

Tribal Council nominations

11 a.m. Sunday, June 25

Tribal Council Chambers

Tribal members can participate remotely via Zoom and in-person attendance. Call 503-879-2304 for more information.

NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Wednesday Meetings

DATE	TIME
Wednesday, June 28.....	4 p.m.
Wednesday, July 12.....	4 p.m.

Please note that these times and dates are subject to change if needed. In-person attendance in Tribal Council Chambers and via Zoom. 503-879-2304.

LETTERS

Dear Smoke Signals:

I would like to express my gratitude for all the hard work of the staff who maintain landscaping throughout our community.

I enjoy taking visiting friends for a tour of the Tribal lands and hearing their comments of how beautiful the grounds are.

I am especially grateful for the outstanding cemetery care. My grandma, Martha Mercier, starting taking me and my siblings to clean graves at a young age. She expressed that doing so was a labor of love that I have continued into adulthood.

The comfort of memories of our beloved who have walked on is joyful to me. Meeting old and valued friends while cleaning graves is a historical event. My extended family, including the Butlers and Lenos, have been cleaning graves consistently for more than a 100 years.

I used to meet Lauree Legachinsky from Coos Bay for the opportunity to visit and reconnect at the cemetery. The labor of love is also a spiritual renewal. Thank you.

Margo Mercier
Roll No. 885

TRIBAL OFFICE CLOSURES

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(503) 879-2034 or (800) 422-0232

ssdinfo@grandronde.org

CTGR YOUTH EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

2023 Honor and Recognition Event

Are you a CTGR Tribal member promoting to 8th grade or are you a high school senior graduate? We invite you and your family to join us on July 6th at 5:30pm at Spirit Mountain Casino to our Honor and Recognition event to celebrate with us!



JULY 6, 2023 • 5:30 P.M.



Fill out this link or scan the QR code to sign up your graduate to participate: <https://bit.ly/honorandrec>

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FRIDAY, AUG. 25	SEPT. 1

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