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# Willamina High School graduates 63 seniors

WILLAMINA – Willamina High School graduated 63 seniors during its Saturday, May 27, exercises held in the high school gym.

Hallee Marie Hughes was this year’s valedictorian and salutatorians were Spencer Jo Onstot and Alexis Iva Wertz. Former middle school/high school vice principal Shawn Draper was the guest speaker.

The other 60 students – CTGR denotes enrolled Grand Ronde Tribal members – in the 2023 graduating class included Gabriela Abigail Arenas, Brooklynn Mae Bailey (CTGR), Jasmine Margret Ann Bastin-Babatunde, Angelique Larie Bechtol, Alexander Elliott Bezona, Gage Augustus Bishop (CTGR), Zachary Jordan Bradley, Richard Oliver Brisbois II (CTGR), Alyssa Marie Carpenter, Kai Lucius Connelly (CTGR), Parish Mirage Cook, Elias Daniel Prophet Davidson, Jayda Lynn Engle, Mireyah Alanah Escamilla-Orozco, Austin Ray Flynn, Dominik Elijah Gomez, Kendra Jade Gustafson, Kyle Edward Herod, Thanya Alejandra Isiordia, Alyssa Grace Jackson, Ayasha Marie Jacobson, Austin Jeffery Johnson, Jacob Lee Kennedy, Abbygale Rose Ketzner, Lauren Elizabeth Klaers, Lillianna Rosemarie Labonte, Tiffany Corinne Lanchester, Allison Marie Lapoint, Leanna Marie Lapoint, Ramiro Lopez, Tanner Jeffery Lundgren, Trevor Michael Maaranen, Zander Lee Marmon, Cayleb Lee Marsh, Jimmy Robert McIntosh III, Hattie Ruth Mercier (CTGR), Aryana Faith Murphy-LaChance, Lilliam Alexandra Oswald, Tanner Burdine Parks-Shell, Aleah Rose Patterson (CTGR), Alyson Marie Payne, Emily Alessandra Ramirez-Ramos, Alijah Esperanza Ramos, Jasmine Leilani Richert, Elijah Johnathon Rocco, Anastasia Rosca, Ireland Rayne Schiedler, Lacody Les Scott, Maone Buck Scott, Annaka Marie Schafer, Kaleigha Aleenah Simi (CTGR), Trinity Noelle Simon, Justice Aaron Smith, Shawnessy Amerie Sohapp (CTGR), Elliza Lucy West, Brooklyn E. Westerlund, Collin James Whitmore, Trevor Allen Williams, Zoie Lynn Willie and Johnathon Ryan Woods.

Willamina’s graduating exercise was the only one held indoors in the West Valley. ■



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**COMMUNITY STICK GAME NIGHT**

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 7TH 5:00PM**  
**CHACHALU CULTURAL CENTER**

GRAND RONDE TRIBAL MEMBER FABIAN QUENELLE HOSTS AN EVENING OF STICK GAME PLAYING AND KNOWLEDGE SHARING

**NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED**  
**BEGINNERS ENCOURAGED**  
**DINNER WILL BE SERVED**  
**PRIZES TO WIN**

PLEASE RSVP TO JORDAN MERCIER  
 CULTURALEUCATION@GRANDRONDE.ORG  
 503-879-2185

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# SSI recipients eligible for Internet service aid

Any household with an individual receiving Supplemental Security Income is eligible to receive discounted Internet service through the Affordable Connectivity Program launched by the Federal Communications Commission. Social Security does not count Affordable Connectivity Program assistance as income or a resource for SSI purposes.

The program provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward Internet service for eligible households and \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households also can receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 toward purchasing a laptop, desktop computer or tablet from participating providers.

