

Elders' garage sale seeking donations

Tribal Elders are regularly seeking donations of items for their fundraising garage sales.

To donate an item or items, call Tribal Elder Linda Brandon at 971-267-0918. ■

Elder's bingo changes days

Bingo at the Elders' Activity Center has been moved to the second and fourth Fridays of the month.

A potluck dinner starts at 6 p.m. and bingo starts at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, contact Elder Activity Assistant Daniel Ham at 503-879-2233. ■

Chili Challenge benefits Food Bank

The Great Chili Challenge and Chow-Down on Saturday, April 30, at the Tribal Community Center will help fund the work of the Grand Ronde Community Resource Center's Food Bank.

Chili judging will occur at 4 p.m. and an awards ceremony will be held at 5 p.m. A chili feed will occur afterward in the Community Center.

A bowl of chili will cost \$3.50 with cornbread and desserts available for \$1 and drinks for \$1.25. Pie-eating contests and 50/50 raffles are also scheduled.

Chili cook-off contestants must register in advance although there are no registrations fees.

For official rules and registration, contact Marion Mercier at 503-879-1488 or Nancy Holmes at 503-879-2445. ■

K-12 Parent Committee meets

The monthly K-12 Parent Committee meetings are held the last Wednesday of the month from September through June. Meetings are held in the Youth Education Building from noon to 1 p.m. Lunch is provided.

RSVP if you are planning to attend to toni.mercier@grandronde.org or call 503-879-2101. ■

Secretary of State contacts Tribal Elder

By Ron Karten

Smoke Signals staff writer

Being featured in *Smoke Signals* can have some positive side benefits.

That's what Tribal Elder Dorothy "Dottie" Greene discovered after being prominently featured in the March 15 edition.

"My mouth was wide open," said Greene, when she received a note from Oregon Secretary of State Kate Brown. "I couldn't speak for a few minutes."

Brown has been a longtime friend

of the Tribe and currently serves on the Spirit Mountain Community Fund Board of Trustees.

Brown's note, attached to a copy of the March 15 issue of *Smoke Signals*, referred to Greene's Elder Feature, which told her life story.

"What a wonderful article in *Smoke Signals*," Brown wrote. "Thanks for sharing your story. Kate B."

"It made me feel so good," Greene said. "I thought, my dear Lord, what an honor."

Likewise from the writer, yours truly. ■

Saddle Club fundraiser scheduled

The Tribal Elders' Committee will hold a spaghetti fundraiser for the Saddle Club from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday, April 25, at the Tribal Community Center.

For more information, call the Elders' Activity Center at 503-879-2233. ■

Chinuk Family Night set for April 26

The next Chinuk Family Night will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, in the Tribal Community Center.

All past and current participants, as well as anyone who is interested, are welcome to attend.

Those who plan to attend should RSVP to Veronica Montano at 503-879-2268 or veronica.montano@grandronde.org.

For more information, contact Kathy Cole at 503-879-2249 or kathy.cole@grandronde.org. ■

Calling All Kids!

YOU ARE INVITED

To an EASTER EGG HUNT

At the Covered Area at Family Housing

Don't forget to bring your own basket

Celebrate Child Abuse Prevention Month and

Help Build a Healthy Community

After the hunt join the Indian Child Welfare Program for a Fun Walk to the Tribal Gym

After the Walk, Enjoy Lunch, Prizes, & the Easter Bunny!

April 23

10 A.M.

Hunter Categories:

Ages 1 - 4

Ages 5 - 8

Ages 9 - 12

(Parents: Don't forget your cameras - take pictures with the Easter Bunny)

Fun Walk starts at 10:30 A.M.

Lunch starts at 11:30 A.M. in Gym.

FUN WALK

After the Easter egg hunt

SPONSORED BY: Community Awareness Team and Grand Ronde Community Wellness

Thank you for respecting Grand Ronde's Community & Culture by not displaying Gang Affiliation and by not bringing Drugs, Alcohol or Weapons to this Event.

