Willamina schools will soon offer in-person learning for all students

By Danielle Harrison
Smoke Signals staff writer

WILLAMINA — After almost a year of online classes, the Willamina School District expects to re-open to all students by Tuesday, March 16.

The COVID-19 pandemic left most Oregon schools shuttered starting in March 2020, but with vaccinations on the rise and positive cases falling, in-person learning is now possible.

Willamina School District first- and second-graders returned to the Oaken Hills campus under a hybrid model on Tuesday, Feb. 9, joining kindergarteners who had been attending half-time since September. Later that week, northwestern Oregon was pummeled with an ice storm that left many without power.

“Despite the crazy weather, the return of first and second grade went well, (both) teachers and kids were happy to see each other,” Superintendent Carrie Zimbrick said.

Most Tribal and descendant students in Grand Ronde attend school in Willamina.

The return to the classroom has been a slow and arduous journey at times, but district officials have met regularly with their leadership team to discuss evolving state guidance on how to best re-open schools safely.

The Oregon Department of Education, in partnership with the state Health Authority, authored a “Ready Schools, Safe Learners” guide for in-person instruction last summer. The guide has undergone several revisions, including in January to allow counties with higher COVID-19 case counts to return if they followed certain safety restrictions.

Beginning on Jan. 1, Oregon Gov. Kate Brown’s instructions for returning to school became “advisory rather than mandatory,” according to a letter sent to the Oregon Department of Education by Tuesday, March 16.

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Grand Ronde-based dissertation wins national recognition

By Dean Rhodes
Smoke Signals editor

For five summers, University of Washington archaeology student Ian Kretzler was digging in the dirt of Grand Ronde.

During the summer of 2015, he was helping excavate the Umpqua encampment of the original Grand Ronde Reservation.

For the next four summers, he was working in the Molalla encampment.

All of his work is encapsulated in a dissertation, “An Archaeology of Survivance on the Grand Ronde Reservation: Telling Stories of Enduring Native Presence,” which was recently awarded the Society for American Archaeology’s 2021 Dissertation Award for the outstanding contributions it makes to the discipline.

The society is the largest professional archaeology organization in the United States. It recognizes one dissertation annually and Kretzler received a plaque and three years’ worth of free membership in the organization.

“Ian is the first archaeology graduate recognized for this honor who has conducted community-based research with a Tribal nation,” says Dr. Sara Gonzalez, an associate professor with the University of Washington’s Department of Anthropology. “For a field whose history of relations with Indigenous communities can be best characterized as extractive, Ian’s Tribally led approach to conducting heritage research with the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde received national recognition.”

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Winter storm affects Grand Ronde area

Check site, both Highway 18 and Hebo Road (Highway 22) were closed westbound at their intersections with Grand Ronde Road.

Highway 18 closed at 11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, from milepost 20 to milepost 6 and Hebo Road closed from milepost 21 to milepost 11.

Ice caused many trees lining the highways to either topple or lose leaves, creating a hazardous driving environment.

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NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Wednesday Meetings

DATE            TIME
Wednesday, March 10..............................10 a.m.
Wednesday, March 24..............................10 a.m.

Please note that these times and dates are subject to change if needed.

LETTERS

Dear Smoke Signals:

This week I had the good fortune to receive a text from a dear friend who told me about the COVID vaccine clinic being offered by the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, a clinic that had opened to the community. I ran to my computer to sign up. I was ecstatic!

My husband and I live on the edge of Salem, so after getting our tickets, we jumped in the car that very afternoon to drive to the clinic. We are in the elderly category with autoimmune issues, so we’ve been sheltering and distancing as much as possible. We had hoped to receive our shots in the coming weeks, but felt it important to get the vaccine at our first opportunity.

Once at the site, we found that everything was being run extremely well. The wait was about 15 minutes and everyone respected the mask and social distancing requirement. We were kindly greeted by a staff member who gave us a simple form to complete and responded to any questions we had. When our turn came, we entered the gymnasium to see a very well-organized event. There were six vaccination stations where vaccines were being administered. We were comfortably seated at our respective stations to receive our shots. As we waited for the required 15 minutes, we noticed that staff was available to watch for any possible reactions that people might be experiencing. A trained EMT was very accessible, which further reassured us.

I spent my time thanking everyone I came in contact with who was part of this clinic, and I now want to offer my thanks to the Tribal leaders who provided without restrictions to awaiting arms. Like many people, I have recognized that any additional vaccine received by the Tribe should be of this clinic, and I now want to offer my thanks to the Tribal leaders who provided without restrictions to awaiting arms. Like many people, I have recognized that any additional vaccine received by the Tribe should be recognized that any additional vaccine received by the Tribe should be provided without restrictions to awaiting arms. Like many people, I have been following the news about distribution issues that have been occurring nation- and statewide. I have been significantly disappointed that even one shot has been wasted in this disorganized process.

I am grateful for this opportunity.

Donna Hirt
Salem, Ore

Dear Smoke Signals:

I just finished reading your minutes of the Feb. 24, 2021, Tribal Council meeting. You take great notes of these meetings! You explain what the resolutions are for (or about) in your articles. I hope every member will take the time to read these articles carefully. I appreciate your work.

Rosemary Jameson
Roll No. 883

General Council meeting
11 a.m. Sunday, March 7

Being held remotely using the Zoom teleconferencing program.

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Free Playgroup in Grand Ronde!

