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General Council membership briefed on Community Fund

By Danielle Harrison
Smoke Signals editor

Spirit Mountain Community Fund Executive Director Angela Sears briefed the membership on the fund and its various grant awards during a Sunday, April 7, General Council meeting held via Zoom and at the Lane Community College Longhouse in Eugene.

Sears began her presentation to the Tribal audience with an overview of the Community Fund, which was created as part of the Tribe's gaming compact with the state of Oregon. It is supervised by an eight-member Board of Trustees that includes Tribal Council members Denise Harvey, Brenda Tuomi and Michael Cherry, who is also a former Community Fund director.

The first grants ever awarded were to Life Flight Network and the Portland Art Museum in 1997.

As of the first quarter of 2024, the Grand Ronde Tribe's philanthropic giving now exceeds \$97 million with 3,309 grants awarded since 1997.

"I think of how far we have come and now to being in a place to equip communities with almost \$100 million," Sears said. "I'm super proud of who we are and am grateful to Tribal leaders who had the foresight to create this fund."

Sears also introduced Community Fund employees in attendance, which included Program Coordinator Angela Schlappie and Administrative Assistant Pamala Warren-Chase.

Sears said The Community Fund receives 6 percent of proceeds from Spirit Mountain Casino and

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Carter Soderberg, 4, collects eggs during the Tribal Housing Department Easter Egg Hunt held at Tribal Housing on Saturday, March 30. Approximately 200 children showed up to the annual event to collect about 2,000 plastic eggs stuffed with candy.

On the hunt again



Tribal member Bradly Robertson holds a bag for his daughter AvaMarie Roberson, 4, as she collects eggs during the Tribal Housing Department Easter Egg Hunt held at Tribal Housing.

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Photos by Michelle Alaimo

Native Innovation exhibit makes first stop in Grand Ronde

By Kamiah Koch

Social media/digital journalist

Grand Ronde community members looking for an educational and interactive family-friendly activity to do this month need look no further than the Tribal Library.

On Thursday, April 4, the University of Oregon's Museum of Natural and Cultural History Education Manager Mia Jackson unpacked the Native Innovation Museum Adventures traveling exhibit at its first stop in Grand Ronde.

Jackson and Tribal Librarian Kathy Cole set up the 10-station exhibit together throughout the library. Each hands-on station comes in a wooden box that unfolds into a display. Printed on the underside of the lid is information about science and engineering innovations Native peo-

ple have created, along with tangible examples within the box.

The stations include topics like harvest solutions, fish technology and transportation innovations.

"The term 'technology' means anything designed by a person to solve a problem," Jackson

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University of Oregon's Museum of Natural and Cultural History Education Manager Mia Jackson sets up a hands-on fishing station that is part of the Native Innovation Museum Adventures traveling exhibit at the Tribal Library on Thursday, April 4. The exhibit will be at the library through April 30.



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

General Council meeting

11 a.m. Sunday, May 5

Governance Center Atrium

Tribal members can participate remotely via Zoom and in-person attendance. Call 503-879-2304 for more information.

NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Wednesday Meetings

DATE	TIME
Wednesday, April 17.....	4 p.m.
Wednesday, May 1.....	4 p.m.

Please note that these times and dates are subject to change if needed. In-person attendance in Tribal Council Chambers and via Zoom.

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IN THE FUTURE



(k^hapa atqi)

lakit-mun (April)

- Tuesday, April 16 – Tribal Veterans Service Office beginning keyboard class, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Tribal Community Programs Building. Lunch is provided. 503-879-1484.
- Wednesday, April 17 – Tribal Veterans Service Office pasta and painting, 4-7 p.m., Tribal Community Programs Building. Dinner is provided. 503-879-1484.
- Wednesday, April 17 – Tribal Council meeting, 4 p.m., in-person attendance in Tribal Council Chambers and via Zoom. 503-879-2304.
- Wednesday, April 17 – Youth Lifeways, 4:30-6:30 p.m., Tribal Community Center, for youth ages 16 to 24. Dinner is provided.
- Monday, April 22 – Earth Day Jam, 5-7 p.m., Tribal Plankhouse.
- Monday, April 22 – Book discussion with Steph Littlebird, 5:30 p.m., Tribal gym.

qwinem-mun (May)

- Wednesday, May 1 – Tribal Council meeting, 4 p.m., in-person attendance in Tribal Council Chambers and via Zoom. 503-879-2304.
- Thursday, May 2 – Tribal Veterans Service Office beginner guitar class, 2-3 p.m., Tribal Community Programs Building. Lunch is provided. 503-879-1484.
- Sunday, May 5 – General Council meeting, 11 a.m., Tribal Council Chambers and via Zoom, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.
- Tuesday, May 7 – Tribal Veterans Service Office research room tour, 11-2 p.m., Chachalu Tribal Museum & Cultural Center. 503-879-1484.
- Thursday, May 9 – Tribal Veterans Service Office beginner guitar class, 2-3 p.m., Tribal Community Programs Building. Lunch is provided. 503-879-1484.
- Wednesday, May 15 – Tribal Veterans Service Office yoga, 2-3 p.m., Tribal Community Programs Building. Snacks provided. 503-879-1484.
- Wednesday, May 15 – Tribal Council meeting, 4 p.m., in-person attendance in Tribal Council Chambers and via Zoom. 503-879-2304.
- Monday, May 27 – Tribal offices closed in observance of Memorial Day.

To stay informed of future Tribal events, visit www.smokesignals.org/calendar.

Health & Wellness Center offering vaccines

The new COVID-19 vaccine, Spikevax, is available at the Health & Wellness Center for adults 18 and older. It is recommended for those with chronic health conditions such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, kidney failure and heart failure, regardless if they have received older vaccines. Spikevax is not a booster.

Another vaccine that is recommended is for RSV, which is available to babies 8 months and younger, for expectant mothers who are 32 to 36 weeks pregnant and in limited amounts for those 60 and older.



For more information, call the Health & Wellness Center at 503-879-2002. ■

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Questions? Contact Public Health
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TRIBAL OFFICE CLOSURES

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

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- Must be a CTGR Tribal member.
- Must be able to work at least one day per week in the election office, mid-July through early September.
- Apply by Friday, April 19.



For questions contact Shannon Ham-texeira.

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Food Bank news

The Grand Ronde Food Bank – iskam mək^hmək 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.”

The Food Bank will hold April food box distributions from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fridays. In addition, there is a light food box (mostly bread and produce) distribution from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays.

People must check in 15 minutes before closing to receive a food box on both days. If you need immediate assistance, call 211 or visit 211info.org.

Those who are unable to pick up a food box can fill out an authorized representative form and that designated person can pick up a food box on your behalf. The authorization is good for one year.

The Food Bank continues to seek volunteers to help with repacking food, putting food on the shelves, handing out food boxes, end-of-month inventory and picking up food donations at area stores.

Call to ensure someone is available to assist. People also can sign up for a monthly email for the Food Bank calendar and events, as well as follow the Food Bank on Facebook.

The Food Bank is an equal opportunity provider. Contact Ambrose at 503-879-3663 or fambrose@marionpolkfoodshare.org for more information or to volunteer. ■

Committee & Special Event Board meeting days and times

- **Ceremonial Hunting Board** meets as needed. Chair: Marline Groshong.
- **Culture Committee** meets as needed at the Grand Ronde Food Bank/iskam mək^hmək haws, 9675 Grand Ronde Road. Chair: Francene Ambrose.
- **Editorial Board** meets monthly. The next meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, April 19 via Zoom. Contact Chair Mia Prickett at Editorial.Board@grandronde.org for the meeting link.
- **Education Committee** meets at 5:30 p.m. on the last Tuesday of the month in the Adult Education building. Chair: Tammy Cook.
- **Elders Committee** meets at 10 a.m. the first and third Wednesday of the month in the Elders Activity Center. Chair: Carmen Robertson.
- **Enrollment Committee** meets quarterly in Room 204 of the Governance Center. Chair: Debi Anderson.
- **Fish & Wildlife Committee** meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Chair: Reyn Leno.
- **Health Committee** meets at 10 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month in the Molalla Room of the Health & Wellness Center. Chair: Darlene Aaron.
- **Housing Grievance Board** meets at 3 p.m. the third Thursday of the month in the Housing Department conference room. Chair: Shayla Myrick-Meyer.
- **Powwow Special Event Board** meets as needed at the Community Center. Dates vary. Contact Dana Ainam at 503-879-2037. Chair: Dana Ainam.
- **TERO Commission** meets at 10 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month in the Employment Services building. Chair: Russell Wilkinson.
- **Timber Committee** meets at 5 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Chair: Jon R. George.
- **Veterans Special Event Board** meets at 5:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month in the Quenelle House. Chair: Raymond Petite.

To update information on this list, contact Smoke Signals Editor Danielle Harrison at 503-879-4663 or danielle.harrison@grandronde.org.

NWIHA offers youth scholarships

The Northwest Indian Housing Association is offering youth scholarship opportunities.

Applications can be obtained by visiting www.nwiha.org and clicking on the Youth Scholarship Program tab.

All applications and supporting documents must be submitted by email to info@nwiha.org by 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 30.

All applicants, selected or not, will be notified of the NWIHA executive committee decisions. Successful applicants will be recognized at a banquet held on Tuesday, May 7.

Complete instructions are contained in the application form. For more information, contact info@nwiha.org or 360-220-9212. ■



2019 – Grand Ronde Tribal member David Lewis had a new title to add to his list of accomplishments – Indigenous video game contributor. Lewis, an ethnohistory researcher and adjunct professor, wrote 14 narratives for the newly released “When Rivers Were Trails,” an educational, 2-D adventure game that explored the effects of allotment acts on Indigenous communities in the 1890s.

