

Food Bank provides boxes, seeks help

The Grand Ronde Food Bank – iskam məkʰmək haws – is operated by Marion-Polk Food Share, which has been leading the fight to end hunger since 1987 because no one should be hungry.

Recipients of SNAP, TANF, SSI or LIHEAP assistance 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.

“We believe that everyone deserves to have enough to eat,” Food Bank Coordinator Francene Ambrose says. “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.”

Upcoming food box distribution dates will be:

- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, May 17;
- 2 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 22;
- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, May 31.

People must check in 15 minutes before closing to receive a food box. If you need immediate assistance, call 211 or visit 211info.org.

Those who are unable to pick up a food box can 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.

In addition, the Grand Ronde Health & Wellness Center’s Community Health Team will be setting up the mobile clinic at the pantry on the first Friday of every month.

The Food Bank continues to seek volunteers to help with repacking food, putting food on the shelves, handing out food boxes, end-of-month inventory and picking up food donations at area stores.

Call to ensure someone is available to assist. People 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.

Call Ambrose at 503-879-3663 or contact her at fambrose@marionpolkfoodshare.org for more information or to volunteer. ■

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 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Grand Ronde Food Bank/iskam məkʰmək haws, 9675 Grand Ronde Road. Chair: Francene Ambrose.
- **Editorial Board** meets monthly at the Chachalu Museum & Cultural Center conference room, 8720 Grand Ronde Road. Next meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday, June 7. The public is welcome to attend. Chair: Siobhan Taylor. Contact: Editorial.Board@grandronde.org.
- **Education Committee** meets at 5:30 p.m. on the first 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: Penny DeLoe.
- **Enrollment Board** meets quarterly in Room 204 of the Governance Center. Chair: Ann Lewis.
- **Fish & Wildlife Committee** meets at 5:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Chair: Tyson Mercier.
- **Health Committee** meets at 10 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month in the Molalla Room of the Health & Wellness Center. Chair: Bernadine Shriver.
- **Housing Board** meets at 3 p.m. the third Thursday of the month in the Housing Department conference room. Chair: Kristy Criss-Lawson.
- **Powwow Special Event Board** meets monthly at noon at the Community Center. Dates vary. Contact Dana Ainam at 503-879-2037. Chair: Dana Ainam.
- **TERO Commission** meets at 10 a.m. Monday, June 10, in the Employment Services building. Chair: Russell Wilkinson.
- **Timber Committee** meets at 5 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at the Natural Resources building off Hebo Road. Interim Chair: Jon R. George.
- **Veterans Special Event Board** meets at 5:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month in the old Elders Craft House. Chair: Raymond Petite.

To update information on this list, contact Publications Coordinator Dean Rhodes at 503-879-1463 or dean.rhodes@grandronde.org.



2014 – Project Life-saver was introduced to the Grand Ronde Tribe by Tribal Police Officer Ron Wellborn. A client with a traumatic brain disorder, Alzheimer’s or autism could be tracked if they wandered off by wearing a location transmitter watch and being tracked by a receiver used by local police departments.



2014

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2009 – A potential case of H1N1 influenza in a Tribal toddler prompted closure of the Tribal campus on Friday, May 1, and Monday, May 4, as well as postponement of other Tribal events, including the May 3 General Council meeting. “This is strictly a precautionary measure,” said Tribal member and Tribal Executive Officer Chris Leno in staff-wide e-mail. Over the long weekend, Tribal Facilities staff disinfected Tribal offices using disinfectant foggers and Virex TB, both certified to kill most germs, including Type A influenza.

2004 – Tribal Engineer Eric Scott and a team of experts from the Oregon Department of Transportation visited the Kissing Rock curves along Highway 22 to see what it would take to widen the road. The turns are narrow and sharp enough that most trucks access Grand Ronde Road to get to Highway 18 instead of using Highway 22, which was causing increased road damage, traffic and safety issues. “If everything goes right, we’ll start work here in 2008-09,” said Brian Boedigheimer, ODOT project leader.

1999 – According to a recent survey by the Oregon Tourism Commission, Spirit Mountain Casino was the No. 1 tourist attraction in Oregon with more than 2.5 million visitors in the past year. “The success of Spirit Mountain is a result of a combination of several factors which include family entertainment areas like Superplay and the video arcade area, super dining, closer proximity to other tourism designations such as the Oregon coast, and now, the recent opening of the Spirit Mountain Lodge,” a *Smoke Signals* article stated.

1994 – Gaming took one more step toward becoming a reality after a Grand Ronde contingent of Tribal Council members and staff visited the Poarch Creek Tribe in Alabama. “The Poarch Creek has a very good facility,” said Spirit Mountain Development Corp. General Manager Bruce Thomas. “It was after the initial visit with them that (Tribal) Council decided to take a closer look at gaming.” The facility was expected to hold an 800-seat bingo hall, 500 video slot machines, Keno and game tables. A full-service buffet restaurant also was planned.

1989 – The week of May 14-20 was designated as “Oregon American Indian Week” by Oregon Gov. Neil Goldschmidt, who signed the official proclamation on May 4 to highlight the week’s activities sponsored by Native American communities throughout the state. Grand Ronde was planning several events, such as a mini-powwow, pioneer museum trip for Elders and showing the movie “I Heard the Owl Call My Name.”

1984 – Interim Tribal Council members and staff attended a two-day retreat with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and congressional representatives at the Agate Beach Hilton in Newport. Tribal representatives were Interim Chair Kathryn Harrison and Interim Council member Frank Harrison. “Everyone returned home feeling they’d become more knowledgeable as council members, but also that they still have a long way to go,” stated a *Smoke Signals* article.

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