When: First Thursday of each month 10:00 am-11:30 am
Where: CTGR — Community Service Center 9615 Grand Ronde Road Grand Ronde, OR 97347
Who: Parents and caregivers of children under 5 years.
Why: Come to play, have a snack and have fun!
March

- Sunday, March 7 – General Council meeting, 11 a.m., held via the Zoom teleconferencing application. 503-879-2304.
- Wednesday, March 10 – Tribal Council meeting, 10 a.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.
- Sunday, March 14 – Daylight Saving Time begins. 2 a.m.
- Wednesday, March 24 – 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 pandemic response.)

CULTURAL EDUCATION

Are you missing out on what Cultural Education has to offer? Follow us on Facebook to get detailed class information, photos from events, and updates.

Plus, check out the tribal calendar for a quick glance of upcoming events and classes.

Open to Tribal and Community members. Join us!

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Weather affects planned Feb. 17 vaccine clinic

The Tribe’s Health & Wellness Center was planning on offering its third COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic on Wednesday, Feb. 17, but frigid temperatures and storms in the southeastern United States grounded flights and disrupted shipping across the country.

Oregon’s doses of the Moderna vaccine were stuck in Memphis, Tenn., as of Wednesday, Feb. 17. State officials were optimistic that the delayed vaccine doses would arrive the next week and distribution would get back on schedule. It also could mean that some hospitals, counties and Tribes will receive twice the amount of vaccine doses the following week than they were previously expecting.

Tribal Communications Director Sara Thompson said the Tribe received its backlog of vaccines on Monday, Feb. 22, and the Tribe scheduled its third Vaccination Clinic for Wednesday, Feb. 24. The Feb. 24 clinic, like the other two, filled all of its appointments quickly.

The Tribe offered its first Vaccination Clinic on Feb. 3-4 where it put the vaccine in the arms of 1,636 people. The second clinic was held on Feb. 10 and 750 doses were dispensed.

To date, the Tribe has vaccinated more than 3,700 people with more than 1,400 of them being given to Elders 55 or older.

The Tribe is only offering the Moderna vaccine because it does not have the ultra-cold storage that the Pfizer vaccine requires, Thompson said.

Merckley backs Haaland

Oregon Sen. Jeff Merkley, who is chair of the Senate Appropriations subcommittee that funds the Department of the Interior, met virtually with New Mexico Rep. Deb Haaland on Thursday, Feb. 25, and expressed his support for Haaland’s nomination as the first Native American Cabinet member. “I’m proud to support Deb Haaland’s nomination to lead the Interior Department,” Merkley said. “It’s long past time for a Native woman to join the Executive Cabinet and run the department that carries out the federal trust responsibility toward Tribes. … I have full faith that she will put the health, safety and well-being of our communities and environment above the wish lists of mega-polluting corporate executives who have spent the last four years ransacking the department.” Haaland is currently undergoing confirmation hearings in the U.S. Senate regarding her nomination. She is a member of the Laguna Pueblo Nation.

LIHEAP program open in service area

The Tribal Social Service’s LIHEAP – Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program – is open to eligible Tribal members in the six-county service area and Clackamas County.

This is a first-come, first-served program and income criteria applies.

LIHEAP is federally funded through the Department of Health and Human Services and is designed to help low-income households with home heating costs.

For more information, contact Social Services at 503-879-2034.

Are you frustrated with your diabetes control? Do you have questions about diabetes? Do you need help managing your diabetes? If so... Call the Medical Clinic today at 503-879-2002.

To schedule an individual diabetes education appointment

Ad by Samuel Briggs III
Food Bank news

The Grand Ronde Food Bank – iskam mak’mak haws – is operated by Marion-Polk Food Share, which has been leading the fight to end hunger since 1987 because no one should be hungry. Recipients of SNAP, TANF, SSI or LIHEAP assistance automatically qualify for assistance at the Grand Ronde Food Bank, 9675 Grand Ronde Road. No one will be turned away in need of a food box.

“We believe that everyone deserves to have enough to eat,” Food Bank Coordinator Francene Ambrose says. “You are welcome to come to a food box at each of our regular weekly distributions. No one will be turned away in need of a food box.”

In reaction to the continuing COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic, the Food Bank will hold March food box distributions on Fridays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

“We are asking clients to not come for a food box if they are having any symptoms or concerned about their health,” Ambrose said. “We are limiting our geographic service area to Sheridan to Otis on Highway 18 and Sheridan to Hebo on Highway 22. We are asking clients and volunteers to wash their hands immediately upon entry to the building. Our lobby is closed until further notice.”

“Food box distribution is happening outside while maintaining a safe distance between clients. We are sanitizing and keeping the food quarantined for three days before distribution. Pre-made boxes are available on distribution days, limited to two days of food for two adults. Clients within our geographic service area are still welcome to visit us weekly.”

People must check in 15 minutes before closing to receive a food box. If you need immediate assistance, call 211 or visit 211info.org. Those who are unable to pick up a food box can fill out an authorized representative form and that designated person can pick up a food box on your behalf. The authorization is good for one year. The Food Bank continues to seek volunteers to help with repacking food, putting food on the shelves, handing out food boxes, end-of-month inventory and picking up food donations at area stores. Call to enquire about some of the volunteering to assist. People also can sign up for a monthly e-mail for the Food Bank calendar and events, as well as follow the Food Bank on Facebook.

The Food Bank is an equal opportunity provider.
Call Ambrose at 503-879-5663 or contact her at fambros@marionpolkfoodshare.org for more information or to volunteer.