2014 – The first of two informational sessions was held about proposed amendments to the Tribal Constitution. The first proposed amendment removed the oversight role that the Department of the Interior, through the Bureau of Indian Affairs, had over Tribal constitutional amendment elections. The second proposed amendment would set term limits for future Tribal Council members.

2009 – More than 50 youth from Grand Ronde, Siletz and Klamath Tribes participated in the Native Youth Leadership Conference held in the Tribal gym. The conference focused on the idea of sustainability.



2009

File photo

2004 – The Tribe’s Youth Education Program hosted its first annual spring break camp. The camp was open to the Native Club, Youth Leadership and Tribal students in sixth- through 12th grade. They were there to learn leadership and team building skills and to become more familiar with their homelands. The camp was held at the Tribe’s new campground at Agency Creek.

1999 – The Polk County Sheriff’s Office Grand Ronde substation was relocated to the Tribal Governance Center grounds and included additional deputies. They were added to keep pace with the increase in the Grand Ronde community’s population growth.

1994 – The Grand Ronde Chemical Dependency Program hosted a basketball tournament at Chemawa Indian School. There were nine teams from different Tribes. The Spirit Mountain team, coached by Grand Ronde Prevention Counselor Vernon Kennedy, took first place. Grand Ronde had another team entered called Greg 49ers, coached by Mike Larsen and Greg Leno.

1989 – Tribal Chairman Mark Mercier stated in his chairman’s report that the Tribe was seeking a site for the Forestry Program. The site needed to have adequate office space and storage facilities for vehicles and related forest machinery.

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



2024

SUMMER YOUTH INTERNSHIP

Apply online starting on April 5th at
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Have questions?

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employmentteam@grandronde.org

Next General Council meeting will be May 5

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awards that money to nonprofits in 11 northwest Oregon counties to fund efforts in the areas of arts and culture, environmental preservation, education, health, historic preservation and public safety, and to the nine federally recognized Tribes in Oregon under the fund's Tribal Grants program.

Large grant awards are \$50,000 maximum for program requests and \$100,000 for capital requests, and small grants are a \$7,500 maximum. Annual Tribal grants are a \$100,000 maximum. All grants are for a 12-month period.

Schlappie presented a 2023 funding breakdown and information about the Youth Grant-making Program, which began in 2022 as a way to engage Native high school students with philanthropy and community service.

In 2023, the Community Fund awarded 41 small grants totaling \$281,000, 71 large grants totaling \$2.95 million, seven Tribal grants totaling \$700,000 and five youth grants totaling \$25,000.

Schlappie also discussed the Hatfield Fellowship program. Spirit Mountain Community Fund annually sponsors a Native American to serve as the Hatfield Fellow and intern in an Oregon congressional office. Placement of the fellow rotates through the Oregon delegation to enhance mutual understanding between leadership in Washington, D.C., and Indian Country.

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

Applications for the 2024-25 Hatfield Fellowship program are being accepted through Tuesday, April 30. Applicants must be at least 21 years old and have a bachelor's degree.

No questions were asked after the 35-minute presentation was completed.

"Thank you to the Community Fund staff for representing the fund," Tribal Council Chairwoman Cheryle A. Kennedy said.

"It's a very worthwhile thing the Tribe decided to do years ago. We knew then there are many worthy organizations out there that didn't receive funding... This follows our cultural beliefs to be giving and generous people."

In other action, door prize winners were Bill Stephens, Lee Ann Huffman and Brendyn Smallwood, \$100 each; and Tyla LaGoy, Jack Giffen Jr., Kameron Crosman, Les Houck and Ester LaGoy, \$50 each. Giffen donated his winnings to Canoe Journey.

The next General Council meeting will be held at 11 a.m. Sunday, May 5, on Zoom and in Tribal Council Chambers. It will feature a report from the Education Department.

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

Tribal Council approves \$20 million EPA grant application

By Danielle Harrison & Michelle Alaimo

Smoke Signals staff

Tribal Council approved a \$20 million grant application for an EPA Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grant at its Wednesday, April 3, meeting.

If approved for the grant, the Tribal Engineering, Public Works and Community Development Department will use the funds to provide additional facilities to support population growth in the community and provide services to increase the Tribe's self-sufficiency while supporting the Tribe's cultural values for environmental stewardship.

According to the EPA website, these grants will be awarded for environmental and climate justice activities to "benefit disadvantaged communities through projects that reduce pollution, increase community climate resilience and build community capacity to address environmental and climate justice challenges. These place-based investments will be focused on community-driven initiatives to be responsive to community and stakeholder input."

"I have a very exciting grant to bring before you today," Tribal Grants Program Manager Wendy Sparks said during a Tuesday, April 2, Legislative Action Committee meeting. "Because of the scope of our identified projects, today I am requesting a resolution for the first of two grant applications. I will be coming back to you in a month to request a resolution for the second application."

The Tribe is allowed to pursue two grants for this project, with each grant totaling up to \$20 million.

The first grant services the Tribe by providing funding for the construction costs and materials for the resident recreation center. The

second grant will focus on energy efficiency and weatherization.

The new facility will provide a safe place for the community to gather during climate events, such as smoky days caused by wildfires, or other weather-related incidents.

"For the purposes of this grant, our emphasis is on obtaining funding for the facility that can increase the Tribe's overall climate resilience," Sparks said.

The project also includes entering into an agreement with the Energy Trust of Oregon, who will serve as the Tribe's partner. The Energy Trust will provide guidance on appropriate use of energy efficient and climate resilient materials that will be used for this project.

In other action, Tribal Council:

- Approved a first reading of the Governmental Corporation Ordinance amendment changing the budget reporting date for corporate boards from Oct. 31 to Oct. 1;
- Approved a first reading of the General Council Ordinance amendment changing the date on which Spirit Mountain Gaming Inc. Board of Directors presents an overview of its operations from the September to the March General Council meeting. This will allow a prior full-year review of Spirit Mountain Casino and a look at what's to come in the current year;
- Approved an application to the Oregon Department of Education Grow Your Own grant program for \$375,000 to provide additional continuing education funding and support services for staff;
- And approved enrolling three minors into the Tribe because they meet the requirements outlined in the Tribal Constitution and Enrollment Ordinance.

To watch the entire meeting, visit the Tribal government's website at www.grandronde.org and click on the Videos tab. ■

Mark your calendars!

Saturday, April 20th

Earth Day
Rez Clean Up!

CTGR Youth Council

Women's Healing Circle

A safe space to come together and support one another through community healing.

Monday April 22nd
From 10am-12pm

4445 SW Barbur Blvd
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Exhibit on display until April 30

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said to Cole while they set up the exhibit. “The underlying message of the exhibit is that Native people have been innovating forever.”

One of the first stations one sees upon entering the library is Native transportation innovations. Miniature paddles and a handheld 8-inch dug-out canoe created by Tribal member Brian Krehbiel are on display, along with true-to-scale tools used for carving out canoes.

These miniatures are made for handling, so children and their families can get a sense for how a traditional canoe is made and what it feels like.

“We want people to touch them,” Jackson said. “We also have hands-on activities varying in levels of independence.”

According to Jackson, the Museum of Natural and Cultural History invited all nine Tribes of Oregon to participate in the creation of the exhibit. The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Coquille Indian Tribe, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians and the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians directly advised on the project.



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

University of Oregon’s Museum of Natural and Cultural History Education Manager Mia Jackson demonstrates the use of a sandal weaving station for Tribal Librarian Kathy Cole. The station is part of the Native Innovation Museum Adventures traveling exhibit and it was installed at the library on Thursday, April 4.

Jackson said Grand Ronde’s Education Department has been involved from the beginning.

“This (exhibit) supports Tribal curriculum and gives library and public spaces a way to support those messages all over the state of Oregon,” Jackson said. “The Grand Ronde community assisted in making this happen and hopefully they

are happy to see it go statewide.”

The exhibit is scheduled to tour Oregon through 2025, visiting rural and small cities. Some of the sched-

uled stops include public libraries in Cottage Grove, Mount Angel and Rogue River.

Funding for the exhibit came from an Institute of Museum and Library Services grant and through a private foundation.

Places that wish to display the exhibit only have to pay for the cost of shipping. The Tribal Library was able to display the exhibit for free.

“Hopefully this will bring more people to the library and educate people about the Tribe,” Cole said.

The exhibit will be in Grand Ronde until Tuesday, April 30. Jackson recommended families carve out 45 minutes to an hour to experience the exhibit. However, it could take longer and families can explore the exhibit in bits and pieces throughout the month.

“It’s great for all ages because they can participate at their own level,” Jackson said.

Cole said several of the activities brought with the exhibit will be shared with the classes in the Tribe’s Education Department. ■

MARRIAGES IN TRIBAL COURT

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

Contact the Tribal Court at 503-879-2303. ■

Road 690 gates temporarily closed due to thinning operations

The Natural Resources Department will be conducting commercial thinning operations through its logging contractor along Road 690 in the Reservation forest. For protection of public safety, Tribal resources and contractor equipment, the gates at the upper and lower ends of the Road 690 crossover route will be temporarily closed and locked for the duration of operations. Vehicular access will be limited to administrative and operational use.

The roads will remain open to non-motorized uses, although visitors are advised to stay safely away from commercial thinning units and equipment.

Operations along Road 690 are expected to be complete this summer and the Natural Resources Department will announce when the road is reopened to motorized vehicles. ■

Volunteer Opportunity: Help Foster a Child's Love for Reading!

We're looking for volunteer readers for the SMART Reading program at Grand Ronde Head Start Preschool.

- This is a great volunteer opportunity with a commitment of one hour per week and a brief training prior to the start date. For more information, visit <https://smartreading.org/volunteer/> or call 877-598-4633.
- Weekly reading sessions are scheduled in advance and will be held in the library. Each volunteer will be assigned specific children that they will work with throughout the year.

