

# Feting mom



Photos by Timothy J. Gonzalez

Natural Resources Department Senior Administrative Assistant Michele Volz shared a laugh with her daughter, Madalyn Volz, 14, during a Mother's Day Tea event held at the Tribal Community Center on Saturday, May 11. Along with tea, mothers, daughters and granddaughters created art to adorn small pots that were used to hold small flowers. The event was organized by the Community Health Department.

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Tribal member Nevaeh Grijalva, 4, gets her hand painted by her mother, Amanda Grijalva, during a Mother's Day Tea event.



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Synthetic turf was recently installed at úyxat Powwow Grounds to help prevent dancers from twisting or spraining their ankles on the uneven sod during the Tribe's summer powwows.

## úyxat Powwow Grounds surfaced with synthetic turf

By Dean Rhodes  
*Smoke Signals editor*

Participants at this year's two major powwows – the Marcellus Norwest Memorial Veterans Powwow in July and the Contest Powwow in August – will not have to worry about possibly twisting their ankles by landing in a hidden depression in the grass.

The Tribe contracted with C&D Landscaping of Dayton for \$86,000 to dig up the 8,800 square feet of sod, lay down foundational gravel and then cover it with synthetic turf.

Engineering and Public Works Manager Jesse White said most of the work was performed in April and the powwow grounds is ready for the upcoming powwow season.

"It is perfectly smooth and flat," White said. "If there are any twisted ankles, at least it will not be because of the sod."

C&D Landscaping co-owner Josh Kearns said the synthetic turf features "eco-cool technology" designed to keep the turf 15 degrees cooler than the ambient air temperature. It also has a 15-year warranty, he added.

The Tribe received complaints about the uneven powwow grounds surface after some participants twisted or sprained their ankles while dancing, which prompted the move to synthetic turf.

General Manager David Fullerton said there were a couple of incidents at each powwow over the last two years. ■

ANNUAL SALMON EVENT

# FISH CEREMONY

ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN

## SATURDAY MAY 18TH

EVENT BEGINS AT 1PM

EVENT INCLUDES Tribal and local organization information tables, a demonstration salmon pit, speakers, and community ceremony.

WILLAMETTE PARK, WEST LINN, OREGON



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