Committee & Special Event Board meeting days and times

- **Ceremonial Hunting Board** meets as needed. Chair: Marline Grosshong.
- **Culture Committee** meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Grand Ronde Food Bank/iskam mak’mak haws, 9675 Grand Ronde Road. Chair: Francene Ambrose.
- **Editorial Board** meets monthly. The next meeting will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, March 12 and 19, using the Zoom conferencing program. Chair: Siobhan Taylor. Contact: Editorial.Board@grandronde.org.
- **Education Committee** meets at 5:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month in the Adult Education building. Chair: Tammy Cook.
- **Elders Activity Center** meets at 10 a.m. the third Wednesday of the month in the Elders Activity Center. Chair: Penny DeLoe.
- **Enrollment Committee** meets quarterly in Room 204 of the Governance Center. Chair: Debi Anderson.
- **Fish & Wildlife Committee** meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Chair: Harold Lyon.
- **Health Committee** meets at 10 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month in the Molalla Room of the Health & Wellness Center. Chair: Bernadine Shriver.
- **Housing Grievance Board** meets at 4 p.m. the third Thursday of the month in the Housing Department conference room. Chair: Simon Auger.
- **Powwow Special Event Board** meets monthly at noon at the Community Center. Dates for 2021: January 17, March 19, May 21, July 16, and September 17. Chair: Dana Bean.
- **TERO Commission** meets at 10 a.m. the first Monday of the month in the Employment Services building. Chair: Russell Wilkinson.
- **Timber Committee** meets at 5 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Interim Chair: Jon R. George.
- **Veterans Special Event Board** meets at 5:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month in the old Elders Craft House. Chair: Rich VanAltena.

To update information on this list, contact Publications Coordinator Dean Rhodes at 503-879-1463 or dean.rhodes@grandronde.org.

(Editor’s note: All committees and special event board-in-person meetings have been suspended during the Tribe’s reaction to the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic.)
Smoke Signals editor
By Dean Rhodes

Tribal Council adds 25 names to Restoration Roll

Meeting that Spirit Mountain Casino had a record-breaking January and continues to do well despite the COVID-19 pandemic;
- Approved the first supplemental budget for 2021. The $350,000 appropriation will fund a 2 percent cost-of-living increase for the Elders’ pension program and will be funded by the Elders’ pension endowment. The increase will be retroactive to January, Lenso said;
- Approved three grant applications to the Oregon Department of Transportation that will fund transit service between Grand Ronde and Salem and Grand Ronde and McMinnville. The three grants total approximately $333,000 for the upcoming biennium;
- Approved installing an access gate at the Tribal conservation property Chahalpam in Marion County to limit and discourage trespassers and combat illegal dumping at the site. The Tribe will have to pay $2,500 to apply to the county to vacate a bridge and $333,000 for the upcoming biennium;
- And approved one blood quantum correction.

Tribal Council also approved the agenda for the 11 a.m. Sunday, March 7, General Council meeting that will include a presentation from the Tribal Lands Department. The meeting will be held via the Zoom conferencing program.

Tribal Council Vice Chair Chris Mercier also announced that the Tribe’s new Small Loan Program will start accepting applications on Monday, March 8. Tribal members will be able to borrow up to $1,000 from the Tribe and have two years to pay the loan back.

To watch the entire meeting, visit the Tribal government’s website at www.grandronde.org and click on the Government tab and then Zoom Videos.

Wrapped books for children wait to be distributed.

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DPSST training is 14 hours (2 days)
Cost is $160
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Free to CTGR tribal members and members of other federally recognized Tribes

What are the minimum standards for Private Security certification?

Private security providers must be:
- At least 18 years of age
- Must have valid driver’s license of the ability to obtain one if required by employer
- Must have a high school diploma or GED or a four-year post-secondary degree issued by an accredited college or university.
- Be of good moral fitness as determined by a background check, department investigation or other reliable sources. A lack of good moral fitness includes, but is not limited to, mandatory and discretionary disqualifying misconduct as described in OAR 259-600-0310

Please contact the Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) at 503-879-2188 or 503-879-2127 for additional information or to register.

Ad by Samuel Briggs II

Photos by Timothy J. Gonzales

Information Systems Applications Specialist Dina Sayer, center, is excited about receiving a book from Library Aide Crystal Bigelow, from left, Librarian Kathy Cole and Activities Wellness Promotion Coordinator Kandee Little during the Blind Date with a Book event held outside of the Tribal Library on Friday, Feb. 19. Participants in the drive-through event took home books that were wrapped to conceal the titles. Cole said about 100 people participated in the event.

Medical Transport Services

Medical transportation services are available to Tribal members within the six-county service area when an alternate means of transportation is not available. Advance notice required.

Please call 503-879-2078 to schedule a reservation.
Decisions to resume in-person instruction made by districts

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of Education and Oregon Health Authority on Dec. 23. “Moving forward, the decision to resume in-person instruction must be made locally, district by district, school by school,” Brown said. “In addition to schools continuing to work to meet required health and safety protocols and working in close consultation with their local public health authority in understanding and considering the metrics, teachers, school staff, parents and students should be engaged in this decision making process to allow schools to make the best choice for their community and their students.”

Changes to the state guidance on Jan. 19 included resources to support outdoor instruction, revisions to align with the occupational safety and health rules requiring employee representation for back-to-school planning and a requirement that districts offer on-site COVID-19 testing if they are located in counties with high case counts. Schools in Yamhill, Marion and Polk counties are currently included in that category.

The Willamina hybrid model features a half-day, morning or afternoon session for three hours, four days per week, Tuesday through Friday. Students are given two meals when they finish the day to take home with them rather than eating in the cafeteria.

