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Casino sticking with Wells Fargo

Special banking needs trump pipeline concerns

By Danielle Frost
Smoke Signals staff writer

Unlike the Grand Ronde Tribal government, Spirit Mountain Casino will continue its multi-million dollar business relationship with Wells Fargo Bank.

The decision was announced at the Legislative Action Committee meeting held on Tuesday, March 26.

Tribal Council member Steve Bobb Sr., who serves on the Spirit Mountain Gaming Inc. Board of Directors, reported to fellow council members that the board has decided not to pursue using U.S. Bank for its business needs.

“There was a disagreement about contracts that didn’t pan out for us,” Bobb said. “The consensus (of the board) was to stay with Wells Fargo. We came to a resolution to direct the casino not to pursue it (further).”

Spirit Mountain Casino General Manager Stan Dillon said he could not comment on internal operations and referred *Smoke Signals* to Tribal Council Chief of Staff Stacia Hernandez.

In a statement released by Hernandez, the Spirit Mountain Gaming Inc. Board of Directors said: “Spirit Mountain evaluates bank pricing, treasury and other banking services every few years by conducting a request for proposal for banking services. After careful consideration of the RFP responses, review of Spirit Mountain’s unique

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Did you hear the one about ...

Photo by Timothy J. Gonzalez

Sean Gerbrandt, 12, son of Tribal Council member Kathleen George, talks about his dive into stand-up comedy at his Sheridan home on Monday, April 8. On March 16, Gerbrandt performed in the West Valley’s Got Talent competition.

... the 12-year-old Tribal member who performs stand-up comedy?

By Danielle Frost
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SHERIDAN — Ask most parents of a middle school boy and they’ll likely tell you their son thinks he is a great comedian.

Twelve-year-old Grand Ronde Tribal member Sean Gerbrandt has taken that to a new level by actually performing stand-up comedy and being recognized for how well he did it.

His big break came after placing second in the Sheridan Japanese School talent show last year. As a top finisher, he was invited

Sean Gerbrandt’s material:

- I walked into school. The principal said to me, “Have a great day.” So I promptly left.
- So you know about stage fright, right? It might not be what you’re thinking. I’m not afraid to go up on stage. I’m afraid of the stage itself.
- My friend asked me to help him with an assignment about the Dead Sea. I was shocked because I didn’t even know it had been sick!

to perform in the West Valley’s Got Talent competition held on Saturday, March 16, presented by the Sheridan Rotary Club.

“It was pretty big and I wasn’t

expecting that many people,” Gerbrandt says. “It was is a little

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New video game features David Lewis’ narratives

“When Rivers Were Trails,” an educational, 2-D adventure game that explores the effects of allotment acts on indigenous communities in the 1890s, features 14 narratives written by Grand Ronde Tribal member David Lewis.
Smoke Signals screen capture



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Grand Ronde Tribal member David Lewis has a new title to add to his list of accomplishments — indigenous video game contributor.

Lewis, an ethnohistory researcher and adjunct professor, wrote 14 narratives for the newly released “When Rivers Were Trails,” an educational, 2-D adventure game that explores the effects of allotment acts on indigenous communities in the 1890s.

The game was developed in collaboration with the Indian Land Tenure Foundation and Michigan State University’s Games for Entertainment, and supported by the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians.

The game was created by Elizabeth LaPensée, a former Grand Ronde-area resident and indigenous game developer. The game follows an Anishinaabeg in the

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General Council meeting

11 a.m. Sunday, May 5

Community Center

NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Wednesday Meetings

DATE	TIME
Wednesday, April 17.....	5 p.m.
Wednesday, May 1.....	5 p.m.

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

Take a Veteran Fishing event set for July

The Take a Soldier Fishing organization is planning its eighth annual Take a Veteran Fishing event on Friday and Saturday, July 12-13, at Shelter Cove Resort on Odell Lake, which is 62 miles east of Eugene in Crescent.

The event also welcomes disabled veterans and recently returned veterans from overseas deployment. The event is drug- and alcohol-free and fishing tackle will be provided.

It is limited to 55 veterans; family members are welcome, but boat spaces will be assigned only to veterans.

To sign up, go to www.takeasoldierfishing.org.

Transportation can be arranged from Vancouver, Portland, Salem and Eugene. Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast and lunch, and Sunday breakfast will be provided.

For more information, contact Grand Ronde Veterans Special Events Board Chairman Raymond Petite at 541-480-5932 or Bernie Hoene at hoene1@wildblue.net or 503-509-3507. ■

Police Department has non-emergency text line

The Grand Ronde Tribal Police Department has created a non-emergency text line at 541-921-2927.

“Even though this is mostly designed for children, I don’t want adults thinking that they can’t use it as well. If you have a non-emergency situation or question, feel free to contact my officer via text through this line,” said Grand Ronde Tribal Police Chief Jake McKnight. “When one of my officers receives the text, they will call you back when they have time.”

McKnight said that emergency situations still require calling 911.

For more information, contact McKnight at 503-879-1474. ■

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. ■

Tribal Office Closures

Tribal offices will be closing on noon Friday, May 24, and closed on Monday, May 27, in observance of Memorial Day.

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.

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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.

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DEADLINE DATE ISSUE DATE

Friday, April 19	May 1
Monday, May 6	May 15
Monday, May 20	June 1
Wednesday, June 5	June 15
Thursday, June 20	July 1
Monday, July 8	July 15

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April

- Wednesday, April 17 – Tribal Council meeting, 5 p.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.
- Saturday, April 20 – Tribal Housing Easter Egg Hunt, 10 a.m., Tribal Housing covered area on Raven Loop. 503-879-4522.
- Tuesday, April 30 – Alcohol Awareness Event with speaker Joe Martineau, 10 a.m., Portland Area Office, 4445 S.W. Barbur Blvd., Portland. 503-879-1881.

May

- Wednesday, May 1 – Tribal Council meeting, 5 p.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.
- Sunday, May 5 – General Council meeting, 11 a.m., Tribal Community Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2301.
- Friday, May 10 – Meal Prep Training, 10 a.m., Tribal Community Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. RSVP to 503-879-2033.
- Saturday, May 11 – Mother’s Day Tea Party, 11 a.m., Tribal Community Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2078.
- Wednesday, May 15 – Tribal Council meeting, 5 p.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.
- Saturday, May 18 – Fish Ceremony, 1 p.m., Willamette Park, 1100 12th St., West Linn.
- Tuesday-Thursday, May 21-23 – Gathering of Grand Ronde Tilixam, times TBD, Tribal gym, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2034.
- Monday, May 27 – Memorial Day holiday. Government offices closed.
- Monday, May 27 – Memorial Day Meal & Ceremony, noon, Tribal Community Center & West Valley Veterans Memorial, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 541-480-5932.
- Tuesday, May 28 – Preparedness & Safety Fair, 3 p.m., Tribal gym, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-1837.
- Wednesday, May 29 – Tribal Council meeting, 5 p.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.

June

- Wednesday, June 12 – Tribal Council meeting, 5 p.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.
- Wednesday, June 26 – Tribal Council meeting, 5 p.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.
- Sunday, June 30 – Tribal Council nominations, 11 a.m., Community Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.

WIC visits Community Center monthly

Pregnant? Breastfeeding? Does your family include a child under the age of 5?

If so, you may qualify for the Women, Infants and Children program. With WIC, people can receive answers to nutritional questions and access fruits and vegetables, whole grains, eggs, milk, cheese, juice, cereal and more.

A WIC representative visits the Tribal Community Center on the third Tuesday of the month, which will be April 16.

Walk-ins are welcome between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 503-879-2034. ■

Clothes Closet open Friday mornings

The Clothes Closet is open from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. the first and third Fridays of the month and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. all other Fridays on the Tribal campus near the Elders Activity Center at the end of Blacktail Drive.

The Clothes Closet accepts clothing, small appliances, small pieces of furniture, electronics and household goods that are clean and in good condition. It does not accept books, large TVs or large furniture, but there is a community board where people can post those items.

Donations are accepted during regular business hours.

For more information or emergency clothes, contact Lori Walker-Hernandez at 559-847-7565. ■

Elders Marketplaces scheduled

The Elders Marketplace will be held at Spirit Mountain Casino, 26820 S.W. Salmon River Highway, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, April 26, through Sunday, April 28.

Future marketplaces will be held May 31 through June 2, July 12 through July 14, and Aug. 16 through Aug. 18.

For more information, contact Julie Little at 503-689-5005 or Penny DeLoe at 971-241-0864. ■

Elders seeking recipes for cookbook

Tribal Elders are putting together a cookbook and will sending it to be published. They will then sell the cookbooks for extra money.

To submit your favorite family recipe for the cookbook, send it to 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347, Attn: EAC. ■

Behavioral Health expansion begins

The Health & Wellness Clinic is pleased to announce that expansion of the Behavioral Health Department is happening now. During the construction, entry to the Behavioral Health Department will be relocated near the main clinic entrance. ■

Need something notarized?

Tribal Court staff is available at no charge for notaries 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday with the exception of noon to 1 p.m. Please be sure to bring a photo ID with you. If you have any questions, contact the court at 503-879-2303. ■

Official Tribal Facebook pages

- **Smoke Signals:** www.facebook.com/SmokeSignalsCTGR/
- **Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde:** www.facebook.com/CTGRgov
- **Grand Ronde Tribal Council:** www.facebook.com/TheConfederatedTribesOfGrandRondeTribalCouncil
- **Grand Ronde Health & Wellness:** www.facebook.com/GRHWC
- **Spirit Mountain Community Fund:** www.facebook.com/SpiritMountainCommunityFund
- **Youth Education:** www.facebook.com/CTGRYouthEducation
- **Grand Ronde Station:** www.facebook.com/GrandRondeStation
- **Grand Ronde Royalty:** www.facebook.com/CTGRRoyalty
- **Community Garden:** www.facebook.com/GrandRondeCommunityGarden
- **Food Bank:** www.facebook.com/GrandRondeFoodBank
- **Youth Council:** www.facebook.com/CTGRYouthCouncil
- **Social Services Department:** www.facebook.com/CTGRSocialservices/
- **Children & Family Services:** www.facebook.com/CTGRFCFS/
- **Grand Ronde Higher Education:** www.facebook.com/Grand-Ronde-Higher-Ed
- **Grand Ronde Tribal Police Department:** www.facebook.com/Grand-Ronde-Tribal-Police-Department
- **Grand Ronde Cultural Education:** www.facebook.com/Grand-Ronde-Cultural-Education



Volunteers Needed!

I am looking for a few Tribal Elders who would be interested in being in a video for the *Smoke Signals* YouTube Channel. Each video would focus on one Tribal Elder passing on “Words of Wisdom” to the younger generation.



If you are interested in being a volunteer, contact Jennifer Clark at 503-879-1461 or Jennifer.clark@grandronde.org

Food Bank provides boxes, seeks help

The Grand Ronde Food Bank – *iskam məkʰmək 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 get a food box at each of our regular weekly distributions. No one will be turned away in need of a food box.”

Upcoming food box distribution dates will be:

- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, April 19.
- 2 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 24.

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 person can pick up a food box on your behalf. The authorization is good for one year.

In addition, the Grand Ronde Health & Wellness Center’s Community Health Team will be setting up the mobile clinic at the pantry on the first Friday of every month.

