

Attention Tribal Members:

2005 GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE
December 4 Grand Ronde

NOTE THAT ALL GENERAL COUNCIL MEETINGS START AT 11 A.M.

2006 General Council meeting schedule coming soon.

Attention: Tribal Committees & Special Event Boards

Any committee or special event board member whose appointment ends on December 31, 2005 must re-apply.

New application forms may be picked up at the Governance Center; please do not use the old forms.

Send completed applications to Dakota Whitecloud, TCRC at the address printed on the new application form:

Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
Attn: Dakota Whitecloud
9615 Grand Ronde Road
Grand Ronde, OR 97347

NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Meetings

DATE	TIME
December 7	5 p.m.
December 21	5 p.m.



SHOP WITH SHERIFF

On December 10, 2005, 25 to 30 k-5 kids will be shopping with the Polk County Sheriff. There is a wrapping party about 10:30 a.m. at Willamina Middle School at Grand Ronde.

Volunteers are welcome, unless you are a parent or sibling of the shoppers, because they are shopping for you! It is a fun activity for everyone.

Letters went out at school and the 25-30 children are chosen on a first come, first served basis. Shopping will be at the Dallas Wal-Mart beginning about 8 a.m. Transportation will be in Tribal vans and meet at 7 a.m. The wrapping party starts around 10:30 a.m. at the middle school. Children are expected to arrive by 11:00 am.



Letters

Dear *Smoke Signals*,

On behalf of the family of Brian Thomas we would like to say thank you to everyone who has been there for us in this difficult time. We would like to thank all the family and friends who showed us your support — we especially want to thank all those who helped out at the meal site, those who sent flowers, cards and everyone who helped with all the arrangements.

Thank you,
Chrystal Thomas
Roll #533

Corrections

On page 5 of the November 15, 2005 issue of *Smoke Signals*, we misspelled Barb Chrisman's name. We apologize for the error.

Grand Ronde Tribal Office Closures

All Tribal offices will be closed on Monday, December 26 in observance of Christmas. All offices will close at 12 p.m. on Friday, December 23 for administration leave. Tribal offices will also be closed on Monday, January 2, 2006 for New Years.

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Fri., Dec. 2	DEC. 15
Fri., Dec. 16	JAN. 1, 2006
Thurs., Jan. 5	JAN. 15
Fri., Jan. 13	FEB. 1
Fri., Feb. 3	FEB. 15
Fri., Feb. 17	MAR. 1
Fri., Mar. 3	MAR. 15
Mon., Mar. 20	APR. 1
Wed., Apr. 5	APR. 15
Thurs., Apr. 20	MAY. 1
Fri., May 5	MAY. 15

Please note that we receive numerous Letters To The Editor and Tribal life (birthday announcements, etc.) each month. Due to space issues, sometimes we do not have enough room to put them in the issue you may have requested. They will be put in as soon as space is made available in upcoming issues. Thank you for your understanding.

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