

# Greyhound Park grandstand demolished

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WOOD VILLAGE — A little more than a month after the Grand Ronde Tribe held a demolition ceremony at the site of the former Multnomah Greyhound Park in east Multnomah County, the iconic glass-enclosed grandstand is no more.

Demolition crews from Konell Construction & Demolition Corp. used several cherry pickers and excavators to pull down the 95-foot-tall structure on Tuesday, Aug. 2.

Those who could not attend the actual demolition were able to view it on a live stream from Portland TV station KGW.

The 31-acre property was purchased by the Tribe in December 2015 and future plans call for it to be an important element in the diversification of the Grand Ronde Tribal economy.

On Monday, July 11, Tribal Engineering and Public Works Manager Jesse White met with the Wood Village City Council and Planning Commission to unveil potential uses for the site once it is shovel ready.

Preliminary plans call for an eight-story hotel anchoring an entertainment-oriented campus. The hotel would be slightly higher than the grandstand at 115 feet.

The hotel and entertainment center would likely be served by a new east-west road connecting Northeast 223rd Avenue with Wood Village Boulevard. A bus stop also would be developed to serve the property as well.

Multnomah Greyhound Park opened in 1957 and closed in 2004. Since then, the property sat idle and the grandstands were dilapidated with broken glass littering the area and graffiti marring the inside. Feral cats seemed to be the only regular users of the property.

During the demolition ceremony held on June 28, Tribal Council Chairman Reyn Leno said the Tribe wants to bring a centerpiece to Wood Village as important as the greyhound park used to be. During its heyday in the 1980s, the park attracted more than 600,000 greyhound racing fans to the small city. ■

## Spirit Mountain Gaming, Inc. Board of Director's Position Opening

Spirit Mountain Gaming, Inc. invites dynamic business orientated individuals to apply to the Spirit Mountain Gaming, Inc. Board of Directors. There is one available board position open for a qualified Tribal member who possesses the appropriate business knowledge and experience.

The SMGI Board of Directors is responsible to the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Tribal Council and oversees fiscal accountability, budgets, policies, procedures and business operations of Spirit Mountain Casino.

The SMGI Board meets once a month on average but more if necessary. Each board member receives a stipend each month for their participation.

Qualifications should include general business knowledge, experience in hospitality/customer service driven environment, 10 years of experience in a responsible business position, and strong financial experience. Knowledge of Native American owned and operated organizations preferred but not mandatory. There should also be a demonstrated ability to be responsive to the goals of the business and its increasing dynamic character with appropriate analytical and communication skills.

Ability to pass a thorough background check and obtain a gaming license is necessary.

**Deadline to apply is Aug. 31, 2016.**

Applicants may submit a letter of interest, resume and 3 references to:

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## Petite barbecue potluck

Anyone with Petite in or around their name is invited to join us at the Contest Powwow campground for a barbecue potluck on Aug. 18 and 19. Any other information can be obtained from Gladys (Petite) Hobbs at 971-241-8486 or Henry Petite at 503-851-9189. Leave a message if there is no answer and we will call you back.

## Fee assistance

Enrolled Tribal members can request assistance with test fees (i.e. GRE, SAT, LSAT, ACT) and admissions application fees. Contact Higher Education for more information at 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2275. ■



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