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 ensure someone is available 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 503-879-3663 or contact her at fambrose@marionpolkfoodshare.org for more information or to volunteer. ■

Committee & Special Event Board meeting days and times

Below is the most current information on the meeting days and times for Tribal Committees and Special Event Boards:

- **Ceremonial Hunting Board** meets as needed. Chair: Marline Groshong.
- **Culture Committee** meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Grand Ronde Food Bank/*iskam məkʰmək haws*, 9675 Grand Ronde Road. Chair: Francene Ambrose.
- **Editorial Board** meets monthly at the Governance Center employee break room, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. Next meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday, April 19. The public is welcome to attend. 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 Committee** meets at 10 a.m. the third Wednesday of the month in the Elders Activity Center. Chair: Penny DeLoe.
- **Enrollment Board** meets quarterly in Room 204 of the Governance Center. Chair: Ann Lewis.
- **Fish & Wildlife Committee** meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Chair: Tyson Mercier.
- **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 Board** meets at 3 p.m. the third Thursday of the month in the Housing Department conference room. Chair: Kristy Criss-Lawson.
- **Powwow Special Event Board** meets monthly at noon at the Community Center. Dates vary. Contact Dana Ainam at 503-879-2037. Chair: Dana Ainam.
- **TERO Commission** meets at 10 a.m. Monday, April 22, 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: Raymond Petite.

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



2014 – The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde opened its fourth consecutive exhibit at the Willamette Heritage Center at The Mill, which commemorated Tribal ancestors who plied the Willamette River as a waterway for commerce and trade. The exhibit focused on the Native peoples who populated the shores of the Willamette River, the



2014

File photo

middle Chinook Tribes, as well as the Clackamas and Multnomah peoples. “We are here to celebrate the people of the Willamette Valley and the river. We do have a treaty that spans this entire region, the Willamette Valley Treaty,” Tribal Chairwoman Cheryle A. Kennedy said.

2009 – Grand Ronde voters would soon receive new signature verification forms in the mail as the Election Board began the process of following a new Election Ordinance amendment. The new amendment adopted by Tribal Council required mailing of new signature verification forms to each voter who had a form on file that was five years old or older. The signature verification form also gave voters the option of opting out of having their name, city and state listed on the voters list provided to Tribal Council candidates, as well as having their complete address provided to a mailing service.

2004 – Tribal Council Secretary and Army veteran June Sell-Sherer welcomed more than 300 female veterans to the Tribal gymnasium for a daylong conference emphasizing rights and services available to them. The event was described as part outreach and part social mixer for women still seeking to break through barriers in the nation’s armed forces. “We women have stepped forward to serve this nation for a very long time,” Sell-Sherer said. “I always felt what I did was important.”

1999 – Some people were falsely signing Elders’ names to receive a free meal at Spirit Mountain Casino’s Coyote Buffet. Elders were allowed to dine free with a companion every Monday, but some people were abusing the privilege to get free meals for themselves. “In some cases, an Elder has come to the buffet only to find a false signature next to his or her name. It has been decided that casino staff will start asking Grand Ronde Elders to show their Tribal enrollment cards before entering the buffet. Elders are upset by this stealing of buffet meals.”

1994 – An advisory recommendation regarding Tribal Council salaries was favored by the majority of members present, with 43 yes and 12 no votes. The advisory vote in a General Council meeting was in response to Tribal Council’s decision to increase salaries. It included an annual salary for the Tribal Council Chair at \$35,000; Vice Chair, \$20,000; Secretary, \$20,000; and the remaining six council members at \$16,000 each.

1989 – The Grand Ronde Tribal Council began negotiations with the Tribal Corporation to regain use of the depot facility for Tribal office space. The corporation was requesting \$26,000 for the facility, but Tribal government programs originally paid for the purchase and renovation of the building. The Manor office was at capacity, with little room for additional staff as programs and services grew. Representatives from both sides planned to discuss the issue at an upcoming General Council meeting.

1984 – “Indian Concerns” was the topic at Grace Lutheran Church in Corvallis, where Tribal Council Chair Kathryn Harrison and Secretary Candy Robertson spoke to parishioners. The discussion included past and present activities regarding the Restoration Bill. “We felt this group was genuinely interested in our history and what has happened to us since our bill was passed,” Harrison said.

Yesteryears is a look back at Tribal history in five-year increments through the pages of Smoke Signals.



Are you frustrated with your diabetes control?

Do you have questions about diabetes?

Do you need help managing your diabetes?

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To schedule an individual diabetes education appointment

**Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
Social Security Disability Insurance
Benefit Advocate
Request for Proposal**

The Request for Proposals (RFP) is being conducted by the Social Services Department for the purpose of obtaining a contractor who has 5 plus years of experience in SSI/SSD advocacy/ benefit determination and the qualifications to advocate for Tribal members who are seeking assistance in the application process. Qualified applicants shall possess the ability to:

- Provide general information to Tribal members and make referrals regarding SSI/SSD.
- Screen Tribal members who claim their disability does not allow them to work.
- Refer members to appropriate physical and/or mental health evaluations.
- Determine the severity of the physical/mental health condition from reports received. Make recommendations and assist Tribal members develop an action plan.
- Assist Tribal members in applying for SSI /SSD.
- Assist Tribal members with completing paperwork to file for appeals for denial of SSI/SSD.
- Refer Tribal members to Tribal Member Benefits to apply for Tribal SSI SSD program.
- Serve as a resource to employees when working with clients who may benefit from SSI/SSD.

Preference will be given to members of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and or Indian-owned business registered with the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde TERO office. Successful candidates must provide the following Insurance:

Commercial General Liability Insurance limits not less than:

- \$500,000 General Aggregate Limit
- \$500,000 Personal Injury
- \$500,000 Each Occurrence Limit

Please submit your proposal to Tammy Garrison by 5 p.m. Friday, May 10, 2019.

Tammy Garrison, Social Service Department
9615 Grand Ronde Road
Grand Ronde, OR 97347
Tammy.garrison@grandronde.org
503-879-2077

**PROPOSED GENERAL COMMITTEE AND
SPECIAL EVENT BOARD ORDINANCE
AMENDMENT OPEN FOR COMMENT**

The Tribal Council, in consultation with the Tribal Attorney's Office, has proposed amendments to the General Committee and Special Event Board Ordinance. The proposed amendments were given a First Reading at the March 6, 2019, Tribal Council meeting.

The proposed amendments:

- Reduce the number of seats on a Committee or SEB from a maximum of 7 to a maximum of 5 seats;
- Provides that regular meetings shall be held quarterly and provides guidelines for calling special meetings;
- Establishes timelines for which notice of meetings must be provided to Tribal Council staff;
- Provides for the opportunity for Committees/SEB members to attend professional training; and
- Establishes a code of conduct for Committees and SEBs.

For a copy of the proposed General Committee and Special Event Board Ordinance amendments, please contact the Tribal Attorney's Office at 503-879-4664. The Tribal Council invites comment on the proposed amendments. Please send your comments to the Tribal Attorney's Office, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347 or by e-mail to legal@grandronde.org.

Comments must be received by April 15, 2019. ■

**GRAND RONDE GAMING
COMMISSION POSITIONS**

The Grand Ronde Gaming Commission is seeking applications for two positions. The positions are for three-year terms beginning June 2019. The terms will expire June 2022. The Grand Ronde Gaming Commission regulates all gaming-related activities associated with Spirit Mountain Casino. The Tribal Gaming Ordinance requires both positions to be filled by Tribal members. Applicants must be at least 21 years of age. Commissioners may not hold elective or managerial Tribal positions, and may not be employed in or own any interest in or gamble in a gaming operation authorized by the Tribal Gaming Ordinance. Commissioners are independent contractors and expend approximately 30-40 hours per month to fulfill their responsibilities. The Commission generally meets on the second and third Fridays of each month. Appointment is contingent upon successful completion of a background investigation. Applications may be obtained by calling Kathy Doane at 503-879-2393 or e-mail at kathy.doane@grandronde.org. Closing date is 5 p.m. April 30, 2019. ■



TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS OFFICE (TERO) COMMISSION

**Accepting Applications for TERO Commission
At-Large Commissioner**

DEADLINE EXTENDED

CLOSES: Tuesday, April 30, 2019

The Tribal Employment Rights Commission is a regulatory body charged with enforcement of the Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance. One (1) Commissioner will be appointed by Tribal Council to serve a three (3) year term.

The Commission will work with the TERO Director and take all appropriate actions to implement and enforce the TERO Ordinance and make recommendations to Tribal Council on amendments to the Ordinance. Commissioners will be required to attend regularly scheduled monthly meetings and will be paid a stipend.

Other Responsibilities:

- Issue notices to appear and order relief or sanctions that are necessary and appropriate to enforce the TERO Ordinance.
- Certify firms as Indian-Owned Businesses or Grand Ronde-Owned Businesses.
- Hold public hearings on matters covered in the TERO Ordinance.
- Consult with the Tribal Attorney's Office as necessary on legal matters.
- Review program procedures, forms and policies necessary to carry out the purposes of the Ordinance.

Qualifications

Must possess a high school diploma or GED certificate; At-large Commission Members with education or experience in one or more of the following areas: human resources, Tribal employment rights, construction management, regulatory enforcement, auditing or investigations will be given preference.

Ability to participate in TERO Commission regular or special sessions; experience with due process and regulatory hearing processes; must be able to read and interpret Tribal ordinances rules and regulations.; must be capable of conducting productive, collaborative, and orderly public meetings. Individuals employed by Spirit Mountain Casino or the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde are not eligible for appointment.

For a complete job description, please visit the Tribe's website at www.grandronde.org/employment. Applications are available by contacting Grand Ronde Human Resources, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347. For more information, contact Human Resources at 503-879-2357.

**RISE
OF THE
COLLECTORS**

June 5, 2018 - May 17, 2019
Tuesday - Friday 10am - 4pm

Chachalu Museum & Cultural Center is pleased to present *Rise of the Collectors*. This exhibit will feature items collected at Grand Ronde shortly after the establishment of the reservation. These objects, on loan from the British Museum and Oregon Historical Society offer us a deeper understanding of our ancestors and their resiliency at a critical point in history.



Tribal Council OKs Election Ordinance amendments

By Dean Rhodes

Smoke Signals editor

Tribal Council approved amendments to the Election Ordinance on Wednesday, April 3, that will provide for the use of ballot boxes in Tribal elections.

Senior Staff Attorney Deneen Aubertin Keller said during the Tuesday, March 26, Legislative Action Committee meeting that no comments were received regarding the proposed amendments before the deadline. However, one supportive comment was received after the deadline.

The amendments establish a process for collection of ballot box ballots and state that ballots cast by voters who walk on before Election Day will be counted as valid. They also remove the requirement that new signature verification forms have to be sent to voters whose forms are five years old or older.

"We've talked about the ballot box issue for several years now," Tribal Council member Denise Harvey said during the Legislative Action Committee meeting. "It's very simple and easy because that's how all voting is handled. We were the only ones that weren't processing our voting ballots that way. It's nice to see it get done."

Tribal Attorney Rob Greene said concerns about Tribal members with diseases, such as Parkinson's, that might affect how their signatures are written were passed on to the Election Board for consideration and discussion.

