Letters

We want to thank all the people who supported our efforts in the walk from Table Rock. We want to thank Sharon Norwest for all the efforts she put into making our welcome home such a huge success. We want to thank all the Tribal Veterans, the AMVETS, The VFW members, the American Legion members, the Tribal Council and all the volunteer drivers for helping make this trip happen.

Thank you to all of the people back home who said prayers, made donations to the memorial, walked on their lunch hour and in the evenings after work and the people who followed the story on the news and sent us your positive thoughts — Thank you.

Steve Bobb
Brent Merrill

Dear *Smoke Signals*,

I would like to thank Ron Leno my Cousin for hunting for me and taking such good care of me.

Wilma Butler
Roll #704

Ad-Hoc Committee
Veterans' Services Office
Old Depot Building
8615 Grand Ronde Rd
Grand Ronde
503-879-4584

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503-472-9561
1-800-781-8500

Community Meetings Notice

April 16, 2002
Tuesday
6:00 — 8:30 p.m.
DoubleTree Hotel, Eugene-Springfield
3280 Gateway Road
Springfield, OR 97477

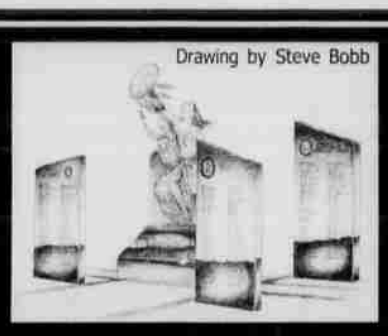
April 18, 2002
Thursday
6:00 — 8:30 p.m.
Sweetbrier Inn (Columbia Room)
7125 SE Nyberg Road
Tualatin, Oregon 97062

April 30, 2002
Tuesday
6:00 — 8:30 p.m.
Grand Ronde Community Center
Grand Ronde (Tribal Campus)

For additional information call the Policy & Planning Department at 503-879-2250. If you cannot attend and wish to comment on Tribal goal setting, please write to Mr. Kim Rogers, Policy & Planning Department, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347.

Health & Wellness Center Massage Therapy

Massage therapy services will continue to be provided by a licensed massage therapist at the Grand Ronde Health & Wellness Center for Grand Ronde Tribal members and members of other federally recognized Tribes on referral from Health Center medical providers. This service will be provided, as medically necessary, regardless of whether or not massage therapist services are included within the scope benefits under Tribal members ODS Health Plan or other health insurance plans.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Veterans' Memorial Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting
April 30 — 6:30 p.m.
Governance Center

Spring Auction Fundraiser
Friday, May 3 in Willamina at the VFW Hall.
Dinner served at 6 p.m.
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Notice To All Tribal Council Nominations

Tribal Council Nominations will be conducted at the May 5 General Council meeting at the Community Center

Tribal code §280

F (1). Qualifications: Any duly enrolled Tribal member who will be eighteen years of age or older on the date of the election is qualified to be a candidate.

F (2). Nominations: The General Council shall accept nominations of candidates for Tribal Council at its regular meeting in May of each year. The Chairperson of the General Council shall give notice of this at the regular meeting of the General Council in April. Any voter may nominate someone from the floor at the May meeting. The person nominated must be present and either decline or accept the nomination prior to placing a person's name on the ballot, the board with the assistance of the Enrollment Officer shall verify that the nominee meets the qualifications set forth in section (f) (1).

Grand Ronde Health & Wellness Center Optometry

Now open to all Tribal Government and Spirit Mountain Casino employees. The Optometry Department at the Health & Wellness Center is open to all employees of the Tribal Government and Spirit Mountain Casino. Business hours are Monday through Friday, 8-12 and 1-5; with exception of Thursday, which is 10-12 and 1-5.

To make an appointment, call Tamora at 503-879-2097.

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Fri., April 19	MAY 1
Fri., May 3	MAY 15
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Wed., June 5	JUNE 15
Thurs., June 20	JULY 1
Fri., July 5	JULY 15
Fri., July 19	AUG. 1
Mon., Aug. 5	AUG. 15
Tue., Aug. 20	SEPT. 1
Thurs., Sept. 5	SEPT. 15
Thurs., Sept. 19	OCT. 1
Fri., Oct. 4	OCT. 15
Fri., Oct. 18	NOV. 1
Tue., Nov. 5	NOV. 15
Fri., Nov. 15	DEC. 1
Thurs., Dec. 5	DEC. 15
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3. Letters to the editor from candidates will **NOT** be published during the time period from nominations to the conclusion of the Tribal Council Election.
4. Feature articles and spotlights involving candidates will be suspended during the time period from nominations to the conclusion of the Tribal Council Election.

This policy is intended to ensure an equal forum for all candidates.

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