

Troop 166 and Troop 066 Newsletter

Outings Report

Twenty-two Scouts and ten Scouters enjoyed a weekend of service and fun at Camp Parsons. This year,



they built a split-rail fence for the camp. Some Scouts also tried their hand at splitting cedar rails with wedges and a maul! During their free time, they completed an orienteering course

before an evening of good food, a campfire at Mystery Beach, and games.

Many thanks to the adults that supported this trip, especially trip sponsor, Aaron Rimmer — Thank You!

This month the Troop will be attending their first Klondike Derby, a sort of camporee for the winter. The patrols will be building their own sleds to use during the weekend during the competitions. Be on the



lookout for the Trip Bulletin from Josh Sementi for details. Because of the early start to activities on Saturday morning, it will include a Friday evening departure to get over the mountains.



This Month:

January 8	Troop Meeting 6:30 pm @ Wedgwood Elementary
January 15	No Troop Meeting-MLK Day
January 22	Troop Meeting 6:30 pm @ Wedgwood Elementary
January 24	Troop Committee Meeting 7:00 pm @ Wedgwood Presbyterian
January 26-28	January Outing - Klondike Derby Friday evening departure.
January 29	PLC Meeting 6:30 pm @ Wedgwood Presbyterian

For Troop iCal feed, use this [URL](#) Troop Calendar: [Here](#)

Save the Date for 2024

Happy New Year! Here are a few dates to add to your 2024 calendars:

February 5 Winter Court of Honor

February 10-11 February Outing-Rasar State Park

March 1-3 Mount Baker Snow Lodge outing

*Friday evening departure

April 20-21 April Outing-Olympic Peninsula Bike Outing

May 17-19 Camporee at Camp Pigott and Camp Edward

*Friday evening departure

June 8-9 June Outing-Blake Island (tentative)

July 14-20 Camp Parsons

Court of Honor

Winter Court of Honor is scheduled for February 5. Scouts will need to complete rank advancements and merit badges for Winter Court of Honor and submit them to Jim Thompson by Wednesday January 31st.

Troop Directory for 2024

The Troop Directory has been emailed to all registered families. If you did not receive it and would like a copy, please reach out to [Jen Beaverson](#) and she will send one to you. Thanks!

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Holiday Party

The Scouts closed out 2023 with their annual Holiday Party. With their tummies full of sweet treats after the desert potluck, the Scouts played British Bulldog and Musical Chairs with fervor. SM Bill



Montgomery took his traditional spot on the piano bench to provide the music and Karl Layton was able to claim the last chair during musical

chairs and win the final pick in the white elephant gift exchange. Thank you to all who provided goodies for the dessert potluck. It was a fun evening for the Scouts.



Wilderness First Aid Class

Seattle Territory Wilderness First Aid Class
January 20 & 27 Fee \$65 Age 14+
Ballard First Lutheran January 20 & 27 Fee \$65
Contact [Steve Pierce](#) for details and to register.

Friends of Scouting

The Seattle Territory Friends of Scouting Breakfast will be held **February 7th at Fremont Studios**. This year, Councilperson Sara Nelson will be the keynote speaker. **RSVP to [Conrad Plyler](#) if you are able to attend.** The breakfast kicks off the annual fundraising month for Friends of Scouting.

Teaching Future Scouts

Last month, Kyle McBride, James Lohan, and Jack Blank put their first aid knowledge to work and taught the senior Webelos of Pack 144 the first 5 requirements of the First Responder elective. Not only did our Scouts impress the parents and Webelos with their knowledge and teaching skills, but they shared some fun examples of Troop adventures. Thank you Kyle, James and Jack for taking time to teach and represent Troop 166.



Newcomer Corner

If you are a newer Scout and making good progress towards the rank of 1st Class, you will need merit badges to continue your progress in ranks towards Eagle Scout. Did you know that under the direction of a Merit Badge Counselor, Scouts can earn Merit Badges any time while they are a Scout? Want to get started? Contact a Merit Badge Counselor (see the list in the Troop Directory). You can also earn badges at Camp Parsons, Seattle Territory Merit Badge Fairs and during classes provided by Troop 166/066 Merit Badge Counselors throughout the year. Want more information? Talk to your Patrol Leaders, Troop Guides and Scoutmasters for tips on fun Merit Badges to try!

Troop Information

Scoutmasters:

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Robyn Reed Troop 066

Assistant Scoutmasters:

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Doug Baer, Josh Sementi

Troop 066: Lynh Nguyen, Kirk Siqveland

Troop Committee Chair: Kevin Flynn

SPL: Lars Hedin

