

# 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. ■

## Honoring Our Rivers seeks submissions

Honoring Our Rivers is seeking art and writing submissions from Oregon students for its 2015 Honoring Our Rivers anthology.

Honoring Our Rivers is a statewide anthology focused on rivers and watersheds. For the past 14 years, the anthology has featured original paintings, drawings, photographs, poems and essays created by Oregon students from kindergarten through college. More than 4,000 anthologies are distributed free to schools and libraries across the state.

Submissions are being accepted with a deadline of Jan. 31, 2015.

Visit [www.honoringourrivers.org](http://www.honoringourrivers.org) for complete guidelines, a submission form, teaching aids and more information.

Submissions should be sent to Honoring Our Rivers, c/o Willamette Partnership, 4640 S.W. Macadam, Suite 50, Portland, OR 97239. ■

## Official Tribal Facebook pages

- **Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde:**  
[www.facebook.com/CTGRgov](http://www.facebook.com/CTGRgov)
- **Grand Ronde Tribal Council:**  
[www.facebook.com/TheConfederatedTribesOfGrandRondeTribalCouncil](http://www.facebook.com/TheConfederatedTribesOfGrandRondeTribalCouncil)
- **Grand Ronde Higher Education:**  
[www.facebook.com/grand.r.ed](http://www.facebook.com/grand.r.ed)
- **Grand Ronde Youth Education:**  
[www.facebook.com/CTGRYouthEducation](http://www.facebook.com/CTGRYouthEducation)
- **Spirit Mountain Community Fund:**  
[www.facebook.com/SpiritMountainCommunityFund](http://www.facebook.com/SpiritMountainCommunityFund)
- **Grand Ronde Station:**  
[www.facebook.com/GrandRondeStation](http://www.facebook.com/GrandRondeStation)
- **Grand Ronde Royalty:**  
[www.facebook.com/TheConfederatedTribesofGrandRondeRoyalty](http://www.facebook.com/TheConfederatedTribesofGrandRondeRoyalty)
- **Spirit Mountain Stampede:**  
[www.facebook.com/SpiritMountainStampede](http://www.facebook.com/SpiritMountainStampede)
- **Veterans Special Event Board:**  
[www.facebook.com/pages/Veterans-Board-of-the-Confederated-Tribes-of-the-Grand-Ronde-Community](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Veterans-Board-of-the-Confederated-Tribes-of-the-Grand-Ronde-Community)
- **Community Garden:** [www.facebook.com/GrandRondeCommunityGarden](http://www.facebook.com/GrandRondeCommunityGarden)

## 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 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 Lyon.
- **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](mailto:dean.rhodes@grandronde.org).



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

**Culture Committee members are, front row from second from left, Tribal Elders Linda Brandon, Betty Bly, Margaret Provost and Faye Smith and Sarah Ross, and, back row from left, Marcus Gibbons and Kevin Simmons. Committee members will be hosting this year's Restoration Powwow on Nov. 22. Also pictured are Reina Nelson, front row left, Land and Culture Department administrative assistant, and Jan Looking Wolf Reibach, back row right, Land and Culture Department manager, who are Tribal staff who support the committee, and Tribal Council member Jon A. George, back row second from right, the committee's Tribal Council liaison.**

## Culture Committee invites all to powwow; seeks Potlatch donations

The Tribe's Culture Committee will be hosting this year's Restoration Powwow on Saturday, Nov. 22.

The powwow will begin with a Grand Entry shortly after the traditional Restoration dinner celebration has ended about 2 p.m.

"We need to remember how we did it before Restoration," says Culture Committee member and Elder Margaret Provost. "We never used to have these big powwows. It would be a gathering where people would come together and some people would drum and dance, and we would have a dinner and then there would be a giveaway."

It is that tradition that the 2014 Restoration Powwow will honor. Community and family are the focus, with opportunities to honor the Elders and loved ones who have played important roles in the Restoration of the Grand Ronde Tribe. There also will be a Potlatch (giveaway) sponsored by the Culture Committee.

"The Culture Committee wants to honor everyone with a giveaway and I believe we should all come together and just be together in a good way to share this time," committee member and Elder Linda Brandon says. "Restoration is a time of sharing and feeling good. My grandma, Nora Kimsey, has always been my inspiration and she loved her community and her Tribal family and showed her love in different ways like this."

"We encourage families to step forward to be a part of this. We want everyone to be involved," says Sarah Ross, Culture Committee secretary.

This year, families are being invited to sponsor a dance special or donate to the Potlatch as part of the celebration.

"There never used to be big competition powwows. Families would

sponsor the specials and giveaways. Back then not many people danced like they do now, and they would have to be encouraged to dance," says Provost, who also described the traditional practice of Potlatch. "The giveaway was a big deal. People might bake pies or make jelly. Some people might make things like jewelry. Everything was taken care of by the families, and then it was all given away."

The Culture Committee encourages the community to get involved and make items to be included in the Potlatch.

"It is traditional that people used to donate to the Potlatch without recognition," said Culture Committee Chair Betty Bly.

"I was taught that there were times when people would be gathering items for giveaway, and in the old days the chiefs had Potlatch to show how rich they were by giving away all that they owned," says Culture Committee co-chair Marcus Gibbons.

"We want to let the people of Grand Ronde know that we are here for them no matter what. If you come for the medicine and to learn the traditions, then we are here to support you and everyone in the Tribe."

The 2014 Restoration Powwow is meant to commemorate the Tribe's 31st Restoration and honor the community and the important role each Tribal member fills.

Families interested in sponsoring a dance special or donating to the Potlatch can contact Bly at 503-879-6336.

Tribal members planning on attending the Restoration events are encouraged to RSVP to Public Affairs at 503-879-1418 or [publicinfo@grandronde.org](mailto:publicinfo@grandronde.org).

Drums interesting in performing at the powwow also should contact Public Affairs. Guest drums will be capped at seven. ■