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June

- Wednesday, June 24 – Tribal Council meeting, 10 a.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.
- Sunday, June 28 – Tribal Council nominations, 11 a.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.

July

- Friday, July 3 – Tribal offices will be closed in observance of the Independence Day holiday. 503-879-2304.
- Wednesday, July 8 – Tribal Council meeting, 10 a.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.
- Wednesday, July 22 – Tribal Council meeting, 10 a.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.

(Editor's note: All events are tentative depending on the status of the Tribe's COVID-19 coronavirus response going into the summer.)

Letters welcome

Letters should be exclusive to **smok signalz**.

Letters should be 400 words or less and must include the writer's name, address, phone number and Tribal roll number. You will be contacted to confirm authorship.

All letters are subject to editing for space, grammar and, on occasion, factual accuracy. Only two letters per writer are allowed during a three-month period.

Letters written in response to other letter writers should address the issue at hand and, rather than mentioning the other writer by name, should refer to the date of the letter published. Discourse should be civil and people should be referred to in a respectful manner. Letters deemed in poor taste will not be printed. Send letters via e-mail to news@grandronde.org, or submit in person at the Tribal Governance Center in Grand Ronde, Ore., or mail to **smok signalz**, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR, 97347.



Photo by Timothy J. Gonzalez

The Tribe's eldest Elder, Dorothy Greene, celebrated her 100th birthday in the Tribal Community Center in September 2018. She walked on on Saturday, June 6, at the age of 101.

Eldest Elder Dorothy Greene walks on

By Dean Rhodes

Smoke Signals editor

The Grand Ronde Tribe's eldest Elder, Dorothy Lillian Greene, walked on on Saturday, June 6, at the age of 101.

Greene was born on Sept. 26, 1918, to Alexander Gus LaBonte and Edna Katharine Miller LaBonte. She was raised in a home by Salt Creek, where the bottom of the family house was wood and the top was a tent.

She grew up with two younger brothers, Eugene Russell LaBonte and Victor Byron LaBonte, and two younger sisters, Sylvia Eva Fuller and Janet Ruth (Mickey) Fogel.

She attended Cloverleaf School on Hebo Road in Grand Ronde and her teacher was Tribal Elder Eula Hudson with Eula's sister, Ila Dowd, substituting at times. She attended Chemawa Indian School in Salem from 1936-40 and worked as a housekeeper and cook after graduation.

In 1942, she married Chief Reid Sharkey David (Klamath). They lived on the Klamath Reservation with their daughter, Ilene Aloma David. The marriage lasted seven years.

In 1950, she married Ray Lloyd Greene and they moved to Bakersfield, Calif. In California, they had a daughter, Shelley Greene Bertolucci.

Tribe's 10 eldest Elders

Ruby Bigoni	101
Kathryn Harrison	96
Carmilla Faggani	95
Herman Hudson	95
Lorene Smith	95
Margaret Peters	95
Cordelia Kneeland	94
Anna Hyde	94
Ethelmae Hammock	93
Wilma Hoellig	93

She retired from Mercy Hospital, where she was a housekeeper and nurse's aide, in 1984. In 1985, she returned to Grand Ronde and served on the Health Committee for 10 years and on the Powwow Committee for eight years. She also served on Tribal Council from 1986-87.

In her spare time, she enjoyed crocheting and making jewelry.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Ilene Aloma David, in 1994, and is survived by her daughter, Shelley Greene Bertolucci of Bakersfield, Calif.

Funeral services were held Friday, June 12, at the Tribal Cemetery in Grand Ronde.

With Greene's passing, Ruby Bigoni, who was born on March 18, 1919, becomes the Tribe's eldest Elder.

A full obituary will appear in a future issue of *Smoke Signals*. ■

Lamprey season starts

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife set the lamprey harvest season to run from June 1 through July 31 with harvesting allowed 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday through Monday.

Harvesting is not allowed Tuesday through Thursday.

Harvesting is confined to the east side of Willamette Falls and does not include the horseshoe area at the peak of the falls. In addition, lamprey ramps are installed during the lamprey season to help lamprey make it over the falls. Harvesters should avoid the ramps.

Gear is restricted to hand or hand-powered tools only. A permit is required, but Tribal members are allowed to use their Tribal enrollment card in lieu of a state-issued permit.

Tribal members also may harvest for distribution to other Tribal members as long as it is being done for free. Commercial sale of lamprey and use of lamprey as bait in fisheries is prohibited.

Catches must be recorded on an ODFW harvest card available from the Natural Resources Department off Hebo Road or by contacting the Clackamas ODFW office at 17330 S.E. Evelyn St. Harvest cards must be returned by Aug. 31, 2020.

If you plan on harvesting lamprey, contact Natural Resources at 503-879-2424 to arrange for a packet. ■

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