Some of the priorities for opening included providing opportunities for staff to be vaccinated against COVID-19, and for the district to provide rapid testing for symptomatic students or staff. Each building has a “re-entry” plan focused on creating protocols for bringing students back to school. These include arrival, dismissal, sanitation and transition between classes.

The Yamhill County Public Health Department held a vaccination clinic at Faulconer-Chapman Elementary school on Monday, Feb. 22.

This re-opening will be conducted in phases with the first phase to return to service delivery levels in place in November prior to the closure of the campus,” Education Department Manager Angela Fasana said. “Most programs will be offering one-to-one meetings with students and the Internet classrooms will be re-opened on a limited basis.”

Housing Association accepting scholar applications

OLYMPIA, Wash. – The Northwest Indian Housing Association is accepting applications from enrolled association Tribal members for its 2021 Youth Scholarship Program. The Grand Ronde Tribe is a member of the association.

To be eligible, applicants must not have reached their 24th birthday by the application deadline, which is Friday, March 26.

Applications can be obtained by visiting www.nwha.org and clicking on the Youth Scholarship Program tab. Applications and supporting documents must be submitted by e-mail to info@nwha.org on or before 5 p.m. Friday, March 26.

All applicants will be notified of the Executive Committee’s decision and successful applicants will be recognized at the spring conference being held April 13-14.

For more information, call 360-220-9212 or e-mail info@nwha.org.
Kretzler’s work traced the 19th and 20th century Reservation

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Kretzler, 31, grew up in Longview, Wash., and attended Whitman College in Walla Walla, where he graduated magna cum laude in 2012 with a bachelor’s degree in anthropology. From there, he enrolled in the University of Washington, obtaining his master’s degree in 2014. The dissertation is part of his work to obtain a Ph.D. in anthropology.

“What drew me to archaeology in college was a combination of being able to learn more about the natural world, being able to be outside and understand geology, plants and animals and people’s relationships with them over a long period of time,” he says during the phone interview. “And understanding history, but understanding history in a way that was more long-term and had references to the landscape.”

“As I was going through my undergraduate degree I realized that what really attracted me to archaeology, particularly in the United States, was a growing movement back then that is still going on today of Native people and Indigenous communities really pushing archaeology to recognize some of the failings that have run through the 19th and 20th century history of archaeology, of being very exclusive in taking knowledge, objects and human remains away from Native lands.”

“That experience, he says, made him pursue in graduate school the topic of Indigenous archaeology and de-colonizing the field.

Kretzler currently works for a private sector cultural resources protection firm in the Seattle area that performs work similar to that of the Tribe’s Historic Preservation Office. He says his experience working collaboratively with the Grand Ronde Tribe can be incorporated into his work in the private sector.

“The private sector is not immune,” he says. “It has inherited a lot of archaeology’s failings in some senses of its relationship with Tribes. It’s been an interesting transition. One where I can take the insights that I learned during the dissertation process and alter certain aspects of how we do things.”

Kretzler says he hopes the recognition of his dissertation is a beginning point in how archaeology can be transformed into something that positively adds value to Tribes’ understanding of their own culture and history.

In the closing of his dissertation, Kretzler writes that “it is my hope that this work can be incorporated into future generations of Tribal members to come to know their history in ways they recognize as meaningful and valuable.

“It is my hope that this project contributes to the cultural resurgence and thriving of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and the composition of new survivance stories. And it is my hope that this dissertation, itself a product of hundreds of hours of effort and commitment by students, scholars, Tribal members and the Historic Preservation Office staff, inspires you to reflect on your relationships with Native lands, heritage and peoples – and to ensure that the stories you help tell are themselves stories of Native presence.”

Edwards says Kretzler’s dissertation is available to read at Chachalu Museum & Cultural Center’s Research Room.

“It is meant to be discoverable. It is meant to provide an opportunity for individuals to have conversations and, like all good research, be a starting point on a wheel that should continue to roll,” Edwards says.

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Grand Ronde serves as a model for how our discipline might begin to transcend its colonial legacies by grounding research in the values of mutual respect, generosity and trust. I can say without hesitation that Ian and his work with Grand Ronde embodies these values, and in so doing is helping to transform the discipline and practice of archaeology in the 21st century.

The 460-page dissertation draws on Gerald Vizenor’s concept of survivance, which centers on Native presence in all aspects of archaeology. “In doing so, they address gaps in existing studies of European and U.S. colonialism and position archaeology as a counter to settler colonialism’s pursuit of Native absence,” Kretzler writes in his dissertation’s abstract. “They also challenge archaeologists to shed their self-appointed role as narrators of Native histories and work collaboratively with Tribal nations to bring stories of their ancestors into the present.”

Kretzler’s work while in Grand Ronde traced the development of 19th and 20th century settlement patterns and foodways on the Grand Ronde Reservation. During that time, he worked with many employees from the Tribal Cultural Resources Department, including Manager David Harrelson, Historic Preservation Manager Briice Edwards, Cultural Protection Specialist Chris Bailey and Senior Archaeologist Jessica Curtman.

“Being able to work in partnership with the staff at the Historic Preservation Office, with Briice Edwards and David Harrelson and really the whole staff there, really taught me what archaeology can look like if conducted with the oversight of a Tribe and in the interest of a Tribe,” he says during a 30-minute phone interview.

