**JANUARY 15, 2020 SMOKE SIGNALS** 

## **General Council meeting**

11 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 2

Monarch Hotel & Conference Center, 12566 S.E. 93rd Ave., Clackamas.

#### NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Wednesday Meetings **DATE** Wednesday, Jan. 22......4 p.m.

Please note that these times and dates are subject to change if needed.

#### **Comments Requested on Plans for Grand Ronde Veterans Memorial Improvements**

The Grand Ronde Tribe's Veterans Memorial was built in 2001 and a couple of the four service branch pillars are running out of space. The Tribe is planning on acquiring two more pillars and incorporating them into the current memorial in a complementary manner. If you would like to comment on this planned project, please contact Tribal Council. You may e-mail them through Shannon.Ham-Texeira@grandronde.org. You may also call Tribal Council staff at 503-879-2301. The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department has a Veterans and War Memorial Grant program. The Tribe is considering applying for funding to help afford the cost of the needed expansion.

#### PROPOSED GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION ORDINANCE OPEN FOR COMMENT

The Tribal Council, in consultation with the Tribal Attorney's Office, has proposed adopting a Government Administration Ordinance. The proposed ordinance was given a first reading at the Dec. 31, 2019, Tribal Council meeting.

The proposed ordinance combines and updates selected provisions from two older Tribal ordinances which have been in effect since 1993, but which have not been updated since 1994, and will better reflect the current structure of the Tribal government. If the proposed Government Administration Ordinance is adopted, the following ordinances would be rescinded:

- Tribal Government Purpose Ordinance
- Tribal Government Organization and Procedures Ordinance

For a copy of the proposed Government Administration Ordinance, please contact the Tribal Attorney's Office at 503-879-4664. Tribal Council invites comment on the proposed ordinance. 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 Feb. 15, 2020. ■

## Sewing class participants wanted

The sewing classes that have been held at the Elders Activity Center have been canceled due to lack of participation. Classes could resume if at least six people commit to attending. To commit or find out more information, contact Elders Activity Assistant Virginia Kimsey-Roof at 503-879-2233. ■

# Letters welcome

Letters should be exclusive to **smok signalz**.

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

All letters are subject to editing for space, grammar and, on occasion, factual accuracy. Only two letters per writer are allowed during a three-month period. 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. Send letters via e-mail to news@grandronde.org, or submit in person at the Tribal Governance Center in Grand Ronde, Ore., or mail to **smok signalz**, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR, 97347.

#### TRIBAL OFFICE CLOSURES

Tribal offices will be closed on Monday, Jan. 20, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Offices also will be closed on Monday, Feb. 17, in observance of Tribal Chiefs' Day.

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