

General Council meeting

11 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 2

Monarch Hotel & Convention Center,
12566 SE 93rd Ave., Clackamas

Tribal members can participate remotely via Zoom and in-person attendance. Call 800-422-0232 for more information.

NOTICE — Monthly Tribal Council Wednesday Meetings

| DATE | TIME |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Wednesday, Jan. 22..... | 4 p.m. |
| Wednesday, Feb. 5..... | 4 p.m. |
| Wednesday, Feb. 19..... | 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.

LETTERS

Dear Smoke Signals,

Grand Ronde Tribal Elder Veronica Gaston's life was truly a life well lived, in so many exemplary ways and especially over such a shortened lifespan.

There needs to be more Veronica Gastons amongst us all, definitely — and especially now.

Because of her example, I'm believing there will be.

Les Ruark,

Arlington, Oregon

Gas discount in Grand Ronde

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.

Tribal members and employees must go inside and show either their enrollment card or employee identification card to receive the discount. ■

Letters welcome

Letters should be exclusive to **smok signalz**.


Letters should be **400 words or less** and must include the writer's name, address, phone number and Tribal roll number. You will be contacted to confirm authorship.

All letters are subject to editing for space, grammar and, on occasion, factual accuracy. Only two letters per writer are allowed during a three-month period. Letters written in response to other letter writers should address the issue at hand and, rather than mentioning the other writer by name, should refer to the date of the letter published. Discourse should be civil and people should be referred to in a respectful manner.

Letters deemed in poor taste will not be printed. Send letters via e-mail to news@grandronde.org, or submit in person at the Tribal Governance Center in Grand Ronde, Ore. or mail to **smok signalz**, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR, 97347.

TRIBAL OFFICE CLOSURES

Tribal offices will be closed on Monday, Jan. 20, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.



The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
OFFSITE GENERAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

Sunday, February 2

Monarch Hotel
12566 SE 93rd Ave.
Clackamas, OR 97015

Sunday, April 6

Lane Community College Longhouse
4000 E. 30th Ave.
Eugene, OR 97405

Followed by Community Input Meeting.

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| Thursday, Jan. 23 | Feb. 1 | Indigenous Journalists Association |
| Thursday, Feb. 6 | Feb. 15 | Oregon Newspaper Publishers Assoc. |
| Thursday, Feb. 20 | Mar. 1 | 2022 IJA General Excellence |
| Thursday, Mar. 6 | Mar. 15 | 2023 IJA General Excellence |

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Smoke Signals reserves the right to edit letters and to refuse letters that are determined to contain libelous statements or personal attacks on individuals, staff, Tribal administration or Tribal Council. Not all letters are guaranteed publication upon submission. Letters to the editor are the opinions and views of the writer. Published letters do not necessarily reflect the opinions of Smoke Signals.

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