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## ATTENTION

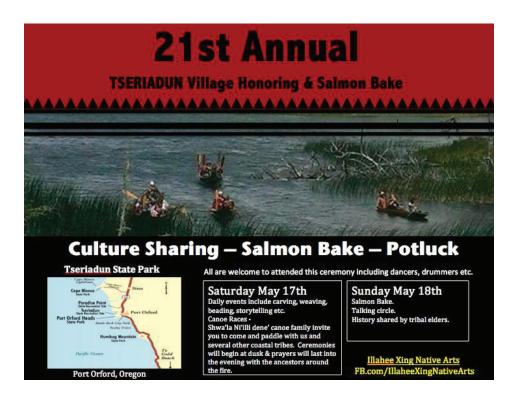
If you are currently receiving or are in need of SNAP benefits, Social Services provides an Oregon Department of Human Services caseworker who comes to Grand Ronde twice monthly on Wednesdays.

The caseworker may assist with applications, updates, child care etc

If you are in need of services, call 503-879-2034 to schedule an appointment or you can reach Michelle Carmona at 503-879-4523

# Help wanted

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde's 477 Employment and Training Program and Land and Culture Department have resources that can be utilized along with community members who have a passion for gardening or want to learn the art of agriculture. If you are a Grand Ronde Tribal or community member and want to be a part of the planning, preparation and cultivation of the Tribal garden and orchard site for this year's planting season, contact Barbara Gibbons at 800-242-8196, ext. 2135, or e-mail barbara.gibbons@grandronde.org.



#### Adult Foster Program



The Tribe's Adult Foster Care lodges are committed to offering quality care to our Elders and helping them remain as independent as possible, while providing the personalized assistance they need. At our lodges, a wide range of services is available in a comfortable setting where privacy is respected and maximum independence is supported. For information, contact the Adult Foster Program Director at 503-879-1694. ■

### Child's work



Photos by Michelle Alaimo

Thursday, April 24, was Take Your Child to Work Day and 13 children of Tribal employees joined their parents at work for the day. The children took part in activities such as a tour of Chachalu, the Tribal museum and cultural center, a relay race and dodgeball game in the Tribal gymnasium, and cedar bundle making. Above, Kylie Jones helps her son Conner Sabey, 9, make a cedar bundle at the Tribal Community Center. Jones is the Tribe's Engineering & Public Works Department administrative assistant. Below, Daysia Simmons Duran jumps a hurdle during a relay race in the Tribal gymnasium. Simmons Duran accompanied her grandmother Kalene Contreras, Tribal 477/Vocational Rehabilitation Programs administrative assistant, for the day.



# ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS WITH CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES

As most of you are aware, Contract Health Services (CHS) is a federally funded program and a payor of last resort. With all of the health care changes recently, we would like to take a minute to remind you that ANY alternate resource you have needs to be utilized correctly. That means in order for CHS to cover a "patient responsibility," you must use providers who are in-network with whatever health care coverage you have primary, including the Tribal Health Assistance Program, Skookum. If you choose not to use providers who are in-network or receive services that are not covered, you will be responsible for any patient balance. Services include: Medical, Dental and Behavioral Health. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you, but to keep serving our Tribal community, we must exhaust all other resources available to our membership.

CHS also wants to remind you that there are some services that are not covered by CHS, but are covered by Skookum. If you choose to receive these services, you will be responsible for paying the co-payments. They are as follows: Chiropractic care, Naturopathic care, Massage and Acupuncture, as well as outpatient drug & alcohol treatment. This does not mean that you cannot use those services; it simply means that CHS will not be responsible for any patient balances. You can still keep those appointments; you just need to pay whatever your co-pay is. We understand that this can all be a little confusing, so please feel free to give us a call if you have ANY questions and we'll be happy to help.

- Tauni McCammon, 503-879-1406
- Erica Mercier, 503-879-2080
- Melody Baker, 503-879-2011
- Tresa (Teri) Mercier, 503-879-2008