

**NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Wednesday Meetings**  
 DATE TIME  
 Wednesday, Feb. 19.....4 p.m.  
*Please note that these times and dates are subject to change if needed.*

## Letters

**Dear Smoke Signals:**

Recently there has been news regarding our Tribal youth missing out on an education. The news states that the lack of education is often because the children are absent from schools.

Families for many reasons do not send their children to school. This certainly sends an alarm that our youth are lacking in the fundamental right to an education. Families are responsible for their children's education. Our children must be educated. It is the wisdom of the Tribal Elders to expect our Tribal youth be educated. They are the leaders of our future generations.

There are many factors affecting education and always have been, not only in Native communities, but also in the system worldwide. Some factors are environment, pollution, economic status, bullying situations, new technology and inadequate facilities. Despite the negative factors, there are those who enjoy a basic education because they went to school and learned many lessons.

I believe education is a lifelong necessity and the beginning lessons are learned at home and in the schools. The challenge is to overcome the negative reasons for not getting an education.

**CLAUDETTE PARAZOO**  
 Roll #2923

### Tribal Office Closures

Tribal offices will be closed on Monday, Feb. 17, in observance of Tribal Chief's Day.

### Portland office slates St. Patrick's Day potluck

The Tribe's Portland area office, 4445 S.W. Barbur Blvd., will hold a St. Patrick's Day potluck from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, March 17.

For more information, contact Portland Satellite Office Tribal Services Representative Lisa Archuleta at 503-879-1881 or at [lisa.archuleta@grandronde.org](mailto:lisa.archuleta@grandronde.org). ■

### Family Movie Night showing 'Thor'

Family Movie Night, sponsored by the Youth Prevention Department, will be showing "Thor: The Dark World" at 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28, in the Tribal gym.

There will be water, snacks and a build your own parfait bar.

For more information, contact Shannon Stanton at 503-879-1489, Tina Lara at 503-879-2040 or Amber Mercier at 503-879-2162.

This is a non-smoking event. ■



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## General Council meeting

Sunday, March 2 — 11 a.m.  
 Tribal Community Center

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