

Troop 166 and Troop 066 Newsletter

Outings Report

Twenty one Scouts explored both the USS Turner Joy and the Naval Undersea Museum during the November outing. They enjoyed a beautiful ferry ride into Bremerton, catching views of downtown Seattle and Mt. Rainier. At camp,



they tried their hand at dutch oven cooking and completed Scout skills for advancements. Thank you to Trent Siegel, Josh Sementi and Kevin Flynn for jumping in at the last minute as trip sponsors. The troop also had fantastic support from the parents on this outing. Thank you to all of our drivers!

This weekend, the Scouts will head over to Camp Parsons to complete a service project and enjoy an evening of games and fun at the lodge. This is a Troop favorite and not to be missed. Contact trip sponsor [Jim Thompson](#) with questions.



2023 Outing Save the Dates

Don't miss out! Add these dates to your calendars:

January 28-29 January Outing

February 11-12 Winter/Snow Camp TBD

March 18-19 North Cascades Mountain Biking

April - Long Island Canoe Trip (dates TBD)

May 19-21 Camporee

June 9-11 Fishing and Rafting Outing

July 16-22 Camp Parsons

Upcoming Calendar

December 3-4	Camp Parsons Service Weekend
December 8	First Aid Training 7pm Fairview Church Contact: Steve Pierce
December 12	Troop Holiday Party Dinner Potluck 6-8pm *Note start time*
December 19 and 26	No Troop Meetings (Winter Break)
January 9	Outing Sponsor Training during Troop Meeting 6:30 pm

Holiday Party

Mark your calendars for the annual troop holiday party on December 12th, 6:00-8:00pm at Wedgwood Presbyterian Church. The event will kick off with a potluck dinner for scouts and their families. Food assignments are as follows:

Drinks: Blue Dragons

Salad and bread: Rabid Rabbits

Desserts: Lemur Sloths

Main Courses: DaMoose, Whippoorwills, Hellbenders

Scouts should bring an unlabeled, wrapped gift (\$10-15 value), as part of our fun annual musical chairs/gift exchange. We will also have a gear exchange. Bring your gently used gear that you've grown out of for younger scouts to use. We hope you can join us!



Fundraising Update

Thank you to all the Scouts and families for your hard work over the past month selling car wash tickets. I'm proud to say you **raised over \$16,000** for the troop!!! **Brendan Beaverson was our top seller** with 121 tickets + \$50 in donations and **Nicolas Lawrence was our runner up** with 120 tickets.

As a reminder, fundraising proceeds are used to offset the cost of troop activities and overhead expenses, but most importantly they're used to help fund Camp Parsons. We'll have an additional fundraiser in the spring selling Cedar Grove Compost.

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Eagle Court of Honor

Last weekend the troop honored Matthew Flynn and Colin McBride for their successful completion of the requirements for Eagle Rank. It is the highest honor a Scout can achieve.



Congratulations to Matthew and Colin on achieving their Eagle badge.



Eagle Project Update

This summer Scouts, led by Nicholas Buckley, gave the Wedgwood Elementary playground a facelift. The school published this [short video](#), which includes acknowledgement of the Scouts' efforts and pictures of the project. Thank you Nicholas and all the volunteers who participated!

Calling All Adults!

While the Troop is Scout lead, the troop adults play a key role in supporting the Scouts. Your help is needed as we have two openings that are in need of filling:

- **New Scout Recruiting Chair** – Coordination with Cub Packs on Hullabaloo and Weblow invitations. Looking for anyone with a Scout in both Troop 166 and a Cub Pack
- **Assistant Scout Masters (2023-2024)**– for consideration by any parents of younger Scouts who wish to participate on a regular basis in Troop meetings, outings, and Scout advancement. For more information see [here](#).

Thank you to Jeanie Hemmen for who has already volunteered to help and will be chairing the Scouting for Food event. If you are interested in a position or have questions contact our Troop Committee Chair, Kevin Flynn (kevin.flynn@sap.com).

Rechartering for 2023

Help the troop prepare for 2023 by submitting your annual dues and your deposit for Camp Parsons to [Doug Baer](#). Dues are: \$120/Scout, \$75/adult and \$100/Scout deposit for Camp Parsons. Please submit your dues by **Monday, December 5th**.

Outing Sponsor Training

Calling all parents and troop adults! Join us January 9th for outing sponsor training with Trent Siegel, ASM and Sean Starke, Outing Chair. The session will cover the nuts and bolts of planning an outing and is intended for new and experienced adults/Scouters alike. Sponsoring an outing is a fantastic way for adults to support the Troop.

Newcomer Corner

It's the holiday season, and there are sales on gear everywhere you look. Whether your Scout has visions of a 50 miler backpacking trip or just attending summer camp, they'll need gear and this is a great time of year to stock up. 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/camping [link](#) & general gear [link](#). The Troops also have gear to loan and we will have a gear swap at the holiday party. We never want a Scout to miss out because they don't have the gear to participate.



Troop Information

Scoutmasters:

Bill Montgomery Troop 166

Kirk Siqveland Troop 066

Assistant Scoutmasters:

Troop 166: Trent Siegel, Kirk Siqveland, Doug Baer

Troop 066: Lynh Nguyen, Robyn Reed

Troop Committee Chair: Kevin Flynn

SPL: Elizabeth Flynn



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Internal Wiki: <https://scoutwatch.org/Troop166/>