

Retreat time



Photos by Michelle Alaimo

Tribal member Angela Fasana, left, helps her granddaughter Palmer Heidt, 4, decorate stick game sticks during the Chinuk Wawa Language Retreat at the chinuk wawa skul on Friday, June 14. The focus of this year's retreat was learning language through games. There were breakout sessions giving attendees an opportunity to decorate sticks for stick game, create their own Chinuk Wawa board game and a card games session. They also practiced stick ball and had a competition to see who could throw the balls the furthest with their stick and played a round of stick game to end the day. About 15 families, a total of about 60 people, participated in the retreat.



Aiyana Woodward, 5, left, and her mother, Tribal member Malia Blanchard, make a Chinuk Wawa board game during the Chinuk Wawa Language Retreat at the chinuk wawa skul on Friday, June 14.

Tribal Council approves grant application for Chachalu phase three construction

By Danielle Harrison
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Tribal Council approved applying for an Indian Community Development Block Grant that would help fund completion of phase three construction at Chachalu Tribal Museum & Cultural Center at its Wednesday, June 26, meeting.

The \$500,000 grant would be used by the Tribe's Cultural Resources Department for necessary upgrades, equipment, plumbing, electrical, materials and landscaping to complete the construction project.

"This opportunity will allow us to provide for Chachalu phase three and to meet some goals and initiatives in the community development project," Tribal Grants Coordinator Dana Morfin said during a Tuesday, June 25, Legislative Action Committee meeting.

Tribal Council member Jon A. George thanked Chachalu Manager Travis Stewart for showing council members the phase three drawings.

"It's going to enhance Chachalu and I look forward to seeing that come to life and how all that out there, what a difference that will make in the look of the museum," he said.

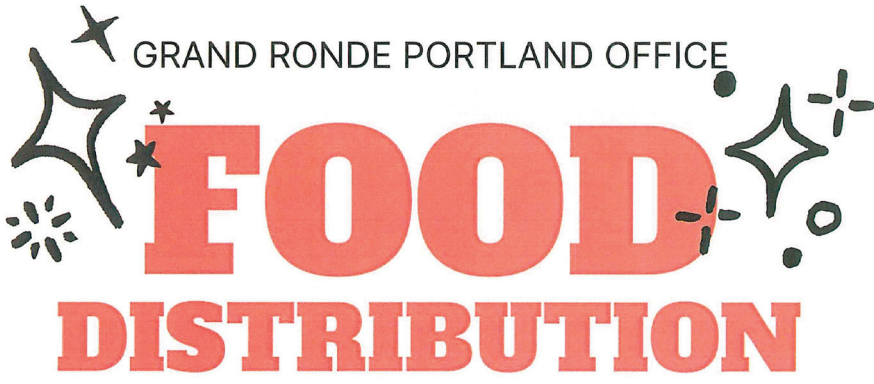
In other action, Tribal Council:

- Approved appointing Steve Bobb Jr. to the Ceremonial Hunting Board with a term ending on March 31, 2026;
- Approved an application to the SAMHSA State Opioid Response/ Tribal Opioid Response Technical Assistance grant for \$1.25 million;
- Approved an application to the Bureau of Justice Assistance Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant and Substance Use Site-Based Program grant for \$1 million;
- Approved a resolution that authorizes staff to submit a plan to the Secretary of the Interior for the consolidation of funds from General Assistance, Native Employment Works, Job Placement and Training, American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation and Job Training Programs into a single, coordinated, 5-year plan to provide employment and training services;
- And approved 10 non-infant and 2 non-infant emergency enrollments into the Tribe because they meet the enrollment requirements outlined in the Tribal Constitution and Enrollment Ordinance.

To watch the entire meeting, visit the Tribal government's website at www.grandronde.org and click on the Videos tab. ■

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