



## Smith turns 94

Tribal Elder **Lorene Smith** celebrated her 94th birthday in Manteca, Calif., on Sunday, March 17. She lives in Oakland, Calif., but her birthday party was held at her grandson Miguel's house in Manteca.

## Grand Ronde Transit Plan Adoption Meeting Notice

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde received an ODOT Special Transportation Fund Discretionary (STFD) grant to prepare a new Transit Development Plan & Coordinated Transportation Plan and did so working through a Project Advisory Committee (PAC) that included ODOT, area transit, and Tribal health, housing, and Spirit Mountain representatives and with Kittelson & Associates. This included need surveys and two advertised public meetings on transit. The Tribe's STF Advisory Committee participated in this project and has reviewed the plan and is recommending its adoption.

It is expected that the Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde will vote on adopting the Tribe's Transit Development Plan & Coordinated Transportation Plan at their Council meeting 5 p.m. April 17, 2019, at the Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347. The public is invited to attend.

Contact Kim Rogers at 503-879-2250, [kim.rogers@grandronde.org](mailto:kim.rogers@grandronde.org) for more information. ■

# Veterans Royalty

Veterans Royalty work with the Veterans Special Event Board (Veterans SEB). They attend powwows, parades, fundraisers, meetings and other events with the Veterans SEB and the Honor Guard. They interact with and represent all veterans. They also work with the Grand Ronde Royalty during events and activities such as Restoration, parades and fundraisers. The Veterans Royalty should know what a veteran is and the different military branches.

When Veterans Royalty attend events, they are expected to stay for the duration of the event. This includes helping to set up events, meetings and parades and dancing during Grand Entry, InterTribals and staying until the flags are retired. Veterans Royalty should have their own regalia and be willing and able to dance.

## GRAND RONDE VETERANS ROYALTY

Participating in Veterans Royalty is an excellent opportunity for Tribal youth to learn our traditions, powwow protocol and work with veterans. Participants represent the veterans and the Tribe by attending powwows and various community events.

**We encourage all Tribal youth to join.**

**Warriors — 8-18 years of age**

**Junior Veterans Queen — 11-13 years of age**

**Senior Veterans Queen — 14-18 years of age**

**General Requirements:**

1. Enrolled Grand Ronde Tribal member
2. Must be alcohol and drug free
3. Never married, no children
4. Attend school regularly and be in good standing
5. Sign and comply with Veteran Royalty Guidelines and Agreement

## ~ OFFICIAL APPLICATION ~

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Day): \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Name, Address and Phone (if different than a parent): \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to participate in Veterans Royalty? \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Signature (if different than a parent) \_\_\_\_\_

**Return this application to: Veterans SEB, c/o Public Affairs  
9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347  
Deadline: 5 p.m. Wednesday, May 15, 2019  
Questions? Contact Chelsea Clark at 503-879-1418  
or [chelsea.clark@grandronde.org](mailto:chelsea.clark@grandronde.org)**

## Availability of ODOT STIF Transit Grant Funds

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde is providing notice that the Tribe is reviewing options for their application (or STIF Plan) for ODOT Statewide Transportation Improvement Funds (STIF) which is due 5/1/19. The Tribe is eligible for \$100,000 a year from this fund for use with public transit. On Wednesday, April 10, the Tribe's STIF Advisory Committee will meet to review the options and make their recommendation to Tribal Council. The meeting will be 12:15 p.m. at the Elders Activity Center, 48940 Blacktail Drive, Grand Ronde, OR 97347 (which is west off Grand Ronde Road). The public is invited to attend. Among the options under consideration are creating a new public transit route between Grand Ronde and the City of Dallas and creating local collector/circulator service within the immediate Grand Ronde area.

It is expected that the Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde will vote on adopting the Tribe's STIF Plan on the uses of these funds at their Council meeting 5 p.m. April 17, 2019, at the Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347.

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# Northwest Native Ventures offers business assistance

New business incubator Northwest Native Ventures is providing free training and technical assistance to American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian entrepreneurs in Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

Northwest Native Ventures offers help with SBA 8(a) and other federal contracting certifications, federal contracting best practices and data management to meet federal contracting reporting requirements.

The organization offers webinars, podcasts and online resources on its website at [nwnativeventures.org](http://nwnativeventures.org). It also provides limited individual business coaching.

In addition, Native-owned businesses in Washington, Oregon and Idaho can apply to be one of 15 participants in Northwest Native Venture's upcoming three-day business boot camp in Spokane, Wash.

Northwest Native Ventures is funded by a \$300,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce's Minority Business Development Agency to Kauffman & Associates Inc., a Native woman-owned business.

For more information about the business incubator or the boot camp, visit [nwnativeventures.org](http://nwnativeventures.org) or contact Program Manager Elizabeth Bohnee at 509-789-2867 or e-mail [Elizabeth.bohnee@kauffmaninc.com](mailto:Elizabeth.bohnee@kauffmaninc.com). ■