

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES ORDINANCE OPEN FOR COMMENT

The Tribal Council, in consultation with the Tribal Attorney's Office, is considering adoption of a Children and Families Ordinance ("C&F Ordinance"). The proposed C&F Ordinance was given a First Reading at the July 28, 2010, Tribal Council meeting.

The C&F Ordinance incorporates extensive revisions to the Tribe's Indian Child Welfare Ordinance and, once adopted, will replace the existing Indian Child Welfare Ordinance. The C&F Ordinance addresses the Grand Ronde Tribal Court's jurisdiction over all juvenile dependency matters and all non-dependency matters (including guardianships, relinquishments, emancipations and adoptions) involving Grand Ronde children.

Among the revisions to the existing Indian Child Welfare Ordinance incorporated in the C&F Ordinance are the following:

- Substantially changes the organizational structure and modifies several procedural requirements.
- Contains a specific requirement that primary placement consideration be given to Grandparents whenever it is necessary to remove a child from parental custody.
- Contains a specific requirement that Grandparents be granted the right to intervene in any child welfare proceeding involving their grandchild absent good cause shown.
- Expands the definition of "abuse."
- Requires Indian Child Welfare Investigators be familiar with Native American child rearing practices and customs.
- Provides multiple opportunities for informal settlements and family reunification agreements prior to a hearing on the petition for custody.

The Tribal Council invites comment on the proposed Children and Families Ordinance. For a copy of the C&F Ordinance please contact the Tribal Attorney's Office at 503-879-4664. Please send your comments to the Tribal Attorney's Office, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347.

Comments must be received by Sept. 30, 2010.

Preservation classes scheduled

The Grand Ronde Community Resource Center's Garden House next to the Community Garden is hosting food preservation classes this summer.

Classes accept a maximum of 10 people.

The remaining class schedule is:

- Saturday, Sept. 18 – Sausage (chorizo, Italian, breakfast and Portuguese linguiza);
- Sunday, Oct. 10 – Pears (butter, canned and jam).

Everything is provided and attendees can bring any fruit or berries, vegetables or jars they would like to use.

Lunch is provided, but attendees should bring a beverage.

For more information, call the Grand Ronde Food Bank at 503-879-5731 to sign up. ■

September 2010 distribution date

Distribution date: Friday, Sept. 10, 2010.

The amount had not been determined yet.

All checks will be mailed unless members have made other arrangements for deposit. No checks available for pick up. ■



2005 — The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department and Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde agreed to work together to bring the history of Fort Yamhill back to life by creating an interpretive site.

2000 — Tribal member and Spokane Police Department Officer Cory Turman played a key role in the arrest of Robert Lee Yates, a suspected serial killer.

1995 — The 1995 Royalty Pageant was crowned with Halona Butler named Grand Ronde Tiny Tot, Diana Robertson became Junior Miss Grand Ronde and Courtney Galligher was named Senior Miss Grand Ronde. Judges were Kathryn Harrison, Diane Lane and Joann Mercier.

1990 — For the 1990-91 school year, the Tribal Education Program received 24 higher education applications and 13 adult vocational training applications. Future Tribal Executive Officer Chris Leno was attending Oregon State University, majoring in business administration, while future Information Systems Manager Trevor Aaron was attending Western Oregon State College, majoring in pre-med/physical education.

1985 — Angie Childers and Greg Leno were wrapping up the nine-week Summer Youth Program. Angie worked as clerical/receptionist for the Cemetery Office while Greg worked as a maintenance person for the Depot and Cemetery Office.

Yesteryears is a look back at Tribal history in five-year increments through the pages of Smoke Signals.

ATNI holding logo contest

The Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians is soliciting Tribal artists to create a new logo for the organization. Grand prize is \$1,000.

In addition to Idaho, Oregon, Montana and Washington, ATNI's current members include Tribes in Alaska, California and Nevada. Visit the Web site www.atnitribes.org to view the organization's history and mission statement. The winning submission will become the exclusive property of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians. All submissions must be submitted electronically to atni@atnitribes.org by midnight Wednesday, Sept. 15. For more information, call Kristen Potts at 503-249-5770. ■

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We need photos of activities of St. Michael's
for our anniversary dinner.
(First Communion, school functions, rollerskating, etc.)

If you have photos you can loan or donate
Please call Sally 971-241-7369
or Kathy 503-879-4001