Edwards says that Kretzler’s dissertation is reflective of a change in archaeology that adds enrichment and contributes to a larger understanding of the Tribe’s history. “It really has been about starting with community first, asking how he can contribute here,” Edwards says. “And out of that, good things came for the Tribe in terms of the work that he did. It also sets this example … We’re seeing this permanent change emerge within this discipline.”

“My thesis is that settler colonialism and archaeology have pursued the physical, political and/or cultural absence of Native peoples and thus unrestricted access to Native land, resources, bodies, material culture and knowledge,” Kretzler writes in the dissertation. “To counter these programs of absence – to transform archaeology into an anti-settler colonial practice – archaeologists must develop frameworks that center Native presence.”

Kretzler, 31, grew up in Longview, Wash., and attended Whitman College in Walla Walla, where he graduated magna cum laude in 2012 with a bachelor’s degree in anthropology. From there, he enrolled in the University of Washington, obtaining his master’s degree in 2014. The dissertation is part of his work to obtain a Ph.D. in anthropology.

“What drew me to archaeology in college was a combination of being able to learn more about the natural world, being able to be outside and understand geology, plants and animals and people’s relationships with them over a long period of time,” he says during the phone interview. “And understanding history, but understanding history in a way that was more long-term and had references to the landscape.”

“As I was going through my undergraduate degree I realized that what really attracted me to archaeology, particularly in the United States, was a growing movement back then that is still going on today of Native people and Indigenous communities really pushing archaeology to recognize some of the failings that have run through the 19th and 20th century history of archaeology, of being very exclusive in taking knowledge, objects and human remains away from Native lands.”

“That experience, he says, made him pursue in graduate school the topic of Indigenous archaeology and de-colonizing the field.

Kretzler currently works for a private sector cultural resources protection firm in the Seattle area that performs work similar to that of the Tribe’s Historic Preservation Office. He says his experience working collaboratively with the Grand Ronde Tribe can be incorporated into his work in the private sector.

“The private sector is not immune,” he says. “It has inherited a lot of archaeology’s failings in some senses of its relationship with Tribes. It’s been an interesting transition. One where I can take the insights that I learned during the dissertation process and alter certain aspects of how we do things.”

Kretzler says he hopes the recognition of his dissertation is a beginning point in how archaeology can be transformed into something that positively adds value to Tribes’ understanding of their own culture and history.

In the closing of his dissertation, Kretzler writes that “it is my hope that this work can be incorporated into future generations of Tribal members to come to know their history in ways they recognize as meaningful and valuable.

“It is my hope that this project contributes to the cultural resurgence and thriving of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and the composition of new survivance stories. And it is my hope that this dissertation, itself a product of hundreds of hours of effort and commitment by students, scholars, Tribal members and the Historic Preservation Office staff, inspires you to reflect on your relationships with Native lands, heritage and peoples – and to ensure that the stories you help tell are themselves stories of Native presence.”

Edwards says Kretzler’s dissertation is available to read at Chachalu Museum & Cultural Center’s Research Room.

“It is meant to be discoverable. It is meant to provide an opportunity for individuals to have conversations and, like all good research, be a starting point on a wheel that should continue to roll,” Edwards says.
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their limbs as the weight became too much to bear. The remains of more than 400 downed trees had to be removed for Highway 18 to re-open and about 450 downed and hazardous trees were cleaned up to re-open Hebo Road.

Highway 18 re-opened at 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14. ODOT crews and utility workers continued cleanup work and hazardous tree removal on the roadside for the next couple of weeks and motorists were told to expect lane closures and delays while the work continues.

On Hebo Road, the section from Highway 18 to Grand Ronde Road was the last section of roadway to open in the West Valley because of downed trees and limbs.

Many trees on the Grand Ronde Tribal campus and at Spirit Mountain Casino also suffered damage. Tribal employees worked most of the week after the Tribal Chiefs’ holiday to clean up the Tribal campus.

Portland General Electric reported power outages in most of the West Valley, including Grand Ronde, Willamina and Sheridan. According to the company’s outage map, there were 295 affected customers in the Grand Ronde area on Sunday afternoon with an estimated restoration of power set for 4 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15.

Tribal Communications Director Sara Thompson said power to the government campus was out for approximately 36 hours. There were no reports of damage to Tribal facilities.

Tribal Council Vice Chair Chris Mercier, who lives in Tribal Housing, reported that his power returned at about 1:30 p.m. Sunday after it went out on Saturday morning. “Other than that, it was cold,” he said. “A lot of trees split. One by my house was cut down.”

PGE reported 4,405 account outages in Polk County and 7,603 in Yamhill County. The Grand Ronde community straddles the line between the two counties.

According to social media posts, Tribal General Manager David Fullerton and Tribal police officers, as well as other Tribal staff members, went door to door on Saturday morning checking on Tribal Elders and getting generators for those with medical needs.

In addition, Tribal Maintenance staff members cleared sidewalks of snow and ice.

Fullerton sent an all-employee e-mail on Wednesday, Feb. 17, to thank Tribal staff and volunteers who worked to ensure the safety of the community and Elders by shoveling walkways, brewing and delivering hot coffee, removing downed trees, preparing and delivering hot meals, delivering heaters and generators, and knocking on doors to check on elderly residents.

Spirit Mountain Casino remained open throughout the weekend.

Tribal governmental offices closed at 3 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, because of a threat of freezing rain and remained closed on Friday, Feb. 12. Offices re-opened Tuesday, Feb. 16, following the observance of Tribal Chiefs’ Day on Monday, Feb. 15, which marked the beginning of a warming trend in western Oregon.

