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A friendly and supportive environment for parents and caregivers to openly discuss the successes and challenges of raising children and coming together to find and share support to raise strong, resilient and happy children.

WEEKLY MEETINGS ON WEDNESDAYS
AT 9:00 A.M.
STARTING SEPTEMBER 1ST.

ZOOM MEETING ID: 952 9359 6774

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Grand Ronde Editorial Board position opening

The Grand Ronde Editorial Board, a Tribal board assigned the duty by the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde (“Grand Ronde”) of overseeing its independent Tribal press (*Smoke Signals*), invites applications to serve on the **Grand Ronde Editorial Board**. There is one (1) open board position with a term that expires in March 2023.

The five-member Grand Ronde Editorial Board is responsible to the Grand Ronde Tribal Council. It oversees the editor of *Smoke Signals* to ensure the independent Tribal press reports news free from any undue influence and free from any political interest, and that Tribal news employees adhere to the highest ethical journalistic standards.


The Editorial Board meets monthly. From time to time, additional special meetings may be held. Board members are expected to attend all meetings in person, although participation by telephone or video will be permitted. Each board member receives a monthly stipend for attending meetings. Travel reimbursement is limited to travel within the six counties of Polk, Yamhill, Marion, Tillamook, Multnomah and Washington.

Board members must be 18 years of age, have qualified experience in management and/or publications, be of good character and integrity, and certify that he or she will 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. Experience with and knowledge of Native American organizations is also preferred, as well as dedication to protecting and advancing a free press for the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

Applicants will be interviewed by the Grand Ronde Editorial Board before a recommendation is forwarded to Tribal Council. Preference will be given to qualified Tribal members.

Submission deadline: Open until filled

Interested individuals should submit a letter of interest describing their qualifications, a résumé and three references to:
Grand Ronde Editorial Board
c/o *Smoke Signals*
Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
9615 Grand Ronde Road
Grand Ronde, OR 97347
Phone: 503.879.1463
E-mail: editorial.board@grandronde.org



TRIBAL VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE

Ramona Quenelle, Tribal Veterans Service Officer, (TVSO)US Navy Veteran (IT2 SW)
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CTGR Social Services Department, Attn: Tribal Veterans Service Officer
9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347

VETERANS CRISIS LINE, CALL 1-800-273-8255 AND PRESS 1 OR TEXT 838255

VETERANS CORNER, November 2021:

E-mail CTGRtribalVSO@grandronde.org to register for events and training!

All CTGR veterans send us your e-mail address so we can include you on the monthly CTGR Veterans Newsletter Distribution List and periodic e-mail information updates.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Nov. 11, 2021 at Noon
Veterans Day Drive-Through Luncheon

Honoring Tribal and Community veterans on Veterans Day. Begins at noon until supplies run out. Come get a boxed lunch, a T-shirt and some goodies from the Tribal Veterans Service Office and the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Behavioral Health Department. Bring your vehicle decorated with your branch of service for a prize! #ctgrhonorsveterans

November through December
Veterans Wellness & Mental Health & Suicide Awareness Walk (Virtual)

Veterans and veteran family members are welcome to participate in our first virtual walk to bring awareness to veteran mental health and suicide. Walk or run 2.2 miles (virtually) sometime during the November or December 2021. Each participant will receive a T-shirt in return for completing the walk/run. Post a selfie on the CTGR TVSO page and/or send a photo to the CTGR TVSO with the hashtags: #ctgrvetmentalhealthwalk, #iamaveteran or, #ctgrhonorsveterans

Contact the CTGR TVSO to sign up and to give us your T-shirt size.

November through December
Coffee & Chat with the TVSO

The original plan was to take you out to coffee and meet with you face to face. Due to the pandemic, that isn't possible and I do not want to risk anyone's health and safety. Because I still want to connect with you, I will be reaching out to you via phone call to speak with you about your benefits or other related veteran topics. In return for your time the TVSO will send you a gift card as a token of appreciation.

The Tribal Veterans Service Officer will call all Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Veterans to review Veteran Benefits the Veteran might be eligible for. Reviewing and applying for benefits can mean more money in your pocket and/or more benefits that you qualify to use. In some cases, spouses can also benefit in case of the Veterans passing. Let's chat!

SAVE THE DATE CALENDAR:

Dec. 2021 (Date/Time TBD)
Veterans End of the Year Event

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SOUTHWEST ASIA THEATER OF OPERATIONS?

The Department of Veterans Affairs will begin processing disability claims Aug. 2, 2021, for asthma, rhinitis and sinusitis on a presumptive basis based on presumed particulate matter exposures during military service in Southwest Asia and certain other areas – if these conditions manifested within 10 years of a qualifying period of military service.

Contact the Tribal Veterans Service Office to determine if your dates of service and location of service fall within the qualifying dates.

IRAQ or AFGHANISTAN?

Did you serve in Operation Desert Storm/Desert Shield, New Dawn, Iraqi Freedom/Enduring Freedom?

The Open Burn Pit Registry allows eligible veterans and service members to document environmental exposures, such as smoke from burn pits, oil-well fires, or pollution during deployment, as well as record health concerns, through an online questionnaire.

VIETNAM VETERANS - AGENT ORANGE EXPOSURE?

The list of conditions presumed to be caused by Agent Orange exposure has recently expanded. Whether you were on land, air or sea, you may be entitled to compensation from the VA.

Blue Water Navy: Agent Orange Presumptive Exposure in the Republic of Vietnam.

1. Are you a Vietnam veteran (includes military, naval, or air service) who served in the Republic of Vietnam between Jan. 9, 1962, and May 7, 1975?
2. Did you serve aboard a vessel operating not more than 12 nautical miles seaward from the demarcation line of the waters of Vietnam and Cambodia?
3. Do you have one or more of the Agent Orange presumptive conditions listed below: IHD, type 2 diabetes, Parkinson's disease, respiratory cancers, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease, multiple myeloma, soft tissue sarcomas, prostate cancer, bladder cancer, hyper thyroidism, etc.

Contact the Tribal Veterans Service Office for more information.