In other action, Tribal Council:

- Approved the Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Department's submission of its Annual Performance Report for 2018 to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development;
- Approved applying to the Administration for Native Americans for a three-year Native American Language Preservation and

Maintenance Esther Martinez Immersion Grant that would total \$815,178. If received, the grant would fund expansion of the half-day Chinuk Immersion classrooms from K-3 to K-5 and development of Chinuk learning workbooks and teacher guides;

- Approved the enrollment of 10 people – two infants and eight noninfants – into the Tribe because they meet the requirements outlined in the Tribal Constitution and Enrollment Ordinance;
- And voted to support Oregon House Bill 2270, which would increase the tax on cigarettes in the state.

Also included in the April 3 Tribal Council packet were approved authorizations to proceed that OK'd adding five temporary summer staff to the Youth Education Department to support summer programs, authorized the Natural Resources Department to implement its Parks and Recreation Plan, approved General Manager David Fullerton negotiating a contract with Cascadia Partnership Consulting on the second phase of the Community Development Plan and approved creation of a cultural policy analyst position within the Cultural Resources Department.

Seventeen drummers and singers gave the cultural presentation to open the meeting.

In addition, Tribal Council honored Tribal Elder Kathryn Harrison's 95th birthday, which occurred on March 28. Harrison, a longtime Tribal Council chairwoman and key Restoration figure in the early 1980s, was gifted a card, necklace and paddle. There also were cupcakes and a birthday cake to help celebrate and the drummers and singers performed a birthday song for her.

The entire meeting can be viewed on the Tribal government's website at www.grandronde.org by clicking on the News tab and then Video. ■

Celebrating 95



Photo by Dean Rhodes

Tribal Council honored Elder Kathryn Harrison for her 95th birthday at the Wednesday, April 3, meeting in Grand Ronde with a card, paddle and necklace. Harrison was a longtime chairwoman for the Tribe and instrumental in the Restoration effort in the early 1980s. There also were cupcakes and a birthday cake to celebrate, and a Tribal drum and singers sang a birthday song. From left, Tribal Council Secretary Jon A. George, Chairwoman Cheryle A. Kennedy and Vice Chair Chris Mercier presented the gifts. Harrison turned 95 on March 28 and is the Tribe's third eldest Elder behind Dorothy Greene and Ruby Bigoni.

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General Council briefed on Social Services successes

By Dean Rhodes

Smoke Signals editor

EUGENE – Social Services Department Manager Dana Ainam briefed General Council on her staff's accomplishments, including a substantial decline in Tribal children involved in the child welfare system, during the Sunday, April 7, General Council meeting held at the Lane Community College longhouse.

Ainam supervises a 27-member department that handles issues as diverse as child welfare cases, emergency assistance to Tribal members, domestic violence and employment training programs.

"We say that we are a program that is committed to providing a community of caring," Ainam said. "We want to be a program that provides safety for our community. We want to honor our culture and spirituality. We want to be a trustworthy team. We want to work in partnership with people. It's important to collaborate. We always want all of our members to have choice when they are coming to get services from us."

Ainam added that the Tribe's Social Services Department seeks



Photo by Dean Rhodes

Social Services Department Manager Dana Ainam briefed the membership on her department's accomplishments during the General Council meeting held Sunday, April 7, at the Lane Community College longhouse in Eugene.

to meet clients where they are, not where staff members might want them to be. In addition, there is no "wrong door," meaning Social Services staff members will help clients find the services they need even if it is not offered by their department or the Tribe.

Among the accomplishments Ainam highlighted is the decline in Tribal children involved in the child welfare system from 97 in 2007 to 34 in 2018.

In 2018, Social Services received 345 reports of abuse or neglect of Tribal children and only 114, or 33 percent, were assigned for assessment. Of those 114, nine resulted in the department filing petitions: two in Tribal Court and seven in state

court.

"We're always looking at keeping families together whenever possible," Ainam said about the Children & Family Services program. "We really celebrate that success."

Social Services' emergency assistance programs helped 65 Tribal members in 2018, with the majority of those cases – 50 – being help in paying rent. In addition, 219 children were helped by the school clothing program, which includes income eligibility requirements, and 675 were helped through the school supply program.

Ainam said that the two employment programs in her department – 477 and vocational rehabilitation – helped a total of 158 Tribal members with a combined 60 percent success rate.

Social Services also supervises the Men's Transitional House near úyxat Powwow Grounds, which cur-

rently houses an average of three men monthly, and is working on revitalizing the domestic violence program with new Program Coordinator Danielle Murrell on board since September.

Ainam concluded her presentation by detailing the "learning lessons" her department has experienced, including gaining community member trust, staying committed to departmental values and beliefs, being consistent with clients and keeping staff members trained and motivated.

"Together, we strengthen our people," Ainam said.

Ainam fielded four comments and questions from Tribal members and Tribal Council members following her presentation.

Michelle Volz, Connie Bobb, Barbara Feehan, Oidavirre Mahto and Luke Volz won the \$50 door prizes and Russell Wilkinson, Debi Anderson and Bob Chapman won the \$100 door prizes.

The next General Council meeting will be held at 11 a.m. Sunday, May 5, in the Tribal Community Center in Grand Ronde.

After lunch, the last of three Community Input meetings was held, soliciting possible topics to be included as advisory votes on the September Tribal Council election ballot. About 20 Tribal members remained to provide input during the meeting, which was moderated by General Manager David Fullerton.

The meeting opened with a cultural presentation. Tribal Council Secretary Jon A. George drummed and was joined by several members of the Youth Council in singing.

The entire meeting can be viewed on the Tribal government's website at www.grandronde.org by clicking on the News tab and then going to Video. ■

'We will continue to evaluate our options'

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banking needs, and communications with responding banks and the Tribal Council, Spirit Mountain has decided not to change banks at this time."

Tribal government officially ended its banking relationship in 2018 and switched to Columbia Bank, based in Tacoma, Wash.

Tribal Council Chairwoman Cheryle A. Kennedy cited three reasons for the Tribal government ending its financial relationship with the bank, including Wells Fargo's involvement in the controversial Dakota Access Pipeline project in North Dakota, creating millions of fake bank and credit card accounts for customers and forcing unnecessary auto collision insurance on more than 800,000 clients.

The Tribal government first employed Wells Fargo for banking services from 1996 to 2005 and then rehired the bank starting in 2013. The Tribe started re-assessing its relationship with Wells Fargo in early 2017 when the Finance Department issued a request for proposals for banking services and Tribal members complained at Tribal Council meetings about the bank's involvement in the pipeline project.

The loss of Tribal governmental business cost Wells Fargo less than \$100,000 in processing fees, Finance Officer Chris Leno said.

However, the Tribal government's symbolic stand was deemed

more important than the amount of lost revenue. In late 2016 and early 2017, the Dakota Access Pipeline project galvanized Indian Country as the Standing Rock Sioux Nation and volunteer water protectors protested the construction of an oil pipeline near the Sioux Reservation. Wells Fargo provided investment funding for Energy Transfer Partners, the owner of the pipeline project.

Kennedy addressed the issue at the Wednesday, April 3, Tribal Council meeting, in a prepared statement that said all respondents to the casino's request for proposals for banking services had some business connection to the controversial pipeline project.

"We appreciate the concern of the Tribal members and made the change as a Tribal government," Kennedy said. "However, the banking needs of Spirit Mountain Casino present a unique set of challenges that limit the number of banking institutions available to us.

"Those that we did hear from and that were able to handle the account were all associated with the Dakota Access Pipeline at some level. After careful consideration, a thorough evaluation and discussions with all of the banking institutions, a decision was made to stay with Wells Fargo. Spirit Mountain does evaluate banking services every few years. We will continue to evaluate our options if something changes in the future."

For comparison, the Siletz Tribe's Chinook Winds Casino in Lincoln City uses U.S. Bank. ■

Safe hunters



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Twenty Grand Ronde-area youth earned hunter's safety certificates during a two-day course offered by the Natural Resources Department's Parks and Recreation Program on Saturday and Sunday, March 30-31, at the Natural Resources' office off Hebo Road. The class was taught by Tony Jefferies from Monmouth Fitness (above) and having a certificate is a requirement before youth can hunt in Oregon. "It was a great way to end spring break. Well done and thank you to everyone involved," said Parks and Recreation Coordinator Jerry Bailey.



Tribal Council member Steve Bobb Sr. racks up the balls while shooting pool with his older brother Bud White at the Elders Activity Center on Thursday, April 4.

POOL SHARKS

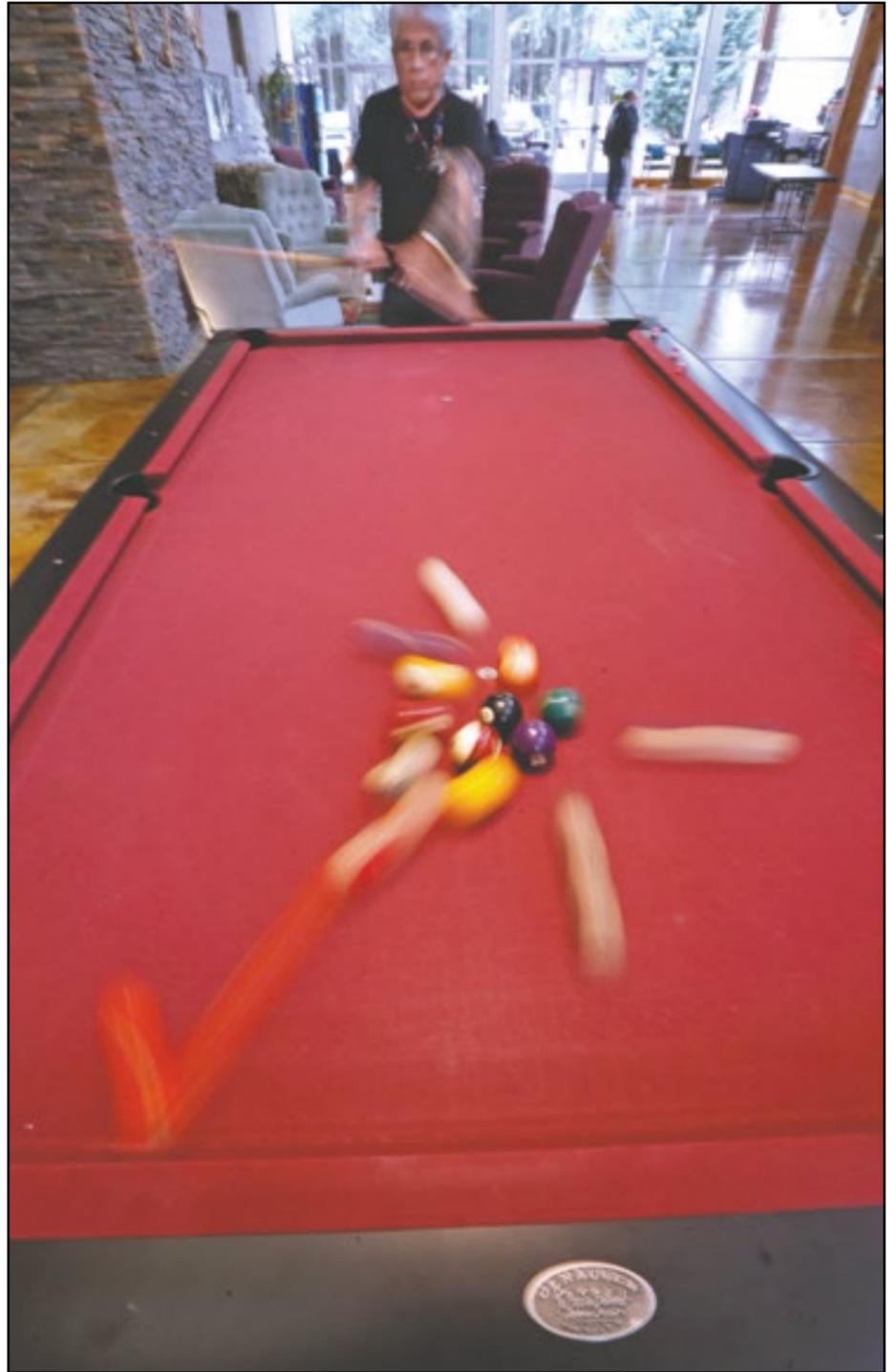
By Timothy J. Gonzalez

Photojournalist

On Tuesday through Friday in the Elders Activity Center, a small group of men get together to shoot pool. On this day, Bud White, Tribal Council member Steve Bobb Sr. and Bob Duncan gathered to chalk cues, rack ball and ignore comments and suggestions from the peanut gallery.

