

Save Our Skookum team

'We look forward to working with you'



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

From left, Sydney Clark, Certified Applications assister, Tauni McCammon, Contract Health specialist, Erica Mercier, Contract Health specialist, Barbara Steere, Health Benefits specialist, Tresa Mercier, Health & Wellness Business Office manager, Loretta Meneley, Certified Application assister, and Melody Baker, Senior Contract Health specialist, are the Tribe's Save Our Skookum team.



Overcoming obstacles to dental care

The Save Our Skookum team hopes to make accessing dental care easier for Grand Ronde members. Started in January, the Skookum Health Assistance Program changed the way payment for dental care is made. Dental services will no longer be paid at a percentage of the fee charged to the program. Dental treatment will be paid at the approved, charged amount, up to the amount available by the Skookum Health Assistance Program. Hopefully, this new way of paying for dental services will increase Tribal members' participation in receiving dental treatment.

As always, any primary dental coverage you may have needs to be used first. To avoid denials of payment by Skookum, make sure you use in-network providers for any primary dental coverage you may have.

We know this may sound confusing and ask that if you have any questions, call one of the SOS team members and we will be happy to explain it further.

The following services are not covered by Skookum or are covered under medical, as stated:

- Cosmetic procedures;
- Personal care items;
- Splints;
- TMJ periodontal splinting;
- Gold dental treatment;
- Culture and biopsy covered under medical.

*Hospital Services – These services may be covered under the medical provisions of the health plan with proper documentation of medical necessity; hospital outpatient services, including anesthesia for pediatric dental.

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Any member of the SOS team also can be reached at 1-800-775-0095.

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY



Native and Indigenous Student Union

13th Annual Social Pow wow

Saturday March 14, 2015
Grand Entry 4pm
Men's Chicken Dance Contest

Call 503.370.6265 for information

Potlatch Fund seeks more Oregon applicants

The Potlatch Fund has grant-making programs for Language Preservation and Education, Native Student Success, Community Building and Native Arts.

“One great thing about the Native Arts grants program is that while most grants are only given to nonprofit organizations with a 501c(3), with this program they make grants directly to individual artists,” said Perri McDaniel, who serves on the grant review committee.

“I know, despite the fact that the Potlatch Fund would like to distribute their grant funds across all Tribes in their service area, Oregon, Washington and Idaho, they get very few applications from Oregon. I encourage Grand Ronde Tribal member artisans to apply.”

For more information, visit www.potlatchfund.org/grants/index.html on the Internet. ■

Elders’ phone numbers wanted

The Tribal Elders Committee is compiling a volunteer phone list of Elders. If you would like to submit your phone number and address to be available to other Elders, send it to elders.committee@grandronde.org or leave a message at 503-879-2231. ■



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TRIBAL MUSEUM & CULTURAL CENTER

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM

MARCH 19th - MARCH 20th

Join Land & Culture and Youth Education for our first “Night at the Museum”!

Event is for youth in Grades 6 – 12 and will include food, games, activities and a movie.

Registration: In order to attend, you must register with Youth Education prior to the event. Attendance is limited to the first 20 registrants, so make sure to sign up early!

What to bring:

- 1 – Parent or guardian to sign you into the event.
- 2 – Sleeping bag & pillow
- 3 – Toiletries
- 4 – Optional – Camera

Please leave all other electronic devices at home.

Drop-off: 5:30 pm March 19th
Pick-up: 9:00 am March 20th



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