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Summers artifacts returning to British Museum

More than 10,000 people visited Chachalu to view the historical items

By Danielle Frost

Smoke Signals staff writer

hey are leaving. After a year of being home for the first time in more than a century, 16 Tribal artifacts will return to a British Museum warehouse outside of London.

The coveted historic cultural items were temporarily returned to the Confederated Tribes of

Grand Ronde and showcased for the past year at the Chachalu Museum & Cultural Center's "Rise of the Collectors" exhibit, which runs through Wednesday, May 22.

Historic Preservation Manager Briece Edwards estimates that more than 10,000 people from across the United States visited the exhibit this past year, including members from all nine federally recognized Oregon Tribes and from 12 Tribes outside the state.

"There is a personal connection for a lot of people," Edwards said. "Having these cultural items here has meant a lot to the families connected to them."

More than 200 of the Summers Collection items specific to the Grand Ronde Tribe remained in London. They were gathered by Mc-Minnville-based Episcopal Rev. Robert Summers in the late 1870s from the first Native Americans to inhabit the Grand Ronde Reservation. Eventually, these were purchased from Summers by the

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Fish ceremony set for May 18

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EST LINN — The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde's fish ceremony will have different scenery then in years past.

Willamette Park along the banks of the Willamette River in West Linn will be the new venue, upstream from Willamette Falls, instead of being held at the historic McLean House.

The event will include Tribal and local organizations' information tables, a demonstration salmon pit, speakers and a community ceremony.

All are welcome to join as the ceremony provides an opportunity to connect the local community with the Tribe and its cultural practices, as well as offers a chance for Tribal members to interact and share traditionally cooked salmon over an open fire and served on a cedar plank.

The ceremony will begin at 1 p.m. with information tables featuring local nonprofit organizations, a First Foods table, Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife and Tribal museum Chachalu.

There will be a "Salmon Song" to open the event, followed by an invocation and various speakers. Participants will then head to the

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If you go

Fish ceremony When: 1 p.m. Saturday, May 18

Where: Willamette Park, 1100 12th St., West Linn

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Photo by Timothy J. Gonzalez

Tribal youth Nakoa Mercier, 17, takes the remains of the Chinook salmon caught at Willamette Falls on Wednesday, May 1, from Tribal member Greg Archuleta before releasing them in Agency Creek after a First Fish Ceremony was held at achaf-hammi on Thursday, May 2.

Tribal fishermen net first fish at Willamette Falls

By Danielle Frost

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REGON CITY — Anyone who fishes will tell you it's an activity that requires time, patience and a little luck.

This was especially true for the Tribal fishermen at Willamette Falls, who extend a long-poled dipnet while standing on a 30-foot-high platform above the dark, swirling waters instead of sitting leisurely on a boat with a fishing pole.

This year, it only took two days to catch the first fish, which was cooked the following day on Thursday, May 2, during a ceremony held at the covered cooking area behind achaf-hammi, the Tribal plankhouse. There were about 50 Tribal members and staff in attendance.

The Tribe is allotted 15 hatchery spring chinook per year for ceremonial purposes. The 12-pound Chinook salmon was cooked by Tribal Elder Greg Archuleta, Cultural Advisor Bobby Mercier, and Tribal members Chris Rempel and Brian Krehbiel.

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General Council meeting

Tribal Council nominations 11 a.m. Sunday, June 30 **Tribal Community Center**

NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Wednesday Meetings Wednesday, May 15......5 p.m. Wednesday, May 29......5 p.m.

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

2019 annual Community Input meeting

The Grand Ronde Tribe's annual Community Input meeting on programs and projects will be held at the Tribal gym on Wednesday, June 12, starting with dinner at 5:30 p.m. After a brief introduction, the meeting mostly involves visiting open house tables with their posters and photos on programs and projects and providing your comments. Open house tables will include Health & Wellness, Education, Cultural Resources, Housing, Social Services, Police and several other departments and tables including community development and transportation. The meeting will end with door prizes, including a Pendleton blanket.

This meeting is offered as an opportunity for members to provide comments and suggestions that will help guide Tribal programs and grant applications (i.e. ANA, ICDBG, CCDF, Head Start, CSBG and others). Those unable to attend can submit written comments and suggestions to: Mr. Kim Rogers, Planning & Grants manager, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347. For additional information, contact Rogers at 503-879-2250. ■

Tribal Office Closures

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



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May

- 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, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 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.
- Thursday, May 30 "Coyote & Turkey Buzzard: The Play," 5:30 p.m., Tribal gym, 9615 Grand Ronde Road.
- Friday-Sunday, May 31-June 2 Elders Marketplace, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Spirit Mountain Casino, 26820 S.W. Salmon River Highway. 503-689-5005.

- 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.

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 seeking recipes for cookbook

Tribal Elders are putting together a cookbook and will be 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. ■

Official Tribal Facebook pages

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- Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde: www.facebook.com/CTGRgov
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- Food Bank: www.facebook.com/GrandRondeFoodBank
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LCIS Spring Celebration set May 16

By Danielle Frost

Smoke Signals staff writer

Almost 45 years ago, the state of Oregon established the Legislative Commission on Indian Services. Next came an executive order creating a government-to-government relationship between the state and its nine federally recognized Tribes.

On Thursday, May 16, that relationship will be celebrated with LCIS Spring Celebration at the state Capitol in Salem. Held biennially to coincide with when the Legislature is in session, this year's theme is "Moving Forward Together: Being Good Stewards of Our People, Lands and Culture."

"As the First Oregonians, Tribes have lived in villages by our rivers, lakes and coastlines for over 12,000 years, and our Tribal nations have much to teach us on being good stewards of this land we love, our Oregon," said Interim LCIS Director Danny Santos. "On LCIS Spring Celebration we celebrate together and continue to move forward together for the benefit of all."

LCIS Spring Celebration kicks off at 8 a.m. with information tables

If you go

LCIS Spring Celebration

When: 8 a.m. to noon Thursday, May 16

Where: Oregon State Capitol, 900 Court St. N.E., Salem More information: 503-986-

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on display in the Senate Gallery followed by a program from 9 to 11 a.m. that will feature Grand Ronde drummers and the Color Guard, a welcome from Tribal Council and LCIS Chairwoman Cheryle A. Kennedy, Grand Ronde singers and dancers, and a roundtable with Tribal leaders throughout the state.

Gov. Kate Brown also will sign a proclamation declaring May 18-25, 2019, as American Indian Week in Oregon.

After the program concludes, the Grand Ronde Tribe will host a salmon lunch created by Spirit Mountain Casino chefs and the Native American Rehabilitation Association will serve frybread. ■

Youth Council applicants

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Community of Oregon is seeking three youths in grades six through 12 who are interested in serving on the Tribe's Youth Council. Youth who are enrolled members of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, direct descendants of a currently enrolled member or an enrolled member of another federally recognized Native American Tribe receiving services directly from the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde are eligible to apply.

The Youth Council shall act in an advisory capacity to Tribal Council, the Youth Education Department, Youth Prevention and other Tribal departments and programs in identifying needs and developing priorities concerning Tribal youth and youth-related programs and activities.

The Youth Council will consist of seven voting members appointed by Tribal Council. Youth Council members must be currently enrolled in grades six through 12 at an educational facility. In selecting members of the Youth Council, Tribal Council shall give preference to persons who:

- 1. Have maintained good academic standing by carrying a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 grading scale.
- 2. Maintain healthy life choices.
- 3. Demonstrated leadership skills.
- 4. Are able to commit to attend meetings and Youth Council activities twice a month in Grand Ronde, trainings and other activities as needed. Also able to travel when needed.

Tribal Council likely will be selecting applicants for appointments by May 31, 2019. All interested youth are encouraged to fill out an application and submit the application by e-mail to

Stacia.Martin@grandronde.org or Shannon.stanton@grandronde.org or by mail: CTGR Attention: Stacia Hernandez & Shannon Stanton 9615 Grand Ronde Road Grand Ronde, OR 97347

If you have any questions, please contact either Stacia Hernandez at 503-879-2304 or Shannon Stanton at 503-879-1489 or by e-mail. ■

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, May 31, through Sunday, June 2. Future marketplaces will be held 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. ■

Name changes in court

Tribal Court provides both minor and adult name changes to enrolled members for a filing fee of only \$30. If you have any questions or would like to request a packet, contact Tribal Court at 503-879-2303. ■

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, May 17;
- 2 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 22;
- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, May 31.

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-ofmonth 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 Gro-
- Culture Committee meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Grand Ronde Food Bank/iskam makhmak haws, 9675 Grand Ronde Road. Chair: Francene Ambrose.
- Editorial Board meets monthly at the Chachalu Museum & Cultural Center conference room, 8720 Grand Ronde Road. Next meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday, June 7. The public is welcome to attend. Chair: Siobhan Taylor. Contact: Editorial.Board@gran-
- 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, June 10, 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 - Project Lifesaver was introduced to the Grand Ronde Tribe by Tribal Police Officer Ron Wellborn. A client with a traumatic brain disorder, Alzheimer's or autism could be tracked if they wandered off by wearing a location

police departments.



transmitter watch and being tracked by a receiver used by local

2009 – A potential case of H1N1 influenza in a Tribal toddler prompted closure of the Tribal campus on Friday, May 1, and Monday, May 4, as well as postponement of other Tribal events, including the May 3 General Council meeting. "This is strictly a precautionary measure," said Tribal member and Tribal Executive Officer Chris Leno in staff-wide e-mail. Over the long weekend, Tribal Facilities staff disinfected Tribal offices using disinfectant foggers and Virex TB, both certified to kill most germs, including Type A influenza.

