

NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Wednesday Meetings
DATE Wednesday, Feb. 16.....
TIME 4 p.m.
 Please note that these times and dates are subject to change if needed. Call Dakota Whitecloud, Tribal Council Relations Coordinator, at 503-879-1309 to confirm.

Having a ball



Photos by Michelle Alaimo

Tribal Council member Wink Soderberg surveys a table of silent auction items during the 2011 McMinnville Mayor's Charity Ball at the Community Center in McMinnville on Saturday, Feb. 5. In the foreground is his wife Kathy who accompanied him to the ball. Also in attendance at the event was Tribal Council members Steve Bobb Sr. and Chris Mercier, Tribal Public Affairs Director Siobhan Taylor, Spirit Mountain Casino Chief Executive Officer Rodney Ferguson, Chief Operating Officer Randy Dugger and Surveillance Director Steve Bobb Jr.



Rodney Ferguson, chief executive officer of Spirit Mountain Casino, accepts an award of special recognition for the casino being a cornerstone partner since 2007 of the McMinnville Mayor's Charity Ball during the ball on Saturday, Feb. 5. The ball is a fundraiser for Kids on the Block, which provides afterschool child care to McMinnville School District students.

Parenting classes set

Parents with children from newborn to 8 years of age are invited to participate in "Make Parenting a Pleasure" classes to be held on six consecutive Wednesdays from April 6 through May 11.

Classes will be held from 5:30 to 8 p.m. in the Tribe's Adult Education Building.

Parents will learn stress strategies, tips for communicating with babies and young children, facts about child development, discipline techniques and ways to encourage positive behavior.

Dinner and child care will be provided.

For more information or to register, call Carmen Mercier at 503-879-1646 or e-mail carmen.mercier@grandronde.org.

Certificates will be awarded to those who complete all six classes. ■

Tribal Office Closures

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General Council meeting
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Tuesday, April 20	May 1

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