

## 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.

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.

Upcoming food box distribution dates will be 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, March 18, and 2 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 23.

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.

“We believe that everyone deserves to have enough to eat,” says Food Bank Coordinator Francene Ambrose. “You are welcome to get a food box at each of our regular weekly distributions. No one will be turned away in need of a food box.”

The Food Bank continues to seek volunteers to help with repacking food, putting food on the shelves, handing out food boxes and end-of-the-month inventory. All volunteers must attend annual mandatory training once a year. The next training will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, and cover food handling, non-discrimination and warehouse safety.

Volunteers also will start to work on beautifying the Food Bank with edible landscaping. People are welcome to join in the effort on Thursday and Friday, March 24-25, as they begin to build spaces where food can grow. The Food Bank is seeking donations of edible plants, herbs, fruit trees and bushes, and funds for soil and materials.

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.

The Food Bank is an equal opportunity provider.

Contact Ambrose at 503-879-3663 or at [fambrose@marionpolk-foodshare.org](mailto:fambrose@marionpolk-foodshare.org) for more information or to volunteer. ■

## Legion Post says thanks



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

**American Legion Riders Post 21 Director Gale Sears, left, shakes hands with Tribal Council member Jon A. George as he gives Tribal Council members coins on behalf of the Riders while meeting with Tribal Council on Thursday, March 3. The Riders also presented Tribal Council with a certificate of appreciation for the Tribe’s support of the Legion’s programs and activities. Post 21 is located in McMinnville.**

## 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 503-917-8732. ■

## 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 Hunting Board** meets as needed. Chair: Marline Groshong.
- **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 5:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday 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: Michael Mercier.
- **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.
- **Housing Board** meets at 3 p.m. the third Thursday of the month in the Housing Department conference room. Chair: Matt Thomas.
- **Powwow Special Event Board** meets monthly at noon at the Community Center. Dates vary. Contact Dana Ainam at 503-879-2037 or Kalene Contreras at 503-879-2165. Next meeting is March 16. Chair: Dana Ainam.
- **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).

## 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/CTGRRoyalty](http://www.facebook.com/CTGRRoyalty)
- **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)
- **Grand Ronde Food Bank:** [www.facebook.com/GrandRondeFoodBank](http://www.facebook.com/GrandRondeFoodBank)



## ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS

### COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL EVENT BOARD VACANCIES

The following Committees and Special Event Boards have vacant positions.

<b>Ceremonial Hunting Board</b>	1 Vacancy
<b>Election Board</b>	1 Vacancy, 2 alternate vacancies
<b>Culture Committee</b>	1 Vacancy
<b>Health Committee</b>	1 Vacancy
<b>Powwow SEB</b>	1 Vacancy

The following committees and SEB's have terms expiring on March 31.

<b>Ceremonial Hunting Board</b>	4 terms
<b>Education Committee</b>	2 terms
<b>Election Board</b>	1 term
<b>Enrollment Board</b>	3 terms
<b>Health Committee</b>	3 terms
<b>Powwow SEB</b>	2 terms
<b>Timber Committee</b>	4 terms
<b>Veterans SEB</b>	4 terms

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