



SNOQUALMIE TRIBE UPDATES & EVENTS

January 2022

Feb 5 Special General Council Meeting Cancelled

The February 5, 2022 Special General Council meeting has been cancelled due to COVID. More information is available in the letter from Tribal Council, which was sent out on January 14, 2022. Any Transportation Requests submitted for this meeting will be closed out.

Snoqualmie Tribal Council Meetings

Enrolled Adult Snoqualmie Tribal Members are welcome to attend Snoqualmie Tribal Council Meetings.

Meetings usually occur every Thursday, via Zoom, and start approximately at 10 AM.

If you would like to attend, please e-mail secretary@snoqualmietribe.us

Administration Updates

The December 2021 GW Emergency Disaster PPE distribution sent out on December 1, 2021 was the last distribution cycle that will be taking place for PPE funds. If you did not receive your December GW Emergency Disaster PPE funds please reach out to the General Resources Department.

New Tribal Parents, please ensure you submit a birth certificate or certificate of live birth to the Enrollment Department for your new infant. We cannot accept applications for any minor benefits for a new infant without the infant having this document confirmed on file.

The General Welfare Minor Child Supplemental Assistance Benefit is scheduled to automatically go out on or around February 3, 2022. This benefit in the amount of \$175 USD will be sent out per service eligible minor child to their custodial parent or legal guardian. The benefit is to be used to purchase school supplies, clothing, PPE supplies, minor technology, and educational enrichment and development tools.

The Higher Education and Adult Vocation Mid-Year Supplemental Assistance Funding will be opened starting February 1s, 2022 via application. Adult enrolled members, with proof of enrollment in Higher Education or Adult Vocational Training courses, are invited to apply to receive \$250 USD in funding to purchase school supplies, PPE supplies, minor technology, and clothing.

In September 2021, the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe announced that their plans for hosting the 2022 Canoe Journey will be postponed to 2023.

Consignment Artist of the Month

We want to feature your items! Interest is high for Snoqualmie Tribal Member creations, especially woodworking! If you design jewelry, photography, clothing, carvings, or other original artwork to sell, and have an interest in taking part in the Consignment Artist program, contact snoshoppe@snocasino.com to learn about this easy opportunity! Artists get paid 90% of the selling price for each item sold.

- Bethany Fackrell's art prints and Stephanie Koplin's jewelry are available in the Sno Shoppe.
- Michele Wood's jewelry and Milan Gabel's t-shirts are at the Crescent Market.
- February 1, 2022: The Country Store will be added at the Salish Lodge & Spa!

Baby Corner Program

The Tribe is continuing its partnership with Eastside Baby Corner in 2022. This free program is open to all Tribal Members who can pick up their order from the Tribal Administration Campus (shipping is not available). Order forms can be found on the Tribe's website, pick ups are available every other Thursday. The order deadline for February is as follows:

- Order forms due February 3 by 12 PM; orders available for pick up February 10 after 12 PM
- Order forms due February 17 by 12 PM; orders available for pick up February 24 after 12 PM

December 2021 Tribal Mailers

To make the process of tracking mailers from the Tribe easier for Tribal Members, the following list includes mailers from the previous month.

- 12/3 - Update from Tribal Council
- 12/13 - December Updates & Events Newsletter
- 12/14 - Update from Tribal Council

If you didn't receive one of these mailers please reach out to the Tribal Secretary's Office by email at secretary@snoqualmietribe.us

New Eighth Generation CEO

Louie Gong (Nooksack), the trailblazing founder and CEO of Native-owned lifestyle brand Eighth Generation has announced his January retirement from leadership duties. "I'm incredibly proud of how successful Eighth Generation has become," said Gong. "From reclaiming the market for Native-made wool textiles and being the first Native-owned business to sell wool blankets, to partnering with global brands like Starbucks and Brooks to set the gold standard for how big businesses work with cultural artists, we've been on the cutting edge of it all."

"I'm so happy to join the team at Eighth Generation," said Colleen Echohawk (Pawnee, Athabascan). "It's exciting to be surrounded by such a motivated team and to get to continue the incredible work Louie has done over the past fourteen years."

Echohawk has been involved with the Seattle and National Native communities for over two decades. Most recently, she served as Interim CEO for YouthCare Seattle, a Seattle Foundation organization committed to ending childhood homelessness in Seattle. Echohawk previously served as Executive Director at the Chief Seattle Club as well as founded the Coalition to End Urban Native Homelessness. In 2021, she became the first Native American woman to run for mayor of a major metropolitan city. She is well known in the Pacific Northwest for her passionate advocacy work and dedication to community.

"We are grateful to all of the work Louie has done as Founder and CEO for Eighth Generation since its inception. He has built a remarkable legacy and we hold our hands up to him," said Snoqualmie Tribal Chairman Robert de los Angeles. "The Tribe is very excited to have Colleen on board as CEO, and we look forward to working with her on continuing to build and strengthen Eighth Generation as we support inspired Native artists."

Purchase & Referred Care (PRC) Program

PRC cards continue to be printed and mailed to Tribal Members that are up to date with the PRC program. There have been some delays due to campus closures for holidays and inclement weather, and we apologize for that. If you have any questions, please contact:

- Sharon Marchand, PRC/Billing Manager
Cell: (425) 240-0283

The PRC department continues to work within IHS guidelines to cover eligible medical, dental, vision and hearing costs for eligible Tribal Member adults and their dependents. Contact a PRC Coordinator via email at PRC@snoqualmietribe.us or if you need to speak with someone right away, please call:

- Angela Young, PRC Coordinator
Work Cell: 425-240-0123
- Heather Hamilton, PRC Coordinator
Work Cell: 425-240-0429
- Peggy Taylor, PRC Coordinator
Work Cell: 425-410-1403
- Catherine Fackrell, PRC Supervisor
Work Cell (425) 890-4991

Health & Wellness Elder Care Program

All Elder Care program support that was previously provided in-person continues to be suspended due to the pandemic.

Performance Kitchen has decided to close their business at the end of 2021. The Elder Care Program is exploring other options to provide nutritious meals to Tribal Elders during the campus closure due to the pandemic. If you have any questions, please contact:

Anetta Townsend, (425) 888-6551 ext. 4040, cell: (425) 786-4845, email: anetta.townsend@snoqualmietribe.us

Suggestions? Feedback? Questions?

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