

## Letters

Dear Grand Ronde Tribal members:

I am writing in regards to the only Tribal benefit that is distributed equally to every Tribal member regardless of location – per capita.

According to the information that I have available to me, 2011 is the first year, since we first began receiving per capita back in 1999, that the Tribal Council actually budgeted less than 25 percent of the total gaming revenue dividend for per capita distribution. In fact, the percentage budgeted for 2011 was about 19.85 percent. Now in this year's budget, the Tribal Council is allocating even less of the gaming revenue dividend to be distributed to all Tribal members in the form of per capita. The percentage for 2012 is projected to be about 18.9 percent.

I, along with several other Tribal members, believe our Tribal Council can do better for our Tribal membership than what they have allocated for per capita for the year 2012, without asking us to give up some other benefit.

There is a petition being circulated by several Tribal members that requests our Tribal Council to set the per capita percentage amount each year at a minimum of 25 percent of our total gaming revenue dividend, regardless of the amount that is received by the Tribal government from Spirit Mountain Casino (SMGI).

If you or your family members, who are enrolled Tribal members, 18 years of age or older, would like to obtain a copy of the petition to sign, or if you want to learn more about it, you can e-mail either Rosemary Jameson at rmarybayci@aol.com or myself at dmgood@charter.net.

Thank you for your consideration and assistance.

**Deborah Good**

Roll #1227

Dear *Smoke Signals*:

The family of Rose Lee Teem is grateful to the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde for all the help following her death.

Having to deal with all the business after Rose died was made so much easier with the assistance of Penny DeLoe. Her calm, soothing manner eased the turmoil we were going through. Penny is a real asset to the Tribe.

Mom's memorial was the send-off that befitted this wonderful woman. Thanks to CTGR for providing funds to defray the cost.

I wish no Tribal member ever has to go through the loss of a loved one, but it is comforting to know that CTGR is here to help.

Gratefully, the children of Rose Lee Team

**Derry Hall**

Roll #2701

**Gail Vladyka**

Roll #2704

**Kay Colman**

Roll #2700

**Darliss Sanderson**

Roll #2702

**Deanna Teem**

Roll #2703



*Smoke Signals* file photo

Children collect eggs during the 2011 Easter Egg Hunt at Tribal family housing in Grand Ronde last April. This year's event will be held on Saturday, April 7.

## Movie will be shown afterwards

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Following lunch, Family Movie Night (or afternoon in this case) will feature the Easter-themed movie "Hop" in the Tribal gym.

Dessert will be served and include a sundae bar with all the toppings.

Six Easter basket door prizes will be given away.

The movie is sponsored by the Tribe's Youth Prevention Program and Community Awareness Team.

For more information, call Youth Prevention Assistant Shannon Stanton at 503-879-1489 or Shannon.stanton@grandronde.org. ■

## Grand Ronde Health and Wellness Center institutes Broken Appointment Policy

In an effort to make medical services more efficient, the Grand Ronde Health and Wellness Center (H&WC) has approved and instituted a broken appointment policy for medically-related appointments at the H&WC. To qualify as a broken appointment a patient must either not show up for their appointment, show up more than 10 minutes late or give less than 24 hours notice of cancellation. When any of these events occur, the patient is notified in writing. After the third broken appointment in a six-month time frame, the patient will not be allowed to schedule routine appointments. However, they will be offered a "sit and wait appointment" — the chance to sit and wait for an opening with a provider. This probationary period will last for six (6) months. The H&WC has a process for reminding patients of appointments and strives to notify patients of appointments the day before.

The broken appointment policy is very important as broken or missed appointments create unused time in a provider's schedule, which is inefficient financially and leads to barriers to accessing care. Ultimately, a broken appointment policy exists to improve access to care for all patients and is critical to providing responsive, cost-effective health services. ■

## Tribal vendors sought for showcase

The Tribe is seeking Grand Ronde vendors for a Grand Ronde Showcase to be held during the EPA District 10 Tribal Leaders Summit between Monday, April 30, and Friday, May 4, at Spirit Mountain Casino.

Tables will be \$25 each and must be paid in advance on a limited first-come, first-served basis.

All items for sale must be Native Northwest made and must be Tribally themed arts and craft items.

Logo wear is not permitted.

Tables must be staffed from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, April 30; 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 1; 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 2; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, May 3; and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, May 4.

To obtain a vendor application, contact the Tribal switchboard at 503-879-5211, stop by the front desk to pick one up or e-mail Public Affairs Director Siobhan Taylor at Siobhan.taylor@grandronde.org. Application deadline is Monday, April 23. ■

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Presented by:  
Sylvan Archers and Spirit Mountain Archers

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Registration:		1day			2Day			3Day		
Friday	9am-3pm	Adults 18-up	\$25	\$45	\$55					
Saturday	7am-3pm	Family	\$45	\$55	\$65					
Sunday	7am-10am	Youth 13-up	\$15	\$25	\$35					

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Contact:  
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