2004 – Tribal Engineer Eric Scott and a team of experts from the Oregon Department of Transportation visited the Kissing Rock curves along Highway 22 to see what it would take to widen the road. The turns are narrow and sharp enough that most trucks access Grand Ronde Road to get to Highway 18 instead of using Highway 22, which was causing increased road damage, traffic and safety issues. "If everything goes right, we'll start work here in 2008-09," said Brian Boedigheimer, ODOT project leader.

1999 - According to a recent survey by the Oregon Tourism Commission, Spirit Mountain Casino was the No. 1 tourist attraction in Oregon with more than 2.5 million visitors in the past year. "The success of Spirit Mountain is a result of a combination of several factors which include family entertainment areas like Superplay and the video arcade area, super dining, closer proximity to other tourism designations such as the Oregon coast, and now, the recent opening of the Spirit Mountain Lodge," a Smoke Signals article stated.

1994 – Gaming took one more step toward becoming a reality after a Grand Ronde contingent of Tribal Council members and staff visited the Poarch Creek Tribe in Alabama. "The Poarch Creek has a very good facility," said Spirit Mountain Development Corp. General Manager Bruce Thomas. "It was after the initial visit with them that (Tribal) Council decided to take a closer look at gaming." The facility was expected to hold an 800-seat bingo hall, 500 video slot machines, Keno and game tables. A full-service buffet restaurant also was planned.

1989 – The week of May 14-20 was designated as "Oregon American Indian Week" by Oregon Gov. Neil Goldschmidt, who signed the official proclamation on May 4 to highlight the week's activities sponsored by Native American communities throughout the state. Grand Ronde was planning several events, such as a mini-powwow, pioneer museum trip for Elders and showing the movie "I Heard the Owl Call My Name."

1984 - Interim Tribal Council members and staff attended a two-day retreat with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and congressional representatives at the Agate Beach Hilton in Newport. Tribal representatives were Interim Chair Kathryn Harrison and Interim Council member Frank Harrison. "Everyone returned home feeling they'd become more knowledgeable as council members, but also that they still have a long way to go," stated a Smoke Signals article.

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



PROPOSED ELECTION ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS **OPEN FOR COMMENT**

The Tribal Council, in consultation with the Tribal Attorney's Office, has proposed amendments to the Election Ordinance. The first reading of the proposed amendments was made at the April 17, 2019, Tribal Council meeting.

The proposed amendments to the Election Ordinance provide procedures for Constitutional amendments proposed by Tribal Council and General Council. The proposed amendments address: (1) development of proposed amendments; (2) submission to BIA for review; (3) the authorizing resolution; (4) calling of the election; (5) petitions by General Council; (6) designation of Tribal members for the Secretarial Election Board; (7) procedures for preparing, assembling and certifying election documents; and (8) duties of the Secretarial Election Board.

For a copy of the proposed Election 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, OR 97347, or by e-mail to legal@grandronde.org. Comments must be received by May 31, 2019. ■

Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Tax Preparation Request for Proposal

The Request for Proposals (RFP) is being conducted by the Member Services Department for the purpose of obtaining a licensed contractor who has 5+ years of experience preparing tax returns.

Qualified applicants shall possess the ability to:

- · Provide tax preparation services to Tribal Elders and foster youth living on and off Tribal lands.
- · Assist Tribal members in completing tax-related paperwork.
- Serve as a resource to Tribal members who have questions regarding payment and filing of state and federal tax returns.

Preference will be given to members of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and/or Indian-owned businesses registered with the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde TERO office.

Please contact Veronica Montano for information. All proposals must be submitted by 5 p.m. Monday, July 1, 2019.

Veronica Montano, Member Services Department 9615 Grand Ronde Road Grand Ronde, OR 97347 veronica.montano@grandronde.org 503-879-2253

Transportation provided

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river shore where cedar branches will be placed in the water along with the fish bones.

The Tribe's connection to the falls and river dates back to pre-European times. Willamette Falls, or "ikanum" in Chinuk, is within the ancestral homelands of the Chinookan-speaking Clackamas and Clo-We-Walla peoples relocated to the Grand Ronde Reservation

after signing the Willamette Valley Treaty of 1855.

Log books from the early days of the Grand Ronde Reservation, when Tribal members were required to account for their whereabouts, listed Willamette Falls as a frequent destination.

Transportation to the ceremony from Grand Ronde is being provided for 14 people with Tribal Elders receiving priority. To sign up, visit the Elders Activity Center, 48940 Blacktail Drive, or call 503-879-2233. ■

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Hooley retires



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Former U.S. Rep. Darlene Hooley smiles after receiving a blanket from Tribal Council members Kathleen George and Jack Giffen Jr. during a celebration held at Spirit Mountain Casino on Friday, May 3. Hooley

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page to see more photos retired after serving nine years on the Spirit Mountain Community



Former Tribal Council Chairwoman Kathryn Harrison posed with former U.S. Rep. Darlene Hooley during a celebration honoring Hooley held at Spirit Mountain Casino on Friday, May 3.

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Photo by Jennifer Clark

West Valley Fire District personnel closed Grand Ronde Road due to a listing power pole on Tuesday, April 30. The thoroughfare was closed for more than two hours, but re-opened before the 5 p.m. rush hour.

Listing power pole closes Grand Ronde Road for two hours

By Dean Rhodes

Smoke Signals editor

A listing power pole that was threatening to drop power lines on to Grand Ronde Road near its intersection with Salmon River Highway forced the closure of the heavily traveled thoroughfare for more than two hours on Tuesday, April 30.

West Valley Fire District Public Information Officer Tami Tigner said that the speculation is that a large truck grabbed telephone lines and dragged them, causing the power pole to start listing.

Although the power lines were still 10 to 12 feet above ground, the roadway was closed until a CenturyLink crew arrived and repaired the pole and telephone lines.

"It's actually a common call for us out here," Tigner said. Grand Ronde Road was closed from approximately 2:30 until 4:45 p.m. and traffic was detoured to Hebo Road.

West Valley Fire District dispatched four personnel to assist with traffic control and the Grand Ronde Tribal Police Department had Police Chief Jake McKnight and Officer Clint Cardwell on the call.

Tigner said the driver of the suspected truck did not stay on scene. The road re-opened in time for the 5 p.m. closure of Tribal governmental offices and the exodus of Tribal employees. ■



Tribal Council extends chief judge's contract

By Dean Rhodes

Smoke Signals editor

Tribal Council extended the contract with David Shaw to serve as Tribal Court chief judge through the end of June at its Wednesday, May 1, meeting.

Shaw, who has been serving as Tribal Court chief judge since February 2015, saw his contract expire at the end of March, but Tribal Council previously extended it through the end of April at its March 20 meeting.

Tribal Council Chief of Staff Stacia Hernandez said at the Tuesday, April 30, Legislative Action Committee meeting that interviews for Tribal Court chief judge applicants were to be held on Monday, May 13.

In other action, Tribal Council:

- Approved applying for a maximum \$15,000 grant from the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board for supplies, materials and contracts to restore 15 acres of the Chahalpam 2 property southeast of Salem. The Tribe acquired the 91-acre property in 2014 through the Bonneville Power Administration's Willamette Wildlife Mitigation Program;
- Approved applying for a threegrant package offered to Tribes by the Environmental Protection Agency. The grants total \$232,000 annually and would be used to fund environmental stewardship under the Clean Water Act:
- Approved the 2019 Right of Way logging unit proposal presented by the Natural Resources Department that is estimated to bring the Tribe more than \$16,000 in revenue. It also would provide an access road to a planned timber harvest and two temporary log landing areas;
- Approved two easement agreements with the U.S. Forest Service that will allow the Tribe legal access to 55 acres at the southwest corner of the Reservation to harvest high-value timber and

- perform land management activities. The Tribe has been working on obtaining the easements for seven years, said Natural Resources Department Manager Michael Wilson;
- And approved the enrollment of one infant and one noninfant into the Tribe because they meet the requirements outlined in the Enrollment Ordinance and Tribal Constitution.

Also included in the May 1 Tribal Council packet were two approved authorizations to proceed that would transfer \$25 million from the Gaming Dividend Fund to start a Business Interruption Fund to safeguard against potential catastrophic events and to send a support letter to the Metro regional government regarding a potential bond measure for natural areas.

According to the authorization, the Finance Department has recommended maintaining a minimum \$25 million balance in the Gaming Dividend Fund for that purpose and the authorization formalizes that concept by creating a separate fund.

In addition, there was a failed authorization to proceed that would have re-introduced the split siblings constitutional amendment and start the process of having another election. The authorization received four yes votes from Tribal Council Chairwoman Cheryle A. Kennedy, Vice Chair Chris Mercier, Secretary Jon A. George and Denise Harvey, while Steve Bobb Sr. and Jack Giffen Jr. voted no. Kathleen George, Michael Langley and Lisa Leno did not vote.

Tribal voters favored resolving the split-sibling issue 601-345 during a March 22 election, but the 63.5 percent in favor failed to meet the Tribal Constitution's two-thirds approval requirement for an amendment to be adopted.

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.

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General Council briefed on economic development, housing

By Danielle Frost

Smoke Signals staff writer

Economic Development Director Bruce Thomas briefed General Council on current and future opportunities for the Tribe to build its income and assets during the Sunday, May 5, meeting held at the Tribal Community Center.

