SMOKE SIGNALS **JANUARY 1, 2019** 

# **General Council meeting**

11 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 6 **Tribal Community Center** 

#### **NOTICE** — Monthly Tribal Council Wednesday Meetings **DATE** Wednesday, Jan. 9......4 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23......4 p.m. Please note that these times and dates are subject to change if needed.

# **GUARDIANSHIP AND** CONSERVATORSHIP ORDINANCE **OPEN FOR COMMENT**

Tribal Council adopted, on an emergency basis, amendments to the Guardianship and Conservatorship Ordinance at the Nov. 28, 2018, Tribal Council meeting.

The purpose of the proposed amendments is to protect the assets of disabled Tribal children who are wards of state court by allowing the Children and Family Services Program to file for conservatorship in Tribal Court for children in state court dependency care and to provide that in such cases, the appropriate state department is included in the definition of "Interested Persons."

Tribal Council invites comment on the amendments to the Guardianship and Conservatorship Ordinance. For a copy of the amendments, 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, OR 97347, or by e-mail to legal@ grandronde.org. Comments must be received by Jan. 15, 2019.

# **Tribal Office Closures**

Tribal offices will be closed on Tuesday, Jan. 1, in observance of New Year's Day and closed on Monday, Jan. 21, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

# Letters welcome

Letters should be exclusive to **Smoke Signals**.

Letters should be 400 words or less and must include the writer's name, address, phone number and Tribal roll number. You will be contacted to confirm authorship.

All letters are subject to editing for space, grammar and, on occasion, factual accuracy. Only two letters per writer are allowed during a three-

Letters written in response to other letter writers should address the issue at hand and, rather than mentioning the other writer by name, should refer to the date of the letter published. Discourse should be civil and people should be referred to in a respectful manner. Letters deemed in poor taste will not be printed.

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