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IN THE FUTURE (khapa ałqi)

March

- Thursday, March 18 Community Input meeting, 6 p.m., Zoom teleconference. 503-879-2304.
- Wednesday, March 24 Tribal Council meeting, 10 a.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.

April

- Wednesday, April 7 Tribal Council meeting, 10 a.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.
- Sunday, April 11 General Council meeting, 11 a.m., Zoom teleconference. 503-879-2304.
- Wednesday, April 21 Tribal Council meeting, 10 a.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.

(Editor's note: All events are tentative depending on the status of the Tribe's COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic response.)

Drug Take-Back Day scheduled for April 24

The Grand Ronde Tribal Police Department in partnership with the Drug Enforcement Administration will give members of the public their 20th opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 24.

People should bring their pills for disposal to the department at 9655 Grand Ronde Road. The service is free and anonymous, but it cannot accept liquids, needles or sharps; only pills or patches.

The DEA and state, local and Tribal law enforcement removed almost 493 tons of medications during the last national Drug Take-Back event held in October 2020. Last fall, residents of Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington turned in more than 20 tons of expired and unwanted medications for safe and proper disposal at 150 sites in the Northwest.

For more information about the disposal of prescription drugs or about the April 24 event, visit www.DEATakeBack.com on the Internet. ■

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The eagle has landed



Photo by Timothy J. Gonzalez

A bald eagle rests on a tree branch near Tribal Housing on Monday, March 1. A Tribal Housing resident said that it is one of two bald eagles that visits quite often, usually to offer comfort during difficult times.

LIHEAP program open in service area

The Tribal Social Service's LIHEAP – Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program – is open to eligible Tribal members in the six-county service area and Clackamas County.

This is a first-come, first-served program and income criteria applies.

LIHEAP is federally funded through the Department of Health and Human Services and is designed to help low-income households with home heating costs.

For more information, contact Social Services at 503-879-2034. ■

BURIAL FUND ORDINANCE OPEN FOR COMMENT

The Tribal Council is considering amendments to the Burial Fund Ordinance. The proposed amendments were given a First Reading at the Feb. 10, 2021, Tribal Council meeting.

The proposed amendments increase the Burial Benefit from \$6,000 to \$7,000, and may also include minor technical (i.e., formatting, typographical, housekeeping) modifications.

Tribal Council invites comment on the proposed amendments to the Burial Fund Ordinance. For a copy of the proposed 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 Thursday, April 15, 2021. ■

Join us for our

Virtual Sobriety Zoom Meeting..

March 25, 2021 6:00PM - 7:00PM

Hosted by: Post Treatment Services / Social Services
Chris Holliday (503) 879-1452
Michael Herrin (503) 879-4543

Download the <u>Zoom</u> app or enter <u>Zoom</u> in your browser. Ask to join meeting then enter the information below.

> Meeting ID: 945 4811 1618 Passcode: 276766

If you have any questions feel free to contact Social Services at (503) 879-2034

Let's get together and Support Recovery..

Did we mention there will be door prizes!!!!