While the pool table is central, so is a sense of camaraderie. Duncan comes to the center primarily to shoot pool. Bobb comes for the competition and fun. He says it helps keeps his concentration sharp. For White, it is time to spend with his younger brother, Bobb. They grew up in different households after their mother was killed in an auto accident.

White, who is 10 years older, joined the Air Force when he was 17 and served in Korea, and was away from Grand Ronde for 15 years. When he returned, Bobb had joined the Marine Corps and was serving in Vietnam. ■



Tribal Council member Steve Bobb Sr. breaks while shooting pool with his older brother Bud White at the Elders Activity Center on Thursday, April 4.



Bud White watches as the cue ball sinks the nine ball into the corner pocket while shooting pool with his younger brother Tribal Council member Steve Bobb Sr. at the Elders Activity Center on Thursday, April 4.

Tribal Council member Steve Bobb Sr. holds his cue stick while watching his older brother Bud White shoot while playing pool at the Elders Activity Center on Thursday, April 4.

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Fifty-seven employees honored for 655 years of service

By Danielle Frost

Smoke Signals staff writer

Records Administrator Kim Mueller and A/V Network Technician Wendell Olson led employees with 24 years of service to the Tribe during the first-quarter Employee Service Awards breakfast held on Thursday, April 11, in the Tribal gym.

The first-quarter awards honored employees reaching their anniversary date in January, February and March. Employees who were hired five years ago or longer received bonus checks and other awards.

Fifty-seven employees were honored for a combined 655 years of service to the Tribe.

Gaming Commission Licensing Manager Julia Papen reached the 23-year mark while Lands Department Manager Jan Reibach attained 22 years. Health & Wellness Payment Processing Specialist Sunni Ulestad was hired in the first quarter of 1998 and hit her 21st year of employment with the Tribe.

Tribal Council Secretary Jon A. George blessed the breakfast and General Manager David Fullerton welcomed a large turnout of employees to the awards ceremony.

"Thank you for your service," Fullerton said. "We really appreciate you for that."

Other Tribal Council members who attended and congratulated employees included Vice Chair Chris Mercier, Denise Harvey, Jack Giffen Jr. and Kathleen George.

Before the awards celebration began, everyone in attendance sang "Happy Birthday" to Mail Room/Printing Clerk Anna White.

Cultural Resources Department Manager David Harrelson gave a brief cultural presentation about the spring gathering season and the importance of reciprocity as a cultural obligation.

"When you are taking something from the land, you need to give back," he said. "This is not a field to



Photo by Timothy J. Gonzalez

A/V Network Technician Wendell Olson shakes hands with Tribal Council member Jack Giffen Jr. after being recognized for 24 years of service during the Employee Service Awards event held in the Tribal gym on Thursday, April 11.



harvest, but a patch to gather from. These teachings are very valuable. You need to think about what you are taking and what you will give back."

Other employees honored during the Service Awards were:

20 years: Social Services Administrative Assistant Tammy Garrison and Purchased/Referred Care Supervisor Melody Baker.

19 years: Compensation/HRIS Specialist Becky Mode and Employee Relations Specialist David DeHart.

18 years: Spirit Mountain Community Fund Program Coordinator Angie Sears and Cultural Protection Specialist Christopher Bailey.

17 years: Legal Assistant Kerrina Mishler and Cultural Resources Interpretive Coordinator Travis Stewart.

16 years: Post-Secondary Educa-

tion Program Coordinator Joshua Clift and Nutrition Lead Cook Kevin Campbell.

15 years: Portland Office Tribal Services Representative Lisa Archuleta.

13 years: Cultural Resources Administrative Assistant Toni Mercier, K5 Tutor/Adviser George Neujahr, Full Charge Bookkeeper Debra Nolen and Domestic Violence Relief Advocate Carmen Mercier.

12 years: Employment Specialist Jesse Powley.

11 years: Construction Supervisor Bart Bryant, Day Shift Housekeeper Rosie Saldivas, Gaming Commission Compliance Analyst Tyrell Soderberg, Natural Resources Senior Administrative Assistant Michele Volz, Employee Relations Senior Administrator Nick LaBonte, Member Services Administrative Assistant Melanie Monson and Billing and Audit Specialist Desiree Allen.

10 years: Hydrosystem Compliance Specialist Lawrence Schwabe.

9 years: Adult Foster Care Administrative Assistant Candi Buswell, Swing Shift Lead House-

keeper Joseph Grammer, Rental Housing Coordinator Leon Ramos, Early Childhood Education Instructional Assistant Lindsay Ramer and Shipping/Receiving Clerk Seth Mercier.

8 years: 477/ Employment & Training Specialist Khani Schultz, Early Head Start Teacher Melissa Phillips, Employment Program Manager Michael Herrin, Dental Assistant Shelby Hoyt, Employee Relations Specialist Sean Barton and Dental Hygienist Erin Muchmore.

7 years: Youth Prevention Coordinator Cristina Lara, Chinuk Wawa Immersion Preschool Assistant Halona Butler, Housing Maintenance Technician Gary LaChance Jr., Housing Maintenance Technician Robert Wiggs, Historic Preservation Manager Briece Edwards and Accounts Payable Supervisor Tammy Chavez.

6 years: Utilities Maintenance Technician Richard Smith, Child & Family Services Caseworker Shauna Hastings, Employment and Training Specialist Tiny Gibbons, Swing Shift Housekeeper Sean Sell and Risk Manager Patricia Mercier.

5 years: Groundskeeper Joseph Kelley, Tribal Police Officer Tyler Brown, Chinuk Immersion Apprentice Jade Colton, Dental Secretary Whitney VanArsdel, Groundskeeper Anthony Henry and Adult Foster Care Caregiver Pearline Metzker.

Employees were served a breakfast consisting of scrambled eggs, biscuits, sausage, gravy, yogurt and fruit by Public Affairs Administrative Assistant Chelsea Clark, Tribal Council Chief of Staff Stacia Hernandez, Deputy Press Secretary Sara Thompson and Administrative Assistant Shannon Ham-Teixeira.

After the awards, Fullerton and Hernandez raffled off door prizes that included gift cards to Walmart, Lowe's and Cabela's, Portland Trail Blazer playoff tickets, a tent, backpack, stadium chair, water bottles and portable phone chargers. ■

Game available on iTunes and Google Play

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1890s who is displaced from Fond du Lac Reservation in Minnesota. The game features more than 20 indigenous writers.

Lewis, 53, became involved with the project after LaPensée contacted him online to write several game scenarios. It is his first foray into gaming.

"This was a great way to pass on knowledge in an educational and engaging format," Lewis said. "I would do it again."

LaPensée, 35, who is Anishinaabe, Métis and Irish, has been designing indigenous video games for several years. The assistant professor at Michigan State University made national headlines in 2017 when oil industry representatives, as well as state legislators in Minnesota, claimed her video game, "Thunderbird Strike," was encouraging eco-terrorism. LaPensée said she was only passing on stories from her indigenous commu-



David Lewis

nity, and that anyone who had actually played the game could see it advocated for healing the land.

"When Rivers Were Trails" has

been far less controversial and focuses on challenging players to balance their physical, emotional, mental and spiritual well-being with foods and medicines, while making choices about contributing to resistances as well as trading, fishing, hunting and honoring the people they meet as they travel through several states to get to California.

The journey can change from game to game as players randomly encounter indigenous people, animals, plants and run-ins with Indian agents. The lessons of sovereignty, nationhood and being reciprocal with the land are interwoven

throughout the adventure.

"David Lewis was invited to write for the game because of his knowledge about history and his ability to develop characters who would represent experiences in the 1890s," LaPensée said.

She added that since the game was released in March, Lewis has shared the game at events in Oregon.

"That was exactly the hope, to build capacity by paying Native people for their work in team roles and not just as consultants, while determining their own self-representations for a sovereign educational game," LaPensée said.

Lewis' 14 game narratives included Battle Rock at Port Orford, Chetco/Brookings, Smith River Tolowa near Crescent City, Klamath River (Yurok, Hupa Valley, Shasta), Cascade Rapids, Portland, Willamette Falls, Champoeg, French Prairie, Grand Ronde and Siletz Reservations, Brownsville, The Applegate Farm and Table Rock.

"I had to write greetings in numer-

ous, different Tribal languages and address the places they were from appropriately for the time period of 1890," Lewis said. "It's interesting that the game is structured so late, the 1890s, which is when colonization was happening in the Midwest, while our colonialization in Oregon had happened 40 to 50 years previously. ... I wrote the narrative and tried to be true to the time period."

After playing the game, Lewis said it's challenging, but incredible at the same time. He has decided to assign the game as a regular part of all of the Native studies classes he teaches.

"To find all of these peoples in one game is amazing," he said. "I hope the kids get involved with the game, and that it is offered as part of the indigenous education of our children so they grow up learning about the many Tribes."

"When Rivers Were Trails," is available for download on iTunes and Google Play stores, and for PC/MAC play at <https://indianlandtenure.itch.io/when-rivers-were-trails>. ■

‘Sean loves to make people laugh’

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nerve-wracking at first.”

The event is a benefit for the Sheridan Rotary Club’s Community Relief Fund. With approximately 50 people in attendance, it was Gerbrandt’s largest audience ever. However, with family and friends cheering him on, the young comic settled his nerves and got ready to rock his first big show.

“I practice my routine in advance and memorize my jokes, so when I go out onstage I have everything committed to memory,” he says.

Gerbrandt’s go-to joke? “I always say that I am not actually a stand-up comic, I’m a sit-down comic, and then I get into my routine that way.”

Gerbrandt says so far he has not suffered from stage fright or forgotten his lines, and he enjoys connecting with an audience.

“When I first make them laugh, it gives me a hit of adrenaline and then I really get going,” he says. “I try to pay attention to my audience and form jokes they will like.”