Thomas, a Tribal member, was hired in November 2018 as the new Economic Development director, a position that had been vacant since 2016. He previously served the Tribe as the chief executive officer of Spirit Mountain Casino from 1993 to 2000.

"I came back to find business opportunities for the Tribe and to put systems into place for the Tribe to make sound decisions," he said.

Thomas said his first objective was to develop a business plan in conjunction with the Tribe's executive team and Tribal Council.

"A business plan requires several things," he said. "It defines the Tribe's vision and goals, sets minimum standards of investment size and acceptable risk, and describes basic criteria for investments. We want to partner with industry leaders if (the Tribe) does not have a competitive advantage."

Thomas said that while it's easy to weed out the opportunities that are not a good fit, the difficult part is finding new projects for the Tribe to invest in where it has an advantage over other industries.

"Going into a business head-tohead with people who are experienced in an industry, that is a very difficult thing to do and something that should be avoided," he said. "So, we tried to identify businesses that by virtue of our sovereignty or status as a Tribe we have a special opportunity."

Thomas said the best example is a Tribal casino.

"Other businesses can't do a fullblown casino, but we can. It's a Tribal advantage and has proven to be very successful," Thomas said. "There are others, too, so those are the things we tried to identify. ... Some of the projects we are working on, a lot I can't go into much detail on due to third parties (involved) and nondisclosure agreements, or it's sensitive and we need to keep quiet until we are ready to



Photo by Timothy J. Gonzalez

Economic Development Director Bruce Thomas talked about Tribal investments and took questions during the General Council meeting held at the Tribal Community Center on Sunday, May 5.

announce."

Some opportunities in the works include the medical field due to favorable reimbursement rates from the Indian Health Service, a major real estate investment firm partnership, a high-interest real estate asset-based loan, negotiating with a company to do a Section 8A business with bid credit advantages, solar development on Tribal trust land and marketing the Wood Village property for an opportunity zone project.

An opportunity zone can deliver significant tax savings on medium- to long-term investments in economically disadvantaged communities. In 2018, the U.S. Treasury made opportunity zone designations across the country to encourage long-term investments through a federal tax break.

"The best benefits under the opportunity zones is if you hold the property for 10 years, so that would argue for projects such as assisted living and apartments are highest and best use," Thomas said. "We'll try to enhance the Tribe's profit on that property."

Current Tribal economic development projects are Chemawa Station in Keizer, the Cherry City Shopping Center in Salem, the Portland building, SAM Medical in Wilsonville and Shasta Administrative Services in Redmond.

A new business opportunity in Grand Ronde may be a card lock service station, which is an unattended fueling site that is typically open 24 hours a day, seven days

a week, and designed for commercial fleet vehicles. Card lock stations have easy accessibility for larger commercial trucks.

"We're still in the early phases of considering whether to advance that project," Thomas said.

Although Thomas' presentation at General Council was only 12 minutes long, audience questions consumed an additional 35 minutes and included suggestions from timber investment to RV parks to purchasing a waterpark.

"We should have a diverse portfolio of investments," Thomas said. "The endowment funds we have are a diverse portfolio and we need to follow that approach with economic development, and look for long-term investments and property resale. With timber, you may not get your money back for 40 years, but we can take a longterm view."

Regarding the suggestion to purchase Wings & Waves Waterpark in McMinnville, Thomas said that these are largely dependent on local population use.

"My initial thought is that if it doesn't reach the profit margin threshold, we don't pursue it," he said.

However, something like an RV park as an amenity at Spirit Mountain Casino is something that is feasible.

"I feel that project will be built, but it's a question of timing," he

Tribal Council and Spirit Mountain Gaming Inc. Board of Directors member Kathleen George agreed.

"We do have the decisions yet to make yet on timing and financing, but I think it's something Tribal Council is very positive on and really wants to do," she said. "In addition, Tribal Council, in response to last year's advisory vote on casino amenities, is getting ready to put out an RFP (request for proposal) to look at additional resort-style amenities to enhance Spirit Mountain Casino. There will be more to come on this as well."

After questions concluded for the Economic Development presentation, lunch was served. Following the meal break, the membership heard from Housing Department Manager Shonn Leno about the department's mission, grant programs, services, prior and new construction, partnership projects and ongoing challenges.

One frequent topic of discussion in housing has been more home-ownership opportunities in Grand Ronde in addition to rentals. There will be a community meeting on that topic at 6 p.m. Thursday, June 13, at the Tribal Community Center. An initial survey and housing information handouts will be available.

"I'm excited about the new apartments and Elder housing, and the home ownership kick-off meeting," Leno said. "Do we want workforce housing with a few houses or fullsized neighborhoods?"

One of the biggest challenges in housing is the increasing number of meth-contaminated rental units. In 2018, six out of 27 units -22percent – that were vacated were meth-contaminated and required cleaning. Leno said it cost \$109,000 to renovate those six units for an average cost of more than \$18,000 each. The Tribe pays for the cost of cleanup, then bills the renter for the full amount. However, recovering the money is very challenging.

"It costs a minimum of \$5,000 to renovate even a small amount of contamination," Leno said. "This creates a longer wait time and wait list stagnation. We are having discussions about how to solve this problem and work with other departments."

Housing applicants are drug-tested before applications are approved, but not one of these tests has caught meth users due to the relatively short time – three days – it takes the drug to leave a user's body. The Tribe is considering using hair tests, which are much more accurate and keep a record of drug use for months.

Leno fielded 10 questions from the audience, many of whom supported stricter policies for those caught using drugs while living in housing.

Simone Auger, Isabelle Grout, Julie Duncan, Lise Alexander and Valerie Alexander won the \$50 door prizes. Brenda Tuomi, Peter Grout and Linda Brandon won the \$100 door prizes.

Auger and Peter Grout donated their winnings to Isabelle Grout's class fundraiser for Doernbecher Children's Hospital. Tuomi donated her prize to the Veterans Special Event Board.

The next General Council meeting will be held at 11 a.m. Sunday, June 30, at the Tribal Community Center to conduct Tribal Council nominations.

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. ■



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Feting mom



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Natural Resources Department Senior Administrative Assistant Michele Volz shared a laugh with her daughter, Madalyn Volz, 14, during a Mother's Day Tea event held at the Tribal

page to see more photos Community Center on Saturday, May 11. Along with tea, mothers, daughters and granddaughters created art to adorn small pots that were used to hold small flowers. The event was organized by the

Community Health Department. Tribal member Nevaeh Grijalva, 4, gets her hand painted by her mother, **Amanda**

Grijalva,

during a

Mother's Day Tea event.







Synthetic turf was recently installed at úyxat Powwow Grounds to help prevent dancers from twisting or spraining their ankles on the uneven sod during the Tribe's summer powwows.

úyxat Powwow Grounds surfaced with synthetic turf

By Dean Rhodes

Smoke Signals editor

Participants at this year's two major powwows - the Marcellus Norwest Memorial Veterans Powwow in July and the Contest Powwow in August – will not have to worry about possibly twisting their ankles by landing in a hidden depression in the grass.

The Tribe contracted with C&D Landscaping of Dayton for \$86,000 to dig up the 8,800 square feet of sod, lay down foundational gravel and then cover it with synthetic

Engineering and Public Works Manager Jesse White said most of the work was performed in April and the powwow grounds is ready for the upcoming powwow season.

"It is perfectly smooth and flat," White said. "If there are any twisted ankles, at least it will not because of the sod."

C&D Landscaping co-owner Josh Kearns said the synthetic turf features "eco-cool technology" designed to keep the turf 15 degrees cooler than the ambient air temperature. It also has a 15-year warranty, he added.

The Tribe received complaints about the uneven powwow grounds surface after some participants twisted or sprained their ankles while dancing, which prompted the move to synthetic turf.

General Manager David Fullerton said there were a couple of incidents at each powwow over the last two years. ■



From left, Cultural **Education Coordinator Jordan Mercier, Youth Prevention Manager Nicole Hewitt, Tribal member** Sophia Grout, 10, Tribal members Chris Rempel and **Orrin Reid**, 11, and Cultural **Collections Specialist Nick** Labonte participate in a paddle practice on the **Vern Huddleston Memorial Fishing Pond at Hampton** Park in Willamina on Wednesday, May 8. It was the first time that the canoe, named ulxaya, has been on the water this year.



Paddle practice



Tribal members participate in a paddle practice on the Vern Huddleston Memorial Fishing Pond at Hampton Park in Willamina on Wednesday, May 8.



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Cultural Education Coordinator Jordan Mercier led a paddle practice on the Vern Huddleston Memorial Fishing Pond at Hampton Park in Willamina on Wednesday, May 8.



Cultural Collection Specialist Nick Labonte, Tribal member Orrin Reid, 11, and Youth Prevention Manager Nicole Hewitt participate in a paddle practice on the Vern Huddleston Memorial Fishing Pond at Hampton Park in Willamina on Wednesday, May 8. It was the first time that the canoe, named ulxaya, has been on the water this year.

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She's a dandy

Tribal member Kandee Little is Health & Wellness Employee of the Year

By Danielle Frost

Smoke Signals staff writer

Tribal member Kandee Little's office at Black Bear Lodge is a testament to her busy work life: Craft projects, posters advertising disease prevention and education, and upcoming community events are scattered about the space.

As the Tribe's Activities/Wellness Promotion Coordinator, Little has her hands full. But it's a job she loves.

"I've never actually had a job here that I didn't enjoy," she says. "But this job is the best one, even though I didn't feel that way at first."

Little's dedication recently resulted in her being named the Health & Wellness Employee of the Year.

