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Quarterly General Council Meeting

The Quarterly General Council Meeting is scheduled for August 9, 1998 at 1:00 PM at the Tribal Government Offices located at 2371 NE Stephens Street, Roseburg.

Topics to be discussed will include:

- 1) Tribal Land Acquisition Progress
- 2) Economic Development Plans
- 3) Cultural Resource Update
- 4) Legislative Report
- 5) Program Reports
- 6) Pow-Wow Report
- 7) Election Results

As with all elections conducted since the passage of the Tribal Constitution in 1991, the current year's Tribal Election is by absentee ballots and is being conducted with the assistance of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Siletz Agency. All ballots are due into the Siletz Agency no later than Friday, August 7, 1998.

The Election Committee and the BIA representative will count the ballots in the Tribal Government Office and the results will be announced during the General Council Meeting.

If there are any questions regarding the election process, tribal members are encouraged to

contact the Tribal Government Office at 1-800-929-8229.

Free "Seven Feathers Jubilee" Tickets Available

The "Seven Feathers Jubilee" opened to the public on July 9th in the Umpqua Grand Ballroom and will run through Labor Day. For a list of show times contact Seven Feathers.

Tribal members can obtain two free ticket coupons by presenting their Tribal I.D. card at the coat check area inside the front doors of the casino. Additional Tickets can be purchased for \$10.00.

The musical review is a high-energy show depicting the local history of the Tribe, Douglas County and Southern Oregon. Dozens of historical photos from the local area and tribal families are included in the production, as well as a special section dedicated to tribal members who are veterans of the armed services.

Reaction to the show has been wonderful. Many people are coming to see the show several times.

Free Tickets to Wildlife Safari

The Wildlife Safari in Winston, Oregon has given the Tribe 250 free admission tickets to the "Great Cats of The World" show which will run through September 6th, 1998. The tickets will include a trip through the Game Park and admission into the Village for the cat show. For specific information on times for the shows, please contact the Wildlife Safari at (541) 679-6761.

Up to four tickets per tribal family are available on a first come first serve basis by contacting Carol McKinney at the Tribal Government Office.

Tribal Programs

Education Programs

Scholarships Offered by ATNI

Now available to Tribal students are the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI) and PGE Transmission NW Scholarship applications. The purpose of this scholarship is to assist students to successfully complete post-secondary education programs at approved/accredited institutions of higher learning.

Students must reside within the PGE Gas Transmission NW service area of Oregon, Idaho or Washington and be a member of a Tribe with membership in the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians. Cow Creek Tribal Members who live in these states can apply for this scholarship.

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Interested students may request an application from Cow Creek Tribal Education Director, Tonya Thiess-Skrip at (541) 672-9405, or contact the ATNI Office at (503) 241-0070.

Education Program Deadline August 7, 1998

The deadline date to apply to the Cow Creek Education Programs is August 7, 1998 for Fall Term/Semester funding consideration. This date applies to the Adult Vocational Training Program and the Higher Education Program. Both of these programs are federally funded "need based" programs, which requires application for Federal Financial Aid each academic year. Tribal members are encouraged to apply early!

If you are a continuing student, you should have submitted copies of your financial aid application to the Education Director prior to February 15, 1998, earlier this year. Many tribal students have not submitted this document to the Tribal Education Director, therefore a delay in eligibility determination for the coming year may occur.

Also, a reminder for tribal students with overdue grade reports. Delinquent grade reports for the 1998 Spring Term/Semester will delay future funding.

Child Care Assistance

The Cow Creek Childcare Assistance Program is provided through the Childcare and Development Fund and can provide full childcare and after school care for income eligible families. All applicants must live in the seven county tribal service area and be employed, engaged in an on-the-job training program or enrolled in school. The children

must be enrolled Cow Creek tribal members under the age of 13.

Applicants must be able to verify low-income level. Income eligible families can also receive assistance for classes related to parenting.

For more information regarding this program, please contact Rhonda Malone at the Tribal Government Office.

Violence Against Women Grant

The mission of the Violence Against Women Program is to provide emergency services to victims of domestic violence. Implementation of the primary goal will involve ongoing training of personnel, development of prevention programs, victim education, advocacy, medical services, law enforcement training and counseling services.

In addition, the program will network with other agencies to assist victims of violence to heal as survivors and stop the cycle of violence with their families.

For more specific information about the Domestic Violence Program, please contact Randy Anderson at (541) 672-8533 or 1-800-935-2649.

Tribal Jobs Line

Tribal members interested in employment opportunities at Seven Feathers Casino Resort, the Cow Creek Gaming Commission or the Tribal Government Offices, please call the Tribal Jobs Line at 1-800-676-0854 for a pre-recorded listing of all job openings. The Tribal Jobs Line is updated on a weekly basis and provides instructions as to where and how to apply.

Tribal Identification Cards Available

Tribal Identification Cards are available to any tribal member upon request. If you would like one, contact Carol Ferguson at the Cow Creek Government Offices. You will be sent an application with an I.D. card attached for your signature. Simply fill out the application, sign the ID card, enclose an appropriately sized photo and mail it back to the Tribal Government Offices for processing. PLEASE DO NOT FILL IN ANYTHING ON THE CARD EXCEPT YOUR SIGNATURE. In order for cards to be uniform, this procedure must be followed. The card will then be processed with the Tribal Chairman's signature, laminated and mailed back to you.

Tribal Members Encouraged To Update Address

Tribal members are encouraged to maintain a current address at the Tribal Office. Occasionally, newsletters are returned for lack of proper address. Tribal members who have minor children not living in their household should update the child's address for current information on the trust funds and youth activities. If you know of any tribal members who have not been receiving correspondence from the Tribal Government Office, please recommend that they call the toll free number (1-800-929-8229) or write to: Cow Creek Tribal Government Offices, 2371 NE Stephens Street, Suite 100, Roseburg, OR 97470 to update their address.