However, the regularly scheduled Tribal Council Legislative Action Committee hearing held at 9 a.m. Tuesdays was postponed because of ongoing power and Internet connectivity issues. The Willamina School District also canceled classes on Tuesday because many students did not have electricity or Internet to attend distance learning classes via computers.

Temperatures in western Oregon reached into the high 40s on Monday, Feb. 15, and throughout the rest of the week, melting most of the remaining ice and snow and allowing workers to clean up the debris and start reconnecting electrical power lines.

The storm was the largest snow and ice event to hit western Oregon since the December 2008 storm that shut down Tribal offices for an entire week.

A damaged tree sits outside of Black Bear Lodge on Tuesday, Feb. 16. A snow and ice storm hit the Grand Ronde area over the Valentine’s Day weekend and knocked out power and damaged many trees.

A car passes fallen branches at Spirit Mountain Casino on Tuesday, Feb. 16.

An Elder walks to his home past a damaged tree on Coyote Court on Tuesday, Feb. 16. The storm damaged many area trees and forced the closures of both highways 18 and 22 heading westbound at Grand Ronde Road.

Photos by Timothy J. Gonzalez

Groundskeeper Youvani Ring tosses a branch onto a pile while cleaning up fallen branches on Salmon Way in Grand Ronde on Tuesday, Feb. 16.
Heather Cameron case included in Oregon summaries

By Danielle Harrison
Smoke Signals staff writer


The report is the first to be released by any U.S. Attorney’s Office since the Justice Department began a new program, nicknamed Operation Lady Justice, to address the ongoing crisis of missing and murdered Native Americans.

The Oregon report provides Tribes, law enforcement and the public with an overview of current cases as well as the Attorney’s Office plans to address the crisis in 2021.

The report includes summaries of eight murdered and 11 missing Indigenous people, including Grand Ronde Tribal member Heather Cameron, who has been missing since August 2012 from a remote area near Redding, Calif.

On the day of her disappearance, Cameron called 911 three times from her ex-boyfriend Daniel Lusby’s cell phone near the remote Keswick Dam area in Shasta County, saying she had been drugged and needed help. A male voice was audible in the background, according to police reports.

Police conducted an extensive, multi-agency search, according to the Shasta County Sheriff’s Office. Lusby was interviewed as a prima-facie consult with Oregon Tribes and underreporting of how many murdered Indigenous people are missing and murdered nationwide.

“Not having accurate reporting has also prevented researchers from gaining a true understanding of the problem, in addition to inconsistent racial misclassification and jurisdictional issues. The USAO’s efforts plan address these barriers.”

The 2021 Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons Action Plan includes the following goals:

• Tribal consultations: Schedule virtual meetings with each federally recognized Tribal government and Tribal law enforcement agency in Oregon.

• Develop Tribal community response plans: Work with each Tribe to establish Tribal response plans that would include creating four different protocols of community outreach, law enforcement agency response, victim services, and public and media communications customized for each Tribe.

• Creation of a working group: Invite Tribal representatives and law enforcement to better track and assist in any missing and murdered Indigenous cases connected to the District of Oregon, including Tribal members who are outside of Oregon.

Grand Ronde Domestic Violence Program Coordinator Danielle Murrell said that the Oregon U.S. Attorney’s Office work is vital in bringing more attention to address the epidemic of missing and murdered Indigenous people through-out the country.

“We know that American Indians/Alaskan Natives experience violence and sexual violence at a disproportionate rate (compared to) non-American Indians/Alaskan Natives,” she said. “This makes the USAO’s work of momentous importance to continue to bring awareness to this problem. In the Urban Indian Health Institute’s 2020 report, they noted that 95 percent of the murdered and missing Indigenous women and girls cases never received national or international news coverage. This is a problem.

“Not having accurate reporting
‘Wellness in motion: to move is to heal’

The 2020–21 Royalty participants for the CTGR and Veterans SEB groups show their team spirit and/or favorite way(s) to stay active! The collections also can be found at www.facebook.com/CTGRRoyalty and www.facebook.com/CTGRVeteransSEB.
Attention All Artisans

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde is seeking bids for our 2021-22 crowns and medallions.

Submit full design that includes:

- The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde logo (including feathers)
- Court Year 2021-22
- Titles: Little Miss Grand Ronde, Junior Miss Grand Ronde, Senior Miss Grand Ronde
- Crowns and medallions must be completed and delivered by Aug. 6, 2021

Must submit photos of progress when requested

Bid deadline is March 15, 2021 (deadline is firm and no bids will be accepted after 5 p.m.)

Mail bids and designs to:
CTGR Royalty c/o Tribal Council
9815 Grand Ronde Road
Grand Ronde, OR 97347

Questions: Call Chelsea at 503-879-1418 or email chelsea.clark@grandronde.org

*Bids and designs can be sent to the above email address.
Grand Ronde Royalty & Veterans Royalty

applications

Veterans Royalty works 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 court 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 entire duration of the event. This includes helping to set up events, meetings and parades and dancing during Grand Entry, inter-Tribals 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 public speaking and work with veterans. Participants represent the veterans and the Tribe by attending powwows, events, parades, fundraisers and various community events.

Serving on Veterans Royalty requires a considerable commitment from the participant and their parents and/or sponsor. Royalty participants (including parent or sponsor) must attend all required events and activities, organizational meetings, powwows, parades, fundraisers and more. We encourage all Tribal youth ages 7-18 to join.