"People always say I have the best job and they are right," she says. "There's not one thing I do every day that is the same."

On a recent afternoon in early May, Little was helping cook a Mexican feast for Health & Wellness employees in honor of Cinco de Mayo. She also was busy crafting an e-mail for an upcoming awareness day and planning summer community events.

"I want to get information in front of the community to find out what events they want here," Little says. "Whenever I come across a staff or community member, I try to make sure they leave with a smile."

Little has worked for the Tribe in various capacities since graduating



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Activities/Wellness Promotion Coordinator Kandee Little was named the first Health & Wellness Department Employee of the Year.

from South Salem High School in 1999. Her sister, Melody Baker, also works at the Tribal campus as a Purchased/Referred Care supervisor. A little-known fact about Little is that she served as Miss Grand Ronde from 2000-01.

Little began her career in the temp pool and then went to medical records and on to become a pharmacy clerk. She then was promoted to lead clerk. Two years ago, she accepted a newly-created position

as Wellness Promotion coordinator.



pharmacy," she says. "Here, I get to go into people's homes and talk to them when I do transport for medical events. Now I get stopped everywhere I go, even walking through the clinic."

Some of the events Little has started or renewed during her tenure include the Mother's Day Tea, Elders' summer picnic and a family field day in the summer. She also arranges quarterly visits from a mobile mammogram van so that community members and employees can access this potentially lifesaving service without leaving Grand Ronde.

Little also hosts an awareness event monthly in the clinic atrium and organizes employee recognition e-mails and photos, along with educational events at the Tribe's Portland office.

"It's good for us to have events for those Tribal members who live outside of the Grand Ronde area as well," she says. "I want them to be able to enjoy these things, too."

When Little learned she had been named 2018 Health & Wellness

Employee of the Year, she was surprised.

"I have a big mouth and that sometimes gets me into trouble," she says. "So having people see past that really felt good. I went to rehab 15 years ago and have been trying to make a difference here since then. This has been the biggest success for me."

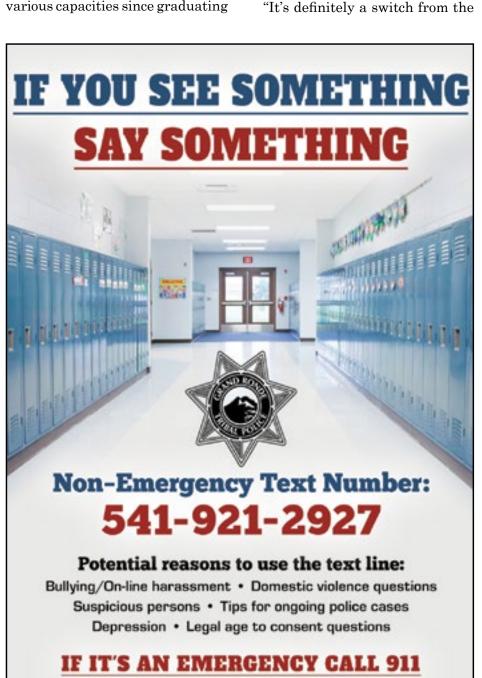
Health Services Executive Director Kelly Rowe says Little goes "above and beyond" her job duties to make employees and community members happy.

"Kandee was chosen because of her endless commitment to the Tribe and community," Rowe says. "She consistently does more than what is asked or expected. I've had several managers, Executive Office staff and Tribal Council comment on Kandee's creativity, resourcefulness and persistence. She is positive, compassionate, punctual, dedicated and does everything with heart. I'm grateful to have her on the Health & Wellness team and honored to be a member of the same Tribe as Kandee."

When asked who her biggest mentors have been, Little is quick to name Rowe and Quality Improvement Manager Dawn Doar.

"They have been extremely patient and have a true open-door policy," Little says. "They listen and they don't judge, and have been patient, helpful and encouraging in every respect. It's been great to experience that at the clinic."

In her down time, Little enjoys relaxing at home in Grand Ronde with her partner of 14 years. She is the daughter of Julie Little, granddaughter of Annabelle Pool and great-granddaughter of Leona Severan. ■



Community Fund starts Junior Hatfield Fellowship

Spirit Mountain Community Fund, the philanthropic arm of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, has created a Junior Hatfield Fellowship program to provide Tribal students with an opportunity to learn more about a career in public service, specifically at the state and Tribal government level.

The Junior Fellow will split a six- to eight-week internship between the office of an Oregon legislator in Salem and the office of the Grand Ronde Tribal Council.

The program will provide young Native Americans a chance to work directly with local government legislators and Tribal governmental leaders to learn about the political process at the state and Tribal level while preparing them for the possibility of a future Hatfield Fellowship in Washington, D.C. The Junior Hatfield Fellowship is a spinoff of the Hatfield Fellowship Program that was created in 1998 as a tribute to honor Sen. Mark Hatfield for his public service to Oregon and the Pacific Northwest.

Tribal students from the nine federally recognized Tribes in Oregon between the ages of 16 and 20 who are in their junior or senior year of high school or considering post-secondary education or enrolled in college are eligible for the Junior Hatfield Fellowship.

For more information or to apply, visit www.grandronde.org/about/employment/. For more information about the Hatfield Fellowship Program, visit thecommunityfund.com/grants-programs/hatfield-fellowship/.

Tribe participates in emergency exercise

By Danielle Frost

 $Smoke\ Signals\ staff\ writer$

In an ongoing effort to prepare for just about any emergency imaginable, the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde participated in a countywide emergency preparedness exercise on Thursday, May 2.

The mock scenario involved several Tribal members potentially being infected with pneumonic plague after attending a concert in Portland, where the crowd was sprayed with a mister that contained the virus. The exercise focused on setting up and operating a mobile public point of distribution site to dispense the proper medications to a large group of people.

Exercises occurred over a threeday period in Newberg, McMinnville and Grand Ronde. Participants included Yamhill County Emergency Management, Yamill County Public Health, Yamhill Public Works, Willamette Valley Medical Center, Oregon Office of Emergency

Management, Chemeketa Community College, Yamhill Community Action Partnership, OHSU Monmouth and George Fox University.

Locally, a series of tents was set up outside the Tribal Health & Wellness Clinic after everyone in the area was sent an emergency message and asked to come to a dispensing pod if they had been exposed the evening of the concert.

Once there, patients were asked to fill out a form indicating medication allergies and then sent over to a mobile clinic if they required further screening. If not, medication and instructions were dispensed.

Tribal Emergency Management



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Yamhill County Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator Paul Myatt, left, goes through a briefing before a Point of Distribution emergency exercise held in the parking lot near the Tribal Health & Wellness Center on Thursday, May 2. The scenario for the exercise was that Tribal members attending a concert in Portland were exposed to pneumonic plague. The Point of Distribution was set up to help with preventive care by distributing medication quickly.



Assistant Brandy Bishop coordinated the event for Grand Ronde and also volunteered at other exercises.

"The event went well, but we definitely learned that there are areas to improve on," she said. "The biggest one is getting enough volunteers. We need to work on our

Nurse Jeannette Cavan consults with Jim Oldfield of Amity during a Point of Distribution emergency exercise held in the parking lot near the Tribal Health & Wellness Center on Thursday, May 2.

organization with that. But we also learned we have the capability to very quickly set up a dispensing pod when needed."

The most challenging aspect turned out to be after initial paperwork had been filled out.

"The hardest part of this exercise is the screening," said Paul Myatt, Yamhill County Public Health Emergency Preparedness coordinator. "You must make sure it is accurate."

Yamhill County Public Health Manager Amber Miller said the primary objective of the three-day exercise was to increase collaboration between the county and its community partners, such as the Tribe.

"This is practice for real life," Miller said. "A lot of Tribal grounds are near Yamhill County, and we need to make sure there is good communication. With lots of Tribal members living off-reservation, this partnership is very important. Preparation is important, whether it's bioterrorism or an earthquake. Education is power. The more you know, the more resiliency you have after the event."

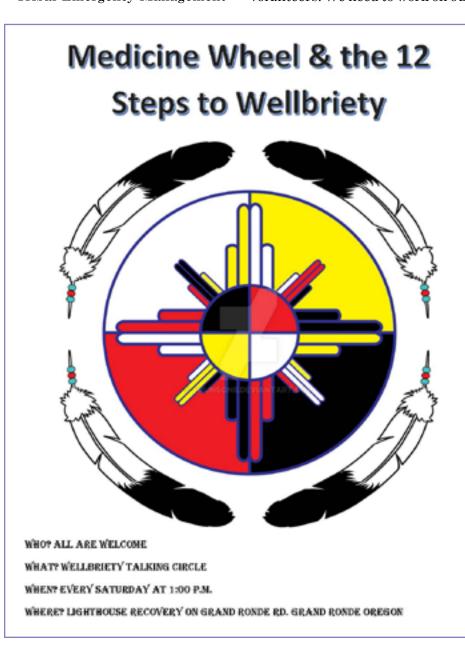
Amy Eagon is the emergency response coordinator for Cowlitz County Health & Human Services in Washington. She participated in the Grand Ronde exercise to hone her disaster preparedness skills.

"I've put these types of events on before and going through them and getting practice is very important," Eagon said. "This is not an 'if' scenario, but a 'when' scenario. Doing these types of dry runs is imperative. It's great that everyone is able to practice."

Bishop said that the emergency preparedness drill also helped Health & Wellness Clinic staff realize the importance of their roles.

"It helps them see they do have a part that affects the bigger piece," she said. "And the more we do, the more I hope people will participate in these events in the future. These provide an opportunity to answer questions as well. Getting out here gives people a chance to see what is going on."