Gerbrandt says he finds his comedic material from observing daily life and interactions with different

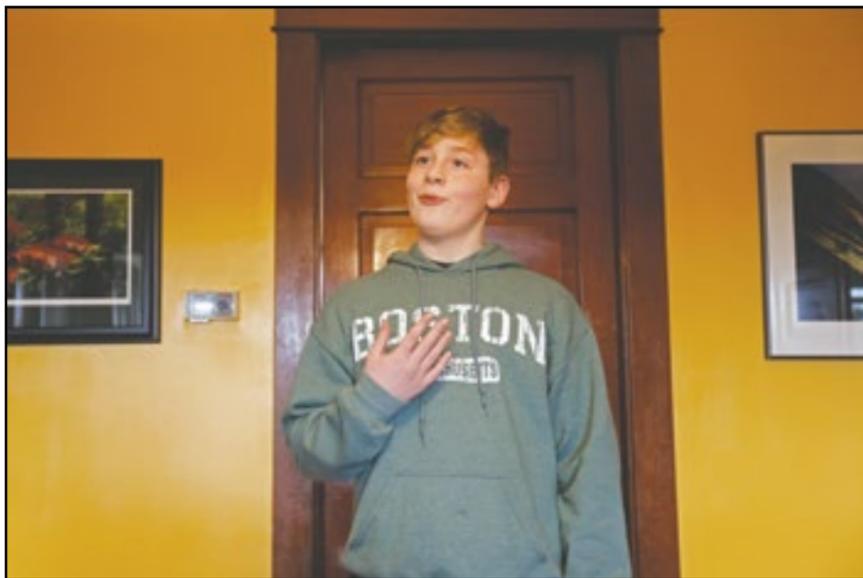


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Sean Gerbrandt, 12, son of Tribal Council member Kathleen George, performs some of his stand-up comedy at his Sheridan home on Monday, April 8. On March 16, Gerbrandt performed in the West Valley’s Got Talent competition.

people, such as grandparents, parents, classmates and teachers.

“I just hear little things here and there that might potentially be a joke, then I make it into one,” he says. “I really enjoy the feeling after a show begins, when I can let go and do a really good job.”

Gerbrandt is the son of Tribal

Council member Kathleen George and Matt Gerbrandt. Rick George, the Tribe’s Planning Department director, is his stepfather.

Kathleen George describes her son as a natural storyteller.

“Sean loves to make people laugh and has been a natural storyteller since he learned to speak,” she says. “Maybe it’s to be expected. He comes from two great storytelling cultures, Native American and Irish. Since the talent shows he has gotten an offer to perform at a St. Patrick’s Day celebration in Portland that hundreds of people attend every year and is eager to try stand-up again. I can’t wait to see where he takes his passion for

performing.”

In his spare time, Gerbrandt enjoys playing with his black lab, Vinnie, and video games alone or with 15-year-old brother Noah. His favorite subjects in school are social studies and language arts.

“They really interest me and I get to learn about cool subjects,” he says.

Gerbrandt first became interested in stand-up comedy after watching TV shows like “America’s Got Talent.”

“They were all having a blast and living their best life, and I wanted to do that, too,” he says.

Gerbrandt says he gets his sense of humor from his father.

“He is always telling jokes,” he says.

But the bravery to get onstage is inspired by his mother.

“She taught me that even though it might not seem like you are doing great, no matter what, you are going to make it,” Gerbrandt says.

He enjoys how talent shows give young performers an opportunity to practice speaking in front of a large group of people.

“I really love how it gets kids used to talking in front of live audiences,” Gerbrandt says. “I’m sure it will help me out in life, too.”

Although he intends to keep doing stand-up comedy as a hobby, his first love is writing and he is hoping to pursue a career in that field.

“I am working on my first novel right now,” he says. “It’s about kids who go to school and find a vessel that will transport them to different places.” ■

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Edward "Eddie" Raymond Berray

Aug. 5, 1935 – March 8, 2019

Tribal spouse Edward "Eddie" Raymond Berray, 83, a resident of Vancouver, Wash., died on Friday, March 8, 2019. He was born on Aug. 5, 1935, in Hillsborough, Fla., the son of Edward W. and Ruth E. Tritt Berray.

He lived in Clearwater Beach, Fla., until moving to Fond du Lac, Wis. He moved to McMinnville, Ore., where he graduated from high school in 1953.

Eddie served in the Army and was honorably discharged in June 1962. He then moved to Vancouver, Wash., where he owned and operated a painting business called Berray Painting until 2017. On June 30, 1984, he married Grand Ronde Tribal member Lillian "Lynn" Louise Smith Druliner in Vancouver.

He was an avid hobbyist and enjoyed motorcycling, slot cars, riding go-karts at Pat's Acres, flying indoor/outdoor model airplanes and competing annually at the Indoor Free Flight competition at the Kibbie Dome in Moscow, Idaho. He also volunteered with the Vancouver High School Science Olympiads, building balsa wood planes with the students.

He enjoyed his coffee group and always had a couple of jokes to share. He was always very supportive of his wife and her hobbies. He enjoyed friends and family, and will be deeply missed by everyone.

He is survived by his stepchildren, Deborah (Jeff) L. Shaw of Albany, Ore., Steven (Sue) W. Druliner of Silverton, Ore., and Pam (Chris Nash) L. Druliner of Boise, along with eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. He also is survived by a cousin, Donna Raatz of Winneconne, Wis. He was preceded in death by his wife, Lynn Berray, on Dec. 29, 2011.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, April 19, at the Grand Ronde Tribal Cemetery with a luncheon following at the Elders Activity Center. Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center is caring for the family. To leave a memory or message for the family, visit www.dallastribute.com.



Nicole Danielle Bolden-Alexander

Oct. 17, 1979 – March 14, 2019

Wife, mother, daughter, sister, granddaughter and friend.

Nicole Danielle Bolden-Alexander, Tribal member and great-great-great-great-granddaughter of Chief Halo of the Yoncalla, lost her battle with lung cancer on March 14, 2019. She died at her parents' home on the Oregon Coast with family members and friends by her side.

She was born in Portland, Ore., on Oct. 17, 1979. She moved to the Oregon Coast in her teen years, graduating from Taft High School in 1998. She became a master hairstylist and worked for many years in local salons in Lincoln City. She was one term from completing her associate degree in accounting at Oregon Coast Community College and loved to write poems.



She was an avid fisherwoman taught well by her grandfather, Jim Bolden, who preceded her in 2007. Many thanks to her fishing buddy Casey Bones, who spent many hours on the banks of the Salmon River fishing with her. A special thank you to both her little sister Stephanie and her close friend Lizzie Buckham Reyes for being there for Nicole right to the end.

Nicole leaves behind her husband, Don Alexander; daughter, Zoey, and son, Noah; parents, Del and Kim Bolden and Linda Amici; grandmothers, June Bolden and Dorothy Rogers; sisters and brother, Mariah Cortez, Stephanie Bolden, Maxwell Fleming and Roxanne Fleming; aunts and uncles, Gery and Daphne, Susie, Larry and Diane, and Connie and Ben; in-laws, Ray and Kathy Wilcox; sisters, Katrina and Arial; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and a world of friends.

The fisherwoman of our family, Nicole, had learned that well-practiced talent from her grandfather.

Klahowya Sikhs, PishKlootchman
Goodbye Friend, Fisherwoman

Sewing class participants wanted

The sewing classes that have been held at the Elders Activity Center have been canceled due to lack of participation. Classes could resume if at least six people commit to attending.

To commit or find out more information, contact Elders Activity Assistant Virginia Kimsey-Roof at 503-879-2233. ■

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

INTERNAL OPENINGS

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INTERNAL/EXTERNAL

■ **Chemical Dependency Counselor**
Job #026-19
Behavioral Health
Grade: 10
Closing date: May 1

■ **Youth Crew Leader**
Job #018-19
Natural Resources
Grade: \$13/hour
Closing date: May 17

■ **Youth Crew Member**
Job #017-19
Natural Resources
Grade: \$11.25/hour
Closing date: May 31

■ **Forester**
Job #121-18
Natural Resources
Grade: 12
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■ **Domestic Violence Relief Advocate**
Job #011-18
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Grade: 8
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This is a limited duration position through June 30, 2019; continuation is subject to grant funding.

■ **Behavioral Health Coordinator**
Job #002-19
Behavioral Health
Grade: 12
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■ **Child and Adolescent Mental Health Therapist**
Job #124-18
Behavioral Health
Grade: 12
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■ **Young Child Wellness Project Manager (This project is a five year grant and ends on 9/29/2023.)**
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■ **Young Child Wellness Project Partner (This project is a five year grant and ends on 9/29/2023.)**
Job #107-18
Health Administration
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■ **Radiology Lab Technician (on call)**
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Internal applicants are

1. Current regular employee, past their six-month Introductory period, receiving at least a "meets expectations" on most recent performance evaluation and not under disciplinary action or performance improvement within the previous six months,
2. Grand Ronde Tribal members
3. Spouse of a Grand Ronde Tribal member or
4. Parent or legal guardian of Grand Ronde Tribal member children

Internal recruitment process

For those individuals meeting minimum qualifications an interview will be given in the following ranking order:

1. Grand Ronde Tribal members
 - a) Qualified Grand Ronde Tribal members who show they meet the minimum qualifications of the position during the course of the interview process will be given first consideration for hire and the recruitment process will end.
2. Tribal member spouses, parents and/or legal guardians of Grand Ronde Tribal member children and current regular employees.

For more information about job positions available, please visit the Tribe's employment page at www.grandronde.org

www.grandronde.org

Drop box installed

The Grand Ronde Tribal Police Department, 9655 Grand Ronde Road, now has a medication drop box located in the front lobby.

Lobby hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The drop box is for any prescribed or over-the-counter medication. If the containers are too large to fit in the drop box, please repackage them in a zip-lock plastic bag. Tribal Police employees cannot handle the medications so the person dropping them off must repackage them.

Needles and liquids are not allowed in the drop box. Tribal Police suggest mixing liquid medications with cat litter or coffee grounds and then throwing them away with the household trash.

For more information, call 503-879-1821. ■

WALK-IN DENTAL APPOINTMENTS FOR KIDS <6

NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY FOR DENTAL CHECK-UPS FOR KIDS 5 AND UNDER WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO BE SEEN AT THE TRIBAL CLINIC. JUST COME ON IN!
We will check your child's teeth during any of our clinic hours without an appointment. Dental check-ups are recommended beginning with the first tooth!

Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Dental Clinic
Phone 503-879-2020
Hours: Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri 8:00-5:00; Thur 9:30-5:30



Native blanket design honors Portland ad executive

DENVER, Colo. – The American Indian College Fund and Pendleton Woolen Mills of Portland, Ore., are introducing a new, exclusive blanket to the fund's collection that honors David Kennedy, the co-founder of Wieden+Kennedy.

For almost 29 years, Wieden+Kennedy has been a creative partner with the American Indian College Fund and led an effort that's continued to raise awareness about the importance of higher education to ensure a better future for Native American peoples.

Kennedy was presented with the Contemporary Pawnee Pathway blanket, designed by Native artist Bunky Echo-Hawk, at a reception in his honor held on Thursday, March 28.

Echo-Hawk met Kennedy while employed by the American Indian College Fund and they continued their friendship as their paths intersected in the art world.

"The blanket design is saturated in traditional Pawnee color theory and symbology, while also reflecting a contemporary flare," Echo-Hawk said.

"It is fitting that we are able to honor David on the 30th anniversary of the College Fund with a blanket that reflects his creativity, his generosity and his belief that education is the answer," said Cheryl Crazy Bull, president and chief executive officer of the American Indian College Fund. ■

CTGR PREPAREDNESS AND SAFETY FAIR
WHEN: TUESDAY MAY 28TH, 2019 from 3pm to 6pm
WHERE: Gym and outside in the field



ARE YOU PREPARED?

