

# Troop 166 and Troop 066 Newsletter



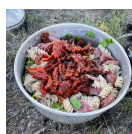
## Outings Report

The Troops kicked off spring with the first backpacking trip of the year at Ancient Lake. After a 3 hour drive,



they embarked on a two mile hike to set up camp. The afternoon also included a 3 mile hike with botanist and Scouter, Matt Loper sharing his expertise with the Scouts. Scouts even squeezed in time to cover advancements, helping

the new Scouts make progress to their next rank. Dinner and games



rounded out the terrific day. The morning hike out went smoothly and the trip was a great experience for everyone.

Thank you to Outing Sponsor, Sean Starke for handling logistics and to Matt Loper for leading the botany hike.



In preparation for the 50-Miler this summer, more backpacking opportunities are coming this spring. Next month the Troops return to Eastern Washington to

explore Grand Coulee Dam and Steamboat Rock. Forms and Fees are due April 18-see the Outing Bulletin, sent via email, for details. If you have any questions, please contact the Outing Sponsor, David McBride ([mcbride.david.j@gmail.com](mailto:mcbride.david.j@gmail.com)).



## Upcoming Calendar

April 21	Troop Committee Meeting All adults welcome.
April 23-24	Grand Coulee Dam Outing
May 7	Aviation Merit Badge - Tukwila Merit Badge Fair - Camp Pigott
May 15 12-4pm	Celebrate Bill's 60 Years Center for Urban Horticulture
May 20-22	Aurora District Camporee At Camp Pigott

## Camporee and Parsons Volunteers

Camporee (May) and Camp Parsons (Aug) are attended by nearly the entire Troop each year. To support these great events, volunteers are needed to help run event stations at Camporee (think camping skills turned into competitions) and chaperones are needed for Camp Parsons. To find out more, contact: Trent [trentsiegel@gmail.com](mailto:trentsiegel@gmail.com) (Camporee) Doug [doughbaer72@gmail.com](mailto:doughbaer72@gmail.com) (Parsons)



## Spring and Summer Save the Dates

Backpacking Prep Day Hikes TBD May and June  
Backpacking Short Hikes June 24-26 and July 1-3  
Camp Parsons July 10-16  
Backpacking 50 Miler July 30-Aug 7  
New Scouts Pioneer Post TBD (Aug 14-15 or Aug 20-21)

## Dirty Work

Jayson Beatty tackled the dirty work this year and led a successful compost sale for our troop. Not only did the Troop reach quota (1150 bags), but the dedicated Scouts and Scouters finished the deliveries 2 hours early! Thanks to donations, the equivalent of 1354 bags of compost were sold! Thank you to Jayson Beatty & Jason Poon, SPL, for your hard work and leadership!

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### Friends of Scouting Success

Thank you to all of you who took the time to make a donation to Friends of Scouting. In reaching our goal, we achieved 78% participation! Great Job Troops! Thank you Conrad Pyler for leading the FoS campaign!

### Growing Our Troop

It's spring and just like the plants, it's time to grow our Troop. The Troops are reaching out to local Packs to share with them the wonderful things the Troops do. Your help is needed in this process! If you know any 5th graders, please share the cool things that we do and invite them to our outings and/or meetings. Joining an outing with a parent is a great way to see what scouting is all about. Webelos/prospective scouts and scouters simply need to submit the outing permission slips and medical forms to the Outing Sponsor to participate. The biggest piece of growing the Troop happens when new faces arrive at meetings and outings. Remember, a Scout is friendly! Please take a moment to say hi, share your experiences and help them connect with the Troop Leaders. We all can help our amazing Troops grow!



### Medical Forms and YPT

Reminder to all scouts and scouters, [medical forms](#) need to be submitted annually. Section C (required for trips >72 hours) requires a physician signature, so please plan accordingly and schedule your annual exams and take the forms with you to be signed. Also, [Youth Protection Training](#) is required of all participants 18 and older and is renewed every two years. Please send your certificates of completion and medical forms to David McBride [mcbride.david.j@gmail.com](mailto:mcbride.david.j@gmail.com). Thanks for tending to these requirements so that you and your scout can participate!

### Newcomer Corner

This spring and summer includes several opportunities to camp and whether it is at camporee, summer camp or on the trail, you'll need gear. It can be overwhelming if you're new to scouting and/or camping, here is a bit of information on what you'll need: backpacking [link](#) & general gear [link](#). The Troops also have gear to loan, both in storage at the church and among our families. Scouts simply need to ask: send an email to the group, talk to your Patrol Leader, or ask the Quartermasters for help. There is plenty of gear to go around! We never want a Scout to miss out because they don't have the gear to participate.

### Celebrating Bill's 60 Years of Service

Please set aside May 15th from 12:00-4:00pm for the celebration gathering to honor Bill's 60 years with Troop 166. We will be gathering at the Urban Horticulture Center. To volunteer to help with planning and reaching out to past Scouts, contact Andrew Gall ([gallscouting@gmail.com](mailto:gallscouting@gmail.com)).

### Calling All Adults

While the Troop is Scout led, there are many opportunities for adults to participate and help.

Openings that are still in need of filling include:

- Eagle Court of Honor
- New Scout Onboarding

For more information, contact our Troop Committee Chair, Kevin Flynn ([kevin.flynn@sap.com](mailto:kevin.flynn@sap.com)).

### Troop Information

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Troop Committee Chair: Kevin Flynn  
SPL: Jason Poon