Volunteer groups assisting in the exercise included the Community Emergency Response Team, Amateur Radio Emergency Service, Medical Reserve Corps and the American Red Cross. ■





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Summers Collection leaves May 23

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Rev. Selwyn Freer, who donated all of the approximately 550 items collected by Summers to the British Museum in 1900.

The British Museum loan was the culmination of 20 years of perseverance by the Grand Ronde Tribe to either have the items returned or loaned, and might be the first loan from the museum to a Native American Tribe in the United States. A permanent return of the items requires an act of Parliament as the British Museum is resolute that any items it has belong to the people of England.

In December 2002, Tribal Council Chairwoman Cheryle A. Kennedy and former Tribal Council member June Sell-Sherer traveled to London to view the items, which had been in storage for more than 100 years. Although they were told it would take a monumental effort to get the artifacts back to Grand Ronde, they persevered and 16 years later the items came home, albeit temporarily.

"It's been a wonderful opportunity to have these at Chachalu and I am very proud of the work the Cultural Resources staff has done, not only for us, but so the world could see these," Kennedy said. "My hope is that this is the beginning of a regular rotation and one day we can have them returned home or have a replication of the artifacts here."

Edwards said that museum-to-museum relationships are becoming more common, but that not all cultural institutions are on the same level, so the fact that the British Museum trusted Chachalu staff to house and properly care for the items speaks volumes.

"It's a sign of what parity and recognition can look like," Edwards said. "Both institutions recognized and respected each other. It meant a lot. The British Museum is one of the most recognized museum names in the world."

The seed was planted in the 1980s for an eventual Tribal museum, which first opened at the site



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Tribal Elder and former Tribal Council Chairwoman Kathryn Harrison viewed the Summers Collection artifacts during the opening of the "Rise of the Collectors" exhibit at Chachalu Museum & Cultural Center on June 1, 2018.

of the former Willamina Middle School in 2014 after phase one remodeling was complete. Phase two included an extensive remodel of the library area, which was turned into a 4,000-square-foot gallery space and work areas, offices and a research library. It re-opened on June 1, 2018, to coincide with the beginning of the "Rise of the Collectors" exhibit.

The exhibit featured a purse, harpoon, rattle, seed fan, cooking tray, hunting cap, seed basket, cooking basket, horn bowl, dice, elk skull spoon, epaulettes, mat creaser, dentalium purse, horn spoon and adze handle, as well as woven items from the Kershaw Collection loaned to the Tribe by the Oregon Historical Society.

"We are not the only Tribe with a museum," Edwards said. "Others are equally professional. We just happen to have this connection and our Tribal leaders took the initiative to pursue it. Our plans are to continue to have this relationship grow."

Edwards doesn't see ownership of the Summers items happening in the near future.

"We're still in the same place we were a year ago," he said. "English law doesn't allow for a simple return of the items. I believe the intent now is to further our relationships with other loans."

There is no date set for when the next installment will come to Chachalu. Edwards said it is an extremely expensive and time-consuming undertaking, so the Tribal museum will focus on other exhibits for the time being.

"It has been remarkable to see all of the people from all over the world who have come to this exhibit," he said. "We had a couple from England who were just amazed at the long process these belongings had taken to come back home. It is a global moment playing out."

However, Edwards said the best moments came when Tribal members visited the exhibit and spoke of their family connections.

"When an Elder comes down and shares how they are connected, that is an amazing moment," he said.

Chachalu Manager and Tribal member Julie Brown was contemplative when asked her thoughts about the Summers Collection exhibit ending.

"Oh my, that's a tough one," she said. "My sister (Khani Schultz) and I were engaged in a display board in 2012 at Spirit Mountain Casino that highlighted the Summers Collection and we said very

directly we wanted to get them back to Grand Ronde.

"Back then it was a dream to have it at some point in the future. Cheryle (Kennedy) and June (Sell-Sherer) were heavy hitters and put the first foot forward to develop that relationship. In doing so, we have had Summers come home. Hats off to them and the Elders of the time."

Brown said the display at Spirit Mountain Casino was the first foray into bringing the Summers Collection to the attention of the public, not just Tribal members.

"From there, the negotiations continued and we have been successful as a Tribe," she said. "There were many Elders who worked on this effort who are no longer here. There is a lot of sentiment and emotion for those belongings to be here. My mother, who passed before this exhibit came home, was one of those Elders."

And what's next at Chachalu? Brown is keeping that information close to the vest, but said there will likely be a soft opening in late June for a new exhibit.

"We will be letting the community know more details well in advance," she said. "What I can say is that it will be significant and we do have a featured artist at the exhibit."

The new exhibit will be the first of three planned within a year.

"We want to do three change outs," Brown said. "The Summers Collection was here for year by special agreement, but we are also trying to provide the community with something new on a regular basis." ■

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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. ■

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From left, Rose Festival Princess Ellie Hylland of Central Catholic High School, Tiny Tot KaLea Liebelt, 7, Little Miss Grand Ronde Sophia Grout, 10, and Princess Tori Lopez of St. Mary's Academy perform the Blue Heron dance at achaf-hammi during a visit of the Rose Festival Court on Thursday, May 9.

Rose Festival Court visits

Members of the Grand Ronde Royalty welcomed members of the Rose Festival Court as they arrived at Chachalu Museum & Cultural Center on Thursday, May 9. The Rose Festival Court, paired with members of Grand Ronde Royalty, visited the "Rise of the Collectors" exhibit at Chachalu. They also visited achaf-hammi, where they listened to the history of the Tribe and learned the Blue Heron dance. The Rose Festival Court visits Grand Ronde annually in advance of the June 8 Spirit Mountain Casino Grand Floral Parade in downtown Portland.



Grand Ronde Royalty Tiny Tot Grace Macon, 6, leads members of the Rose Festival Court into achaf-hammi on Thursday, May 9.

Tribal member Leloo Quenelle, 6. hold hands with Rose Festival Court **Princess Chloe Unflat from Wilson** High School in the reception area of **Chachalu Museum & Cultural before** touring the "Rise of the Collectors" exhibit on Thursday, May 9.



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From left, Grand Ronde Royalty Little Miss Grand Ronde Sophia Grout, Rose Festival Court Princess Stella Monteverde-Cakebread of Grant High School, Princess Makenzie Espinoza of Roosevelt High School, Junior Miss Grand Ronde Kaleigha Simi, Princess Ellie Hylland of Central Catholic High School, Tiny Tot KaLea Liebelt and Princess Melissa



Davila of Benson High School tour the "Rise of the Collectors" exhibit at the Chachalu Museum & Cultural Center on Thursday, May 9.



'This is the most meaningful a



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from after

Tribal member and Maintenance Supervisor Andrew Freeman takes his turn using a dipnet while fishing off the Tribal fishing platform at Willamette Falls in Oregon City on Tuesday, April 30. The Tribe is allowed to catch 15 ceremonial salmon from the platform annually. This will be the second season for the platform after its initial installation in the Fall of 2018.

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Mercier caught the first fish and called the experience of dipnetting from the rocks a "back killer" as Tribal fishermen had to handle the long-poled dipnet and battle the rushing flow of water.

Fish & Wildlife Program Manager Kelly Dirksen joked "it's kind of nice not to be in a rubber bag," referring to the drysuit that all Tribal

fishermen and employees must don when heading to the slippery rocks at Willamette Falls.

Mercier deflected taking credit for netting the salmon, saying all of the volunteer fishermen did it.

Dirksen said fishing can continue through the end of July or until the Tribe catches its allotment of 15. Chinook salmon should run through the end of July and summer steelhead runs will start in June and July. Tribal Council members who attended the First Fish Ceremony were Tribal Council Chairwoman Cheryle A. Kennedy, Vice Chair Chris Mercier, Kathleen George and Jack Giffen Jr. Staff who attended included General Manager David Fullerton and Tribal Attorney Rob Greene.

Kennedy gave the prayer, thanking the blue herons for calling the

fish back to the falls.

Bobby Mercier led a prayer song and also asked attendees not to dispose of the bones so that the remains could be taken to the Agency Creek fish weir and eventually returned to the Willamette River.

"It's important to bring the fish back to share with the community and tie it back to the river," he said. "We need to honor that fish, that



From left, Tribal members Chris Rempel and Greg Archuleta helped serve the Chinook salmon during a First Fish Ceremony held at achaf-hammi on Thursday, May 2. The fish was caught at Willamette Falls on Wednesday, May 1.



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ral Resources Biologist Matt Zimrick hands a line to General Manager d Fullerton to secure the boat while Tribal members take turns using a et while fishing off the Tribal fishing platform at Willamette Falls in Oregon on Tuesday, April 30. The Tribe is allowed to catch 15 ceremonial salmon the platform annually. This will be the second season for the platform tits initial installation in the Fall of 2018.



Tribal members prepare to start dipnet fishing off the Tribal fishing platform at Willamette Falls in Oregon City on Tuesday, April 30.





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Platform process

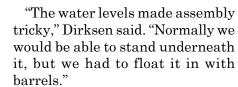
Before fishing could begin this year, Tribal staff first had to reattach a platform, built last fall, to a rock outcropping at Willamette Falls. This involved the challenging task of carting the structure across rushing water from the Oregon City side of the river to the West Linn side on Monday, April 29.

Due to high water levels, the platform had to be reattached to its three permanent anchors on the rocks by floating it over instead of employees standing on the rocks below.

