

# 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.

Upcoming food box distributions will be held 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21; and 2 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 26.

The Food Bank is continuing its preservation and canning classes. The next one will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, and focus on meat and fish.

The Food Bank also is holding its annual Spectacular Spookghetti Fest fundraiser on Saturday, Oct. 29, at St. Michael’s Church, 48520 Hebo Road. A spaghetti meal will be served at noon followed an all-ages costume contest and silent and oral auction fundraiser. The Food Bank is seeking volunteers and items for the auctions.

“We believe that everyone deserves to have enough to eat,” says Food Bank Coordinator Francene Ambrose. “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.”

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.

The Food Bank continues to seek volunteers to help with repacking food, putting food on the shelves, handing out food boxes and end-of-month inventory. In addition, the Food Bank is participating in a program called Fresh Alliance in which volunteers pick up food donations directly from area stores. Volunteers with a truck who could pick up at these stores at least once a week and a partner to ride and help load are being sought.

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.

Contact Ambrose at 503-879-3663 or at [fambrose@marionpolkfoodshare.org](mailto:fambrose@marionpolkfoodshare.org) for more information or to volunteer. ■

## Veterans Day meal set for Friday, Nov. 11

The Tribe’s Veterans Special Event Board will hold its second annual Veterans Day Meal beginning at 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 11, at the Community Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road.

The meal is open to veterans and their family members from all surrounding areas; not just Grand Ronde, Willamina and Sheridan. Social hour begins at 5 p.m. with the meal to be served beginning at 6 p.m.

For more information, contact Veterans SEB Chairman Steve Bobb Sr. at 503-876-3118. ■

## MARRIAGES IN TRIBAL COURT

The Tribal Court is now issuing marriage licenses and is able to perform marriage ceremonies for a filing fee of \$40. For questions regarding scheduling, please contact the Tribal Court at 503-879-2303 or e-mail [devin.larsen@grandronde.org](mailto:devin.larsen@grandronde.org). ■

## Official Tribal Facebook pages

- **Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde:**  
[www.facebook.com/CTGRgov](http://www.facebook.com/CTGRgov)
- **Grand Ronde Tribal Council:**  
[www.facebook.com/TheConfederatedTribesOfGrandRondeTribalCouncil](http://www.facebook.com/TheConfederatedTribesOfGrandRondeTribalCouncil)
- **Grand Ronde Higher Education:**  
[www.facebook.com/grand.r.ed](http://www.facebook.com/grand.r.ed)
- **Grand Ronde Youth Education:**  
[www.facebook.com/CTGRYouthEducation](http://www.facebook.com/CTGRYouthEducation)
- **Spirit Mountain Community Fund:**  
[www.facebook.com/SpiritMountainCommunityFund](http://www.facebook.com/SpiritMountainCommunityFund)
- **Grand Ronde Station:**  
[www.facebook.com/GrandRondeStation](http://www.facebook.com/GrandRondeStation)
- **Grand Ronde Royalty:** [www.facebook.com/CTGRRoyalty](http://www.facebook.com/CTGRRoyalty)
- **Veterans Special Event Board:**  
[www.facebook.com/pages/Veterans-Board-of-the-Confederated-Tribes-of-the-Grand-Ronde-Community](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Veterans-Board-of-the-Confederated-Tribes-of-the-Grand-Ronde-Community)
- **Community Garden:** [www.facebook.com/GrandRondeCommunityGarden](http://www.facebook.com/GrandRondeCommunityGarden)
- **Grand Ronde Food Bank:** [www.facebook.com/GrandRondeFoodBank](http://www.facebook.com/GrandRondeFoodBank)
- **Grand Ronde Youth Council:** [www.facebook.com/CTGRYouthCouncil/](http://www.facebook.com/CTGRYouthCouncil/)



## ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL EVENT BOARD VACANCIES

The following Committees and Special Event Boards have vacant positions.

<b>Ceremonial Hunting Board</b>	1 vacancy
<b>Election Board</b>	1 vacancy, 1 alternate vacancy
<b>Powwow SEB</b>	1 vacancy
<b>Education Board</b>	1 vacancy

Please send completed applications to Stacia Martin, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347.

## Committee & Special Event Board meeting days and times

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

- **Ceremonial Hunting Board** meets as needed. Chair: Marline Groshong.
- **Culture Committee** meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Grand Ronde Food Bank/*iskam məkʰmək haws*, 9675 Grand Ronde Road. Chair: Betty Bly.
- **Education Committee** meets at 5:30 p.m. on the second 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: Julie Duncan.
- **Enrollment Board** meets quarterly in Room 204 of the Governance Center. Chair: Michael Mercier.
- **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 Wednesday of the month in the Health & Wellness Center. Chair: Patti Tom-Martin.
- **Housing Board** meets at 3 p.m. the third Thursday of the month in the Housing Department conference room. Chair: Matt Thomas.
- **Powwow Special Event Board** meets monthly at noon at the Community Center. Dates vary. Contact Dana Ainam at 503-879-2037 or Kalene Contreras at 503-879-2165. Chair: Dana Ainam.
- **Timber Committee** meets at 5 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Chair: Bob Mercier.
- **Veterans Special Event Board** meets at 5 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month in the old Elders Craft House. Chair: Steve Bobb Sr.

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

## Tribal Office Closures

Tribal offices will be closed on Friday, Nov. 11, in observance of Veterans Day. Offices also will be closed on Tuesday, Nov. 22, through Friday, Nov. 25, in observance of Restoration and Thanksgiving.

## COME AND JOIN US FOR OUR PLANKHOUSE CELEBRATION

OCTOBER 22<sup>ND</sup>  
PLANKHOUSE  
BIRTHDAY

Doors will open at 3pm

Opening songs at 4pm

Dinner will be at 5:30

Start protocol at 6:30

For more info call

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Or [bobby.mercier@grandronde.org](mailto:bobby.mercier@grandronde.org)