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Outings Report

Troop 166 & 066 were 19 Scouts strong at Camporee. Upon arrival, the Scouts hiked into camp and



completed the initial inspections, including the "jump test" to check for secure backpacks. After setting up camp, the perseverance of several Scouts resulted in a great campfire, despite the wet fuel. On Saturday, the Patrols tackled

10 different stations in the Field Competition, with

tasks ranging from starting fires, tying knots, and teamwork challenges. The afternoon included ax & knife throwing and target shooting at the Mountain Man events. In the





evening, the Troops raced both the weather and other Troops in the Troop relay. The indoor campfire, prompted by foul weather, included some great skits by the Blue Dragons and DaMoose. At the closing

ceremony on Sunday, the Blue Dragons and DaMoose earned two of the six "Presidential" ribbons for their efforts in the Patrol Competition. Troop 166 closed camp by serving as Color Guard.





In June, we have several hiking related outings. Day hikes on June 4 and 11th are sponsored by Kevin Flynn and Trent Siegel. Scouts can also attend the June 24-26 and/or July 1-3 backpacking trips. Please see

the respective trip bulletins and reach out to the trip sponsors for more information and to sign up.

LTH Planning Meeting May 31st

Interested in joining the Long Term Hike/50 Miler this summer? Join Co-Sponsors Robyn Reed and Kevin Flynn for the informational/planning meeting, Tuesday, May 31st at 7pm at Wedgwood Presbyterian.



Annual Outings Planning Meeting

All Troop parents are invited to the Annual Outings Planning Meeting on Tuesday, June 7th, 6:00pm at the Flynn Home (7010 31st Ave NE). Light food and refreshments will be served as we gather to plan the upcoming scouting year.

Upcoming Calendar

May 31	LTH Planning Meeting - Wedgwood Presbyterian (WP) 7:00pm
June 4	LTH Practice Hike - Edmonds Beach
June 6	Troop Meeting - WP 6:30 pm
June 7	Annual Outings Planning Meeting - The Flynn's Home 6:00pm
June 8	Advancement Deadline for COH
June 11	LTH Practice Hike - Rattlesnake Mt
June 13	Court of Honor - WP 6:30pm
June 15	Troop Committee Meeting 7:00pm
June 20	Parsons Planning Meeting & BBQ Ravenna Park 6:00pm
June 24-26	LTH Practice-3 Day Backpacking
July 1-3	LTH Practice-3 Day Backpacking

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Summer Hikes

In preparation for the upcoming LTH Backpacking 50-Miler Trip in August, the Troops are headed out for several training hikes. These hikes are open to all and are a great way to get some miles in and have fun with your fellow Scouts. The first hike took the Scouts along the North Seattle beaches. Upcoming practice hikes on June 4, June 11 and July 23 will take Scouts back to the beach and to the mountains. For more information and

to sign up, please see the trip bulletins and contact: Kevin Flynn (June 4) kevin.flynn@sap.com Trent Siegel (June 11) trentsiegel@gmail.com



In addition, two backpacking hikes are scheduled that serve as the required backpacking training hike for those going on the LTH/50 Miler. On June 24th-26th, the Scouts will hike the Ingalls Creek Trail in the Alpine Wilderness area. This is a good hike for novice backpackers, as it is a moderate, but gradual elevation gain. The second backpacking trip will explore Navaho Pass and features areas of steeper elevation gain. For more information, see the trip bulletins and contact: Trent Siegel (trent.siegel@gmail.com) for the June hike Robyn Reed (rcreed@gmail.com) for the July hike

Parsons Planning Meeting

Camp Parsons is just around the corner and that means our annual End of Year BBQ and Parsons Planning meeting is coming soon. Join us Monday, June 20th, 6:00pm at Ravenna Park for fun, food & insider tips on how to make Camp Parsons the best experience ever!

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:

• Recruiting and Onboarding
For more information, contact our Troop Committee
Chair, Kevin Flynn (kevin.flynn@sap.com).

Newcomer Corner

Two important meetings are coming up - Outings Planning Meeting and Parson's Planning/End of Year Family BBQ. Attending Camp Parsons and Outings are the key experiences for Scouts and these meetings lay the groundwork for a great scouting year. They are also a great chance to connect with Troop parents and have fun! Join us on June 7th (adults only) at the Flynn Home & June 20th (the whole family) at Ravenna Park.

New Advancements Deadline

Merit Badge and Rank Advancements are due to Jim Thompson, Advancement Coordinator by June 8 at 8pm for Spring Court of Honor. Any advancements received after the deadline will be recorded but will not be awarded until the next COH in October.

Medical Forms and YPT

Reminder to all Scouts and Scouters, <u>medical forms</u> (A+B+C) must be updated for 2022. Send completed forms to David McBride <u>mcbride.david.j@gmail.com</u>.

Fundraising/Scout Account

Scout Account balances have been updated to reflect credits for our March compost sale. Scouts received 25% of revenue for compost sold in excess of their 35 bag quota. Congratulations to all Scouts who achieved their goal. Many Scouts are well on their way to funding this year's backpacking hike or other future trips! Review your Scout Account Balance Here.

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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Celebrating 60 Years as Scoutmaster

Bill's 60th Anniversary celebration was an incredible gathering that included over 100 Troop 166 & 066 Scouts from the past 60 years. The program featured Eagles from every decade since 1960, who shared stories of their time with the Troop and how Bill impacted their lives. A custom shirt and slide were presented to Bill to commemorate the event in addition to plaques with the 156 Eagles on display.



Alumni Reunited: All Troop Scouts have been contacted via email and will be invited to our new Alumni email Google Group and <u>Facebook Group</u>. Thank you to Lynh Nguyen for her internet "sleuthing" to track down our alumni and help in reuniting and connecting them.





Stay Tuned to Eric's Heroes!

Bill will be featured on KOMO News, Eric's Heroes, expected to air on Wednesday, June 1 during the 6:00pm newscast (6:35-7:00pm). Bill and Troop Eagles will be interviewed. Afterwards, you can view and share the video found here:

http://komonews.com/news/erics-heroes

https://www.facebook.com/EricJohnsonKOMO



This special day could not happen without the hard work of wonderful volunteers. Among the many that helped, a special thank you goes to Andrew Gall, Lynh

Nguyen & Kevin Flynn, Doug Baer, Fred Berg, Larry Hazlehurst, Dan Klepac, Ed Millman, Russ Norman & Heather Smith, Cliff Shettler, Trent Siegel, Ted & Gloria Sindell, Kirk Siqveland, Jim Thompson and Van Trihn. Thank you!



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