To enroll in the Connectivity Program, go to [www.fcc.gov/asp](http://www.fcc.gov/asp). ■



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**Camas Restoration Camp**  
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**June 2nd - June 4th**  
 Vesper Meadow in Ashland, OR  
 Deadline to Register is: May 30th, 2023

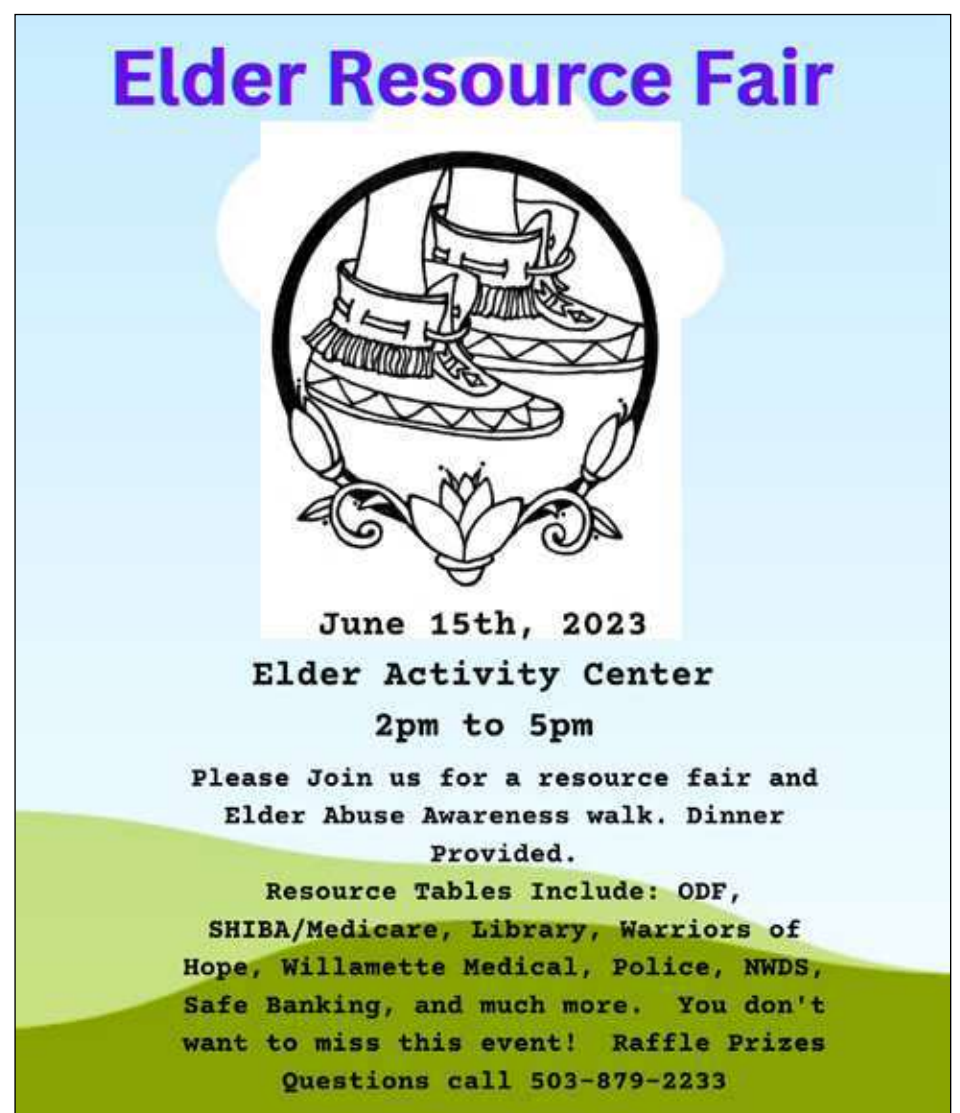
Available to Siletz & Grand Ronde Tribal members and their families

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**Contact to Register**  
 For Siletz: Jacob Reid  
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For Grand Ronde: Cristina Lara  
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Drug and alcohol free event.  
 Please plan for limited cell service.  
 Gas cards will be provided. Camping is available.



**Elder Resource Fair**



**June 15th, 2023**  
**Elder Activity Center**  
**2pm to 5pm**

Please Join us for a resource fair and Elder Abuse Awareness walk. Dinner Provided.

Resource Tables Include: ODF, SHIBA/Medicare, Library, Warriors of Hope, Willamette Medical, Police, NWDS, Safe Banking, and much more. You don't want to miss this event! Raffle Prizes

Questions call 503-879-2233