# Turkey bowl(ing)



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

Mark Scheelar, Tribal Senior Telecommunications Technician, throws his way to second place in the men's division during the 12th annual Turkey Bowling event held in front of the Governance Center on Thursday, Nov. 19. Thirty-one employees participated in the event that is organized annually by the Human Resources Department. Winners this year, for the women, were Amanda McMahon, a Tribal Health Information Technician, first; Jodi Bergen, a Tribal Certified Medical Assistant, second; and Tina Leno, a Tribal Medical secretary, third. For the men, in addition to Scheelar, Chad King, a Tribal groundskeeper, took first and Greg Patton, Tribal Network Administrator, finished third.



NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

### **Groups form Helping Hands**

The Clothes Closet, iskam mək<sup>h</sup>mək haws and A Cause For Paws have started an ad hoc group called Grand Ronde Helping Hands and is inviting community members to join the effort of supporting local families.

"The goal is to bring those of us together who are supporting families in Grand Ronde to share the services and resources we provide and create a resource guide we can all use," said Food Bank Coordinator Francene Ambrose.

The next meeting will be held at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8, at The Clothes Closet at the end of Blacktail Drive near the Elders Activity Center.

"If you provide any type of services to families in our community, please consider attending," Ambrose said. "We are looking for meal site calendars, food box sites, clothes closets, showers and laundry service. We are asking churches, church groups, departments and support groups to share with us. We are also collecting items for homeless families in our area, items for camping, bed in a bag, reusable water jugs, silverware, plates, etc."

In addition, a Helping Hands Collection Day is scheduled for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, seeking donations of new, unwrapped toys, warm coats, hats, gloves, socks and pet items.

If you are interested in joining the effort, contact Ambrose at 503-879-3663 or at fambrose@marionpolkfoodshare.org. ■

## **Bike helmets available**

The Tribe's Social Services Department has bicycle helmets available for distribution. Those needing a helmet need to visit the department and sign a helmet application, as well as get fitted. For more information, contact Social Services at 503-879-2034. ■



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#### Dear Friend of the Grand Ronde Tribe:

The greatest gifts we can bestow on another are our time, our talents, and our love.

This truth which is universal to all people and all cultures is on display daily at *Chachalu*, The Grand Ronde Tribal Museum and Cultural Center. Since opening our doors in June of last year, *Chachalu* has welcomed more than 3,800 visitors who have come to learn about and celebrate the cultural traditions and rich history of the bands and tribes that make up the Confederation of Grand Ronde. Our passionate volunteers, including many Tribal elders, have donated their time to develop exhibits, provide tours, and simply tell our story. Thousands of Tribal artifacts, documents, and oral histories are being cared for and preserved for the generations to come. And more than 2,600 people have already participated in a hands-on learning experience at *Chachalu*. Every day, people are donating their time, sharing their talents, and demonstrating their to for the cultural traditions of their ancestors. But this is just the beginning...

As we move into 2016, we will be continuing the development of *Chachalu* by completing the carving area, enhancing the cultural classrooms, and expanding the exhibit space. This work is primarily being supported through donations from Tribal members, our neighbors, as well as many private businesses and foundations. To-date, more than \$\$19,000 has already been raised to complete the next phase of improvements at *Chachalu*. However, we are still working to meet our year-end goal.

During this holiday season, we are asking you to consider honoring a loved one or friend by making a gift in their name to *Chachalu*. Through your donation, we will be able to complete the Phase II improvements of the Exhibit Hall at *Chachalu*. This will provide a larger space for us to create more exhibits, engage more people, and expand our capacity to share the story of the talents, traditions, and resiliency of those who came before us. Donations of \$100 or more submitted by December 15, 2015 will be celebrated by providing a commemorative holiday card acknowledging the donation and announcing that the honoree's name will be on display at *Chachalu*.

Please consider making a donation to *Chachalu* today by completing and returning the donor card included in this mailing. Remember, to include your honoree's name at *Chachalu* and receive your commemorative card in time for Christmas, donations must be received at Chachalu by December 15, 2015.

May 2016 bring you and your family an abundance of time, talent, and love

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Thursday, Dec. 10 - 10 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11 - 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

#### If picking up for others, a signed release form will be required!

No early or late pickup Fish will NOT be mailed If you have any questions please call the Natural Resources Department 503-879-2424.

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