

Cultural Trust Board seeking grant applications

Every year since 2009, the Grand Ronde Cultural Trust Board has received a grant from the state Cultural Trust.

Each year, the Tribe's average grant award has been about \$6,300.

The Tribe's Cultural Trust Board then awards smaller grants ranging from \$250 to \$1,000 for various cultural projects within our service area. Some of the cultural projects that have been funded by the Oregon Cultural Trust through the Grand Ronde Cultural Trust Board include:

- A Chinuk wawa language project;
- An ethnobotany project;
- Beading classes;
- Camas digging;
- Drum making;
- Harvesting tipi poles;
- Hide tanning workshops;
- Huckleberry picking;
- Moccasin-making classes;
- Participation in Canoe Journey;
- Cultural photo digitizing and cataloguing;
- Regalia making;
- Research for a book about Tribal member families;
- Sewing classes;
- And wood carving.

Grand Ronde Cultural Trust Board members are Perri McDaniel, chair; Betty Bly, vice chair; Stephanie Wood, secretary; and Kim Contreras and Claudia Leno.

The Grand Ronde Cultural Trust Board is accepting applications for the 2014 grant cycle now through Dec. 15.

People interested in applying for a grant for a cultural project can pick up an application at the front desk of the Tribal Governance Center or they can have an application mailed or e-mailed to them by contacting McDaniel at 971-237-7746. ■

Gift certificates purchased for holidays for employees

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- Authorized Land and Culture Department Manager Jan Looking Wolf Reibach to approve and execute Chachalu capital campaign grant applications and documentation necessary for the processing and receipt of such grants. Chachalu will be the Tribal museum and cultural center located in the former Willamina Middle School building off Grand Ronde Road
 - Disenrolled two people for violating the dual enrollment prohibition of the Tribal Constitution.
 - Authorized Finance Officer Julio Martinez to negotiate and finalize an agreement with McGladrey LLP for the 2013, 2014 and 2015 audits. Martinez said during the Nov. 5 Legislative Action Committee meeting that the new audit firm will be a significant decrease in cost for the Tribe from the previous audit firm.
 - Approved a memorandum of understanding with the Federal Bureau of Prisons that allows Grand Ronde Police Department employees to use the firing range at the bureau's facility in Sheridan.
 - Appointed Kristina Summers to the Tribal Fish & Wildlife Committee.
 - And approved applying for a \$1,951 Indian Health Service oral health grant that will pay for supplies for Early Head Start home visits.
- Also included in the Nov. 6 Tribal

Council packet were several authorizations to proceed that:

- Directed Natural Resources Department Manager Michael Wilson to pursue a partnership grant with the Corvallis-based Institute for Applied Ecology to develop plant production beds to increase the availability of culturally significant Native restoration plants and determine the feasibility of a plant materials program in Grand Ronde.
- Authorized the Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority to scale back a planned 28-unit apartment complex and recreation center on the Smith property north of Tye Road. The new plan calls for a 20-unit apartment complex without a recreation center. Future reductions in U.S. Housing and Urban Development funding were cited as the reason for the smaller project, which will be designed and constructed so that additional units could be built in the future on an as-needed basis.
- Appointed Tribal Council member Denise Harvey to serve on the Chemawa Station LLC board of directors.
- Authorized the purchase of 400 holiday turkey and ham gift certificates for Tribal employees and committee members. Any extra certificates will be donated to the Grand Ronde Food Bank.
- Authorized the change of Tribal Council meeting times to 4 p.m. in December, January, February and March to accommodate dark and inclement weather. ■

Bazaar browsing



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

Sarah Mattern of McMinnville looks at dreamcatchers at Tribal Elder Raymond Petite's booth at the Elders' Community Bazaar at Spirit Mountain Casino on Friday, Nov. 8. Another bazaar will be held at the casino on Friday, Dec. 13, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 14, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. There also will be a Community Bazaar held in the Tribal gym from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 15-16.

Recreation hosts Walking Club

The Tribal Recreation Department is hosting a Walking Club, a competitive and social activity to track steps and miles walked per day.

The club focuses on low-level impact exercise for beginners with the goal of transitioning Walking Club participants into other fitness activities that are offered by the Recreation Department.

Levels of participation vary from individual and team steps, as well as individual and team miles. Teams consist of three individuals.

The Recreation Department encourages people to sign-up since it will be an ongoing activity. Pedometers are available to new participants one week after they sign up. At the end of each month, prizes are awarded.

In addition, Weighted Wednesdays are a way for people setting appropriate weight goals to reach their goal by the end of the month. Participants are encouraged to stop by the Youth Education Building to track their weight and body mass index.

Each weight is taken privately with only a recreation assistant present and all information will be kept confidential. Like the Walking Club, prizes will be awarded each month to those with the most amount of fat percentage lost.

For more information or to sign up, contact Recreation Assistant Kendra Steele at 503-879-1921. ■

**Youth Education's Annual Fall
Community Service Project is here**

Socktoberfest

2013

**Accepting donations
through Nov. 22**

*This is a youth service project to assist the
Grand Ronde Community Clothes Closet*

**Bring your donations to the Youth Education
Building, (Mondays through Fridays 8 a.m.-5 p.m.)**

*We are in need of new socks for all seasons. For kids,
teens and adults, work socks, dress socks, all sizes, styles
and colors would be greatly appreciated.
Only new items, please.*

