

Casino Revenue Distribution 2003

The Tribal Council has passed a resolution authorizing a distribution of Casino revenue to Tribal members through the Member Benefits Department.

■ **Distribution Date:** December 11, 2003

■ **Eligibility:** In order to receive a per-capita payment, you must be living as of January 1, 2003, and an enrolled member of the Tribe as of December 5, 2003. A check will be automatically generated for members 18 years of age as of December 11, 2003. Children born in 2003, assuming they meet all other eligibility requirements, are eligible for the December 11, 2003 distribution. For those members under the age of 18 funds will be distributed into their trust accounts. **The amount is not yet determined and we will not have that information until sometime the first week of December.**

■ **NO REQUEST FORM REQUIRED FOR THIS DISTRIBUTION**

■ **Address & Social Security Number:** If you have changed your address or have other permanent changes please contact: Member Benefits Department 1-800-422-0232; Liz Leno extension 2082, Amy Whisler extension 2223, or Hollie Larsen extension 2490. We cannot distribute a check without a Social Security number and this includes minors' distribution. **THE DEADLINE FOR ADDRESS, OR ANY OTHER CHANGES WAS NOVEMBER 30, 2003.**

■ Checks may be picked up at the Tribal Gymnasium, located at the Education Facility on December 11, 2003, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. — 4:30 p.m. No checks will be picked up before 8:00am. Any checks not picked up that day will be mailed to the address we have on file on December 11, 2003.

■ Payments from Casino revenues are subject to federal and where applicable, state income taxes. Tribal members are responsible for any tax due as a result of this payment.

Per Capita Check Cashing At Casino

As December draws near we would like to inform all Tribal members of the process that has been initiated at the casino for you to cash your checks with the greatest amount of speed and efficiency; including the identification that will be required.

On December 11, we will have five windows set up in the Bingo Hall for your convenience in order to simplify the handling of checks for all Tribal members. These windows will be ready to assist you in the cashing of your checks quickly and easily.

Please bring valid photo ID such as your Tribal ID card or a Driver's License.

Check cashing will be in the Bingo Hall until 4 p.m. After this time any cage window will be able to cash your checks.

If you have any questions or need any further information please contact 503-879-2350, Scott Mode, Cage Manager ext. 3922; Gina Bjelajac, Cage Assistant Manager ext. 3735; or Becky Thomas, Vault Supervisor ext. 3281.

Attention: All Tribal Members of The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde

PLEASE HELP US UPDATE OUR INFORMATION

RE-ENROLLMENT IN THE ODS MEDICAL AND DENTAL PLANS FOR THE 2004 OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD

In an effort to update our current insurance information, we are asking each Tribal member to re-enroll in the ODS Health and Dental Plans. Even if you are currently enrolled, we are requesting that you still fill out an application and re-enroll.

The purpose of re-enrolling each member is to provide the Tribe with updated member information, including whether or not you have other insurance available to you (i.e. Oregon Health Plan, Medicaid, Medicare, another insurance company, etc). If you do not re-enroll, you **will not** be taken off the insurance programs. We are just requesting your assistance in this endeavor and appreciate your help.

Each Tribal member has been mailed a letter with a new application and return envelope. **Please make every effort to return your Medical and Dental insurance applications by Friday, December 19, 2003, to:** The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Attention: Member Services Department, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347.

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OLD ADDRESS: (Please Print) _____ **NEW ADDRESS:** _____

GRAND RONDE ROLL #: _____

Shop With The Sherriff — December 13

This year the "Shop with the Sheriff" program will be held on Saturday, December 13. Members of the Tribal Council have once again volunteered to drive between 20 — 30 Grand Ronde Elementary school age children to the Wal-Mart store in Dallas to participate in a Christmas shopping spree.

The local Grand Ronde Service Integration Team, working with the Willamina Elementary School staff will select the children to participate in the program. SIT members will meet with the Deputies in Dallas and help escort the children through the store. The children are encouraged to purchase presents for their family members.

The Dallas Wal-Mart store has financially assisted the "Shop With The Sheriff" program since its start. Wal-Mart employees further assist the children by providing the young shoppers with small gifts and providing an opportunity to visit with "Santa."

Afterward the children are brought back to Grand Ronde where SIT members help the children wrap the gifts before taking them home.

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