

Board sets meeting

The Tribal Domestic Violence Advisory Board will meet the second Tuesday monthly beginning at 12:15 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, at the Community Center.

The Domestic Violence Program invites interested staff and community members to attend the 30-minute meetings.

For more information, contact Anne Falla at 503-879-1660 or anne.falla@grandronde.org or Carmen Mercier at 503-879-1304 or carmen.mercier@grandronde.org.

Need something notarized?

Tribal Court staff is available at no charge for notaries 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday with the exception of noon to 1 p.m. Please be sure to bring a photo ID with you. If you have any questions, contact the court at 503-879-2303. ■

WIC visits Health & Wellness Center

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 third Tuesday of the month, which will be Dec. 20.

Walk-ins are welcome between 9 a.m. and 4 p.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. ■

PROPOSED INDEPENDENT TRIBAL PRESS ORDINANCE OPEN FOR COMMENT

The Tribal Council has proposed adoption of an Independent Tribal Press Ordinance. The first reading of the proposed Ordinance was presented at the October 26, 2016, Tribal Council meeting.

The purpose of the new Independent Tribal Press Ordinance is to establish a free and independent press and to ensure the Tribal publication has the independence to report objectively.

Under the new Ordinance, the Editor of *Smoke Signals* would report to an Editorial Board. The Editor and Editorial Board members would be required to adhere to the standards of accepted ethics of journalism as defined by the Society of Professional Journalists and endorsed by the Native American Journalists Association.

Tribal Council invites comment on the proposed Independent Tribal Press Ordinance.

For a copy of the proposed Ordinance, please contact the Tribal Attorney's Office at 503-879-4664.

Please send your comments to the Tribal Attorney's Office, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347 or by e-mail to legal@grandronde.org.

Comments must be received by Dec. 1, 2016. ■

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PUBLIC NOTICE COLUMBIA RIVER SYSTEM OPERATIONS — ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation and Bonneville Power Administration, referred to as the Action Agencies, intend to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on the Columbia River System operations and configurations for 14 federal projects in the interior Columbia Basin.

In this Columbia River System Operations EIS, the three agencies will present a reasonable range of alternatives for long-term system operations and evaluate the potential environmental and socioeconomic impacts on flood risk management, irrigation, power generation, navigation, fish and wildlife, cultural resources and recreation. The Action Agencies will serve as joint-lead agencies in developing the EIS.

Comments received during the public scoping period (Sept. 30, 2016 — Jan. 17, 2017) provides anyone who is interested an opportunity to help the agencies identify issues and concerns that could be analyzed in the EIS. The agencies welcome your comments, suggestions and information that may inform the scope of issues, potential effects, and range of alternatives that should be evaluated in the EIS. Letters of comment or inquiry can be submitted to comment@crso.info or addressed to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Northwestern Division, Attn: CRSO EIS, P.O. Box 2870, Portland, Ore. 97208-2870. Comments may also be submitted at public scoping meetings to be conducted by the agencies as follows:

- Tuesday, Dec. 6, 4 to 7 p.m., The Columbia Gorge Discovery Center, River Gallery Room, 5000 Discovery Drive, The Dalles, OR.
- Wednesday, Dec. 7, 4 to 7 p.m., Oregon Convention Center, 777 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Portland, OR.
- Thursday, Dec. 8, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., The Loft at the Red Building, 20 Basin St., Astoria, OR.

All comments need to be submitted by Jan. 17, 2017. For additional information, please visit www.crso.info or call 1-800-290-5033.



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Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention Program

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Every Tuesday 5:30-7p.m.
Community Center Building
Conference Room- East Entrance
Contact:
Anne Falla @ (503) 879-1660

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