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Grand Ronde Royalty

Participating in the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Royalty is an excellent opportunity for Tribal youth to learn our traditions, powwow protocol and public speaking. Participants represent the Tribe by attending powwows, events, parades, fundraisers and various community events.

Serving on the royalty court requires a considerable commitment from the participant and their parents/guardians and/or sponsor. Royalty participants (including parent/guardian/sponsor) must attend all required events and activities.

Participants must be within the following age categories by Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2024:

Tiny Tot (Honorary): 4-6 years of age
Little Miss Grand Ronde: 7-10 years of age
Junior Miss Grand Ronde: 11-13 years of age
Senior Miss Grand Ronde: 14-18 years of age
General Requirements:

- 1. Enrolled Grand Ronde Tribal member
- 2. Must be drug-, alcohol- and tobacco-free
- 3. Attend school regularly and be in good standing
- 4. Must be single with no dependents
- 5. Sign and comply with royalty guidelines and agreement

For questions or for an application contact:
Shannon A. Simi, CTGR & Veterans Royalty Coordinator
Phone: 503-879-1358
Email: Shannon.simi@grandronde.org

DEADLINE: 5 p.m. Friday, March 29 Late applications will not be accepted.

Veterans Royalty

GRAND RONDE VETERANS ROYALTY

Participating in Veterans Royalty is an excellent opportunity for Tribal youth to learn our traditions, powwow protocol, public speaking and work with veterans. Participants represent the veterans and the Tribe by attending powwows, events, parades, fundraisers and various community events.

Serving on Veterans Royalty requires a considerable commitment from the participant and their parents and/or sponsor. Royalty participants (including parent or sponsor) must attend all required events and activities.

Participants must be within the following age categories by Saturday, July 1, 2024:

Tiny Tot Warriors: 4-6 years of age Warriors: 7 -18 years of age Tiny Tot Princess: 4-6 years of age Little Miss Queen: 7 -10 years of age Junior Miss Queen: 11-13 years of age Senior Miss Queen: 14-18 years of age

General Requirements:

- 1. Enrolled Grand Ronde Tribal member
- 2. Must be alcohol and drug free
- 3. Never married, no children
- 4. Attend school regularly and be in good standing
- 5. Sign and comply with Veterans Royalty guidelines & agreement

For questions or for an application contact:
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Tribal Library merges with Regional Library Service

The Tribal Library has merged with the Chemeketa Cooperative Regional Library Service, said Tribal Librarian Kathy Cole.

Tribal members can now get books from libraries in Polk, Yamhill and Marion counties, as well as access to many free programs.

Tribal Library patrons should visit the Tribal Library and update their information and obtain a new Regional Library Service card.

For more information, contact Cole at 503-879-1488.

SPIRIT MOUNTAIN GAMING INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS POSITION OPENINGS

Spirit Mountain Gaming Inc. "SMGI," a Tribal corporation chartered by the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde "Grand Ronde," operates Spirit Mountain Casino – the largest casino in Oregon. Spirit Mountain Casino offers Las Vegas style slots and provides superior entertainment and resort amenities. Spirit Mountain is one of the Pacific Northwest's premier casinos. Grand Ronde invites applications to serve on the Spirit Mountain Gaming Inc. Board of Directors. Two board seats expired on Sept. 30, 2023.

The SMGI Board of Directors is responsible to the Grand Ronde Tribal Council. The board oversees strategic planning, overall fiscal accountability, budgets and operations of Spirit Mountain Casino.

The SMGI Board meets monthly. Occasionally, additional special meetings may be held. Board members are expected to attend all meetings in person, which are held at Spirit Mountain Casino – although participation by telephone will occasionally 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 have a superior understanding of and experience with financial statements, strong communication and analytical skills, experience in a hospitality or customer service driven environment, 10 years of experience in a senior management position, and a solid understanding of the Portland-metro and Salem area economies. Experience in the following areas is also preferred: Gaming, tourism, corporate finance and accounting, marketing and promotions, human resources and management of senior executives. Experience with and knowledge of Native American organizations is also preferred.

Ability to pass a thorough background check and obtain a gaming license from the Grand Ronde Gaming Commission is required.

Preference will be given to qualified Tribal members.

Interested individuals should submit a letter of interest describing their qualifications, a résumé and three references to:

Stacia Hernandez, Chief of Staff Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde 9615 Grand Ronde Road Grand Ronde, OR. 97347 Phone: 503-879-2304

Email: stacia.martin@grandronde.org

Submission deadline: Friday, March 8, 2024

We want to hear from you!

The Grand Ronde Health & Wellness Center Comment Box is located at the entrance of the Health & Wellness Center, next to the drinking fountain. Share your experience, good or bad with us. ■

Attention All Artisans

Now accepting bids for our Little Miss crown.

Submit full design that includes:

- The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde logo including feathers.
- Court Year 2024–25.
- Title: Little Miss Grand Ronde.
- Crowns must be completed and delivered by July 19, 2024.

Must submit photos of progress when requested.

Bid deadline is Friday, March 29, 2024. (deadline is firm and no bids will be accepted after 5 p.m.)

Mail bids and designs to: CTGR Royalty c/o Shannon Simi 9615 Grand Ronde Road Grand Ronde, OR 97347

Questions: Call Shannon at 503-879-1358 or email shannon.simi@grandronde.org

*Bids and designs can be sent to the above email address.