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10AM TO 3PM

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

Fellows begin their Capitol Hill experience in November with a month-long orientation at the American Political Science Association, which is followed by an eight-month term working in a congressional office. The fellowship includes a monthly stipend and relocation and travel expenses.

The fellowship is for Tribal members from the nine federally recognized Tribes in Oregon, as well as members of Pacific Northwest Tribes. Preference will be given to members of Oregon Tribes. Applicants must have a bachelor's degree or be graduating in June 2024, and be 21 or older.

For more information, visit thecommunityfund.com/other-programs/hatfield-fellowship or go to Youtube to watch an informational video about the Hatfield Fellowship.

The fellowship was created in 1998 to honor the late Sen. Mark Hatfield's public service to Oregon and the Pacific Northwest. ■

Youth gathering



Photos by Michelle Alaimo

Nehemiah Mushaney, 15, getting support from Native Wellness Institute Trainer Josh Cocker, walks on a rope that is held by participants of the Youth Grand Ronde GONA (Gathering of Native Americans) held at the Chachalu Tribal Museum & Cultural Center gym on Thursday, March 28. Approximately 25 youth attended the culture-based gathering geared toward middle and high school youth as well as young adults under the age of 24. The Tribe's Youth Empowerment & Prevention Program sponsored the two-day event that also took place on Friday, March 29.



Hadley Kimsey, 11, paints a flower pot during the Youth Grand Ronde GONA held at the Chachalu Tribal Museum & Cultural Center gym on Thursday, March 28. Painting flower pots or rocks, necklace beading and medicine bag making were just a few of the activities for the youth to make for gifts to be given out at the end of the event.

TRIBAL VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE

Scheduled Appointments Only	Walk-In Day
Monday	Thursday
Tuesday	

To schedule an appointment:
Call (503) 879-1424 or
CTGR Tribal VSO@GrandRonde.Org

CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES IS HOSTING

Full Moon Family Paint Night

WITH DIANA ROBERTSON

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF PAINTING TO CELEBRATE HEALTHY ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES
DINNER PROVIDED!
 APRIL 23RD FROM 5:30PM-8:00PM
 CTGR COMMUNITY CENTER;
 9615 GRAND RONDE RD. GRAND RONDE, OR 97347
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 OR CALL/TEXT 541.921.0610

FOOD DRIVE

Please help us collect non-perishable foods for a food program to help youth in the Sheridan area for weekends and non school days. Now through May 15th

DROP-OFF LOCATION:
 Elder Activity Center
 48940 Blacktail Drive
 Grand Ronde, OR

ITEMS NEEDED:
 Non Perishable, Individual items would be preferred.
 Mac and Cheese, Noodles, Fruit Cups, Granola Bars, Cheese and Crackers, Soup, etc. All items are appreciated!

Egg hunt



Photos by Michelle Alaimo

One-year-old Miller Ruiz reaches into a pail of eggs as he looks at what he collected during the Tribal Housing Department Easter Egg Hunt held at Tribal Housing on Saturday, March 30.



The Easter Bunny, aka Tribal member Ayden Bobb, hands out candy during the Tribal Housing Department Easter Egg Hunt.

GRAND RONDE GAMING COMMISSION POSITIONS

The Grand Ronde Gaming Commission of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde is accepting applications for a commission member position for a 3-year term. The Grand Ronde Gaming Commission regulates all gaming related activities associated with Spirit Mountain Casino.

The Tribal Gaming Ordinance requires this position to be filled by a Tribal member.

Applicants must be at least 21 years of age. Commissioners may not hold elective or managerial Tribal positions and may not be employed in or own any interest in or gamble in a gaming operation authorized by the Tribal Gaming Ordinance.

Commissioners are paid independent contractors and spend approximately 30 to 40 hours per month to fulfill their responsibilities. The commission generally meets on the second and third Thursday of each month. Appointment is contingent upon successful completion of a background investigation.

Applications may be obtained by calling Kathy Doane at 503-879-2393 or email at kathy.doane@grandronde.org.

The closing date is 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 30. ■

Family fun



Photos by Michelle Alaimo

Bennett Schlappie-Guerrera, 3, runs after a bubble that Opal Hunt, 3, left, blew while on the Tribe's Children & Family Services Program annual Family Fun Run/Walk on Saturday, March 30. Goodie bags, T-shirts and boxed lunches were provided at the event. April is Child Abuse Prevention Month and the walk is held to promote healthy and safe families in honor of the month.



Arvonius Smith, 3, picks the flashlight he wants while he and his mom Shannon Wilson take part in the Tribe's Children & Family Services Program annual Family Fun Run/Walk on Saturday, March 30. Tribal programs, including Youth Empowerment & Prevention, Community Health, Warriors of Hope, Tribal Court and Great Circle Recovery set up informational tables around the day-use park for walkers to visit.

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

MONDAY, MAY 27 • PROGRAM BEGINS AT 1 P.M. • MEAL SERVED AT NOON



West Valley Veterans Memorial • 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347

For more information about the Memorial Day event, please contact Molly or Lisa at 503-879-5211 or email: Veterans.SEB@grandronde.org

Ad by Samuel Briggs III

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ORDINANCE
OPEN FOR COMMENT**

Tribal Council is considering amendments to the Freedom of Information Ordinance. The proposed amendments were given a first reading at the Wednesday, March 20, 2024, Tribal Council meeting.

The proposed amendments would reduce the number of years in which certain documents would be declassified from 15 years to 3 years, and may include minor technical (i.e., formatting and typographical) modifications.

Tribal Council invites comment on the proposed amendments to the Freedom of Information Ordinance. For a copy of the proposed amendments, contact the Tribal Attorney's Office at 503-879-4664 or legal@grandronde.org. Send comments to the Tribal Attorney's Office, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR, 97347 or by email to legal@grandronde.org.

Comments must be received by Wednesday, May 1, 2024. ■

**GENERAL COUNCIL ORDINANCE
OPEN FOR COMMENT**

The Tribal Council is considering amendments to the General Council Ordinance. The proposed amendments were given a first reading at the Wednesday, April 3, 2024, Tribal Council meeting.

The proposed amendments would change the date on which Spirit Mountain Gaming Inc. presents an overview of its operations from the September to the March General Council meeting and may include minor technical (i.e., formatting and typographical) modifications.

Tribal Council invites comment on the proposed amendments to the General Council Ordinance. For a copy of the proposed amendments, contact the Tribal Attorney's Office at 503-879-4664 or legal@grandronde.org. Send your comments to the Tribal Attorney's Office, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR, 97347 or by email to legal@grandronde.org.

Comments must be received by Wednesday, May 15, 2024. ■

**GOVERNMENTAL CORPORATIONS ORDINANCE
OPEN FOR COMMENT**

The Tribal Council is considering amendments to the Governmental Corporations Ordinance. The proposed amendments were given a first reading at the Wednesday, April 3, 2024, Tribal Council meeting.

The proposed amendments would change the date for corporate boards to submit their proposed budgets to the Tribe's Finance Officer from Oct. 31 to Oct. 1 of each year and may include minor technical (i.e., formatting and typographical) modifications.

Tribal Council invites comment on the proposed amendments to the Governmental Corporations Ordinance. For a copy of the proposed amendments, contact the Tribal Attorney's Office at 503-879-4664 or legal@grandronde.org.

Send comments to the Tribal Attorney's Office, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR, 97347 or by email to legal@grandronde.org.

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Spring carnival



Photos by Michelle Alaimo

One-year-old Arthur Palanuk gets help from his grandfather Brad Biery as he plays



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on an obstacle course during the Tribal Education Department's Spring Carnival held in the Tribal gym on Thursday, April 4. The annual event included games, a cake walk, face painting and boxed dinners.



Muhwaiyah Martin, 4, digs through a prize basket after winning at a game during the Tribal Education Department's Spring Carnival.

FIRE SAFETY FAIR

10 am - 2 pm
Saturday, April 20
at the Willamina School Campus

**Check out CTGR
Emergency Services
Facebook for more
information**



Join us in the Cultural Education Classroom

Wednesday's and Friday's 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Come in and work on an individual project or giveaway item.
Open to Tribal members, Tribal employees and local community members

Staff will be available to assist as needed.

For more information
contact Flicka Lucero at 503-879-2268 or
email flicka.lucero@grandronde.org

Walking On...

Laura Lee Gleason

July 9, 1950 – April 2, 2024

Tribal Elder Laura Lee Gleason began her eternal life in heaven on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, at her home in Grand Ronde at the age of 73.

She was Kalapuya and a Grand Ronde Tribal Elder from the Haller-Menard family, descended from Chief Joseph Sangretta.

Laura was born on July 9, 1950, in Salem, Oregon. She is now reunited with her parents Clermon Cureton and Phyllis Haller along with many family members who were there to welcome her.

She is survived by her children, Tonya and Michael Shepek, Tisha and Earl Pellett, and Elsie Gleason; grandchildren, Kryshanne and Dennis Searls, Braxton Tucker and Laycie Pellett; and great-grandchildren, Reece Romans and Adeline Searls.

She lived a life of resiliency and faith with an abundance of generous love. That love touched so many people during her 73 years here on earth with us. We will miss our mom, grandma, nana, sister, cousin, auntie and friend every day until it is our time to join her.

Many times Laura had said, "When I die, it's OK to be sad for a little bit. But don't stay sad." Then she would get a big smile and start clapping when she thought about heaven and she would say, "Can you imagine?"

The most important thing in her life was family: Her Christian family, birth family, Tribal family, Narcotics Anonymous family, canoe family and community family. All of you gave her so much joy and purpose.