Participants must be within the following age categories by Thursday, July 1, 2021:

- Warriors: 7-18 years of age
- Little Warriors: 7-10 years of age
- Junior Miss Grand Ronde: 11-13 years of age
- Senior Miss Grand Ronde: 14-18 years of age
- Tiny Tot Queen (Honorary): 4-6 years of age
- Little Queen: 7-10 years of age
- Junior Queen: 11-13 years of age
- Senior Queen: 14-18 years of age
- Warrior: 7-18 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 Veterans Royalty guidelines & agreement

DEADLINE: 5 p.m. Thursday, April 1

--- OFFICIAL APPLICATION ---

Applicant’s Name: ____________________________
Mailing Address: ______________________________

Phone (Day): ___________________ (Evening): __________________ Age: ________

Date of Birth: ____________________________ Father’s Name: ____________________________

Mother’s Name: ____________________________ Sponsoring’s Name: ________________________

Address and Phone (if different than a parent): ____________________________

Why do you want to participate in Veterans Royalty?

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Applicant’s Signature: ____________________________
Parent’s Signature: ____________________________
Sponsor’s Signature (if different than a parent): ____________________________

Mail Applications to:
Veterans SEB c/o Public Affairs
9615 Grand Ronde Road
Grand Ronde, OR 97347

Attention All Artisans


Submit full design that includes:

1. The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Veterans Logo (pictured)
2. Little Queen – 4 inches
3. Junior Queen – 6 inches
4. Senior Queen – 6 inches
5. Warrior Medallion – 4 inches
6. Court year – Queens only
7. Back of Crown’s medallion logo (3) – 3 inches

Bid deadline is April 1, 2021 by 5 P.M. (deadline is firm and no bids accepted after 5 P.M.)

Mail bids & designs to:
Veterans SEB
c/o Public Affairs
9615 Grand Ronde Road
Grand Ronde, OR 97347

Questions: call Shannon Simi @ 503-879-1358 or Shannon.simii@grandronde.org

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Friday, Feb. 5
• Drug complaint reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
• Criminal mischief reported in the 26800 block of Salmon River Highway.
• Warrant arrest made in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
• Traffic stop performed in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
• Assist outside agency in the area of milepost 22 on Highway 18.
• Domestic disturbance reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
• Reported armed person in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Tuesday, Feb. 9
• Driving complaint received in the area of milepost 19 on Highway 22.
• Driving complaint received in the area of milepost 5 on Highway 22.
• DUII arrest made in the area of milepost 22 on Highway 22. The driver had a blood alcohol content of 0.16 percent.
• Theft reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
• Fraud reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Saturday, Feb. 6
• Animal complaint reported in the 100 block of Wind River Drive.
• Citizen contact occurred in the 48700 block of Eagle Loop.
• Domestic disturbance reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway. One subject was arrested for harassment.
• Fraud reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
• Trespass reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Sunday, Feb. 7
• Fraud reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
• Welfare check performed in the 9600 block of Tilixam Circle.

Tuesday, Feb. 9
• Emotionally disturbed person reported in the 9600 block of Tilixam Circle.
• Criminal mischief reported in the 24600 block of Grand Ronde Road.

Wednesday, Feb. 10
• Assist outside agency in the Willamina area.
• Driving complaint received in the area of milepost 26 on Highway 18.
• Suspicious activity reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
• Suspicious activity reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
• Drug complaint received in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Thursday, Feb. 11
• Drug complaint reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Friday, Feb. 12
• Drug complaint reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Saturday, Feb. 13
• Warrant arrest occurred in the 8500 block of Grand Ronde Road.
• Traffic hazard reported in the area of milepost 20 on Highway 18. Assisted the Oregon Department of Transportation during a freezing rain storm.
• Traffic hazard reported in the area of Highway 18 and Jahn Road. Downed trees and power lines.
• Tree reported down in the area of the 25300 block of Blue Jay Court.
• Traffic hazard reported in the area of Hebo and Andy Riggs roads. More trees and power lines down.
• Traffic hazard reported in the area of the 8400 block of Grand Ronde Road. Downed trees and power lines.
• Prowler reported in the 27600 block of Salmon River Highway. Call was regarding a possible person trespassing on the property, but ended up being weather related.

Sunday, Feb. 14
• Welfare check performed the 25200 block of Coyote Court.
• Traffic hazard/wires down in the area of Hebo and Old Fort roads.

Monday, Feb. 15
• Welfare check performed in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Tuesday, Feb. 16
• Emotionally disturbed person reported in the 9600 block of Tilixam Circle.

Wednesday, Feb. 17
• Assist outside agency by assisting Department of Human Services’ employees with an investigation.

Thursday, Feb. 18
• Tree reported down in the 25300 block of Blue Jay Court.
• Traffic hazard reported in the area of milepost 20 on Highway 18. No arrests were made.
• Drug complaint reported in the 26800 block of Salmon River Highway.
• Traffic stop occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road. Driver was arrested for operating a motor vehicle with a felony suspended license.
• Traffic hazard/wires down in the area of Hebo and Old Fort roads.

Compiled by Grand Ronde Tribal Police Department Officer Tyler Brown.

