# **Troop 166 and Troop 066 Newsletter**

#### **Outings Report**

July took the Troop to the mountains and the shore. To begin the month, eight Scouts and six adults hiked along Ingalls Creek as part of a 3 day backpacking trip.



Despite many fallen trees on the trail, the Scouts were able to rack up more than 20 miles of hiking and enjoyed fantastic wildflowers along the trail. Thank you to Trent Siegel & Robyn Reed for sponsoring this trip.



Mid-July included the annual treasured week at Camp Parsons. The troop had a great time during the first half of the week, working on merit badges, enjoying the water activities and camp fires. Unfortunately, a COVID case closed camp mid-week. Thank you to all the drivers who were able to pick up the Scouts on short notice. Camp Parsons has invited the Scouts back to resume their week at camp and so many of the scouts are returning next week. Thank you to all the families who have pivoted with the troop to make the best of a disrupted week of camp.



July also included the final training hike for the 50 miler. Hikers traversed Margaret's Way to Debbie's View,

which is a 7 mile trek. They enjoyed panoramic views of... fog. Cool and overcast conditions made for fast and fun hiking despite 20-30 pound



packs. This crew is ready to tackle the 50-miler!

Finally, on the last day of July, the LTH crew departed from Oil City trailhead. After 9.2 miles of hiking, they stopped to set up camp at the mouth of the Hoh River on Sunday night. A HUGE thank you goes out to the trip sponsors: Robyn Reed, Kevin Flynn and Josh Sementi for their endless



hours of work to prepare for this week. The 50 miler was also supported by Trent Siegel, Lynh Nguyen, Conrad Plyler and Chris Beaverson. Thank you all for your efforts to prepare the Scouts for this outing. Good luck to the LTH crew this week!



## Upcoming Calendar

July 30-Aug 6	LTH 50 Miler
August 7-13	Camp Parsons-Part 2
August 20-21	Pioneer Post (1st & 2nd Yr Scouts)
August 22	Tentative Eagle Court of Honor Details TBD for Amber Swallwell
September 11	Welcome Back Picnic 12-2pm Matthews Beach
September 19	First Troop Meeting 6:30pm Wedgwood Church Basement

### Fall Save the Dates

Despite the seemingly endless heat, fall is just around the corner. Here are the tentative dates for fall outings: September 24-25 Ghost Town Backpack Location TBD September/October Car Wash Fundraiser Dates TBD October 14-16 Lopez Island Bike Outing

\*Co-Sponsor needed

(Great learning opportunity for new parents) October 29-30 Junior Leadership Training November 19-20 Turner Joy Tour Outing Dec 3-4 Camp Pigott Service Weekend

## Trailer Work Party!

A big thanks to our Trailer crew who cleaned, painted and repaired our trusty trailer just in time for Camp Parsons. Great job A.J., Brendan, Kyle,





Elizabeth, Matthew, Lars, Seamus, Lucca and Jason! Thank you Kirk, Trent and Bill for supervising the project. The trailer is ready for another year of outings!

#### Parsons Prep-Again

For those returning to camp next week, here are a few reminders: Review the Merit Badge/Advancements that you want to complete - some have prerequisites to do before camp, some have material fees, so you will need to bring money to camp. You'll be signing up for classes on Sunday when you arrive. Be sure to take digital photos of the advancement pages in the back of the Scout book before it goes to camp to provide a record of advancements completed if the book is lost. Also, campers can receive mail while at camp. Send all mail by Wednesday, August 10th. Mailing address: Scout's Name, Troop Number Camp Parsons 970 Bee Mill Rd Brinnon WA 98320 Here is the link for FAQ's: Parsons

### Newcomer Corner

It is August, which means it is time for Pioneer Post! All 1st + 2nd year Scouts (6/7 grade) are invited to attend Pioneer Post Aug 20-21. Situated on Dabob Bay, just north of Camp Parsons, Pioneer Post is a great "intro to outings" for new Scouts. Just like regular monthly troop outings, Scouts will work together with the troop guides to plan meals and sort out gear needs. Scouts sleep in tents and work together to prepare their meals. Trip sponsor, Travis Spikes, will reach out to new Scouts soon with more details of this fantastic weekend. Parents, reach out directly to Travis (travis@woodcrafterconstruction.com) with any questions you may have. Scouts can contact troop guide, Lucca Perera (luccaperera5694@gmail.com), SPL Jason Poon (5000901@g.highline-schools.org) or ASPL Micah Spikes (micahcspikes@gmail.com) with their questions.

### Parade Time!

Xander Siqveland's Eagle project set sail in the Edmonds 4th of July Parade. His restoration of the Norwegian Ship



Thor for the Sons of Norway won the award for Most Original Float. Scoutmaster Kirk Siqveland and Scout Brendan Beaverson joined Xander as flag bearers in the parade.

# **Troop Information**

Scoutmasters:

Bill Montgomery Troop 166 Kirk Siqveland Troop 066 Assistant Scoutmasters:

Troop 166: Trent Siegel, Kirk Siqveland, Doug Baer Troop 066: Lynh Flynn, Robyn Reed Troop Committee Chair: Kevin Flynn SPL: Jason Poon

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