Let us honor her gift of connecting to people, understanding people and her ability to reflect back to them how special they are by going forward and blessing others. She will continue to be that person in spirit through the end of our lives and the lives that we touch. In her words, "Sounds like a plan. I love you. But God loves you more."

We pray that you may find comfort in her favorite Bible verse, Psalm 91: "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most high shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, he is my refuge and my fortress: My God; in him will I trust."

The memorial service was held Friday, April 12, at the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Tribal gymnasium. A graveside service followed at the Tribal Cemetery with a meal at the Community Center.

Bollman's Tribute Center in Dallas, Oregon, assisted the family.



Lyndel John Norwest

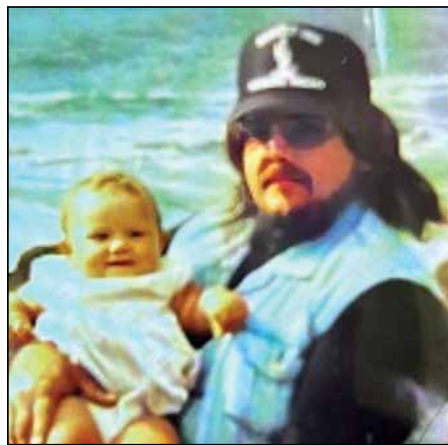
Oct. 18, 1956 – March 30, 2024

Tribal Elder Lyndel "Big John" Norwest passed away peacefully on Saturday, March 30, 2024, at the age of 67 in Albany, Oregon.

He was born in Chiloquin, in Klamath County, on Oct. 18, 1956, to Marcellus Norwest and Pauline Barney. Big John was a proud resident of Grand Ronde as well as a member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

Big John worked in construction as a roofer. He loved hunting, fishing and spending time outdoors. He is preceded in death by his father Marcellus and his mother Pauline. He is survived by his brothers, "Little Johnny" and Melvin Norwest; and sisters, Ladonna Hembree and Daniele Powley.

Bollman's Tribute Center in Dallas, Oregon, is assisting the family and a memorial service will be held at a later date. Contact the family for additional information.



Lola Madeline Foster

Sept. 27, 1952 – March 29, 2024

Tribal Elder Lola Madeline Foster passed away on Friday, March 29, 2024, at the age of 71.

Funeral services were scheduled for Saturday, April 13, at the Tribal Cemetery, followed by a meal at the Tribal Community Center.

West Valley Funeral Home in Sheridan is assisting the family.

Garry Arden Williams

Sept. 4, 1935 – April 3, 2024

Tribal Elder Garry Arden Williams passed away on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at the age of 88.

Autumn Funerals in Redmond, Oregon, is assisting the family.

Funeral service details were not available at presstime.

PROTECTIVE FACTORS

- Parental resilience
- Nurturing and attachment
- Knowledge of parenting and child development
- Concrete support in times of need
- Social connections
- Social-emotional competence of children

APRIL IS
National Child Abuse Prevention Month

#THRIVINGFAMILIES

Join the Tribal Library in welcoming

Steph Littlebird

Monday, April 22nd · 5:30 pm · Tribal Gym

Artist, author, illustrator, and an enrolled member of The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde. She currently lives and works in Las Vegas, NV.

Join us as Steph discusses her soon to be released book *Coyote & Meadowlark Make Willamette Falls*. Questions, and discussion to follow.

ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS WALK

JUNE 15TH, 2024
ELDER ACTIVITY CENTER
1PM
48940 BLACKTAIL DRIVE
GRAND RONDE, OR

ELDER RESOURCE FAIR
JUNE 15TH, 2024
ELDER ACTIVITY CENTER
10AM TO 2PM

LOTS OF INFORMATION, PRIZES, RESOURCES, AND SUPPORTING OUR ELDERLY POPULATION BY BRINGING AWARENESS TO THIS SUBJECT.

LET'S SHOW UP!

Clothes Closet open

The Clothes Closet is open from 9 a.m. to noon Friday on the Tribal campus near the Elder Activity Center at the end of Blacktail Drive.

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

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

Tribal member art exhibit featured

Tribal member Leland Butler's art exhibit, "Connected to the Land," will be featured at The Linfield Art Gallery in McMinnville through Friday, May 3.

The gallery is located at Linfield University, 900 S.E. Baker St., McMinnville. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and noon to 5 p.m. Saturday. The gallery is free and open to the public.

For more information, visit linfield.edu/art/gallery.html. ■

Pacific University hosting Reconciliation Powwow

Pacific University's Indigenous Student Alliance is hosting a Reconciliation Powwow. It will be held to honor Forest Grove Indian Training School students who attended and lost their lives at the school, Indigenous Student Alliance Advisor Nikol Roubidoux said.

"The May 4 event will not be a competition powwow given the meaning behind it," she said. "We welcome dancers, drummers and artisan vendors to come and celebrate our culture and our future."

She added that the intent is to celebrate the Kalapuya people and to establish a meaningful relationship with the Grand Ronde community.


"The students and I thank you and hope you will join us on May 4," Roubidoux said.

Grand Entry will be held at 1 and 7 p.m. and admission is free. Pacific University is located at 2043 College Way, Forest Grove.

For more information, contact kata@pacificu.edu or vene3117@pacificu.edu. ■



CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF GRAND RONDE FAMILY FISHING DAY





The Hebo Ranger District invites You for the Family Fishing Day in the Forest

When: June 17, 2024, from 09:00 am to 02:00 pm.

Where: Hebo Lake in Hebo, OR.

Fishing Contest and Prizes for Children (4-15 years old)

We will have fishing poles and reels, bait, and free fishing lessons available. Parking is free, and kids under 12 years old won't need a Fishing License. For people 12 years and up, a Fishing License is required for this event.

FLU/COVID PRECAUTIONS

- Please do not attend if you are experiencing symptoms or are positive for FLU/COVID
- Keep your social distance, 6 Feet apart.
- Clean your hands frequently.
- Face mask use is optional and for your own safety.

Thanks!!!




EULA PETITE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Eula Petite competitive scholarship was established and dedicated to long time Tribal Member educator Eula Petite. This is a "one-time" scholarship award where one undergraduate and one graduate student will receive a laptop computer.

Deadline to Apply:
June 30, 2024

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Enrolled CTGR Tribal Member
- Minimum 3.0GPA
- Enrolled as a Full-time student
- See application for other requirements

Email Higher Education for the application!
highereducation@grandronde.org

CLEAR Clinic

All services are free*



Thursday June 20th @ 2~6pm

Friday June 21st @ 12~4pm

Services Provided:

- Criminal record expungements
- Eviction expungements and tenant advocacy letters
- Court fines and fee waiver petitions
- Legal name and gender marker changes
- Referrals for other legal services

In the gym at CTGR campus Grand Ronde

*There is an Oregon State police charge of \$33 for finger printing for all criminal expungements



NEW YORK 2024

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and the American Museum of Natural History are now Accepting youth applications to participate in our Annual Tamanowas Ceremony and Museum Internship Program.

APPLY/

Open to High School youth that meet the following qualifications/

- Enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
- Current Sophomore, Junior, or Senior in High School
- G.P.A. of 2.5 or above
- Oregon Resident

Application Deadline/ April 26th, 2024

Application is available online/
www.grandronde.org

For more information contact/
Cristina Lara
cristina.lara@grandronde.org
503.879.1690

Tribal Library merges with Regional Library Service

The Tribal Library has merged with the Chemeketa Cooperative Regional Library Service, said Tribal Librarian Kathy Cole.

Tribal members can now get books from libraries in Polk, Yamhill and Marion counties, as well as access to many free programs.

Tribal Library patrons should visit the Tribal Library and update their information and obtain a new Regional Library Service card.

For more information, contact Cole at 503-879-1488. ■



GRAND RONDE HOUSING DEPARTMENT
28450 Tye Road – Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347 – 503-879-2401 – Fax 503-879-5973

ATTENTION ALL HOUSING TENANTS AND GUEST
PLEASE SLOW DOWN IN ELDER HOUSING
Also, please make sure and maintain low levels of music in the Elder community.

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"good feeling walk"



SATURDAY
MAY 11TH
UYXAT POWWOW GROUNDS
9600 HEBO RD (HWY 22), GRAND RONDE
WALK WILL START @ POWWOW GROUNDS AND GO UP TO FORT YAMHILL
11-1PM

Please join us as we come together for a day full of łush təmtəm! Bring a positive message poster with you on a walk that promotes our overall wellbeing!

Booths, Food, and Prizes

If you have any questions, please contact YEP at yep@grandronde.org

Thank you for respecting Grand Ronde Community & Culture by not displaying gang affiliation & by not bringing drugs, alcohol or weapons to this event.

CHINUK-WAWA EARLY CHILDHOOD LANGUAGE NEST PROGRAM ENROLLMENT FOR 2024-25



What: Meet and Greet
This is a Meet and Greet session for interested families to learn about the Chinuk-Wawa Early Childhood Language Nest. This is the time to meet the staff, learn about our philosophy, goals and curriculum. This session is mandatory for enrollment consideration.

WHO:
POTENTIAL INCOMING
3-5 YEAR OLDS FOR 2024-25
SCHOOL YEAR


WHEN/WHERE:
APRIL 11TH AT 5PM UPSTAIRS OF ADULT ED
APRIL 17TH AT 12PM UPSTAIRS OF ADULT ED
APRIL 18TH AT 5PM ON ZOOM

JOIN ZOOM MEETING
MEETING ID: 848 4003 6264
PASSCODE: 373313



*CHOOSE ONE OF THESE MANDATORY SESSIONS IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR CHILD TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ENROLLMENT IN THE PROGRAM FOR THE 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR.