The structure was designed in consultation with the Tribe's Cultural Resources Department staff

and Tribal fishermen. Having a removable platform allows the Tribe to take fish at the culturally appropriate time of year instead of later in the season when water levels are low and rocks for fishing are exposed.

Tribal member Kimberley Contreras, Employment Specialist Misty Carl, Tribal Services Representative Lisa Archuleta, Tribal Chairwoman Cheryle A. Kennedy, Billing/Audit **Specialist Desiree Allen** and Patient Account Specialist Kayla Leno participated in the First Fish Ceremony held at achaf-hammi on Thursday, May 2. The fish was caught at Willamette Falls on Wednesday, May 1.



Tribal staff who assisted with the 3.5-hour platform assembly included Biologist Brandon Weems, Public Works Manager Jesse White and Aquatic Biologist Torey Wakeland, all under the watchful eye of Dirksen.

"My primary goal is to keep everyone safe," Dirksen said. "I wanted to get people there and back safely. We want everyone to be able to finish what they came here to do and go home safe."

Tuesday's fishermen were Silviculture & Fire Protection Manager Colby Drake, Wildlife Technician Matthew Zimbrick and Maintenance Supervisor Andrew Freeman.

Before any Tribal member can fish at the platform, they must complete a swimming test and undergo swift water rescue training, which involves plunging into a fast-moving, chilly river fully clothed in a drysuit, lifejacket and helmet to simulate a real-life scenario.

While on the platform, fishermen wear a harness with a climbing rope attached to it, and keep their lifejackets on at all times.

"I really enjoy just being out on the water and at the falls," Drake said. "It's an opportunity to participate in cultural practices and this is my first time up on the platform. Last year we caught off the rocks. To catch a fish on the platform would be an exciting day. Being an employee and a Tribal member, this is a cool opportunity."

Fullerton also was on hand to drive the boat out to the falls and help keep the Tribal fishermen safe.

"We've got good weather and good people out here today," he said. "I want them to go catch some fish and get experienced with this."

Tribal Council Secretary Jon A. George said a prayer and performed

a drum song and smudged the docks before employees went out Monday to assemble the platform.

"I thought of the men's safety and their teamwork that would complete their task that day and to let them know that the spirit of our ancestors were with them," he said. "Also, for them to hear what they were doing that day is something that instills what is to come for generations."

George said he looks forward to a day when Tribal children won't know anything different, a day when the only question is when they will go to fish at the falls.

"This is the most meaningful aspect of returning to the falls," he said. "Today we have direct lineage of the great chiefs who oversaw Willamette Falls in the past in our Tribe today. We are so blessed to see the tradition of gathering eels and dipnetting at Willamette Falls continued for time immemorial." ■



Tribal Chairwoman Cheryle A. Kennedy said the prayer during the First Fish Ceremony held at achafhammi on Thursday, May 2.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

INTERNAL OPENINGS

■ Accounting Clerk Job #035-19 **Finance** Grade: 7 **Closing date: May 18**

■ Enrollment Officer Job #039-19 **Member Services**

> Grade: 10 Closing date: May 22

INTERNAL/EXTERNAL

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

■ Jr. Hatfield Fellowship

Spirit Mountain Community Fund Grade: 1

Closing date: May 27

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

■ Forester

Job #121-18 **Natural Resources** Grade: 12

Open until filled

■ Domestic Violence Relief Advocate

Job #011-18 **Social Services** Grade: 8

Open until filled

This is a limited duration position through June 30, 2019; continuation is subject to grant funding.

Drug-Free Workplace Policy

- Effective January 1, 2004, all employees are subject to random drug and/or alcohol
- All pre-employment offers.
- ■When there is reasonable suspicion.
- Post accident

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

For those individuals

INTERNAL/EXTERNAL

■ Physician Job #083-18 **Medical Clinic** Grade: 23

■ Young Child Wellness Project Manager (This project is a five year grant and ends on 9/29/2023.) Job #106-18

Open until filled

Health Administration Grade: 14 **Open until filled**

■ Young Child Wellness Project Partner (This project is a five year grant and ends on 9/29/2023.) Job #107-18 **Health Administration** Grade: 12

■ Radiology Lab Technician (on call) Job #125-18

Open until filled

Grade: 8

Open until filled

■ Child and Adolescent Mental Health Therapist

Job #124-18 **Behavioral Health** Grade: 12 **Open until filled**

■ Behavioral Health Coordinator

Job #002-19 **Behavioral Health** Grade: 12

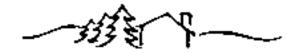
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meeting minimum qualifications an interview will be given in the following ranking order:

- 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

Grand Ronde Housing Department



Board seeks community input

The Grand Ronde Housing Board is inviting Tribal members and Tribal housing residents to provide input to assist its members in carrying out its advisory role to the Housing Department and Tribal Council regarding policy guidance. The Housing Board meets at 3 p.m. the third Thursday of each month in the Housing Department conference room, 28450 Tyee Road. Its chair is Kristy Criss-Lawson. For more information, contact the Housing Department at 503-879-2401. ■

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Meal prep training



Photos by Timothy J. Gonzalez

Tony Hedrick, center, and Emma Leno-Hedrick work on a chicken with apple and sweet potato meal during a frozen meal cooking class held in the Tribal Community Center on Friday, May 10. Nutrition Program Manager Kristy



Criss-Lawson led the training where the 10 participants left with plastic bags filled with ingredients already prepared that go straight from the freezer and into a Crockpot. The meal prep training was a collaboration between the Tribe's Children & Family Services and Nutrition programs.



Early Childhood Education Program Assistant Denaee Towner and Health & Wellness Purchase/Referred Care Application Assister/PRC Assistant Leah Bailey prepared ingredients for chicken cacciatore during a frozen meal cooking class held in the Tribal Community Center on Friday, May 10.

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. ■

Wisdom of the Elders premiering two programs

PORTLAND - Wisdom of the Elders, a Native-run Oregon nonprofit in partnership with the Northwest Film Center, will premiere two new one-hour programs in its Native Wisdom Documentary Film Series from 2 to 6 p.m. Saturday, May 18, at the Portland Art Museum's Whitsell Auditorium, 1219 S.W. Park Ave.

The two programs will examine today's changing climate and how it is affecting Native Oregonians' traditional food and resources.

The documentaries feature Tribal Elders and indigenous scientists and their observations of ecosystems on their Reservations and ceded lands where they hunt, fish and gather traditional first foods and medicines.

The new pair of films, "The Peoples of Western Oregon" and "The Peoples of Eastern Oregon," will screen once only at 2:30 and 4 p.m. with a short intermission in between. The films were produced by Wisdom staff producers Kunu Bearchum, Tim Keenan Burgess and Lawrence Johnson.

Funding for the project was provided, in part, by the Grand Ronde Tribe's philanthropic entity, Spirit Mountain Community Fund.

For more information, visit www.wisdomoftheelders.org. ■

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

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

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 neaningful 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



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

Oualifications

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

1) Furnish own work boots

2) Complete and pass pre-employment background check and drug test.

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

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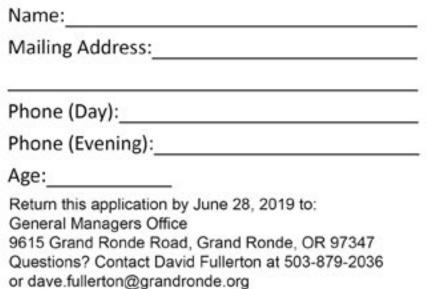
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Volunteers Needed!

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

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. ■

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FORM 2
IN THE TRIBAL COURT FOR THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES
OF THE GRAND RONDE COMMUNITY OF OREGON
In The Matter of: Case No.: C-19-006
CHRISTIE D. LOCALIS , NOTICE OF NAME CHANGE [ADULT]
NOTICE TO ANY INTERESTED PERSONS:
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the above Petitioner has filed a Petition with this Court on
the 25 day of April , 20 19, requesting that Petitioner's name be
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Certified Application Assisters at the Health & Wellness Center

Cassandra Rhamey is available to assist with recertification and applications for the Oregon Health Plan. She can be reached at 503-879-1359 or cassandra.rhamey@grandronde.org.

Leah Bailey also is a Certified Application Assister available to help. She can be reached at 503-879-2197 or leah.bailey@grandronde.org. ■



SMOKE SIGNALS 20 MAY 15, 2019



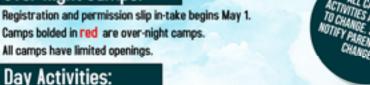


June 10-August 8 6-12th Grade Native Youth (2018-19 School Year)

CAMP AND ACTIVITY SPECIFICS:

Over Night Camps:

Registration and permission slip in-take begins May 1. Camps bolded in red are over-night camps.



Activity details and permissions slips are available for all summer activities beginning May 15th. Sign-ups and permission slips cannot be turned in until the Monday one week prior to the

*Please note: Some dates, there will be two activities in one day. Students must attend the morning activity in order to attend the afternoon activity.

Permission Slips/Applications:

All activities and over-night trips require permission slips, some activities require additional waiver forms and full, current 2018-19 or 2019-20 YED Application must be complete and on file in order for youth to attend activities and camps.

Limited Openings:

All day programming and over-night camps have limited openings. Once a permission slip has been submitted, youth will be placed on the activity list. Students will be called to confirm that they will be attending a minumum of 3 days prior to the camp or activity. Please note that Tribal preference will be given for all camps and activities via handbook policy.

