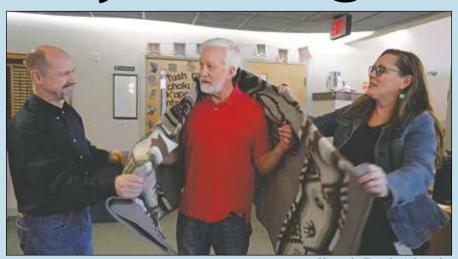
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Photos by Timothy J. Gonzalez

Former Planning Director Rick George receives a blanket from Higher Education Manager Bryan Langley and Tribal Council member Kathleen George during his retirement party in the Adult Education Building on Friday, March 13. Kathleen also happens to be Rick's wife. George started working for the Tribe in October 2013 and held several positions, including being interim general manager.



Former Planning Director Rick George hands a Shrek figure to Family Service Program Assistant Lyndsey Stuckey during his retirement party. Stuckey's son, Everett Kimsey, 4, would always go into George's office to see Shrek while on his way to visit his mother. Shrek now has a permanent home with Everett.

# Community Fund seeks Hatfield Fellowship applicants

Applications for the 2020-21 Hatfield Fellowship program are being accepted through April 30.

The fellowship program is funded by Spirit Mountain Community Fund, the philanthropic arm of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde

The Community Fund annually sponsors a highly motivated Native American to serve as the Hatfield Fellow and intern in an Oregon congressional office. Placement of the fellow rotates through the Oregon delegation to improve the mutual understanding between leadership in Washington, D.C., and Indian Country.

Fellows gain knowledge and understanding of how to navigate the political process in Washington, D.C., while working on issues that directly affect Native Americans.

Hatfield Fellows begin their Capitol Hill experience in November with a month-long orientation at the American Political Science Association. Then they serve an eight-month internship in a congressional office while receiving a monthly stipend and relocation and travel expenses.

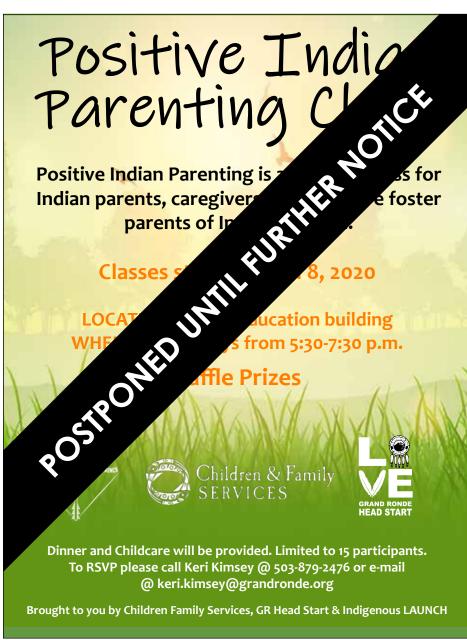
Tribal members from the nine federally recognized Tribes in Oregon, as well as members of Tribes in Washington, Idaho, Montana and Alaska, are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to Oregon Tribal members. Applicants must have a bachelor's degree or be graduating in June and be 21 or older to apply.

The Hatfield Fellowship was created in 1998 to honor Sen. Mark Hatfield's public service to Oregon and the Pacific Northwest.

For more information about the program or to apply, visit the community fund.com/grants-programs/hatfield-fellowship or go to youtu. be/7T0nNoFgUYs to watch an informational video. ■

#### Comments Requested on Plans for Grand Ronde Veterans Memorial Improvements

The Grand Ronde Tribe's Veterans Memorial was built in 2001 and a couple of the four service branch pillars are running out of space. The Tribe is planning on acquiring two more pillars and incorporating them into the current memorial in a complementary manner. If you would like to comment on this planned project, please contact Tribal Council. You may e-mail them through Shannon.Ham-Texeira@grandronde.org. You may also call Tribal Council staff at 503-879-2301. The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department has a Veterans and War Memorial Grant program. The Tribe is applying for funding to help afford the cost of the needed expansion. ■



## CTGR TERO ANNOUNCEMENT









# Apprenticeship Opportunities Available For Tribal Members!

Direct entry into: Carpentry, Cement Mason, Electrical, Pipefitting, Plumbing and Laborer Apprenticeships

#### What is an apprenticeship?

An apprenticeship is a program that trains a worker to become skilled in a particular trade. Apprenticeships combine hands-on work with classroom learning to train the apprentice. Apprenticeships are considered full-time employment. As the apprentice is learning, they are also applying the lessons through working.

Earn a paycheck while you learn.

Must be at least 18 years old and have a high school diploma or equivalent.

Must have a valid driver's license.

For more information call Harris Reibach Director, Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) Office: 503-879-1455 | Fax: 503-879-2166

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