

**NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Wednesday Meetings**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>
Wednesday, July 20.....	5 p.m.

Please note that these times and dates are subject to change if needed.

**Letters****Dear Tribal members:**

I wanted to include this letter as a follow-up to my letter of May 15. Just to be clear, I have no intention of getting into a war of words with Mr. Good, but his letters are due responses. I would hope and certainly do not expect Tribal Council to base their decisions upon pressure from him, especially when his beliefs change without explanation.

When I was on the Tribal Council, Leroy Good had differences with members of the Enrollment Requirements Ad Hoc Committee. If that is not the case, then hopefully he will take the time to clear this up. But if I didn't know any better he appears to be advocating against those portions of the Constitutional Amendment that would help these people, when in the past he championed enrollment justice for everybody affected by the 1999 amendment.

If anybody is wondering why that is my perception, then let me refer you to a document from several years ago. In 2007, prior to our final decision to move forward with a Constitutional election, we held a public hearing on enrollment. Mr. Good flew over from Michigan to offer testimony. On the Tribe's Web site, in the Archives section, there will be a list of transcripts of Tribal Council meetings, including the hearing of June 3, 2007. On pages 28-29, you will find one Leroy Good submitting the following testimony:

"Leroy Good, Roll #892. When I was previously up here, my wife said that I misspoke myself when I give the definition of what I thought Grand Ronde was to be. And I think that the determination of all that was a mistake on my part but before I go back and address that, I would like to approach the issue that the proposed amendment to the constitutional membership requiring us to be presented as one unit, as a whole, and the voters will vote on one proposal. I think in doing this we might have more of a compromise in thinking. Some are on — all on one issue that pertains to them only and they're going to say no to the rest, uh, the ad hoc committee has worked hard. Council has looked it over. Legal has changed it just a little bit, the proposal, and I think that it would be better for a one vote, one proposal, uh, my thoughts only. To go back I — on the — I think it's really important that we define Grand Ronde blood as the soul and heart of why we're here today. There is an Elder here, was here, I wish she would talk, so she could tell us what their intentions were when we were reinstated and (unintelligible) because that is the basis of our (unintelligible). Now Betty Bly and Perri mentioned the fact that there's not any one particular Tribe. Grand Ronde was a reservation. There were people dumped in here from all over and (unintelligible). And restoration was for those people that were on the rolls and records of the Grand Ronde reservation. I have proposed a (unintelligible) and sometime we relate this time, Grand Ronde blood is defined as all Indian blood derived from a direct ancestor whose name validly appears on any official Tribal membership roll previous to the restoration of November, 1983. Thank you."

As you can see, in 2007 not only was Leroy advocating for the Tribal Council to conduct the election as a single vote, but he also wanted the definition of Grand Ronde blood to be based on any official Tribal membership role. In other words, he was advocating for the exact opposite of what he is asking Council and the General Membership to do now, as per his last two letters in the *Smoke Signals*. He has completely reversed his position.

This saddens me because he used to be a champion for those negatively impacted by the 1999 amendment. Now it appears he wants to undermine some of the solution due to personal differences. I hope I am wrong, because this issue is divisive enough. For the first time in a while, I feel like there is hope.

Whatever your issues Leroy, please help solve the problem instead of being a part of it.

**Angie Blackwell**  
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**Culture Camp set for Aug. 8-10**

A three-day Culture Camp for sixth through 12th graders will be held Monday through Wednesday, Aug. 8-10.

Participants will stay in the Tribal plankhouse overnight for all three days. K-5 youth are welcome to attend between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Activities will include singing and drumming, cedar weaving, stick games, team games and other events.

Space is limited, so youth need to RSVP to Brian Krehbiel by Friday, July 29.

For more information, contact Krehbiel at 503-879-4639 or brian.krehbiel@grandronde.org. ■

**Elders' garage sale seeking donations**

Tribal Elders are regularly seeking donations of items for their fund-raising garage sales. To donate an item or items, call Tribal Elder Linda Brandon at 971-267-0918. ■

**Tribal Council Candidate Forum****Wednesday, July 27 — 6 p.m.****Tribal gymnasium****Smoke Signals****PUBLICATIONS OFFICE**

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