Come one come all Grand Ronde Community Members and Employees!!!!

Join the CTGR Emergency Management team in the efforts to prepare the Community of Grand Ronde for all types of hazards and emergency events.

There will be many interesting displays on emergency communications, emergency food planning and preparations and much, much more.

There will be a lot of great information on how to better prepare yourself, family and friends for emergencies whether you are on the road, at home or at work.

Come Join the Fun!!!

Health & Wellness Center Entrance

Reminder: The drive-through entrance at the Health & Wellness Center is for loading and unloading only.

The entrance was built with our Elders and those with mobility issues and their ease of access in mind.

If you are coming to the center to pick up prescriptions, please park in one of our regular parking spaces.

**Thank you,
Grand Ronde Health & Wellness Center Administration** ■



We are SAFER!

Please Vote May 21st!

RENEW PUBLIC SAFETY LEVY #27-129

To protect the investment we have all made in our Safety and to ensure continuity of crucial law enforcement services to all of Polk County, we must renew the original public safety levy, before it expires.

Fund seeking Hatfield Fellowship applicants

Applications for the 2019-20 Hatfield Fellowship program are being accepted through Tuesday, April 30. The fellowship program is funded by Spirit Mountain Community Fund, the philanthropic arm of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

Each year, Spirit Mountain Community Fund sponsors a Native American to serve as the Hatfield Fellow and intern in a congressional office. Placement of the Fellow rotates through the Oregon congressional delegation to enhance the mutual understanding between leadership in Washington, D.C., and Indian Country.

Fellows are given an opportunity to gain knowledge and understanding of how to navigate the political process in Washington while working on issues that directly affect Native Americans.

The Hatfield Fellow will begin his or her Capitol Hill experience in November 2019 with a month-long orientation at the American Political Science Association followed by an eight-month term in an Oregon congressional office. The fellowship includes a monthly stipend, and relocation and travel expenses.

The opportunity is extended to Tribal members from the nine federally recognized Tribes of Oregon, as well as members of Tribes in Idaho, Washington, and Montana. Preference will be given to members of Oregon Tribes. Applicants must have a minimum of a bachelor's degree (or graduating in June 2019) and be at least 21 to apply.

The Hatfield Fellowship was created in 1998 to honor Senator Mark Hatfield's public service to Oregon and the Pacific Northwest. For more information about the program or to apply, visit thecommunityfund.com/grants-programs/hatfield-fellowship/or or go to www.youtube.com/watch?v=VMXL_nwpx-o&t=4s to view a Hatfield Fellowship informational video. ■



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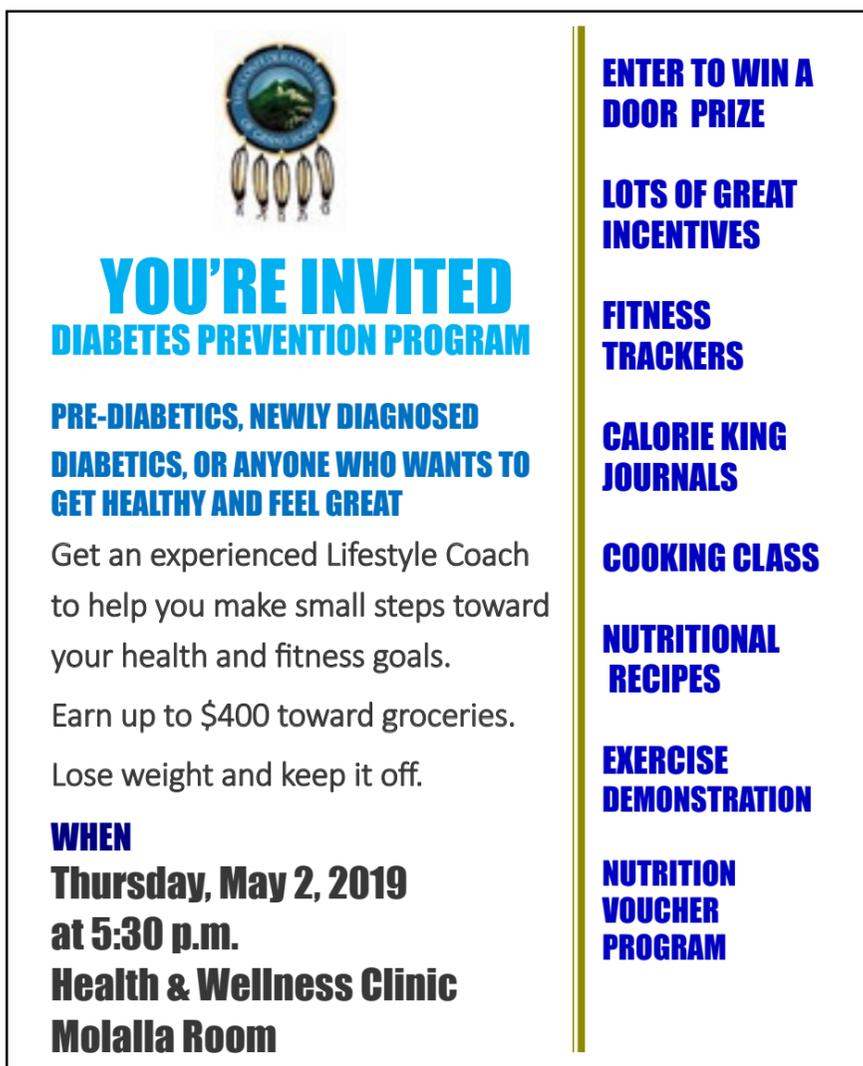
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WHEN
Thursday, May 2, 2019
at 5:30 p.m.
Health & Wellness Clinic
Molalla Room

- ENTER TO WIN A DOOR PRIZE**
- LOTS OF GREAT INCENTIVES**
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- CALORIE KING JOURNALS**
- COOKING CLASS**
- NUTRITIONAL RECIPES**
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- NUTRITION VOUCHER PROGRAM**

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. ■



JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
9615 Grand Ronde Road
Grand Ronde, OR 97347

The Parks and Recreation Program of The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, in cooperation with Oregon Youth Conservation Corps, is seeking three Natural Resources interns/youth crew leads for its Summer Youth Crew program. This is a great opportunity to obtain supervisory experience and practice hands-on natural resource management techniques.



F&W Intern/ Youth Crew Leader Position
Start Date: June 10, 2019
Duration: 16 weeks, 40 hours/week
End Date: September 27, 2019
Pay: \$11.50-\$13.50/hr

Duties: Supervise and provide leadership to an eight-person summer youth work crew for up to eight weeks and assist the Natural Resources Department for approximately six weeks. Projects may include stream and riparian restoration/enhancement, trail maintenance and construction, native vegetation plantings, habitat enhancement monitoring, wildlife monitoring and other natural resource and community projects.

Qualifications: Desire to work with youth and/or in natural resources. Must be able to work in rugged outdoor terrain. Experience in the proper use of hand tools. Good communication skills.

Requirements: Work boots, valid Driver's License, safe driving record. Must successfully complete pre-employment background check, drug test, and moderate physical pack test. Must be able to attend 3-day, 3-night (June 19-21, 2019) teamwork and working with at-risk youth training in Bend, OR.

Work Location: Natural Resources Office, Grand Ronde. Grand Ronde is located in the foothills of the Coast Range approximately 30 miles northwest of Salem, 25 miles southwest of McMinnville, or 50 miles north of Corvallis.

Applications accepted starting March 11, 2019. Closing date: Friday May 17, 2019.

Complete the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde employment application online at <http://www.grandronde.org/about/employment/>, click the Apply Button next to the Youth Crew Leader posting and follow the accompanying instructions.

Or apply in person at:

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
Employment Services Center
9615 Grand Ronde Road
Grand Ronde, OR 97347

If you have any questions please call (503) 879-2337.



Summer 2019 Youth Crew Member Position

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, in cooperation with the Oregon Youth Conservation Corps is looking for 18 youth to work in a Summer Youth Crew Program.

These positions are designed and funded for the purpose of providing employment experience and meaningful opportunities to local area youth.



Youth Crew Member
Start Date: Monday June 24, 2019
Duration: 8 weeks, 32 hours/week
End Date: Friday August 16, 2019
Pay: \$11.25/hr

Duties

Work as a member of an eight-person work crew. Projects include trail construction, habitat enhancement, invasive species removal, and other natural resource and community enhancement projects.

Qualifications

Must be 15-18 years of age; have the ability or experience to safely, and properly use hand tools; be able to work in rugged outdoor terrain. Interest in or experience in working in the outdoors helpful.

Requirements

- 1) Furnish own work boots
- 2) Complete and pass pre-employment background check and drug test.

Work Location

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Grand Ronde, OR 97347

Student Spotlights

Aspen Wilson

Aspen Wilson was chosen for this month's Student Spotlight for the tremendous amount of work she has put into her senior year. She is on track to graduate and has worked hard all year to bring up her GPA all while staying involved. Her extracurricular activities include basketball, leadership and Youth Council.

After high school, Aspen plans to attend community college and complete her prerequisite classes, and then eventually transfer to a university. Aspen's drive to do well is all for her ultimate goal to "benefit my future." One of her favorite quotes she uses to motivate herself with is "keep moving forward" by Walt Disney.

Aspen is a leader in and out of school and in her community. She is an important role model to the students at Willamina High School and at Youth Education.

Youth Education 6-12 Tutor Isaiah Sherwood describes Aspen's senior year success as, "She had a mountain to climb this school year and has gone above and beyond all of our staff's expectation."

Her advice to other students is: "Keep pushing forward. Seek help, don't try to do everything yourself; ask for help. Communication is key."

We are so proud of you Aspen!



Aspen Wilson

~ Kaylee Oakes

Ethan Hedrick

Just a mention of Ethan Hedrick's name causes the faces of those who know him to burst out in an ear-to-ear smile.

Ethan is a kindergarten student at Willamina Elementary School. "Ethan is very caring, loving and kind," teacher Sandy DiBetta says. "He is always wanting to share stories. Ethan is very sweet. His family is very important to him. Everybody loves Ethan."

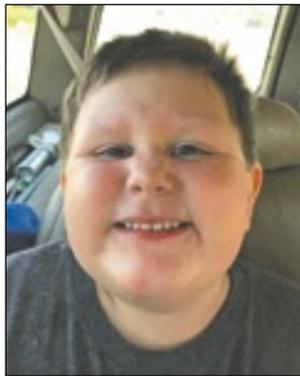
A person would be hard-pressed to find a better hug than one from Ethan. Brandi Hancock, his preschool teacher, describes him as "one of the sweetest kids I have ever met in my whole life. He has one of the biggest hearts. He has the best hugs." His mother, Emma Leno, says that Ethan is just a "huggy guy."

Ethan is a huge fan of the outdoors. He loves to play with his trucks, enjoys basketball and is an avid fisherman. Ethan is also a big fan of the cartoons "Ben 10" and the "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles."

"School is cool!" says Ethan of time in class. "My favorite work is publishing books. My publishing book right now is called 'I Am Attacking Dinosaurs.'"

