

NonTribal spouse premium contribution increase

The Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon will be increasing the nonTribal member spouse's premium contribution from \$50 monthly to \$100 monthly. This change will become effective May 1, 2013.

Amendment: Because of insufficient time to notify the affected members in a timely manner, the change in premium for nonTribal spouses covered under the Skookum Health Program will begin May 1, 2013. The premium is billed out a month ahead of time so your new invoice will show the new premium amount beginning with your April billing. For those members using ACH, the automatic withdraw will begin in April as well. Health Plan staff apologizes for any inconvenience.

This change was approved by Tribal Council during the 2013 budget process.

The premium contribution increase from the current \$50 to \$100 monthly will be for all spouses on the Skookum Health Plan and any new enrollees to the Plan. The effective date will be 5/01/2013.

Thank you for your understanding of this change. The Tribe continues to be committed to providing care to its Tribal members and Elder spouses.

If you should have questions or concerns you may contact either of the staff members Barbara Steere at 1-800-749-2928 or 503-879-2487 or Jim Holmes at 503-879-2221. ■

101 and going strong



Photo by Ron Karten

Tribal Elder Pearl Lyon turned 101 on Wednesday, Feb. 20, and received a cake to celebrate the milestone from her fellow Elders at the Elders' Activity Center. Lyon was born Feb. 20, 1912, at Bay City Hospital in Tillamook. She is the Tribe's eldest Elder by three years over Opal Davidson, who was born April 19, 1915.

Request for Bid

Spirit Mountain Casino Emergency Access
Project

Spirit Mountain Gaming Inc.
Owner

Spirit Mountain Gaming, Inc. (SMGI) is requesting bids for the construction of an emergency access and security gate located at the west property line of Spirit Mountain Casino on Highway 18 in Grand Ronde, Oregon. Work includes site preparation and placement of base rock and concrete paving, storm drainage culvert installation, and construction of an access control gate.

Project Address
27100 SW Salmon River Hwy.
Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347

Interested persons wishing to be considered for the above work please send an electronic request for a bid packet labeled "Bid Packet Request for SMGI Casino Emergency Access" to: Jesse White, jesse.white@grandronde.org.

Separate sealed bids must be received at the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Tribal Governance Center located at 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347 before 4 p.m. Wednesday March 27, 2013. Bids must be received by the established deadline. Bids submitted by fax will not be accepted.

Additional information regarding this request may be obtained by submitting electronic written requests to Jesse White at jesse.white@grandronde.org, or by calling 503-879-2404. Questions and answers will be e-mailed to all bidders. ■

Society program offering scholarships for Native students

As part of its 10th annual national training program "Guiding Our Destiny with Heritage and Traditions" on June 3-7 in Spokane, Wash., the Society of American Indian Government Employees also will host its annual Native Youth Program and is offering a limited number of scholarships to attend. The Youth Program is designed to provide Native American students an opportunity to learn about careers within the federal government, to participate in professional and personal development and leadership training, and to network with Native American professionals.

The scholarships include conference fee, airfare, hotel accommodations and meals. The program is open to Native students 18 to 25 years old who can demonstrate they are enrolled in good standing at an accredited high school, college or university. Students must be interested in gaining a professional degree and in the possibility of pursuing a career with the federal government. Interested students must submit an application form, letter of reference, proof of school enrollment and completed emergency medical information form for consideration to attend. A short essay about their interest in governmental careers and information about themselves also is required. Completed application packets must be postmarked or electronic copies sent no later than April 1. To obtain a complete application, visit the Web site www.saige.org under Youth Program.

For more information, contact Youth Program Coordinator JoAnn Brant at 202-564-0375 or brant.joann@epa.gov. ■

Recycle Center moved

The Recycle Center has been moved to 9675 Grand Ronde Road. For more information, contact the Tribal Facilities Manager at 503-879-2407. ■

Transportation to Grand Ronde for Tribal members

The Portland Office has transportation day to Grand Ronde once a month for medical, dental appointments or enrollment cards. We need a minimum of 3 people to sign up. Please call Lisa



503-235-4230

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