

Royalty holding fundraiser

The Grand Ronde Royalty Court will hold an Indian taco fundraiser from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5, at the Community Center. Tacos, with vegetarian options available, will be \$6 and fry bread will cost \$3.

There will be free delivery to Tribal offices.

Please e-mail orders to molly.leno@yahoo.com before 5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4. ■

Tribal Nations Conference set

The 2014 White House Tribal Nations Conference will be held Wednesday, Dec. 3, at the Capital Hilton in Washington, D.C.

The conference will provide leaders of the 566 federally recognized Tribes the opportunity to interact directly with President Barack Obama and members of the White House Council on Native American Affairs.

Each federally recognized Tribe has been invited to send one representative to the conference. Tribal Council member Cheryle A. Kennedy has represented the Grand Ronde Tribe at previous conferences and this year Tribal Council member Chris Mercier is attending.

This will be the sixth White House Tribal Nations Conference for the Obama administration. It continues to build upon the president's commitment to strengthen the government-to-government relationship with Indian Country and improve the lives of Native Americans. ■

Official Tribal Facebook pages

- **Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde:**
www.facebook.com/CTGRgov
- **Grand Ronde Tribal Council:**
www.facebook.com/TheConfederatedTribesOfGrandRondeTribalCouncil
- **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/TheConfederatedTribesofGrandRondeRoyalty
- **Spirit Mountain Stampede:**
www.facebook.com/SpiritMountainStampede
- **Veterans Special Event Board:**
www.facebook.com/pages/Veterans-Board-of-the-Confederated-Tribes-of-the-Grand-Ronde-Community
- **Community Garden:** www.facebook.com/GrandRondeCommunityGarden



Tribal Council appoints judges

By Dean Rhodes

Smoke Signals editor

Tribal Council appointed three judges to the Tribal Court of Appeals and extended the contract of the Tribe's interim chief judge during its Wednesday, Nov. 19, meeting.

Robert Miller, Douglas Nash and Patricia Paul were appointed to serve two-year terms on the Tribal Court of Appeals with their terms ending on Nov. 30, 2016.

In addition, interim Chief Judge David Shaw's appointment was extended until Jan. 31, 2015. Shaw was hired as interim chief judge in late May for a term not to exceed six months.

In other action, Tribal Council:

- Set the agenda for the 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, General Council meeting. The program report will be about the Grand Ronde Tribal Housing Authority and the new food pantry. The Education Committee also will give a report and

Elders Committee nominations will be accepted.

- Approved agreements with MicroGREEN Polymers Inc. related to investment in the 8 percent unsecured convertible note due in 2015;
- Approved the enrollment of five infants and one minor into the Tribe.

Also included in the Nov. 19 Tribal Council packet was an authorization to proceed for Grand Ronde to host an all Tribes meeting in early 2015 with a budget not to exceed \$5,000.

Tribal Council member Jon A. George and Reina Nelson, Jordan Mercier, Travis Stewart and Eirik Thorsgard performed the cultural drumming and singing to open the meeting. Former Tribal Council member Steve Bobb Sr. delivered the invocation.

The meeting in its entirety can be viewed at the Tribal website, www.grandronde.org, under the Video tab. ■

Smoke Signals to be limited to a copy per household

Starting on Jan. 1, *Smoke Signals*' distribution will be limited to one newspaper per household as instructed by a Tribal Council authorization to proceed approved on Nov. 5.

Duplicate copies of *Smoke Signals* will no longer be mailed to the same Tribal household address unless Publications is notified of the need for more than one copy to go to an individual address by Monday, Dec. 15.

The decision is a cost-saving move for the Tribe. The cost to mail out Tribal publications is the second largest expenditure within the Publications Department, according to Publications Coordinator Dean Rhodes.

"*Smoke Signals* will continue to be distributed in the Sheridan, Willamina and Grand Ronde area at newsstands for those who would like to pick up extra copies," Rhodes said. ■

Committee & Special Event Board meeting days and times

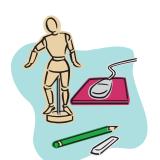
Below is the most current information on the meeting days and times for Tribal Committees and Special Event Boards:

- **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 3 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month in the Social Services conference room. Chair: Alan Ham.
- **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.



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- ❖ Request Appointments
- ❖ Access Your Health Record
- ❖ And... Much More!

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