Anybody who has gotten a chance to know Ethan describes his sweet positive demeanor. "He is a good helper to his friends in the classroom," says classroom aide Brenda Wilson. "Ethan is the happiest, good-natured, inquisitive kid!" said Deena Arnold. Keep an eye out for Ethan's warm, beaming smile and be sure to say hello.

~ George Neujahr



Ethan Hedrick

Massage at Health & Wellness Center

Mind, Body & Soul Therapeutic Massage started at the Health & Wellness Clinic last year.

Remember: Appointments for massage are not managed by the Health & Wellness Center staff. To schedule an appointment, call 971-237-2561. ■



Coles visit Tomanowos

Tribal member Kristi Cole visited New York City and made sure to visit the Willamette Meteorite – Tomanowos – on Saturday, March 30. From left are Cole and her daughters, Breanna and Brooke.

MARRIAGES IN TRIBAL COURT

Tribal Court is now issuing marriage licenses and is able to perform marriage ceremonies for a filing fee of \$40.

For questions regarding scheduling, contact the Tribal Court at 503-879-2303. ■

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EULA PETITE COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE JULY 30

The Eula Petite competitive scholarship was established and dedicated to long time Tribal Member educator Eula Petite. This award is made to an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde attending on a full time basis at an accredited non-profit college or university at the Undergraduate or Graduate level. This is a "One Time" scholarship award where the recipient will receive a **laptop computer**.

Applications can be found at:

<http://www.grandronde.org/departments/education/higher-education/eula-petite-scholarship/>

Higher Education staff members and Education Committee members are not eligible to apply for this scholarship.

- Must be an enrolled Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Tribal Member
- Minimum GPA of 3.00
- Must be pursuing a degree as a full-time student
- Applications must be received or postmarked by July 30, of each year.
- There are no residency requirements



Drug Take-Back event planned

The Grand Ronde Tribal Police Department, 9655 Grand Ronde Road, will hold a Drug Take-Back Day in conjunction with the Drug Enforcement Administration from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 27.

The event will give the public its 17th opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by getting rid of potentially dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs.

The event cannot accept liquids or needles or sharps; only pills and patches. The service is free and anonymous with no questions asked.

The DEA and its state, local and Tribal law enforcement partners removed 457 tons of medications during the last National Drug Take-Back event held in October. Last fall, residents of Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington turned in more than 35,000 pounds of expired and unwanted medications at 209 take-back sites in the Northwest.

People are advised that the usual methods of disposing of unused medicines – flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash – pose potential safety, environmental and health hazards.

For more information, visit www.DEATakeBack.com. ■

Veterans Royalty

Veterans Royalty work 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 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 duration of the event. This includes helping to set up events, meetings and parades and dancing during Grand Entry, InterTribals 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 work with veterans. Participants represent the veterans and the Tribe by attending powwows and various community events.

We encourage all Tribal youth to join.

Warriors — 8-18 years of age

Junior Veterans Queen — 11-13 years of age

Senior Veterans Queen — 14-18 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 Veteran Royalty Guidelines and Agreement

~ OFFICIAL APPLICATION ~

Applicant's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone (Day): _____ (Evening): _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Sponsor's Name, Address and Phone (if different than a parent): _____

Why do you want to participate in Veterans Royalty? _____

Applicant's Signature _____

Parent's Signature _____

Sponsor's Signature (if different than a parent) _____

**Return this application to: Veterans SEB, c/o Public Affairs
9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347
Deadline: 5 p.m. Wednesday, May 15, 2019
Questions? Contact Chelsea Clark at 503-879-1418
or chelsea.clark@grandronde.org**

Grand Ronde Transit Plan Adoption Meeting Notice

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde received an ODOT Special Transportation Fund Discretionary (STFD) grant to prepare a new Transit Development Plan & Coordinated Transportation Plan and did so working through a Project Advisory Committee (PAC) that included ODOT, area transit, and Tribal Health, Housing, and Spirit Mountain representatives and with Kittelson & Associates. This included need surveys and two advertised public meetings on transit. The Tribe's STF Advisory Committee participated in this project and has reviewed the plan and is recommending its adoption.

It is expected that the Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde will vote on adopting the Tribe's Transit Development Plan & Coordinated Transportation Plan at their meeting 5 p.m. April 17, 2019, at the Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347. The public is invited to attend.

Contact Kim Rogers at 503-879-2250, kim.rogers@grandronde.org for more information. ■

Availability of ODOT STIF Transit Grant Funds

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde is providing notice that the Tribe is reviewing options for its application (or STIF Plan) for ODOT Statewide Transportation Improvement Funds (STIF) which is due 5/1/19. The Tribe is eligible for \$100,000 a year from this fund for use with public transit. Among the options under consideration are creating a new public transit route between Grand Ronde and the city of Dallas and creating local collector/circulator service within the immediate Grand Ronde area.

It is expected that the Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde will vote on adopting the Tribe's STIF Plan on the uses of these funds at their meeting 5 p.m. April 17, 2019, at the Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347. The public is invited to attend.

Contact Kim Rogers at 503-879-2250, kim.rogers@grandronde.org for more information. ■

Fee assistance

Enrolled Tribal members can request assistance with test fees (i.e. GRE, SAT, LSAT, ACT) and admissions application fees. Contact Higher Education for more information at 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2275. ■

TERO Sponsors 2019 Computer Classes April 15 & 16

Seeking employment but have no previous experience with Excel or Word? This is the class for you! Contact the Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) for more information.

Microsoft Excel Level I

Course Outline

1-Day 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Course Description:

Learn to create, edit, save, and print Excel spreadsheets and workbooks. Learn keyboard and mouse techniques in Excel, how to navigate the Ribbon tabs and toolbar, enter text and numeric data, format cells, apply borders and shading, edit spreadsheets, print worksheets and workbooks, formula fundamentals and an introduction to functions.

Microsoft Word Level I

Course Outline

1-Day 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Course Description:

Learn to create documents using Microsoft Word. The class includes: creating and editing documents, saving and retrieving documents, selecting text, formatting characters and paragraphs, using keyboard shortcuts, understanding fonts, using auto-spell and setting tabs and margins.

One day classes available to

Tribal members at no cost* (\$160 value)

Contact: Isabell Bobb at 503-879-2188 or

Lori Sterling at 503-879-2127 or

tero@grandronde.org

Class size is limited

*No shows will be required to pay full amount of the class.



Thursday, March 21

- Assist outside agency with a welfare check in the 9600 block of Tilixam Circle.
- Civil issue handled in the 28000 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Criminal trespass reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Criminal mischief reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Friday, March 22

- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Suspicious activity reported in the area of milepost 22 on Salmon River Highway.
- Theft reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Disturbance reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Saturday, March 23

- Assist outside agency with a reported domestic disturbance in the area of milepost 24 on Salmon River Highway.
- Assist outside agency with a reported domestic disturbance in the area of milepost 34 on Salmon River Highway.
- Reported dispute in the 9600 block of Raven Loop. A female subject was issued a citation to appear on the criminal charge of harassment.
- Theft reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Assist outside agency with reported suspicious activity in the 100 block of Viola Street in Sheridan.

Sunday, March 24

- Driving complaint received at milepost 20 westbound on Salmon River Highway.
- Assist outside agency with a reported domestic disturbance in the 8800 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Assist outside agency with a noninjury crash in the 8500 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Suspicious activity reported in the area of milepost 24 on Southwest Hebo Road.
- Citizen contact occurred in the area of Yamhill River and Fort Hill roads.

Monday, March 25

- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Warrant arrest occurred in the area of Main and D streets in Willamina. A male subject was arrested on a valid Polk County Circuit Court warrant for failure to appear on three criminal charges and transported to the Polk County Jail in Dallas.
- Assist outside agency with suspicious activity in the area of Andy Riggs and Grand Ronde roads.
- Assist outside agency with suspicious activity in the 8800 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Noise complaint reported in the 100 block of Wind River Drive.
- Citizen contact occurred in the area of Salmon River Highway and Grand Ronde Road.
- Motorist assist performed in the area of milepost 23 on Salmon River Highway.

Tuesday, March 26

- Motorist assist performed in the area of Salmon River Highway and Grand Ronde Road.
- Assist outside agency with a reported medical issue in the 28000 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Suspicious activity reported in the area of milepost 1 on Agency Creek Road.
- Suspicious activity reported in the area of milepost 22 on Salmon River Highway.
- Assist outside agency with a reported domestic disturbance in the 23000 block of Sunshine Mountain Drive in Willamina.
- Assist outside agency with a traffic stop in the area of Yamhill River Road and Highway 18B.
- Criminal mischief reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Wednesday, March 27

- Assist outside agency with a welfare check in the 9500 block of Raven Loop.
- Assist outside agency with a welfare check in the 9600 block of Tilixam Circle.
- Suspicious activity reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Driving complaint received at the intersection of Salmon River Highway and Grand Ronde Road.
- Assist outside agency on reported suspicious activity in the 22000 block of Highway 18B.
- Suspicious activity reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

- Assist outside agency with a single-vehicle, noninjury crash in the area of milepost 25 on Salmon River Highway. A male subject was arrested for DUII (alcohol) and transported to the Polk County Jail in Dallas.

Thursday, March 28

- Alarm went off in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Suspicious vehicle reported in the 8500 block of Fort Hill Road.
- Suspicious activity reported in the area of Andy Riggs and Grand Ronde roads.
- Animal complaint reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Suspicious activity reported in the 9600 block of Raven Loop.
- Suspicious vehicle reported in the area of Salmon River Highway and Grand Ronde Road.

Friday, March 29

- Reported theft in the 26800 block of Salmon River Highway. A vehicle was located in the area of milepost 11 on Highway 22. After completion of the investigation with detectives from the Woodburn Police Department, a male subject was arrested and transported to the Polk County Jail in Dallas and lodged on the alleged crimes of fraudulent use of a credit card, identity theft, theft in the third degree, unlawful possession of heroin, unlawful possession of methamphetamine, felon in possession of a firearm and theft by receiving.
- Reported harassment in the 9600 block of Raven Loop.
- Driving complaint received at milepost 26 westbound on Salmon River Highway.
- Assist outside agency with a reported driving complaint in the area of Andy Riggs and Fire Hall roads.
- Assist outside agency with a reported assault in the 28000 block of Salmon River Highway.

Saturday, March 30

- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Tilixam Circle.
- Assist outside agency with a two-vehicle, injury crash in the area of milepost 26 on Salmon River Highway.
- Follow-up on a previous case in the 28000 block of Andy Riggs Road. A male subject was arrested for unlawful possession of methamphetamine and transported to the Polk County Jail in Dallas.
- Reported criminal mischief in the 9600 block of Raven Loop.
- Driving complaint received in the area of milepost 16 westbound on Highway 22.
- Traffic stop occurred in the area of milepost 21 on Salmon River Highway. A male subject was arrested and transported to the Polk County Jail in Dallas on the criminal charges of DUII (alcohol) and reckless endangering after providing a breath sample of .12 percent blood alcohol content.
- Drug complaint received in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Suspicious activity reported in the 9600 block of Raven Loop.
- Assist outside agency with a medical call in the 9600 block of Raven Loop.

Sunday, March 31

- Assist outside agency with a reported criminal trespass in the 22000 block of Highway 22.
- Assist outside agency with reported suspicious activity in the area of Sherman Street in Sheridan.
- Assist outside agency with a reported burglary in the 100 block of Main Street in Willamina.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Animal complaint received in the 8800 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Reported theft in the area of milepost 21 on Salmon River Highway. A female subject was arrested and transported to the Polk County Jail in Dallas.