West Valley Veterans Memorial Application
Deadline is March 15, 2021

NAME:   DOB:

ADDRESS:   CITY:   STATE:   ZIP:

PHONE:   GENDER:   MALE/FEMALE (CIRCLE)

RANK:   BRANCH:   HONORABLE: YES/NO (CIRCLE)

DOE:   PLACE OF ENTRY:

DOS:   PLACE OF SEPERATION:

DECEASED: YES/NO (CIRCLE)   PLACE OF BURIAL:

CTGR TRIBAL: YES/NO (CIRCLE)   IF TRIBAL, ROLL#:

*All applicants must submit a copy of their DD214. If applicant is deceased, a family member or spouse can submit a copy of their DD214. If you are a CTGR Tribal member please attach a copy of your Tribal ID. If you are non-Tribal please attach a copy of a bill/record with your name and address showing you had lived or now reside in Grand Ronde, Willamina or Sheridan. Please send application and all documents to Grand Ronde Veterans SEB, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR, 97347. If you have any questions, please call Steve Bobb at 503-876-3118.

Any applications received after March 15, 2021, will be kept on file for inclusion to the Memorial in 2022.
Walking On...

Candace May Longe
Grand Ronde Tribal member Candace May Longe, 50, a resident of the Forest Grove community, passed away on Feb. 16, 2021, at her home.

Candace was born on Sept. 13, 1970, in Hillsboro, Ore. She was the younger of two daughters born to Gene and Carolyn (Knopski) Davidson. She was raised in Buxton and attended Buxton Grade School and Banks High School, graduating with the class of 1988.

Following high school, Candace began working as a certified nursing assistant at local nursing homes and assisted living centers in the Forest Grove area. Later, she ran a truck loading business called Barnett Loading.

Candace met her lifelong companion, Jason Barnett, while in high school. They were always very close. Candace enjoyed making other people happy; she had a huge heart and was always giving. She enjoyed gardening, coloring, camping and fishing. She loved visiting the Oregon coast and watching waves. Candace was always on the lookout for true-life mysteries and phenomena, and enjoyed sharing her interests with her family.

She is survived by her longtime companion, Jason Barnett; two children, Samuel Longe of Forest Grove and Nichol (Stevie) Ruiz of Beaverton; a stepson, Jason J. Barnett II of Forest Grove; parents, Gene and Carolyn Davidson of Buxton; sister and brother-in-law, Tamara and Leonard Gonzales of Wasilla, Alaska; and five grandchildren, Caleb, Steven, Hayden, Averie and Presley.

She will be forever in our hearts.

Duyck & Van Detty Funeral Home of Forest Grove assisted the family.

Other passings

Donna Mae Burkett
Dec. 12, 1946 – Feb. 17, 2021
Tribal Elder Donna Mae Burkett, 74, walked on Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2021. Skyline Memorial Gardens Funeral Home in Portland, Ore., is assisting the family.

Betty Maxine Reed
March 1, 1928 – Feb. 17, 2021
Tribal Elder Betty Maxine Reed, 92, walked on Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2021. Musgrove Family Mortuary in Eugene, Ore., is assisting the family.

Kenneth Lee Haller
March 11, 1949 – Feb. 24, 2021
Tribal Elder Kenneth Lee Haller, 71, walked on Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021. Dallas Mortuary is assisting the family.

Salmon egg distribution

Requirements:
- Must be an enrolled Grand Ronde Tribal Member
- Eggs cannot be resold
- To apply call or email Brandon Weem’s office: 503-879-2192 or brandon.weems@grandronde.org
- Eggs must be picked up in person with Tribal ID at Natural Resources (773-100 SW Hebo Road)
- The frequency and quality of the egg supply cannot be predicted
- If eggs are available for the applicant will be notified in the order of their application until the supply is gone. If we ran out supply haght to meet the needs of our neighbors, there will be no more eggs. We will reassess at the top of the list.

Visit our interactive map! You can use the search field in the Project List section.

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More details on next page.

For questions please contact us at (503) 879 - 2101

St. Michael’s offers brunch

St. Michael’s Catholic Church offers an open house brunch every Sunday following Mass. The brunch is free to the community. Brunch begins at about 11:30 a.m. following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Mass attendance is not required for brunch attendance. For more information or for kitchen and hall rental, contact Janelle Justen at 503-550-0923.
Doctors add to opioid addiction-fighting arsenal

For the past several months, providers at the Grand Ronde Health & Wellness Center have been able to provide medication-assisted therapy (MAT) to Tribal members dealing with opioid use disorder. This means that along with counseling and other behavioral health resources, doctors have been certified to prescribe drugs that help control cravings and decrease chances of relapsing.

When it comes to treatment, there is not a “one size fits all” answer. Choices in treatment are made based on the individual needs and goals of each patient. With this in mind our treatment team has added two new tools to support patients in their recovery.

**Sublocade (buprenorphine injection):**
- Useful for individuals using buprenorphine (Suboxone or Subutex) sublingually daily
- Must be on stable dose that controls withdrawal symptoms for at least seven days.
- Once monthly injection
- Only available through certified health care provider
- Minimizes daily “ups and downs”
- Don’t have to store drug at home

**Vivitrol (naltrexone injection):**
- Useful for individuals whose goal is total abstinence
- Must be opioid free for 7-14 days before starting
- Only available through certified health care provider
- Once monthly injection
- Non-addictive and not a narcotic
- Blocks effects of opioids

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3 things to stop apologizing for:

When your child is crying.
Try instead to notice why your child is crying. Crying is a normal emotional response that even adults do.

When your child doesn’t want to give a hug/kiss to a relative.
Try instead teaching your child that they are allowed to accept or decline physical touch from anyone. People should respect your child’s boundaries.

When they’re fighting with another child.
Try instead to understand why they’re fighting and remember that it’s normal to not get along with everyone all the time. If your child was hurtful (physically or emotionally) then their job is to check on the child (Are you okay?) and then you can teach them the skills to repair the relationship.

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