scheduling patients at 8 a.m. every Thursday preceding or following a holiday closure. Urgent care also will be available during this time. ■

### Chepenefu lecture series

*Honoring the Chepenefu Kalapuya*

**Majestic Theatre**  
115 SW 2nd Street, Corvallis  
7 pm - doors open at 6  
**free admission**

foods & drinks for sale by Majestic Theatre  
books featured by Grass Roots

<del>October 4</del> <del>The Kalapuya</del> <del>Then and Now</del> <del>David Barrelson</del>	November 8 Kalapuya Archaeology Dr. Thomas Connolly	December 13 Native Space Dr. Natchee Barnd
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Manager, Grand Ronde Cultural Resources Dept. U of O Museum of Natural and Cultural History OSU Ethnic Studies professor

Lecture series sponsors: Marys Peak Group, SIERRA CLUB, Abundant Solar

# Fee assistance

Enrolled Tribal members can request assistance with test fees (i.e. GRE, SAT, LSAT, ACT) and admissions application fees. Contact Higher Education for more information at 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2275. ■

## 'The Tribe remains my main priority'

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Year and Duo-Group of the Year for "Ascension," a contemplative compact disc released in early 2017 by High Spirits Music that marked the end of his retirement from the music industry.

The win for best performance in a music video marks Reibach's fifth win out of 27 nominations at the Native American Music Awards, which were held this year at the Seneca Niagara Events Center in Niagara Falls, N.Y.

"My heart is full of gratitude to receive this award," Reibach said. "It's really an honor to be among such talented artists. Hayu masi to everyone for their love and support. I've been doing this a long time and more than ever our world needs love, compassion and connection. I can't take credit for the music. I'm just an empty vessel. The beauty comes from inspiration that others provide. My heart is full of gratitude."

Reibach gifted the medallion that accompanied the award statuette to Tribal Council member Denise Harvey at the Tuesday, Oct. 17, Legislative Action Committee meeting. He dedicated the "Ascension" compact disc to Ryan Kelly Beauchamp, who is Harvey's son who walked on in April 2000.

"What caused this CD, the reason why Denise gets the medal, the original inspiration for the album was when I heard her speak about losing her son in the drowning accident," Reibach said. "I became inspired to just write her a song, not for commercial release. I just wanted to write her family a song, which I have done for many people. ...

"In the process of writing her a song, my empty cup just became

full of inspiration and all of a sudden my artistry was reconnected in a much different way than before because my cup was completely empty. I can't claim credit for all this stuff I write because the good stuff is always when I make myself empty and then I become inspired and connected, and then it fills up. If you have beauty in your cup, then that's what you can share."

The award-winning video, which is on YouTube at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=SRSESqSQA1U](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SRSESqSQA1U), features Reibach and his Band of Brothers – guitarist Nathan Myers, percussionist George Bobnett and violinist Mark Babson – performing the song in a room surrounded by candles.

The video was filmed during a six-hour session in Reibach's Dallas home with three high-definition cameras.

"We moved all of the furniture out and it was perfect because it had those hardwood floors in a brand new house," Reibach said.

The Native American Music Awards & Association is the largest professional membership-based organization committed to honoring contemporary and traditional Native American music. Nominees were selected by the national NAMA Advisory Board Committee and winners were determined by a public vote.

Reibach said his next compact disc, "Flute Medicine," will be released in November on High Spirits and it is in the same vein as "Ascension." He also recently released a Native flute version of Sarah MacLachlan's "Arms of An Angel" and all of his music is now available on iTunes.

"The Tribe remains my main priority," Reibach said. "I'm just grateful to be able to be that vessel and share music. That's awesome." ■

### Game Bird Research

Wings & Tails Provide Info on Populations  
Drop Sites at Casino Store & Natural Resources Department

Participants Eligible for a \$50 Cabela's Gift Card Drawing

For more information:  
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