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Saturday May 4
10AM- 2PM
Chachalu
Cultural Center



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A celebration of local food, farmers, hunting, and gathering

Free and Open to all community members

Cooking Demonstrations
Educational Workshops
Local booths
Community Meal

POSTPONED



Nourish Your Body
Nourish Your Soul

Organized by Grand Ronde's Food Access and Community Team
Sponsored by Marion-Polk Food Share & The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde

May OLDER AMERICAN MONTH

Front Desk 503-879-2233
Kitchen 503-879-4625

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Grocery shopping leave at 9 a.m. Siletz Honor Day 10 a.m.	2 Older American Month Kick Off Luncheon start at 11 a.m. Massages @ EAC	3
6 Healthy Lifestyle luncheon noon	7 Craft day at the Elder center 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	8 Horse barn trip leave @ 9 a.m.	9 Crafts for Elder Honor Day noon to 2 p.m.	10 Mother's Day Luncheon Tribal vendors 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
13 Healthy Lifestyle luncheon noon	14 Art Therapy 1 p.m.	15 Grocery Shopping leave at 9 a.m.	16 Bingo 1 p.m.	17 Farm trip leave at 9 a.m.
20 Healthy Lifestyle luncheon noon	21 Craft Day at the elder center 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	22 Horse Barn Trip leave @ 9 a.m.	23 Crafts for Elder Honor Day noon to 2 p.m.	24 Tribal offices close at noon. Breakfast from 9 to 11 a.m.
27 Closed - Memorial Day	28 Craft day at the Elder center 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	29 Grocery shopping	30 Elder Trip Iris Fields Leave at 9 a.m. Massages @ EAC	31 Older American Month Celebration Luncheon

• Need to sign up for events or concerts. Call 503-879-2233 to put your name on lists.

2024 Marcellus Norwest
Memorial Veterans
Powwow
Save The Date!
July 12th~13th~14th

a tush lamatsin event
Earth Day Jam
04.22.24 5-7pm plankhouse
Families are invited to join us as we celebrate Earth Day! There will be free food, traditional songs and dance, family activities, plus more. Stay until the end to be entered in a special raffle!

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Warriors of Hope MMIP Awareness Event May 3rd 2024

CTGR Community Center
10:00-2:00pm

Education • Activities • Support • Food







LET'S TALK

A course to explore how to talk about difficult topics with your children. This training is for any adults/caregivers raising children.

ABOUT THE TRAINING:

- Participate in practice conversations about difficult topics so you can feel more confident and prepared talking with your children.
- Learn how to talk to your child in a way that is age-appropriate and supportive.
- Learn how to have open and ongoing conversations with your children.

**MONDAY, APRIL 15TH FROM 5:30-7:00PM
COMMUNITY CENTER, BUILDING B
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Contact Kyle Tarr for questions.
KTarr@LibertyHouseCenter.org
503-428-3876
971-599-5876





Watchlist: ‘Why some Native American Tribes do their best to avoid seeing an eclipse’

(Editor’s note: It is estimated that there are approximately 149 billion videos on YouTube, and the number continues to grow. Grand Ronde Tribal member and Social Media/Digital Journalist Kamiah Koch sifts through those videos twice a month to recommend a worthwhile Indigenous video to watch. Follow her bimonthly recommendations and enjoy!)

By Kamiah Koch

Social media/digital journalist

Although many Tribal members and United States citizens flocked to catch a glimpse of the eclipse, Arkansas CBS-affiliated 5News reports some Tribes have cultural beliefs that encouraged their people to avoid seeing it.

Navajo Nation Tribal member Alayna Littlefeather described her Tribe’s cultural practices during the solar eclipse as a time for mourning and rest.

“An eclipse is essentially a disturbance or the death of the sun,” she said. “He is considered a father figure in Navajo Culture. He is the reason why we have everything: Our plants, our harvesting. We are essentially mourning his disappearance at this time so we are trying to be very dormant during our regular routine.”

Littlefeather said during the time before and after the eclipse she will rest, do no heavy lifting and consume little food and water.

“Growing up in a very close community with a lot of Navajos, everyone knows these rules so you don’t necessarily feel alone or isolated in these instances,” she said.

Things are different outside of her Tribal community.

During a last eclipse in 2017 she had to email her college professor to inform him she would not be attending class due to her cultural beliefs. She also had to refrain from seeing the eclipse herself, which left her a little disappointed. However, Littlefeather said she follows those traditions because they are there for a reason.

You can watch the rest of Littlefeather’s interview at www.youtube.com/watch?v=D2dwuSL546A or find it linked on the Smoke Signals YouTube page “Watchlist” playlist. ■

Tribal nonemergency text line

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

“If you have a nonemergency situation or question, feel free to contact my officer via text through this line,” said Grand Ronde Tribal Police Chief Jake McKnight. “When one of my officers receives the text, they will call you back when they have time.”

McKnight said that emergency situations still require calling 911. For more information, contact McKnight at 503-879-1474. ■

Grand Ronde Tribal Library

Join us at our upcoming Tribal Library events

APRIL EVENTS!	JULY EVENTS!
<p>APRIL 3RD-30TH LIBRARY Native Innovations Exhibit presents a celebration and recognition of many science and engineering innovations developed and used by Oregon's Indigenous peoples.</p>	<p>JULY 9TH 11AM GYM Paradise of Samoa Original Samoan, Tongan, Fijian, Maori, Hawaiian, and Tahitian dance</p>
<p>APRIL 22ND 5:30PM GYM Steph Littlebird Discuss her soon to be released book Coyote & Meadowlark Make Willamette Falls</p>	<p>JULY 11TH (TIME TBD) GYM Pueblo Aspen Song Kids Cultural sharing, come learn about Taos Pueblo language, culture, heritage and tradition</p>
<p>JUNE EVENTS!</p> <p>JUNE 13TH 11AM GYM Oregon Coast Aquarium Come learn about tidepools!</p>	<p>JULY 16TH 11AM GYM Jeff Evans Magic Show Magic, comedy, and fun for all ages!</p>
<p>JUNE 16TH-AUGUST 9TH Summer Reading Program Track your reading minutes, complete reading logs, earn prizes, and weekly take home packet</p>	<p>AUGUST EVENTS!</p> <p>AUGUST 6TH 11AM GYM Red Yarn Music & puppetry!</p>

FREE FINANCIAL FOUNDATIONS WORKSHOPS

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde is collaborating with DevNW to offer free Financial Foundations workshops.

Financial Foundations explores the following topics:



Budget & cash flow planning, Money goal setting, Tackling debt, Channeling savings for big goals, Financial planning for retirement, Protecting your assets, Strengthening credit.

Financial Foundations April & May classes:

April Zoom:

9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday, April 27

May Zoom:

Zoom, 5:30-7:30pm, Tuesdays, May 7, 14, 21, 28

Zoom, 9am-5pm, Saturday, May 18

Register online:

www.devnw.org/go/ctgr/



Questions? Email caitlin.zimbrick@grandronde.org
To learn more about IDA's visit <https://oregonidainitiative.org/>

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May 17th, 2024 Save the Date

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GRAND RONDE POLICE LOG



Friday, March 1

- A hit-and-run occurred in the 9500 block of Raven Loop.
- A domestic disturbance occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Theft occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- A crash occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- A traffic assist occurred on Highway 18 near milepost 29.
- Probation detainer service occurred on Main Street near C Street.
- A welfare check occurred in the 58500 block of Hebo Road.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the 9600 block of Tilixam Circle.

Saturday, March 2

- Suspicious activity occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Officers assisted an outside agency on a vehicle stop on Highway 18 and Grand Ronde Road.
- Officers assisted an outside agency on a vehicle crash on Hebo Road near milepost 12.
- A crash occurred on Highway 18 near milepost 15.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Sunday, March 3

- Officers assisted an outside agency on a crash on Highway 18 near milepost 20.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- A hit-and-run occurred in the 26820 block of Salmon River Highway.
- A drug complaint was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Monday, March 4

- A drug complaint was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- A drug complaint was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Suspicious activity occurred in the area of A Ackerson Road.
- A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 9300 block of Hebo Road.

Tuesday, March 5

- A drug complaint was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- An emotionally disturbed person was reported in the 9656 block of Tilixam Circle.
- A public assist occurred in the 9600 block of Raven Loop.
- A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 9300 block of Hebo Road.

Wednesday, March 6

- A vehicle crash occurred in the area of Grand Ronde Road and Blacktail Drive.
- Warrant service occurred on Highway 18 near milepost 28.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Hebo Road.
- A driving complaint was reported on Highway 18.
- Theft occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9300 block of Grand Ronde Road.

Thursday, March 7

- Found property was reported in the 9600 block of Raven Loop.
- Warrant service occurred in the area of A Ackerson Road.
- Harassment was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- A vehicle crash occurred on Hebo Road near milepost 14.
- Theft occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Friday, March 8

- Warrant service occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Theft was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Officers assisted an outside agency with an armed suicidal subject in the 47000 block of Hebo Road.
- A traffic assist occurred on Highway 18 near milepost 26.
- Citizen contact occurred in the area of Blacktail Drive.
- A hit-and-run was reported in the 8500 block of Grand Ronde Road.

Saturday, March 9

- A driving complaint was reported on Highway 22.

- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 9300 block of Hebo Road.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.

Sunday, March 10

- A domestic disturbance was reported in the 9600 block of Tilixam Circle.
- A reckless vehicle was reported on Highway 18 near milepost 27.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Trespassing occurred in the 28000 block of Salmon River Highway.
- A traffic assist was reported in the 8900 block of Hebo Road.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the 300 block of Harrison Street.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- A drug complaint was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Monday, March 11

- A welfare check occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- A welfare check occurred in the 9500 block of Raven Loop.
- Found property was reported in the 8100 block of Fire Hall Road.
- A welfare check occurred in the 9700 block of Tilixam Circle.
- A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Tuesday, March 12

- Citizen contact occurred on Main Street in Willamina.
- A welfare check occurred in the 9600 block of Raven Loop.
- A domestic dispute occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Theft occurred in the 26800 block of Salmon River Highway.

