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**ixt-mun (January)**

- Monday, Jan. 1 – Tribal offices closed in observance of the New Year's Day holiday.
- Sunday, Jan. 7 – General Council meeting, 11 a.m., in-person attendance in Tribal Council Chambers and via Zoom. 503-879-2304.
- Wednesday, Jan. 10 – Tribal Council meeting, 4 p.m., in-person attendance in Tribal Council Chambers and via Zoom. 503-879-2304.
- Monday, Jan. 15 – Tribal offices closed in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday.
- Wednesday, Jan. 24 – Tribal Council meeting, 4 p.m., in-person attendance in Tribal Council Chambers and via Zoom. 503-879-2304.

*To stay informed of future Tribal events, visit [www.smokesignals.org/calendar](http://www.smokesignals.org/calendar).*

## Prepare for tax season

**Help us get your tax documents to you in a timely manner:**  
It is that time of the year where we in the Finance Department are starting to prepare for tax season.

In an effort to have current information for W2s and 1099s, we are asking everyone who has moved in the last calendar year to update their address.

**How to update:**  
If you are a Tribal member, contact Member Services at [memberservices@grandronde.org](mailto:memberservices@grandronde.org) or 503-879-2116.  
If you are an employee, contact Human Resources at [compensation\\_HRIS@grandronde.org](mailto:compensation_HRIS@grandronde.org) or 503-879-2109 and the reception desk will direct your call to the appropriate person. Alternatively, an employee can make any updates in the timesheet module as well.

If you have recently updated your address at the clinic/pharmacy, you will still need to update your information with either Member Services and/or Human Resources. The clinic/pharmacy does not share your private information due to HIPAA regulations.

Remember that even if you have direct deposit you will need to update your address, as W2s and 1099s are mailed.

The Finance Department thanks you in advance for your assistance in making the upcoming tax season go as smoothly as possible.

The deadline for updating addresses has now passed. We cannot guarantee changes after this date. Both W2 and 1099MISC forms will be mailed before the Wednesday, Jan. 31, deadline. ■

**HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER**

**PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF ONLY**

**NO PARKING**

**NEW SIGN AT THE HWC**

THE DESIGNATED AREA IN FRONT OF THE CLINIC IS FOR **LOADING AND UNLOADING ONLY.**

## Seeking two Elders for a once-in-a-lifetime experience at New York's American Museum of Natural History

*Elder Lottery drawing will be conducted by Tribal Council staff and/or Executive Office staff via Google Wheel of Names.*

**New York Facts:**

- Prepare for ample amounts of walking: The average New Yorker walks 6,000 to 10,000 steps per day – or 2.5 to 4.5 miles per day.
- There are five boroughs: Manhattan, The Bronx, Queens, Staten Island and Brooklyn.
- Top three specialties to try: Pizza, pretzels and pastrami.
- Free activities include: Walk across the Brooklyn Bridge, visit Grand Central Station and ride the Staten Island Ferry.
- New Yorkers speak more than 800 languages.
- The original people of New York were the Lenape.

**Screening criteria for signing up:**

- Minimum age is 60 years old.
- No health conditions that may prevent walking. (Should a companion be needed to assist with medical/mobility reasons, they must pay for their airfare and per diem. Elder and companion are responsible for making arrangements).
- Must have an operational cell phone.
- Must provide drop-off and pick-up contact information, if different from emergency contact information.
- Must be willing to tip any and all service staff – dining/bellhop/taxi/Uber.
- Must sign an agreement outlining representative duties and expectations.

◊ What is covered / provided?	◊ What is NOT covered / provided?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Round-trip, direct flight</li> <li>b. Lodging</li> <li>c. Per diem</li> <li>d. Mileage to/from airport</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>e. Souvenirs</li> <li>f. Mobility needs</li> <li>g. Parking*</li> <li>h. Baggage fees*</li> <li>i. Uber/taxi/subway*</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">*possible reimbursement</p>

*Screening criteria determined by Tribal Council and Staff Chaperones.*

**Tentative Schedule:**

- January through February: Enter name for lottery drawing.
- March through April: Tribal Council staff and/or Executive Office staff to select participants via Google Wheel of Names.

Criteria meeting participants report to Chelsea Baranski in TC to complete important travel information – current license/ID, valid vehicle insurance, emergency contact(s), primary care physician, list of medications and any dietary restrictions.

- May: Dinner with interns and delegation.
- June: Pick up travel packets.

Delegation travels to New York for CTGR Tomanowos Meteorite Ceremony.

- July: Submit receipts – lodging/baggage; parking/taxi/Uber if any.

Elders can sign up for the lottery at the Elder Activity Center or [chelsea.clark@grandronde.org](mailto:chelsea.clark@grandronde.org).

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