Smoke Signals **JUNE 1, 2014**

Interior schedules meetings on federal acknowledgement regulations

The U.S Department of the Interior will hold a public meeting and a consultation meeting with Tribes on proposed new federal acknowledgement regulations on Tuesday, July 15, in Portland.

The public meeting will be held at the Bureau of Indian Affairs Regional Office, 911 N.E. 11th Ave., from 8:30 a.m. to noon. The Tribal consultation meeting will be held in the same location from 1 to 4:30 p.m.

The proposed regulations would reform the 35-year-old process by which the Department of the Interior officially recognizes Tribes.

The proposed rule, frequently asked questions and other information are online at www.bia.gov/WhoWeAre/AS-IA/ORM/83revise/index.htm.

Comments on the proposed rule are due by Aug. 1 to consultation@bia. gov.

Community resources

The Clothing Closet on the Tribal campus.

- 10 a.m. to noon Monday.
- 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday.

Grand Ronde Food Bank, 9600 Hebo Road, Grand Ronde.

- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, June 6.
- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, June 20.
- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, June 27.
- Contact: 541-921-2881. ■

Official Tribal Facebook pages

• Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde:

www.facebook.com/CTGRgov

• Grand Ronde Tribal Council:

www.facebook.com/The Confederated Tribes Of Grand Ronde Tribal Council

• Grand Ronde Higher Education:

www.facebook.com/grand.r.ed

• Grand Ronde Youth Education:

www.facebook.com/CTGRYouthEducation

• Spirit Mountain Community Fund: www.facebook.com/SpiritMountainCommunityFund

• Grand Ronde Station:

www.facebook.com/GrandRondeStation

• Grand Ronde Royalty:

www.facebook.com/The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Royalty

• Spirit Mountain Stampede:

www.facebook.com/SpiritMountainStampede

• Veterans Special Event Board:

www.facebook.com/pages/Veterans-Board-of-the-Confederated-Tribes-ofthe-Grand-Ronde-Community

Committee & Special Event Board meeting days and times

Below is the most current information on the meeting days and times for Tribal Committees and Special Event Boards:

- Ceremonial Hunt Board meets as needed. Chair: Marline Groshong.
- Cultural Trust Board meets at 4 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Elders' Activity Center. Chair: Perri McDaniel.
- Culture Committee meets at 1 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month at the Chachalu Tribal Museum & Cultural Center. Chair: Betty Bly.
- Education Committee meets at 5:15 p.m. on the first Monday of the month in the Adult Education Building. Chair: Tammy Cook.
- Elders' Committee meets at 1 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month in the Elders' Activity Center. Chair: Gladys Hobbs. • Enrollment Committee meets quarterly in Room 204 of the Governance
- Building. Chair: Robert Schmid.
- Fish & Wildlife Committee meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Chair: Harold
- Health Committee meets at 10 a.m. the second Wednesday of the month in the Health & Wellness Center. Chair: Patti Tom-Martin.
- Powwow Special Event Board meets TBA at the Community Center. Chair: Dana Ainam.
- Rodeo Special Event Board meets at 6 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at the Rodeo Office. Chair: Harold Lyon. • Social Services Committee meets at 4 p.m. the second Monday of the
- month in the Social Services conference room. Chair: Jenny Sanchez. Timber Committee meets at 5 p.m. the second Thursday of the month
- at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Chair: Bob Mercier. • Veterans Special Event Board meets at 5 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month in the Community Center. Chair: Steve Bobb Sr.

To update information on this list, contact Publications Coordinator Dean Rhodes at 503-879-1463 or dean.rhodes@grandronde.org.

Award-winning casino



Spirit Mountain Casino was the gold medal winner for "Best Casino" of the 2014 Best of the Mid-Valley People's Choice awards. Casino General Manager Randy Dugger, front, displays the winning certificate joined by, from second back, Marketing Director Toby O'Brien, Advertising Manager Angela Labarbera, Marketing Manager Mychal Cherry, eMarketing Manager Chris Cherry, Advertising Supervisor Angela Sears and Events & Entertainment Manager Cathy Wright. The casino also received a bronze medal for "Best Brunch" for the Cedar Plank Buffet. Categories were voted on by Salem Statesman Journal readers.

Three infants enrolled in Tribe

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Council election.

In other action on May 14, Tribal Council:

- Re-appointed Jerri Schmidt to the Grand Ronde Gaming Commission for a three-year term;
- Approved a grant application to the Oregon Youth Conservation Corps for partial funding of the Natural Resources Department's summer youth crew. The grant
- will not exceed \$10,000;
- Approved a restoration and longterm management plan for the Alder Creek Project near Sauvie Island in the Willamette River. The plan, proposed by Wildlands Inc., is part of the Portland Harbor cleanup;
- Requested that the Department of the Interior take the McCarthy and Risseeuw 2 properties into trust for the benefit of the Tribe;
- Approved the enrollment of three infants into the Tribe. ■

Tribal Council sets June 13 as next per capita date

Tribal Council designated Friday, June 13, as the next per capita payment date during a brief special meeting held on Wednesday, May 21.

Tribal Council also named Controller Linda Hanna as interim Finance Officer to fill in for Julio Martinez, who resigned effective May 16.

Tribal Council also removed Martinez and former General Manager Mark Johnston, who resigned effective May 23, as

signers on Tribal investment and bank accounts during the

Assistant General Manager Chris Leno has been named interim general manager until a replacement is hired for Johnston.

Tribal Council member Jon A. George and Land & Culture Department employees Bobby Mercier, Brian Krehbiel, Jan Looking Wolf Reibach and Mike Karnosh performed the cultural singing and drumming to open the meeting.

ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS

COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL EVENT BOARD VACANCIES

The following Committees and Special Event Boards have vacant positions.

Social Services Committee Timber Committee Cultural Trust Board Powwow SEB

1 Vacancy

1 Vacancy

4 Vacancies 2 Vacancies

Please send completed applications to Stacia Martin, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347.