No Programming Dates:

Youth Education 6-12 programming will not be in operation on the following dates:

June 28th, July 3rd, July 4th and 5th, and July 19th

For more information, please contact 503-879-2101 or email devin.boekhoff@grandronde.org

Fund seeking Hatfield Fellowship applicants

Applications for the 2019-20 Hatfield Fellowship program are being accepted through Friday, May 31. 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 the community fund. com/grants-programs/hatfield-fellowship/or go to www.youtube.com/ watch?v=VMXL_nwxp-o&t=4s to view a Hatfield Fellowship informational video.



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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 a enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde attending on a full time basis at an accredited nonprofit 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/highereducation/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



SMOKE SIGNALS 21 MAY 15, 2019

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. ■

Graduation Celebration scheduled for June 21

The annual Graduation Celebration for eight-graders, high school students and college graduates will be held at 6 p.m. Friday, June 21, in the Tribal gym, 9615 Grand Ronde Road.

For more information, contact Education Department Senior Administrative Assistant Deborah Bachman at 503-879-2275.

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:	
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 Cianature	
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

Walking On...

Brandon Thomas Clark

Oct. 6, 1990 - May 3, 2019

Brandon Thomas Clark of Clio, Mich., 28, walked on Friday, May 3, 2019, at his residence.

Funeral services were held Friday, May 10, 2019, at the O'Guinn Family Funeral Home in Clio. Kim Christensen and the Rev. Kyle Maddox officiated with cremation that followed.

Family received visitors at the funeral home on Thursday, May 9, and before the service on Friday, May 10. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the family for Brandon's son, Easton's, education.

Brandon was born Oct. 6, 1990, in Flint,

Mich., to Lorrie Bedard and Ryan Clark. He graduated from Clio High School in 2009. Brandon became engaged to the love of his life, Kayleigh Parkinson, in September 2016.

He was owner and operator of K&B Auto Detailing and More in Clio. Brandon was a member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde in Oregon. He enjoyed everything that had to do with music and loved playing his guitar. Brandon also enjoyed baseball, wrestling and getting tattoos. Everyone who knew him would say that was a family man with a heart of gold and would give you the shirt off his back. His best friends were his brothers and he was an extremely proud father.

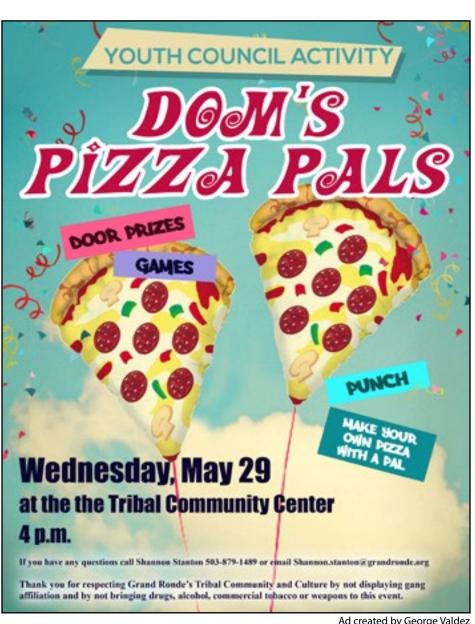
He is survived by his son, Easton Clark; fiancée, Kayleigh Parkinson; parents, Lorrie (Chuck) Nettleton and Ryan (Susana) Clark; brothers, Ryan (Haley) Clark, Evan (Brooke) Clark, Perry (Marci) Nettleton and Jason Clark: and grandparents, JoAnne Kondrat, and Bob and Martha Nettleton. He also was preceded in death by a grandmother, Thelma Jean Bedard.

To sign the family's guest book or share an online condolence, visit www.oguinnfh.com.

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.





CTGR PREPAREDNESS AND SAFETY FAIR
WHEN: TUESDAY MAY 28TH, 2019 from 3pm to 6pm

<u>/HEN: TUESDAY MAY 28th, 2019 from 3pm to 6pn</u>

<u>WHERE: Gym and outside in the field</u>











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.

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9:00am to 4:00pm Daily

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LIBRARY HOURS:

Monday – Friday: 9 A.M. - 6 P.M.(Monday closed from noon -1 P.M.) Saturday: 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

Upcoming Summer Library Program: Beginning on June 1, the Tribal Library's summer program will begin. This is a program for both youth and teens. "A Universe of Stories" is this year's theme with books, movies and prizes related to the universe and outer space. Keep an eye open for more information on registration as June 1 approaches.

Little Library locations: The Tribal Library is now overseeing the 14 Little Library locations in and around Grand Ronde. Feel free to stop by any of these locations and grab a book for free.

DVD selection: Check out the Tribal Library's movie collection, with more than 1,800 DVDs/Blu-rays to choose from.

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

Book Review: "Forever on the Mountain" by James M. Tabor.

This nonfiction piece covers one of mountaineering's worst tragedies the 1967 Wilcox Mt. McKinley expedition. By examining and interpreting a large number of interviews, footage, recordings and documents, James M. Tabor gives one of the most accurate accounts of what may have conspired along that harrowing trip up North America's tallest peaks.

A 12-man expedition, led by then 24-year-old Joe Wilcox, was left stranded at 20,000 feet in what many believe was the worst recorded arctic storm in McKinley's history. Many factors played a role in why rescue attempts were not as sufficient as they should have been. However one thing is certain, seven of the 12-man crew perished.

This book keeps readers engaged and interested. Tabor writes with an exquisite, reasoned and investigative style that allows the reader to grasp the fine details of climbing giants like McKinley. Tabor looks at elements of controversy, finger-pointing and even cover-up that make this disaster unlike any other. — Reviewed by Harris Reibach

Donations: A special thanks to Sam George, Barbara Danforth and others for their contributions to the Tribal Library's collection. We truly appreciate your donations.

Reminder: Donated items must be clean and in good condition. Inter-Library loan services: The Tribal Library partners with Oregon

State Library to offer "library to library" inter-library loan services.

For any questions or comments, feel free to contact the Tribal Library at 503-879-1499.



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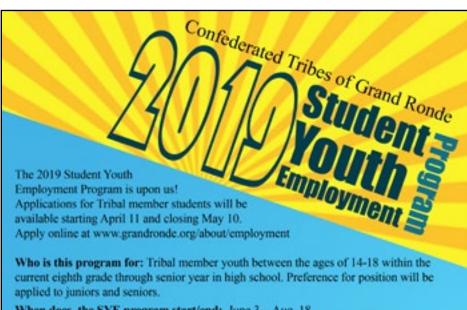




To Learn More: 503-879-2161







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 May 10 day 14 SYE Interviews May 16 SYE program starts June 3

SYE program ends

Need more information:

Contact 503-879-1483 503-879-2102 Tim Barry

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

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<u>Iustine Flynn</u> K5 Chinuk Teacher

503-879-2066 justine.flynn@grandronde.org belief that the only way for the language to live and flourish is for it to be learned and



Thursday, April 18

- Assist outside agency with reported suspicious activity in the area of D and Water streets in Willamina.
- Motorist assist occurred in the area of milepost 26 on Salmon River Highway.
- Warrant arrest in the 28000 block of Andy Riggs Road. A male subject was arrested on a valid Lincoln County Circuit Court warrant and transported to the Polk County Jail in Dallas.
- Suspicious vehicle reported in the 8500 block of Grand Ronde Road.

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Friday, April 19

- Suspicious activity reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Criminal trespass reported in the 8700 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Motorist assist performed in the area of milepost 23 on Salmon River Highway.
- Assist outside agency in the area of Fort Hill Road and Tenbush Lane.
 A male subject was arrested on a valid warrant and transported to the Yamhill County Jail in McMinnville.
- Harassment reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- · Reported disturbance in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Physical harassment reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway. A male subject was arrested for harassment and disorderly conduct, and transported to the Polk County Jail in Dallas.
- Reported theft in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Saturday, April 20

- Assist outside agency with reported suspicious conditions in the 4700 block of Antelope Court in Salem.
- Driving complaint reported in the area of milepost 22 westbound on Highway 22.
- Assist outside agency with a two-vehicle, noninjury crash at Salmon River Highway and Grand Ronde Road.
- · Assist outside agency in the 9600 block of Tilixam Circle.
- Suspicious vehicle reported in the 8700 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Suspicious activity reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Traffic stop performed in the area of milepost 22 on Salmon River Highway. A male subject was arrested for DUII (controlled substance) and transported to the Polk County Jail in Dallas.

Sunday, April 21

Suspicious activity reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Monday, April 22

- Assist outside agency with reported suspicious activity in the area of Salmon River Highway and Southwest Hebo Road.
- Assist outside agency with a welfare check in the 9600 block of Tilixam Circle.
- Assist outside agency in the area of milepost 3 on Highway 18B.
- Criminal trespass reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Assist outside agency with a single-vehicle crash in the area of Fort Hill and Willamina Creek roads.
- Noise complaint received in the 9600 block of Tilixam Circle.
- Reported domestic disturbance in the 25000 block of Coyote Court.

Tuesday, April 23

- Assist outside agency with reported criminal trespass in the area of milepost 5 on Highway 22.
- Assist outside agency with a reported suspicious vehicle in the area of highways 22 and 18B.
- Assist outside agency with reported suspicious activity in the 25000 block of Yamhill River Road.
- Assist outside agency with reported suspicious conditions in the 1200 block of Oaken Hills Drive in Willamina.
- Assist outside agency with a medical call in the 2500 block of Coyote Court.
- Suspicious vehicle reported in the area of milepost 24 on Southwest Hebo Road.
- Reported hit-and-run (property damage) in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Wednesday, April 24

- Traffic stop occurred in the area of milepost 21 on Salmon River Highway. A female subject was arrested on two valid warrants and unlawful possession of methamphetamine, and transported to the Polk County Jail in Dallas.
- Suspicious vehicle reported in the area of Fort Hill and Yamhill River roads.