Monday, April 1

- Assist outside agency with a two-vehicle, noninjury crash in the area of milepost 1 on Highway 18B.
- Assist outside agency with a reported disturbance in the area of Barber Street in Willamina.
- Assist outside agency with a reported physical altercation in the 100 block of Main Street in Willamina.
- Reported theft in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 8700 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Citizen contact occurred in the area of Salmon River Highway and Steel Bridge Road.

Tuesday, April 2

- Reported disturbance in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Assist outside agency with a reported burglary in progress in the 300 block of Main Street in Willamina.
- Warrant arrest occurred in the area of Main and C streets in Willamina. A male subject was arrested on a valid Yamhill County Circuit Court warrant and transported to the Yamhill County Jail in McMinnville.

Wednesday, April 3

- Assist outside agency with a reported domestic disturbance in the area of milepost 11 on Southwest Hebo Road.
- Assist outside agency with a reported domestic disturbance in the 300 block of Main Street in Willamina.
- Reported theft in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

**Compiled by Grand Ronde Tribal
Police Department Sgt. Rod McAllister**



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Oregon Battle of the Books 2018-19: Available for check out at the Tribal Library.

Book review: “Stay Away Joe” by Dan Cushman.

Copyrighted in 1953, this book may be outdated, but the humor never ages. Korean veteran Big Joe Champlain drives back to the Montana Reservation brandishing a Purple Heart and bragging rights.

Driving a Cadillac he has purchased from his winnings as a champion bull rider at Madison Square Garden, he arrives to find a huge party going on at his father's small ranch. His father, Louis Champlain, has just acquired 19 cows and a young bull as part of a government program to benefit landless Indians.

Louis, as a sign of his generosity, announces he will butcher a cow to feed the partygoers. But when the bull is butchered instead, Joe volunteers to secure another bull. Against the warnings of his wife, Louis consents to let Joe handle the matter with disastrous but hilarious results. — *Reviewed by Harris Reibach*

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DESIGN OUR LOGO AND WIN!

- Contest open to students K - 12 who are enrolled in school.
- “School is Cool” must be used in logo design.
- Logo will be used on printed materials for School is Cool Dance Special at Contest Pow Wow in Grand Ronde.

DEADLINE TO ENTER IS APRIL 30, 2019

WINNING ARTIST PRIZE INCLUDES:
\$250 Amazon Gift Card
Akanum Saddle Blanket
Logo Sweatshirt & Backpack filled with School Supplies

Send entries and your contact info to: Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
 Education Committee, Education Department
 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347
 or email PDF to: deborah.bachman@grandronde.org

Afterhours health line

Tribal members can contact the Afterhours Health Line for questions about health care concerns you may have when the clinic is not open.

You can reach the Afterhours Health Line by calling 503-879-2002 and follow the prompts.

The Afterhours Health Line will coordinate care and communicate with Grand Ronde Health & Wellness Center providers. ■

2019 Student Youth Employment Program

Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde

The 2019 Student Youth Employment Program is upon us! Applications for Tribal member students will be available starting April 11 and closing May 10. Apply online at www.grandronde.org/about/employment

Who is this program for: Tribal member youth between the ages of 14-18 within the current eighth grade through senior year in high school. Preference for position will be applied to juniors and seniors.

When does the SYE program start/end: June 3 - Aug. 18

Where are positions offered: Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Tribal campus, C-store, Chachalu Museum, Natural Resources, Spirit Mountain Casino and Marion/Polk Food Share

Professional development days: SYE employees will participate in four mandatory professional development presentations throughout the course of the summer program.

Topics include: A) Financial Management
 B) Human Resources: How to get a job/keep a job
 C) College/Career Development
 D) Culture/History

Key dates		Need more information:	
Online Applications available	April 11	Contact	
Last day to submit online application	May 10	Misty Carl	503-879-1483
Mock Interviews (Optional)	May 14	Tim Barry	503-879-2102
SYE Interviews	May 16		
SYE program starts	June 3		
SYE program ends	Aug. 18		

Please note: Once the application has been received a follow up email will be sent with key information and next steps

2019-2020 OPEN ENROLLMENT CHINUK KINDERGARTEN IMMERSION

As of May 20th, 2019 we will be accepting registration applications for interested incoming Kindergarteners. We are a half day immersion program offering instruction in Chinuk through our culture and place-based curriculum. Our students attend half day in our program and must be enrolled in Willamina Elementary School for the second half of the school day. No prior language experience required, however we do have language and tribal preference once we are at capacity.

Applications are available at Adult Education and can be turned in starting May 20th

Ali Holsclaw
 Language Program Manager
 503-879-1490
ali.holsclaw@grandronde.org

Justine Flynn
 K5 Chinuk Teacher
 503-879-2066
justine.flynn@grandronde.org

We enroll families, not just students. It is our belief that the only way for the language to live and flourish is for it to be learned and used in the home by the whole family.

CTGR Youth Education 2019 K5 Summer Program

The 2019 Summer Program is for Kindergarten through 5th grade Native American youth (2018-19 school year). There will be 30 spots available for K-2 grade youth and 30 spots available for 3-5 grade youth. The Summer Program is packed with enrichment, educational, cultural and recreational activities that are held onsite and off-site field trips. Many days during the summer, youth are sub divided (K-2 & 3-5) for age-appropriate activities

When

The Summer Program will begin June 10 and the last day will be Thursday, Aug. 8. There will be a few select days of no-programming during the summer for in-service, admin and holidays. Please note: There is new attendance policy for this summer. All details will be covered in the mandatory parent orientation.

For Who

All Native American youth are welcome to apply. This includes: CTGR Tribal and CTGR direct descendant youth as well as youth from other federally recognized Tribes.

Eligibility Criteria/Intake Policy/Additional info:

All students enrolled in the program must meet the eligibility guidelines listed below, as well as provide required documentation:

- Student must be enrolled in kindergarten through fifth grade during the 2018-19 school year
- Must be an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde; a member of another federally recognized Tribe; or a direct-descendant (ID Card or official documentation required)
- Student must reside in one of 6 counties (Polk, Marion, Multnomah, Tillamook, Washington, Yamhill)

Application Process

- Applications will be available April 1, 2019. (Applications are available at the YED building)
- Applications will not be accepted until April 29th, 2019 (Open enrollment week)
- Applications must be accepted by a YED staff
- Applications must be completed fully before being accepted.
- Completed applications will be time/date stamped on a first-come, first-serve basis with CTGR Tribal members receiving preference.
- Applications will still be accepted after the open enrollment week during normal business hours
- Need help completing your application or have questions, please call the YED office 503-879-2201

Open enrollment week

Date: April 29, 7:30 a.m. - noon
@ CTGR Community Center
1 - 5 p.m. @ YED

Date: April 30-May 3
8 a.m. - noon and 1 - 5 p.m. @ YED

Mandatory Parent Orientation

Orientations will be held on 4/29 from 7:30 a.m. - noon at CTGR Community Center. Parents signing up after this time will be required to attend an orientation before their child can attend summer programming. Additional dates/times to attend orientation will be held at the Youth Education building on the following:

- Wednesday 5/1 at Noon or 5:15 p.m.
- Thursday 5/2 at 5:15 p.m.
- Wednesday 5/8 at Noon

Please note on Friday, May 3 after 5 p.m. direct-descendant and other native youth will either fill the remaining spots or be placed on a wait list according to when their completed applications were received. Any Tribal member youth signing up after the program enrollment is at capacity will be placed at the top of the wait list according to when their completed applications were received.

Questions, need an application or other, please contact the Youth Education Department at 503-879-2101

Kick the Habit.

Call these numbers for free from anywhere in Oregon:
1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669)

Español: 1-877-2NO-FUME (1-877-266-3863)

TTY: 1-877-777-6534

Or register online at: www.quitnow.net/oregon/






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HEALTH & WELLNESS NEWS

Health & Wellness Center hours

The Health & Wellness Center is pleased to add additional access for patients during holiday weeks on Thursday mornings. The clinic will be scheduling patients at 8 a.m. every Thursday preceding or following a holiday closure.

Urgent care also will be available during this time.

We Want To Hear From You!

That's right, the Grand Ronde Health & Wellness Center Comment Box is located at the entrance of the Health & Wellness Center, next to the drinking fountain. Share your experience, good or bad with us! We look forward to hearing what you have to say. ■



Mother's Day Tea Party

Community Health Hosts
Annual Mother's Day Tea!

Saturday May 11th 2019 11am-1pm
At the CTGR Community Center

Food, Prizes, and make a gift to take home
Questions? Call 503-879-2078
All ages are welcome!!



Mobile Mammography

Convenience • Privacy • Certified women technologists State-of-the-art equipment • ACR- & FDA-accredited

The Mobile Mammography unit travels by appointment to businesses, health fairs, senior centers, even private gatherings—wherever there are at least 10 women interested in receiving a mammogram. We will be in your area soon.

To schedule an appointment please call: Kande Little
503-879-2089

Date: Thursday June 13th 2019

Location: CTGR Clinic upper parking lot

CTGR PORTLAND OFFICE

Is hosting an Alcohol Awareness Event
Guest Speaker: Joe Martineau, Oregon CADC II

TUESDAY, APRIL 30TH | 10AM-1PM

4445 SW BARBUR BLVD. #101 PORTLAND, OR 97239
BUS NUMBERS: 12, 64, & 92 ALL RUN BY THE PORTLAND OFFICE.



Our guest speaker Joe Martineau, Anishinabe/Ojibwe Indian, is a certified alcohol/drug counselor, Level 2. He has 29 years of recovery from alcohol/drugs and has 24 years in the counseling field.

Joe will go over the importance of connection and identity with our Native American history/roots to enhance our alcohol/drug recovery programs. He will also go over some history of alcohol/drug use on reservations over the past 30-40 years.

If you have any questions please feel free to call: 503-879-1881

April Is Alcohol Awareness Month

1-in-10 Native American deaths is alcohol-related

Native Americans, experience alcoholism on wider level. Their rate of alcoholism is much higher than the rest of the population — 1-in-10, or nearly 12% Native American deaths are alcohol-related. Traffic accidents and alcoholic liver disease are the most frequent alcohol-related deaths, along with homicide and suicide. Native Americans were first introduced to alcohol by the European settlers and traders in 1492. Alcohol was often traded for Native American goods, and possibly used to relax the Native Americans in order to receive a better trade. The newness of the substance had a great influence on the Native American culture. But over the years, research has shown that alcohol's effects on this culture are also due to genetics. Because of alcoholism Native Americans have high rates of physical health problems such as diabetes, heart disease, cancer, obesity, liver disease, hepatitis, and stroke. Native Americans are also at higher risk of being hurt in unintentional accidents and having children die from sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS) due to the result of alcohol. Chronic illnesses can lead to significant stress and increase the risk of alcohol abuse.

Alcoholics Anonymous is a free 12-step recovery group for people struggling with drinking. Meetings are available in our community. AA helps members connect with a sober mentor and work through the 12 steps. For more information on AA meetings in our community, call the Health & Wellness Behavioral Health department at 503-879-2026.



The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde

invite you to visit and participate in some of our annual events

Marcellus Norwest
Memorial Veterans Powwow
July 12 - 14



Grand Ronde
Contest Powwow
August 16 - 18

