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LIHEAP program is open

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, which helps pay heating bills, is currently open. The program is available to Tribal members who have not received regular LIHEAP assistance as of Oct. 1, 2021, through Feb. 1, 2022, and/or have not received LIHEAP assistance through other agencies.

LIHEAP is a first-come, first-served program and income criteria applies. Eligible Tribal members must reside in the six-county service area or Clackamas County.

For more information, contact Tammy Garrison at 503-879-2077 or tammy.garrison@grandronde.org. ■

Grand Ronde Station now offering gas discount

Grand Ronde Tribal members, as well as Tribal and Spirit Mountain Casino employees, can receive a 30-cent per gallon discount on gasoline at the Tribally owned Grand Ronde Station convenience store starting on Tuesday, Feb. 1.

There are, however, a few rules. Tribal members and employees must go inside and show either their enrollment card or employee identification card to receive the discount.

Tribal employees started receiving the discount on Jan. 1.

"Your service to keeping the Tribe and casino operational have been invaluable," General Manager David Fullerton said via e-mail in announcing the discount to governmental employees. "The Tribe wants to reward that commitment by helping you ease the burden of rising gas prices. ... We know that we have a number of employees commuting to and from Grand Ronde for work, and we are aware that rising gas prices create an additional hardship. We hope that this new system will make life a little easier."

Clothes Closet open Fridays

The Clothes Closet is open from 9 a.m. to noon Fridays on the Tribal campus near the Elders Activity Center at the end of Blacktail Drive. The Clothes Closet accepts clothing, small appliances, small pieces of furniture, electronics and household goods that are clean and in good condition. It does not accept books, large TVs or furniture, but there is a community board where people can post those items.

For more information or emergency clothes, contact Lori Walker-Hernandez at 559-847-7565. ■

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD PROPOSED CC&Rs FOR THE TIPSU-ILI'I HOME OWERSHIP COMMUNITY

The Tribe is developing a declaration of covenant, conditions and restrictions (CC&R) document for the Tipsu-ili'i home ownership community currently being developed in Grand Ronde. Tribal Council is seeking public comment on the CC&Rs.

The proposed CC&Rs include provisions for general rules governing the community, establishing a home owners association, residential zoning standards, home-site set up, home construction, community standards and common areas, and various other provisions for the community.

Tribal Council invites comment on the proposed CC&Rs. For a copy of document, please contact Ryan Webb at 503-879-2404. Please send your comments to Ryan Webb, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347 or by e-mail to Ryan.Webb@grandronde.org. Comments must be received by March 15, 2022. ■

LIHWAP program is open

The Low Income Home Water Assistance Program can assist with water bills that are current or past due, and also assists with rates and fees associated to reconnection.

LIHWAP assistance is a limited funded program and is a first-come, first-served program. Income criteria applies. Eligible Tribal members must reside in the six-county service area or Clackamas County.

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Police Department has nonemergency text line

The Grand Ronde Tribal Police Department has a nonemergency text line at 541-921-2927.

"If you have a nonemergency situation or question, feel free to contact my officer via text through this line," said Grand Ronde Tribal Police Chief Jake McKnight. "When one of my officers receives the text, they will call you back when they have time."

McKnight said that emergency situations still require calling

For more information, contact McKnight at 503-879-1474. ■



