

GRAND RONDE GAMING COMMISSION POSITIONS

The Grand Ronde Gaming Commission is seeking applications for two positions for 3-year terms expiring in June 2012. The Grand Ronde Gaming Commission regulates all gaming-related activities associated with Spirit Mountain Casino. The Tribal Gaming Ordinance requires one of the positions to be filled by a Tribal member and one to be filled by a non-Tribal member. In addition, one of the positions must be filled with a person with at least 10 years of law enforcement experience, or with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice or related field and at least five years of law enforcement experience. 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 independent contractors and expend approximately 30-40 hours per month to fulfill their responsibilities. The commission generally meets on the second and third Fridays 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.

Closing date is 5 p.m. on April 30.

Skookum Health Plan benefit update effective July 1, 2009

There will be an emergency room benefit change to the Skookum Health Plan occurring on July 1, 2009. Currently, the health plan covers a non-emergency visit to the emergency room with a 50 percent co-insurance; after July 1, 2009, non-urgent/non-emergent use of the emergency room will no longer be a covered benefit. Tribal members who go to an emergency room to receive non-urgent/non-emergent services will be responsible for the entire charge.

The reason for this change is over utilization of the emergency room. Many of the claims received from emergency room visits are for services that should be received through a physician's office or an urgent care setting. For non-emergency service, the average cost of an emergency room visit is close to \$500, while the same service in a provider's office or urgent care setting is only around \$100. Use of the emergency room for non-urgent/non-emergent services results in higher costs to the Tribe.

If you or someone you know is in need of medical attention and you do not know if you should go to the emergency room or not, take the time to contact the 24-hour Nurse Line at 800-970-7138 or your personal physician.

If you are instructed to seek services at the emergency room by the Nurse Line or by your physician's office, it will be covered by the Skookum Health Plan.

If you have questions about this important benefit change, contact Barbara Steere at 503-879-2487 or Jim Holmes at 503-879-2221. ■

ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL EVENT BOARD VACANCIES

The following Committees and Special Event Boards have vacant positions. If you are interested, please submit completed application to Dakota Whitecloud, Tribal Council Relations Coordinator, CTGR, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347.

Ceremonial Hunt Board	3 Vacancies
Culture Committee	1 Vacancy
Cultural Trust Board	2 Vacancies
Education Committee	1 Vacancy
Rodeo Special Event Board	2 Vacancies
Social Services Committee	1 Vacancy
Timber Committee	1 Vacancy

Gang Summit set at casino

Social Service's Tribal Youth Prevention Program will host the Oregon Indian Country Gang Summit on Thursday and Friday, April 16-17, at Spirit Mountain Casino.

The summit is sponsored by the Oregon Youth Authority, Marion County Juvenile Department and Northwest Investigator Association.

The summit will focus on the gang issue and its relationship and effects on Native American youth.

The summit is free. However, there will be no onsite registration, so people are encouraged to register in advance.

For more information, contact Tribal Youth Program Coordinator Lisa Leno at 503-879-1471 or lisa.leno@grandronde.org. ■

Fun at work



Photos by Michelle Alaimo

Erica Mercier, Tribal member and a secretary at the Tribe's medical clinic, successfully passes under the bar as she participates in one of two limbo contests during the employee carnival for National Fun at Work Day in the Tribal gymnasium on Wednesday, April 1. Mercier won that limbo contest.



Shelley Clift, the Tribe's Indian Child Welfare Intake Specialist II, participates in one of two hula hoop contests. She came in second place.

College and Career Fair

Wednesday
May 6, 2009
9:30 A.M. - 1 P.M.
Location: The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Gym/Auditorium

Over **40** different employers, two-year and four-year college representatives, trade/apprenticeship programs, vocational programs, and volunteer and community organizations.

You can also attend breakout sessions on Admissions, Financial Aid, What Employers Are Looking For in Employees, Internship Opportunities, and more!

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