Wednesday, March 13

- A domestic disturbance occurred in the 100 block of Wind River Drive.
- An emotionally disturbed person was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- A welfare check occurred in the 9600 block of Tilixam Circle.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.

Thursday, March 14

- A traffic assist occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Officers assisted an outside agency on a vehicle crash on Highway 18B and Hill Drive.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.

Friday, March 15

- A hit-and-run was reported in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Fraud was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 26800 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 25000 block of Yamhill River Road.
- A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 9600 block of Hebo Road.

Saturday, March 16

- Menacing was reported in the 9600 block of Tilixam Circle.
- Fraud was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- A suspicious vehicle was reported on Highway 18 near Fire Hall Road.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 8500 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Missing property was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.



GRAND RONDE POLICE LOG



POLICE LOG continued from page 16

- Citizen contact occurred in the 8300 block of Rowell Creek Road.

Sunday, March 17

- Citizen contact occurred in the area of Big Buck Campground.
- A drug complaint was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Monday, March 18

- Trespassing occurred at the Big Buck Campground.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the 100 block of Wind River Drive.
- Trespassing occurred in the 9300 block of Hebo Road.
- Fraud was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Citizen contact occurred in the area of Fire Hall Road.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 28000 block of Andy Riggs Road.

Tuesday, March 19

- Fraud call in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Drug complaint in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- An animal complaint was reported in the area of Blacktail Drive.
- Found property was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Officers assisted an outside agency on Highway 22 and Mill Creek Road.

Wednesday, March 20

- An intoxicated subject was reported in the 28400 block of McPherson Road.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the 9200 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- A driving complaint was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 26800 block of Salmon River Highway.
- A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 9200 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Suspicious activity occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Thursday, March 21

- Officers assisted an outside agency in the 1600 block of Pioneer Drive.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- A drug complaint was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Suspicious activity occurred in the 26800 block of Salmon River Highway.

Friday, March 22

- Officers assisted an outside agency on a vehicle crash on Highway 18 near milepost 26.
- A no contact order violation occurred on Highway 18 near Hebo Road.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the area of Main and Bridge streets.

Saturday, March 23

- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Theft was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 9600 block of Hebo Road.
- An arrest was made for driving while suspended on Highway 18 near milepost 25.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.

Sunday, March 24

- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9500 block of Raven Loop.
- Citizen contact occurred on Tyee Road.
- Officers assisted an outside agency on Highway 22 near Mill Creek Road.

Monday, March 25

- Officers assisted an outside agency on a vehicle crash near milepost 14 on Hebo Road.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the 40000 block of Fort Hill Road.
- A public assist occurred in the 48600 block of Dragonfly Loop.
- A welfare check occurred in the 25000 block of Coyote Court.

- Trespassing occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the area of Main Street in Willamina.

Tuesday, March 26

- A welfare check occurred in the 100 block of Wind River Drive.
- Burglary occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- A welfare check occurred in the 25000 block of Coyote Court.
- Trespassing occurred in the 27000 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9300 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the 25000 block of Coyote Court.
- Suspicious activity occurred in the area of Hebo and Grand Ronde roads.

Wednesday, March 27

- Trespassing occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the area of Jahn Road.
- A driving complaint was reported on Grand Ronde and Hebo roads.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the 50000 block of Hebo Road.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.

Thursday, March 28

- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Officers assisted an outside agency on Highway 18 near milepost 21.
- A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 8500 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Illegal camping was reported in the area of Agency Creek Road.

Friday, March 29

- A welfare check occurred on Agency Creek Road.
- A suspicious vehicle was reported on Hebo and Grand Ronde roads.
- A traffic assist occurred on Highway 18 near milepost 25.
- A driving complaint was reported in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.

Saturday, March 30

- Officers assisted an outside agency on Highway 18 near milepost 21.
- A driving complaint occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- A DUII investigation occurred on Highway 18 near milepost 26.
- Suspicious activity occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the 42700 block of Fort Hill Road.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.

Sunday, March 31

- An alarm was reported in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- A drug complaint occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Fraud occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 9300 block of Hebo Road.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the 100 block of Main Street in Willamina.
- An open door was reported in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.

Monday, April 1

- Fraud occurred in the 27100 block of Salmon River Highway.
- Officers assisted an outside agency in the 100 block of Main Street in Sheridan.
- A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 9300 block of Hebo Road.
- Found property was reported in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.
- Theft was reported in the 9800 block of Raven Loop.
- Citizen contact occurred in the 9600 block of Grand Ronde Road.

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JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS
CTGR EMPLOYMENT
Posted April 5, 2024

Job#	Position Title	Grade	Min. Start Wage	Max Start Wage	Closing Date
1946	Child & Adolescent Mental Health Therapist – Behavioral Health	12	\$74,901.04/yr.	\$96,316.53/yr.	Until Filled
1991	Mental Health Counselor – Great Circle Recovery – Salem - UPDATED	12	\$74,901.04/yr.	\$96,316.53/yr.	Until Filled
1999	Tribal Planner	15	\$97,858.44/yr.	\$127,796.59/yr.	Until Filled
2006	Staff Accountant	11	\$32.74/hr.	\$42.16/hr.	Until Filled
2014	Mental Health Therapist – Behavioral Health	12	\$74,901.04/yr.	\$96,316.53/yr.	Until Filled
2030	Police Officer	11	\$32.74/hr.	\$42.16/hr.	Until Filled
2036	Lodge Caregiver – Full Time * \$500 Hire-On Bonus after 120-days	7	\$22.36/hr.	\$29.00/hr.	Until Filled
2041	Budget Coordinator	14	\$90,630.26/yr.	\$116,255.21/yr.	Until Filled
2056	Licensed Practical Nurse – Adult Foster Care	12	\$36.01/hr.	\$46.31/hr.	Until Filled
2070	Forestry Technician (Entry Level – Fire Suppress/Prevention) Seasonal	4	\$17.15/hr.	\$21.95/hr.	Until Filled
2071	Forestry Technician (Intermediate Level – Fire Suppression/Prevention) Seasonal	5	\$18.86/hr.	\$24.07/hr.	Until Filled
2072	Forestry Technician (Engine Boss, Crew Boss, EMT – Fire Suppression/Prevention) Seasonal	6	\$20.75/hr.	\$26.42/hr.	Until Filled
2078	Counselor In Training - Great Circle Recovery - Portland	8	\$24.60/hr.	\$31.84/hr.	Until Filled
2082	Enrichment Coordinator Cook/Aide – Part Time	5	\$18.86/hr.	\$24.07/hr.	Until Filled
2083	Tribal Court Operations Coordinator	9	\$27.05/hr.	\$34.95/hr.	Until Filled
2086	IT Auditor	14	\$90,630.26/yr.	\$116,255.21/yr.	Until Filled
2089	Substance Use Disorder Therapist – Great Circle Recovery - Portland	10	\$61,901.69/yr.	\$79,848.88/yr.	Until Filled
2091	Digital Communications Manager	14	\$90,630.26/yr.	\$116,255.21/yr.	Until Filled
2093	Communications Specialist	11	\$32.74/hr.	\$42.16/hr.	Until Filled
2096	Audit Manager	16	\$107,644.28/yr.	\$140,433.67/yr.	Until Filled
2098	Substance Use Disorder Therapist – Great Circle Recovery – Salem	10	\$61,901.69/yr.	\$79,848.88/yr.	Until Filled
2099	High School Intern – Library	1	\$16.00/hr.	\$16.00/hr.	Until Filled
2100	Counselor In Training – Great Circle Recovery – Salem	8	\$24.60/hr.	\$31.84/hr.	Until Filled
2101	Tribal Security Officer – Grave	5	\$18.86/hr.	\$24.07/hr.	Until Filled
2102	Silviculture & Fire Protection Technician	8	\$24.60/hr.	\$31.84/hr.	Until Filled
2104	Cultural Wellness Specialist	9	\$27.05/hr.	\$34.95/hr.	Until Filled
2106	Social Emotional Learning Coach	12	\$74,901.04/yr.	\$96,316.53/yr.	Until Filled
2116	Milieu Safety Technician – Great Circle Recovery - Portland	6	\$20.75/hr.	\$26.42/hr.	04/15/24
2117	Summer Youth Intern 2024		\$16.00/hr.	\$16.00/hr.	04/19/24
2118	Youth Crew Leader Limited Duration – Natural Resources		\$20.00/hr.	\$20.00/hr.	04/15/24
2119	Youth Crew Member Limited Duration – Natural Resources		\$16.00/hr.	\$16.00/hr.	04/15/24
2033	Temporary Pool	2	\$16.00/hr.	\$16.00/hr.	Open

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde offers generous benefits and competitive pay. POSTINGS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED & WILL BE REMOVED WITHOUT NOTICE.

INTERVIEWS WILL BE GIVEN IN THE FOLLOWING RANKING ORDER:
 1. Grand Ronde Tribal members.
 (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.
 3. External candidates.
 Apply online at: www.grandronde.org

Health & Wellness Center entrance

Reminder: The drive-through entrance at the Health & Wellness Center is for loading and unloading only. The entrance was built with our Elders and those with mobility issues and their ease of access in mind. If you are coming to the center to pick up prescriptions, please park in one of our regular parking spaces. ■



Drop by The Tribal Library to see

NATIVE INNOVATIONS MUSEUM ADVENTURES TRAVELING EXHIBIT

features a set of exhibit stations with hands-on activities

Exhibit will be at the Tribal Library
April 3rd-30th

The Native Innovation exhibit presents a celebration and recognition of many science and engineering innovations developed and used by Oregon's Indigenous peoples.