Thursday, April 25

- Assist outside agency with a reported domestic disturbance in the 24000 block of Yamhill River Road.
- Assist outside agency with a warrant arrest in the 25000 block of

- Yamhill River Road. A male subject was arrested on a valid Polk County Circuit Court warrant for fail to appear on a DUII.
- Assist outside agency with a medical assist in the area of milepost 4 on Highway 22 in Sheridan.
- Assist outside agency with a reported dispute in the 25000 block of Loganberry Road in Sheridan.
- Assist outside agency with a reported criminal trespass in the 28000 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Driving complaint received in the area of milepost 25 on Salmon River Highway.
- Assist outside agency with a reported dispute in the 53000 block of Southwest Hebo Road. A male subject was arrested and transported to the Yamhill County Jail in McMinnville.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Friday, April 26

- Assist outside agency with a reported dispute in the area of milepost 3.5 on Bureau of Land Management Road 06-07-28.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Tilixam Circle.
- Assist outside agency with a grass fire in the area of milepost 24 on Salmon River Highway.
- Assist outside agency with a two-vehicle injury crash in the area of Salmon River Highway and Harmony Road. A female subject was transported to Willamette Valley Medical Center in McMinnville with non-life threatening injuries.
- Citizen contact occurred in the area of milepost 27 on Salmon River Highway.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 28000 block of McPherson Road.
- Assist outside agency with suspicious activity in the area of Highway 18B and Yamhill River Road.

Saturday, April 27

- Driving complaint received in the area of milepost 29 westbound on Salmon River Highway.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 7900 block of Fire Hall Road.
- Suspicious activity reported in the 9700 block of Tilixam Circle.
- Suspicious vehicle reported in the 28000 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Motorist assist occurred in the area of milepost 25 on Salmon River Highway.

Sunday, April 28

- Assist outside agency with a reported domestic disturbance in the area of Main and Bridge streets in Sheridan.
- Reported theft in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Reported criminal mischief in the area of the water treatment plant on Raven Loop.
- Assist outside agency with reported suspicious activity in the 22000 block of Highway 18B.
- Assist outside agency with a medical assist in the 28000 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Medical assist occurred in the 9600 block of Raven Loop.
- Assist outside agency with a disorderly subject in the 28000 block of Salmon River Highway.

Monday, April 29

• Citizen contact occurred in the area of A.R. Ford and Rock Creek roads.

Tuesday, April 30

- Assist outside agency with a traffic assist with down communication lines in the area of Salmon River Highway and Grand Ronde Road.
- Assist outside agency with a reported stolen vehicle in the area of Yamhill River Road and Highway 18B.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.

Wednesday, May 1

- Assist outside agency with a reported theft in the 23000 block of Salmon River Highway. A male subject was arrested for theft and criminal trespass, and transported to the Polk County Jail in Dallas.
- Assist outside agency with a Department of Human Services home visit in the 28000 block of Andy Riggs Road.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.

Thursday, May 2

- Illegal camping reported at Big Buck Campground. Two subjects were warned for criminal trespass and advised that they need a valid permit to stay at the campsite.
- Drug complaint received in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Suspicious activity reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway. A male subject was transported to Willamette Valley Medical Center in McMinnville by West Valley Fire personnel for a medical issue.
- Medical assist in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway. A female subject was transported to Willamette Valley Medical Center in McMinnville by West Valley Fire personnel.
- Warrant arrest in the area of milepost 22 on Salmon River Highway. A
 male subject was arrested and transported to the Polk County Jail in
 Dallas on a valid warrant for failure to appear on a traffic crime.
- Assist outside agency with a reported runaway juvenile in the 8700 block of Grand Ronde Road.

Friday, May 3

Reported forgery in the 26800 block of Salmon River Highway.

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- Assist outside agency with a noninjury crash in the area of milepost 23 on Southwest Hebo Road.
- · Assist outside agency with a noninjury, two-vehicle crash in the area of milepost 23 on Southwest Hebo Road.
- Suspicious activity reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Saturday, May 4

- Reported theft in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Reported theft in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- · Reported theft in the 26800 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Reported theft in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Assist outside agency with a reported criminal trespass in the 8800 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Suspicious activity reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Driving complaint received in the area of milepost 4 eastbound on Salmon River Highway.
- · Motorist assist performed in the area of milepost 24 on Salmon River Highway.
- Citizen contact occurred in the area of milepost 21 on Salmon River
- Suspicious activity reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Sunday, May 5

- · Assist outside agency with a civil issue in the 28000 block of McPherson Road.
- · Animal complaint reported in the 28000 block of A. Ackerson Road.
- Assist outside agency with an unattended death in the 27000 block of Highway 18B in Willamina.
- · Assist outside agency with a medical issue in the 28000 block of Salmon River Highway. A male subject was transported to Willamette Valley Medical Center in McMinnville by West Valley Fire personnel.
- Reported criminal mischief in the 9500 block of Raven Loop.

Monday, May 6

- Animal complaint received in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- · Suspicious activity reported in the area of A.R Ford Road and Salmon River Highway.
- Suspicious activity reported in the 8400 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Suspicious activity reported in the 8600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- · Assist outside agency with reported suspicious activity in the area of milepost 29 on Salmon River Highway.
- · Driving complaint received in the area of milepost 1 on Salmon River Highway. The vehicle was located in the area of milepost 20 and a traffic stop was conducted. A male subject was arrested for DUII (alcohol) after providing a breath sample of .10 percent blood alcohol content.
- Suspicious activity reported in the 8600 block of Grand Ronde Road.

Tuesday, May 7

- Assist outside agency with a reported missing person in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- · Suspicious activity reported in the 9700 block of Tilixam Circle.
- Public assist occurred in the area of milepost 22 on Salmon River Highway.
- Found property in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Suspicious activity in the area of milepost 22 on Salmon River High-
- Assist outside agency with a two-vehicle injury crash in the area of Highway 18B and Pittman Road in Willamina. A female subject was transported to Willamette Valley Medical Center in McMinnville by West Valley Fire personnel.
- Assist outside agency with a reported assault in the 100 block of Southwest Hill Drive in Willamina.
- Reported disturbance in the 48000 block of Eagle Loop.

Wednesday, May 8

- Reported hit-and-run vehicle crash in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway. A female subject was located and issued a citation to appear on the criminal charge of failure to perform the duties of a driver (property damage).
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Raven Loop.
- Found property in the 100 block of Wind River Drive.
- Animal complaint received in the area of milepost 21 on Salmon River Highway.

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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.



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Now accepting applications for the Temporary Staffing Pool!

If you are interested in filling temporary vacancies on an "on-call" basis, you are encouraged to contact the CTGR Human Resources Office.

Applicants must successfully pass a criminal background check and drug screen.

This is an excellent opportunity for our membership to supplement their income and gain experience while aiding us in continuing a smooth delivery of services.

To apply, go online to www.grandronde.org/about/employment

Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Employment Service Center, Building C Attn: Human Resources, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347



If you have questions about the temporary pool, please come by the office or call 503-879-2109

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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. ■



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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.

Hepatitis C Awareness Month

The month of May is Hepatitis C awareness month. If you or someone you know has been diagnosed you know the effects it can have on your body and health. Hepatitis C is a disease that is caused by the Hepatitis C virus, which effects your Liver. If left untreated it can cause liver disease, liver failure, and even liver cancer. It is estimated that 75% of the people that have Hepatitis C are unaware of this. If you have never been tested or discussed this issue with your provider now is the time to do so.

Who is at risk for HCV infection?

- The following people are at increased risk for HCV infection:
- Current or former injection drug users, including those who injected only once many years ago
- Recipients of clotting factor concentrates made before 1987, when less advanced methods for manufacturing those products were used
- Recipients of blood transfusions or solid organ transplants prior to July 1992, before better testing of blood donors became available
- Chronic hemodialysis patients
- People with known exposures to HCV, such as
- health care workers after needle sticks involving HCV-positive blood
- recipients of blood or organs from a donor who tested HCV-positive
- People with HIV infection
- Children born to HCV-positive mothers

Having hepatitis C greatly increases your risk of developing type 2 diabetes, and diabetes worsens the prognosis of hepatitis C.

One explanation is that the hepatitis C virus promotes accumulation of fat inside the liver. A fatty liver is not able to absorb excess glucose from the bloodstream, therefore the blood sugar level can rise to an undesirable degree.

Or. Blome Coming to Po with Hepatitis C Awareness Overview of Who the Hep C and it's treatment should be tested? **CTGR Portland Office** May 20th, 2019 4445 SW Barbur Blvd 10am-1pm Portland, OR 97239 What are the 2 main popu-**Get Tested** lations that **Get cured** have Hep C? **For Questions** Call 503-879-1881

Health & Wellness Center closures

Friday, May 24 – Noon
Monday, May 27 – Memorial Day

Be sure to request your prescriptions early to cover closure days.

Exciting News From the Skookum Health Assistance Program

If you haven't already, you will be receiving the annual 2017 Skookum Health Assistance Program Health Status Report. This report contains basic information about health services paid for by Skookum during 2017 for all Tribal members on the program.

This report also contains personal information regarding what Skookum paid for you during 2017, so please keep this report private.

If you have questions please feel free to contact Tresa Mercier at 503-879-2008 or Barbara Steere at 503-879-2487.

