

Cultural Resources seeks plankhouse giveaway items

In anticipation of an early fall opening of the Grand Ronde plankhouse, the Tribe's Cultural Resources Department is seeking donations of giveaway items for the planned blessing ceremony.

Giveaway items can be about almost anything, including beads and blankets, but not alcohol or drugs.

The items are intended to recognize people from outside the Grand Ronde community who will come for the blessing ceremony.

"By having people from outside the community, they are helping to strengthen our house," said Tribal member and Cultural Resources Protection Coordinator Eirik Thorsgard.

Giveaway items can be dropped off at the Cultural Resources Department in Grand Ronde or at the Tribal satellite offices in Eugene and Portland.

For more information or to check on the appropriateness of possible giveaway items, call Thorsgard at 503-879-1630 or Language & Culture Specialist Bobby Mercier at 503-879-2076.

An article on proper plankhouse protocol written by Cultural Resources Department staff will appear in *Smoke Signals* closer to the blessing ceremony. ■

Transportation to Grand Ronde

The Portland satellite office has a transportation day to Grand Ronde once a month for medical or dental appointments or enrollment cards. A minimum of three people must sign up. Call Lisa at 503-235-4230.

We will leave the Portland office at 8 a.m.

Please call in advance for the scheduled monthly date. ■

Available Now!

\$5.00

Available at the reception desk in the Governance Building

9615 Grand Ronde Road
Grand Ronde, OR 97317

postage and handling extra

503-879-5211

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Cultural Corner



Cattail Shoes:

Eugene September 12th, 10-4pm

Portland September 19th, 10-4pm

Grand Ronde September 26th, 10-4pm Ed room 207

Dentallium Necklace:

Portland September 14, 21, 28th 6:30-9:30pm

Grand Ronde September 20, 27th 10-4pm Ed room 207

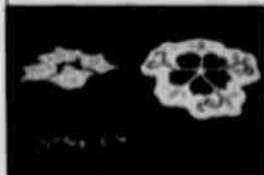
Small Beading Project:

Portland September 12, 26 11-4pm

Grand Ronde August 14, 21, 28 5:30-8:30 Ed room 207

RSVP to Misty Thorsgard 503-879-2320

misty.thorsgard@grandronde.org



2009 Tribal Marketplace dates

- Aug. 15-16, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. — Powwow
- Sept. 4-6, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Oct. 2-4, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Nov. 6-8, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Dec. 4-6, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Dates subject to change due to conflicting Tribal or SMC events. Located across from Cedar Plank Buffet. For more information, call Dakota Whitecloud at 503-879-4240.

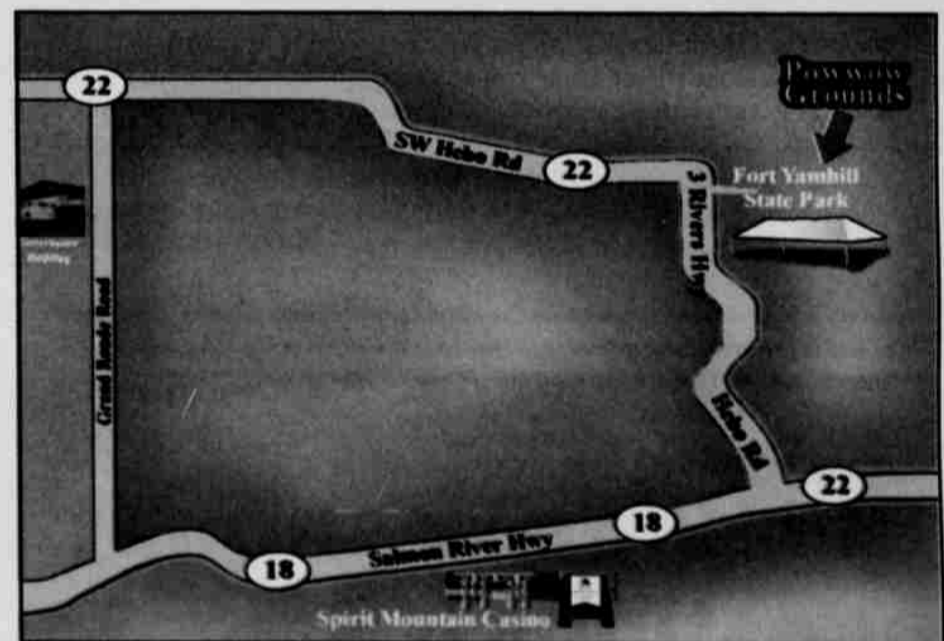
Public Notice Open For Comment

Public Notice for Comment on the Grand Ronde Tribe's application for 2010 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Funding. The Grand Ronde Tribe obtained a LIHEAP grant last year from the Division of Energy Assistance within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. This grant program assists income eligible Tribal members with energy assistance (utility bills, fire wood, etc.), crisis energy assistance, and weatherization (e.g. furnace repair, caulking, insulation).

The Tribe's LIHEAP service area includes Polk, Yamhill, Marion, Multnomah, Washington, Tillamook and Clackamas counties. If you are interested in obtaining services from the current program, please contact Social Services at 800-242-8196 for energy assistance and the Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority at 503-879-2405 for weatherization.

The Tribe is taking public comment on the 2010 LIHEAP application which is to be submitted by Sept. 1, 2009. A draft will be available for review at the Planning & Grants Development Department at the Tribal Governance Center on Aug. 14, 2009. It will also be available at the Housing Authority booth at the powwow. You may also call the Planning & Grants Development at 503-879-2250 with your comments on the plan or to obtain more information about the plan.

\$1 or can of food donation requested for parking



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for 1 and 7 p.m. with dancer registration deadline set for 2 p.m. Saturday.

On Sunday, Aug. 16, Grand Entry will occur at 1 p.m.

Host drums will be Blackstone and Perfect Storm, both from Canada, and Mandaree Singers from North Dakota. There will be Specials with \$800 first-place prizes for Women's and Men's Fancy dancers. Both categories will have four consolation prizes.

Other dance categories will include Golden Age, Adults, Teens and Boys/Girls with first-place prizes ranging from \$1,100 to \$150.

Powwow staff will include Master of Ceremonies Fred Hill (Umatilla), Head Judge Patricia Ike (Yakama) and Arena Director Freddie Ike Jr. (Yakama/Rock Creek Wasco).

Free camping will be available at the powwow grounds and a \$1 or can of food donation will be requested for parking.

No canopies or umbrellas will be allowed under the powwow tent and pets, drugs and alcohol are not permitted on the powwow grounds.

For those wanting to stay at Spirit Mountain Casino, a shuttle will be available to the powwow grounds.

All dancers will be required to complete tax forms and a Social Security number will be required. ■