

Food Bank provides boxes, seeks help

If you receive SNAP, TANF, SSI or LIHEAP assistance, you automatically qualify for assistance at the Grand Ronde Food Bank, 9675 Grand Ronde Road.

Upcoming food box distributions are scheduled for 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, and 2 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23.

No one will be turned away in need of a food box.

Those who are unable to pick up a food box may fill out an authorized representative form and that person can pick up a food box on your behalf. The authorization is good for one year.

The Grand Ronde Food Bank – *iskam məkʰmək haws* – is run by Marion-Polk Food Share, which has been leading the fight to end hunger since 1987 because no one should be hungry.

“It takes a community to fight local hunger,” says Food Bank Coordinator Francene Ambrose. “Your gift of time and talent means so much to individuals, families and children who are struggling. We are looking for assistance in repacking food, putting food on the shelves, handing out food boxes on distribution days and end-of-the-month inventory. Groups are welcome and other opportunities are available.”

Call on non-distribution days to ensure someone is available to assist you. You also can sign up for a monthly e-mail for the Food Bank calendar and events, as well as follow the Food Bank on Facebook.

Contact Ambrose at 503-879-3663 or at fambrose@marionpolk-foodshare.org for more information or to volunteer. ■

Tribal Council announces management realignment

By Dean Rhodes

Smoke Signals editor

Tribal Council announced changes within the Tribal General Manager’s Office, as well as departmental reporting structure, in an Aug. 31 e-mail sent to all Tribal employees.

Social Services Department Manager David Fullerton was named interim general manager and Dawn Doar, who was serving as general manager since April 6, was named assistant general manager.

Bryan Langley, who was serving as interim assistant general manager, returned to his position as Higher Education manager in the Education Department.

Filling Fullerton’s role at Social Services will be Dana Ainam, who will be interim manager of that department.

Tribal Council announced that the general manager position will be advertised and candidate screenings will follow. Tribal Council held a job description review for the general manager’s position on Tuesday, Sept. 8.

In addition, it was announced that Tribal Council Chief of Staff Stacia Martin will supervise Tribal Council administration, committees and special event boards, Member Services, Public Affairs/Publications, Housing, the Tribal Historic Preservation Office, the Culture Department and the Tribal Cemetery.

All other Tribal departments will report to the General Manager’s Office.

“It is our belief that these changes will not only help improve communication between executive staff, Tribal departments and the Tribal Council, but that they will provide a more natural fit in terms of work flow and overall efficiency of operations,” Tribal Council Chairman Reyn Leno said in the e-mail. ■

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/CTGRRoyalty
- **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
- **Grand Ronde Food Bank:** www.facebook.com/GrandRondeFoodBank



Name changes in Tribal Court

Tribal Court provides both minor and adult name changes to enrolled members for a filing fee of only \$30. If you have any questions or would like to request a packet, please contact Devin Larsen at 503-879-2303 or devin.larsen@grandronde.org. ■

WIC to visit Community Health

Pregnant? Breastfeeding? Does your family include a child under the age of 5? If so, you may qualify for the Women, Infants and Children program. With WIC, people can receive answers to nutritional questions and access fruits and vegetables, whole grains, eggs, milk, cheese, juice, cereal and more.

A WIC representative visits the Health & Wellness Center on the first and third Tuesday of the month. Walk-ins are welcome between 8:45 and 11 a.m. When WIC clients arrive at the Health & Wellness Center, they should enter through the Wellness Department located at the back of the medical wing.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 503-623-8175, ext. 2297.

WIC clinics are scheduled for Oct. 6 and 20; Nov. 3 and 17; and Dec. 1 and 15. ■

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 as needed at Chachalu Museum & Cultural Center. Chair: Perri McDaniel.
- **Culture Committee** meets at 1 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month at 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 10 a.m. the third Wednesday of the month in the Elders Activity Center. Chair: Julie Duncan.
- **Enrollment Committee** meets quarterly in Room 204 of the Governance Center. 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.
- **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.

ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS

COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL EVENT BOARD VACANCIES

The following Committees and Special Event Boards have vacant positions.

<u>Powwow SEB</u>	1 Vacancy
<u>Education Committee</u>	1 Vacancy
<u>Election Board</u>	1 Vacancy for an alternate
	1 Vacancy
<u>Timber Committee</u>	1 Vacancy

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

Clothes Closet open Monday, Friday

The Clothes Closet is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday and Friday on the Tribal campus near the Elders Activity Center at the end of Blacktail Drive.

It accepts clothes, small appliances, small pieces of furniture, electronics and household goods that are clean and in good condition. It does not accept books, large TVs or large furniture, but there is a community board where people can post those items.

Donations are accepted during regular business hours.

For more information or emergency clothes, contact Lori Walker-Hernandez at 559-847-7565 or Daniele Powley at 971-241-6170. ■