Questions? Contact Kathy Cole at 503-879-1488

POSTING TITLE	CLOSE DATE	WAGE/SALARY
Bar Porter	4/11/2024	\$18.29/hr. DOE
Cage Cashier (*Part-Time)	4/11/2024	\$18.29/hr. DOE
Casino Beverage Waitstaff (Full-Time & *Part-Time)	4/11/2024	\$14.58/hr. DOE + Tips
Amore Waitstaff (*Part-Time)	Until Filled	\$14.58/hr. DOE + Tips
Banquet Server (*Part-Time)	Until Filled	\$14.58/hr. DOE + Tips
Bartender (Full-Time & *Part-Time)	Until Filled	\$16.50/hr. DOE + Tips
Cleaning Attendant (Full-Time & *Part-Time)	Until Filled	\$18.02/hr. DOE
Cook	Until Filled	\$18.29/hr. DOE
Database Marketing Manager	Until Filled	\$76,484.51/yr. DOE
Guest Safety Specialist I	Until Filled	\$18.29/hr. DOE
Guest Safety Specialist II	Until Filled	\$18.55/hr. DOE
Host/Hostess Cashier (*Part-Time)	Until Filled	\$18.02/hr. DOE
IT Database Administrator	Until Filled	\$76,484.51/yr. DOE
Slot Technician III	Until Filled	\$23.24/hr. DOE
Surveillance Agent I	Until Filled	\$18.55/hr. DOE
Surveillance Agent II	Until Filled	\$18.82/hr. DOE
Table Games Dealer (Full-Time & *Part-Time)	Until Filled	\$14.58/hr. DOE + Tips
Uniform Attendant	Until Filled	\$18.02/hr. DOE

\$1,000 Hire-On Bonus All Positions

\$500 Referral Bonus SMC & CTGR Employees

*Part-time employees are eligible for a 20% differential pay to their base wage if they are scheduled to work up to 29.99 hours per week.

SPIRIT MOUNTAIN CASINO EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

- ✓ SMGI adheres to a Tribal hiring preference policy for enrolled members of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon.
- ✓ Please reference the Job Description for job duties, qualifications, and required knowledge/skills.

- ✓ Job postings are updated every Friday with remaining and new positions; applications must be received by 5:00pm on the following Thursday to be considered.
- ✓ Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- ✓ All positions are eligible for an incremental Hire-on Bonus

✉ employmentteam@spiritmtn.com <https://www.spiritmountain.com/careers>
 Call (503) 879-3737 for application assistance.

Grand Ronde Head Start Preschool

Apply starting : **April 01, 2024**

Applications due by : **June 7, 2024**

Head Start nurtures the growth of **you and your child.** Join our supportive community and give your child a **strong head start.**

For Kids:

- Safe, quality early education
- Qualified teachers
- Healthy meals
- Cultural opportunities
- Transportation may be available

For Parents:

- Connection to housing resources
- Employment assistance
- Parent training & support
- Enrollment opportunities for pregnant women
- Enrollment opportunities for all income levels

Eligibility: Grand Ronde Tribal Member/Descendant; Federally Recognized Tribal Member/Descendant; community member living in the Grand Ronde Community.

WAYS TO APPLY:

ONLINE at: <https://www.grandronde.org/services/education/early-childhood-education/>

Email dawn.doar@grandronde.org for an application

Or Scan QR Code:

Enrolling Prenatal to 4 years old

To Learn More: dawn.doar@grandronde.org
503-879-1434

Are you frustrated with your diabetes control?

Do you have questions about diabetes?

Do you need help managing your diabetes?

If so...

Call the Medical Clinic today at 503-879-2002

To schedule an individual diabetes education appointment



HEALTH & WELLNESS NEWS

Stress and your health

April is recognized as National Stress Awareness Month to bring attention to the impact of stress on your health. Managing stress is an essential component of a healthy lifestyle. Knowing how to manage stress can improve mental and physical well-being, as well as minimize the effects of health-related issues.



What is stress?

To de-bunk a myth, stress isn't always a bad thing. Without the ability feel stress, humankind wouldn't have survived. Stress is the physical response that we feel when our body thinks it is under attack. Have you heard of "fight or flight?" That is stress. When something happens our bodies release a mix of hormones and chemicals such as adrenaline, cortisol and norepinephrine to prepare the body for physical actions.

What do you feel when stressed?

When you are stressed you may experience your heart pounding, fast breathing sensations and maybe even a boost of energy. All of this allows us to focus our attention so we can quickly respond to the situation.

Sometimes stressful events can play a role in our day-to-day life as well. These events could include disbelief; feelings of fear, shock, anger, sadness; changes in appetite, difficulty sleeping or concentrating; or physical reactions such as headaches, body pains, stomach problems, worsening of chronic health problems, worsening of mental health conditions, and increased use of tobacco, alcohol and other substances.

While stress is not necessarily a bad thing, all of these symptoms can contribute to your overall health, which is why it is important to understand how to manage your stress.

Tips for coping with stress

- Take breaks from watching, reading or listening to news stories.
- Take care of yourself: Eat healthy, exercise, get plenty of sleep, give yourself a break.
- Take care of your body: Deep breathing or meditation, try to eat healthy and well-balanced meals, exercise regularly, get plenty of sleep, avoid excessive alcohol, tobacco and substance abuse.
- Continue with routine preventive measures as recommended by your healthcare provider.
- Make time to unwind: Do an activity that you enjoy.
- Talk to others.
- Connect with your community.

When to see a doctor

When the symptoms don't go away, it is important to know that you have the support of your provider. If any of the symptoms continue despite removing the stressors, you should contact your primary care provider or mental health provider.

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It's never too late to heal from addiction.

Have a courageous spirit. Reach out now, for you and your children.

Foot health news

Every step that you take involves a network of bones, muscles, tendons, and ligaments. This, combined with your weight, explains why your foot health is so important.



When should I see a doctor?

Your foot health can be a clue to your overall health. Symptoms such as joint stiffness, tingling, numbness or swelling in your feet could all be signs of an underlying condition.

Good foot care and regular foot checks are an important part of your health care.

Common foot issues in adults include heel pain, big toe arthritis, ingrown toenails, ankle sprains, bunions or the need for orthotics.

Daily foot care

To keep your feet as health as can be:

- Examine your feet regularly.
- Wear comfortable shoes that fit.
- Wash your feet daily with soap and lukewarm water.
- Trim your toenails straight across and not too short.

How to check for happy feet

- Check the appearance of your feet and ankles. Is there any discoloration, swelling, blisters? Be sure to check the soles and between your toes as well.
- Assess the blood flow. Press down on the nail of your big toe until the color fades (about 5 seconds). Then let go and allow the blood flow to return to your toe. If you have average circulation, the return of normal color to your toe should take 2 to 5 seconds.
- Test your foot and ankle function and flexibility. Try to pick up a marble or a small dishtowel with just your toes. Did you experience any pain?
- Evaluate sensation. Use a pencil eraser and run it on the top, bottom, and both sides of your feet. It may tickle, this is normal. Did it feel the same on each part?
- Examine your level of pain. In general, there should be no pain with an uninjured foot.

If you answered yes to any of these, schedule an appointment with your provider for a foot exam.

Avoid bare feet

With nice weather quickly approaching, it is best to avoid going barefoot. Millions of Americans every year experience cuts and puncture wounds from going barefoot, which could lead to an infection. If you can't wear shoes be sure to see a provider within 24 hours in the event of a puncture wound. Make sure your tetanus vaccination is current and apply sunscreen to your feet.

ELDERS LIVING WITH

LONELINESS

IN ADULT FOSTER CARE

WHEN ELDERS MOVE INTO ADULT FOSTER CARE, WE ASSUME THAT THEY WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE THE SOCIAL LIFE THEY HAD WHEN THEY WERE LIVING INDEPENDENTLY. THAT THEY WILL CONTINUE TO SEE THEIR FAMILY & FRIENDS, PARTICIPATE IN EVENTS, VISIT....

NEARLY 40% OF ELDERS LIVING IN ADULT FOSTER CARE SUFFER FROM DEPRESSION AND LONELINESS.

THERE IS NO REPLACEMENT FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS!

IF YOU HAVE A FAMILY MEMBER OR A FRIEND IN ADULT FOSTER CARE, PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO SEE THEM. OUR TEAM IS HERE TO SUPPORT!



