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2023 Holiday Schedule

NEW YEARS DAY HOLIDAY
Monday, January 2, 2023

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY
Monday, January 16, 2023

PRESIDENTS DAY
Monday, February 20, 2023

MEMORIAL DAY
Monday, May 29, 2023

JUNETEENTH
Monday, June 19, 2023

INDEPENDENCE DAY
Tuesday, July 4, 2023

LABOR DAY
Monday, September 4, 2023

VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY
Friday, November 10, 2023

THANKSGIVING DAY
Thursday, November 23, 2023

DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING
Friday, November 24, 2023

CHRISTMAS
Monday, December 25, 2023



Read the story of how the Everett Animal Shelter helped Benny and others like him find fur-ever homes on the back of the newsletter.

Keep your last-minute tax filing stress-free



**This publication is only intended to be used for general informational purposes. Consult a tax professional for the most current data and/or personal advice.*

Whoever came up with the saying, “The best things come to those who wait” never filed their taxes at the last minute.

Anyone who’s ever put off filing until the eleventh hour knows how stressful it can be. Facing the crunch of a deadline, you dig through papers looking for the right forms, try to remember the password to your online filing resource, and keep your fingers crossed that urgent personal or work matters don’t suddenly pop up.

If you think that you might find yourself in this scenario, here are some helpful tips that will minimize the anxiety of a down-to-the-wire tax filing:

Get organized now

If you haven’t started already, organize all of your required documents. This includes employment forms like W2’s and 1099’s. If you haven’t received these documents from your employer, contact them ASAP. Itemizing deductions? It’s time to find your receipts and documentation.

Don’t rush

You don’t want to feel more crunched for time

than you already are when inputting important data—that’s how mistakes happen. Double check your numbers.

Even if you’re using an online resource that does the math for you, confirm that you’ve entered the correct information. Being thorough and accurate is not only required by law, it will protect you in the event of an audit by the IRS.

File online

With the deadline looming, filing online is your fastest option. Digital resources like TurboTax and H&R Block can import data based on certain information. And if you’ve filed with them in previous years, they may carry over other personal and employment details, expediting the process even more.

Don’t do it in one sitting

It’s important to keep your mind fresh. Data entry—even when it’s your own data—can be a dry task. Make sure you take breaks throughout the filing process.

You may be pressed for time, but errors on your tax return can have serious consequences. You may have to amend or refile your taxes, or if you don’t catch the mistake, potentially face closer inspection by the IRS.

-- Editor's Note --

One of the great parts of being a credit union in this community is the opportunity we have to give back to the area we call 'home'. As many of you know, by coming in to the branch, reading our social media or catching up on the website—we are deeply invested in supporting local charities and we extend the opportunities to you, our members, to help as well. And help you do! It seems each year there is more demand for charitable support and we do our best to apply our limited resources where we can. To that, we wanted to highlight the charities we support so you can have the opportunity to learn where your donations go and why we as a credit union staff support these valuable entities helping our neighbors.

Debit Cards

Lost/Stolen: 1-833-933-1681

Outside US: 1-812-647-9794

Disputes/Fraud: 1-866-279-1399
(M-F 5AM-5PM PST, after 5PM, voicemails which will be answered the next business day.)

After Hours Card Services Support:

1-501-246-8497

Visa Credit Cards

425-405-9973

1-844-SnoCope / 1-844-766-2673

After Hours (24/7/365):

1-800-325-3678

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Spotlight: Everett Animal Shelter

In April and May, SnoCope teams up with the Everett Animal Shelter in a fund-raising effort to help support their ongoing community efforts. SnoCope is always proud of our community outreach, and we are pleased to now include the shelter as a valued part of this effort.

In our first year, we were able to collect \$636.49 in donations from you, our members, and credit union staff; in addition, we collected 496 cans of food, and an estimated \$1,500 in countless towels and blankets along with dozens of toys and numerous other items from their wish list. With this great success, we have decided to make it an annual event that the Shelter can depend on.

Everett Animal Shelter is committed to providing care and comfort to the homeless and abused pets in our community. They do not turn any animal away. They take in stray animals, owner surrender pets and animals that have been seized by law enforcement as part of cruelty/investigation cases from 16 jurisdictions.

Often the pets that come to them have been turned away at other shelters due to space, behavior or health challenges. EAS does not euthanize healthy or adoptable animals for space and there are no time limits. The shelter's live release rate is above 90%.

How can you help? Everett Animal Shelter is committed to providing care and comfort to the homeless and abused pets in our community. Your donations to their "Fund for the Animals" provide shelter, extraordinary and life-saving veterinary care, special-diet food, vaccines and so much more for the cats, dogs and critters in our community who have nowhere else to turn. You can give by visiting https://cityofeverett.formstack.com/forms/animalshelter_givetoday (digital readers, following this [link](#)).

There is an Amazon wish list for just about every critter. It makes sending needed items very easy. For the wish lists visit: <https://www.everettwa.gov/2514/Amazon-Wish-List> (digital readers, follow this [link](#)).

There is always a demand for dry or canned pet food, opened bags of food (must be labeled with brand and expiration date or in original packaging), special diet foods, unopened dog and cat treats, kitten formula, new dog and cat toys, fleece blankets, towels, food dishes, leashes and collars.

Annual Meeting—Back in Person

Tuesday, April 18, 2023 @ 5:30-7:30pm
RSVP Required

With the eased nature of COVID-19, we're pleased to have this year's meeting in person. The event will be at the Snohomish County Stillaguamish Public Meeting Room #2 (east side) at the Snohomish County Complex.

Members wanting to attend need to call the branch by April 17th at 5 PM and RSVP. We will need to verify your identity and then you will be added to the list of attendees.

We will also ask for attendees to identify themselves when speaking during the meeting, and for the "first" or "second" motions when we ask for a vote or to make comments.

Those in attendance are put into a drawing for several prizes like a \$100 Amazon card, gift baskets, and many other items that will be on display at the branch.



Vote for Your Board and Supervisory Committee



We have one open position on the Board of Directors and one open position on the Supervisory Committee. **New this year – We are going to totally paperless voting!** Vote for the Board and Supervisory Committee open positions electronically by going to SnoCope's website or using your mobile device by scanning the QR code. For more information about the candidates, please visit the SnoCope website or stop by the credit union. As a thank you for voting and using our new electronic voting system, you will automatically be entered into a random drawing for one of two \$75 gift cards. Voting will be open from April 10th and closing at 5:00PM April 17th.



Interested in volunteering for the Board of Directors or Supervisory Committee?

If you are interested in applying for one of the positions, please review information and fill out an application on our website: <https://www.snocope.com/about-snocope/seeking-board-of-directors-and-supervisory-committee-members-2> (digital readers, follow this [link](#)). Application needed by March 15th.