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Barrel Brook Grants Pass Apts	1465 NE 10th St, Grants Pass OR	bbgp@viridianmgt.com	(541) 474-0225	1	Eld/Dis
Big Valley Jacksonville Apts	556 G St, Jacksonville OR	jax@viridianmgt.com	(541) 899-1929	1	Eld/Dis
Big Valley Sutherlin Apts	1350 E First Ave, Sutherlin OR	suth@viridianmgt.com	(541) 459-1686	1-2	Eld/Dis
Bluffs at Ratcliff	3202 Bluff Ave SE, Salem OR	bfl@viridianmgt.com	(503) 910-0688	1	Eld/Dis
Brookside Rose Apts	933 N Rose St, Phoenix OR	rc@viridianmgt.com	(541) 535-5916	1	Eld/Dis
Brookside Rose/Village Apts	933 N Rose St, Phoenix OR	bv@viridianmgt.com	(541) 535-5916	1	Eld/Dis
Clover Glen Apts	2212 Cove Ave, La Grande OR	cg@viridianmgt.com	(541) 963-0906	1-2	Eld/Dis
Elkhorn Village	3085 Resort St, Baker City OR	elk@viridianmgt.com	(541) 523-6578	0-2	Eld/Dis
Emily Drive Apts	10700 Emily Dr, Island City OR	ed@viridianmgt.com	(541) 963-3785	1-2	Eld/Dis
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Flora Thompson	1220 W 8th St, The Dalles OR	flor@viridianmgt.com	(541) 298-1715	1-2	Eld/Dis
Glenhaven Park Newberg	1209 N Springbrook, Newberg OR	ghn@viridianmgt.com	(503) 538-8825	1-2	Eld/Dis
Hazelwood Community Apts	11939 NE Davis St, Portland OR	hzl@viridianmgt.com	(503) 255-4757	0-2	Eld/Dis
Hillcrest Apts	154 Sunset Dr, Ontario OR	hco@viridianmgt.com	(541) 889-7483	1-2	Eld/Dis
Holiday Garden Grants Pass	1051 E Park St, Grants Pass OR	gp@viridianmgt.com	(541) 471-6384	1	Eld/Dis
Holiday Garden Sandy Apts	39665 Evans St, Sandy OR	snd@viridianmgt.com	(503) 668-4642	1-2	Eld/Dis
Holiday Gardens Talent Apts	220 Holiday Ln, Talent OR	tal@viridianmgt.com	(541) 535-5866	1	Eld/Dis
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Leisure Way Too	209 N Storie, Wallowa OR	lw2@viridianmgt.com	(541) 426-6474	0-2	Eld/Dis
Pacific Park Canby Apts	621 N Douglas St, Canby OR	canb@viridianmgt.com	(503) 266-2003	1-2	Eld/Dis
Pacific Park Sherwood Apts	21961 SW Sherwood Blvd, Sherwood OR	sher@viridianmgt.com	(503) 625-7883	1-2	Eld/Dis
Pacific Trail Apts Canyonville	745 S Main St, Canyonville OR	ptca@viridianmgt.com	(541) 839-6397	1	Eld/Dis
Pacific Trail Apts Lebanon	2411 S Second St, Lebanon OR	ptle@viridianmgt.com	(520) 466-3826	1-2	Eld/Dis
Pacific Trail Apts Lincoln City	1550 SE 14th St, Lincoln City OR	ptli@viridianmgt.com	(541) 994-4202	1	Eld/Dis
Pioneer Park Apts	88059 5th St, Veneta OR	pio@viridianmgt.com	(541) 935-0913	0-2	Eld/Dis
Ramo Flat Apts	1091 South Main St, Union OR	rf@viridianmgt.com	(541) 963-3785	1-2	Eld/Dis
Redmond Triangle	787 NW Canal Blvd, Redmond OR	redm@viridianmgt.com	(541) 923-2142	1-2	Eld/Dis
Spring Garden Apts Rogue River	621 N River Rd, Rogue River OR	sgrr@viridianmgt.com	(541) 582-0088	1-2	Eld/Dis
Spring Garden Apts Talent	233 Eva Way, Talent OR	sgt@viridianmgt.com	(541) 512-0106	1-2	Eld/Dis
Sunset Senior Apts	425 E Currant St, Athena OR	ssa@viridianmgt.com	(541) 263-0835	1-3	Eld/Dis
Sunset Senior Housing II	154 S 5th St, Athena OR	ss2@viridianmgt.com	(541) 263-0835	1	Eld/Dis
The Greens at Montclair	141 W Broadway Ave, Milton Fwtr OR	mont@viridianmgt.com	(541) 786-1134	1	Eld/Dis
Toliver Terrace Apts	615 W Heintz St, Molalla OR	tol@viridianmgt.com	(503) 829-7360	1-2	Eld/Dis
UCSL Mallard Heights	870 N 15th #25, Elgin OR	mh@viridianmgt.com	(541) 437-0452	1-2	Eld/Dis
St Patrick's Senior Apts	190 N Main St, Heppner OR	sp@viridianmgt.com	(541) 676-5380	1	Eld/Dis 55+
Terwilliger Plaza	245 SW 5th, Pendleton OR	trwl@viridianmgt.com	(541) 267-0416	1	Eld/Dis CMI
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Beaver State Cascade Valley	455 W Marquam St, Mt Angel OR	csv@viridianmgt.com	(503) 845-6041	1-2	Family
Beaver State Montebello	29796 SW Montebello Dr, Wilsonville OR	mnb@viridianmgt.com	(503) 682-1919	0-2	Family
Beaver State Spyglass	950 SE 32nd St, Lincoln City OR	spy@viridianmgt.com	(541) 994-3393	0-2	Family
Beaver State Stratford	553 Clay St, Ashland OR	str@viridianmgt.com	(541) 482-2366	0-2	Family
Beaver State Willamina Villa	320 NE 1st St, Willamina OR	wil@viridianmgt.com	(503) 876-2557	0-2	Family
Big River Apts	345 N 16th St, St Helens OR	bgr@viridianmgt.com	(503) 397-4938	0-2	Family
Boardman Apts	331 NW Boardman Ave, Boardman OR	ba@viridianmgt.com	(541) 481-2118	0-3	Family
Buttercreek Apts	405 SW 11th, Hermiston OR	bc@viridianmgt.com	(541) 567-7595	1-2	Family
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Crest Butte Apts	1695 NE Purcell Blvd, Bend OR	cb@viridianmgt.com	(541) 389-9107	1-2	Family
Crooked River Madison	950 SW Madison St, Madras OR	mad@viridianmgt.com	(541) 475-3007	1-3	Family
Crooked River Willow Creek	410 NE Oak St, Madras OR	wc@viridianmgt.com	(541) 475-2028	1-3	Family
Crooked River Wintergreen	2050 SW Timber Ave, Redmond OR	wg@viridianmgt.com	(541) 548-7816	1-3	Family
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Duck Country Dunhill	500 SW 11th St, Dundee OR	dh@viridianmgt.com	(503) 537-7015	1-3	Family
Duck Country Linnwood	23455 SW Main St, Sherwood OR	lin@viridianmgt.com	(503) 925-0763	1-3	Family
Duck Country Wilsonville Heights	30125 SW Brown Rd, Wilsonville OR	wh@viridianmgt.com	(503) 682-1919	1-3	Family
Eagle Cap 2nd St	607 SW 2nd St, Enterprise OR	ec2s@viridianmgt.com	(541) 426-6474	1-2	Family
Eagle Cap Cottonwood Apts	2 S Mill St, Joseph OR	eccw@viridianmgt.com	(541) 432-3205	1-2	Family
Eagle Cap Highland View	801 N 15th, Elgin OR	hv@viridianmgt.com	(541) 437-0452	1-3	Family
Eagle Cap Pineview Apts	304 W Alder St, Joseph OR	ecpv@viridianmgt.com	(541) 432-3205	2-3	Family
Fairview Apts	555 NW 9th St, Ontario OR	fv@viridianmgt.com	(541) 889-7412	1-3	Family
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Glenhaven Park McMinnville	1750 SW Sesame St, McMinnville OR	ghm@viridianmgt.com	(503) 472-1044	1-3	Family
Glenhaven Park Tillamook	403 Pine Ave, Tillamook OR	ght@viridianmgt.com	(503) 842-2723	1-3	Family
Indian Hills	1335 SW 2nd St, Pendleton OR	ih@viridianmgt.com	(541) 276-2195	1-3	Family
La Grande Plaza I	703 12th St, La Grande OR	lgp1@viridianmgt.com	(541) 963-7015	2-3	Family
La Grande Plaza II	713 12th St, La Grande OR	lgp2@viridianmgt.com	(541) 963-7015	2	Family
Moorehouse Apts	224 NW 12th St, Hermiston OR	moor@viridianmgt.com	(541) 481-2855	1-3	Family
Morrow Estates	212 Anderson Cr NE, Boardman OR	morr@viridianmgt.com	(541) 481-2855	1-3	Family
Mountain Crest Apts	206 Depot St, Enterprise OR	mtc@viridianmgt.com	(541) 426-6474	1-2	Family
Pinehurst Apts	1502 21st St, La Grande OR	ph@viridianmgt.com	(541) 963-9292	1-2	Family
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Rogue Valley Apts White City I	7700 Division Rd, White City OR	wc1@viridianmgt.com	(541) 826-4409	1-2	Family
Rogue Valley Apts White City II	7655 Garrison Way, White City OR	wc2@viridianmgt.com	(541) 826-4409	1-2	Family
Security Apts	130 SW Court St, Pendleton OR	sec@viridianmgt.com	(541) 276-0416	0-1	Family
Spring Garden Apts Gold Hill	459 4th St, Gold Hill OR	sggh@viridianmgt.com	(541) 582-0088	2	Family
Terrace Manor	1051 E Central Ave, Sutherlin OR	tman@viridianmgt.com	(541) 223-4962	2	Family
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The Greens at Ridings	511 Ridings Ave, Molalla OR	rid@viridianmgt.com	(503) 829-7031	2-3	Family
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Treasure Valley Estates	1066 SE 10th Ave, Ontario OR	tve@viridianmgt.com	(541) 709-0280	0-3	Family
Two Rivers Apts St Helens	544 N 10th St, St Helens OR	sh@viridianmgt.com	(503) 397-4938	1-3	Family
Two Rivers Apts Winston	189 NW Glenhart Ave, Winston OR	win@viridianmgt.com	(541) 671-2851	1-3	Family
Washington Park Apts	923 Cowl St, Milton Fwtr OR	wp@viridianmgt.com	(541) 938-7447	1-2	Family
Westside Village	2812 W 7th St, The Dalles OR	wsv@viridianmgt.com	(541) 298-4581	2-3	Family
Wildflower Apts	1046 SW 18th St, Pendleton OR	wflr@viridianmgt.com	(458) 300-6369	2-3	Family
Irrigon Farm Labor	110 Main St, Irrigon OR	irrg@viridianmgt.com	(541) 567-1400	2-4	Farm
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