

Troop 166 and Troop 066 Newsletter

Outings Report

In February, the Troops put on their snowshoes, loaded their sleds, and hiked into the snow at Stevens Pass. They spent the afternoon building snow shelters. Scouts found snow trenches to be the most successful



this year. The Scouters outdid themselves, digging out an eating area with room for over 20 people.

Sunday morning featured avalanche training, including a simulated rescue of a buried victim. For the second year in a row, we are



thankful for Travis Spikes' leadership as outing sponsor. He was not alone in the snow, as we once again had tremendous support from Troop parents. Thank you to all the drivers who braved

the cold and supported this fantastic outing. This month, the Troops are headed to the Ancient Lakes area for some mountain biking. Conrad Plyler is the outing sponsor. Please check the trip bulletin for details.



Calendar

March 9	Round Table-Fairview Church 7pm CPR/AED training at Seattle Council
March 11	Seattle Territory Merit Badge Fair
March 22	Troop Committee Meeting 7pm All adults welcome
March 25-26	Mountain Bike Outing at Ancient Lakes
April 1	Compost Delivery Day!

Compost Fundraising Kickoff!

It's COMPOST TIME! Troops 066/166 are kicking off spring, despite the snow flurries, with our annual Cedar Grove Compost Sale. Scouts set this year's quota at 20 bags, but for those Scouts who sell more, they will receive \$4 per bag sold over quota in their Scout account. The Troop will deliver orders on April 1. Have questions? See Jayson Beatty's kick off email coming soon and/or reach out to the dirt master himself: jaysonbeatty@gmail.com.



Save the Dates & Summer Plans

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

April 22-23 Canoe Outing

May 19-21 Camporee

June 9th Jason Poon Eagle Court of Honor

June 10-11 Whitewater Rafting Outing

July 16-22 Camp Parsons

Aug 3-10 Canoe 50 Miler, Lake Roosevelt

Mid/Late Aug New Scout Pioneer Post



Troop Directory

Thanks to Trent and Lynh's photographic efforts, the Troop directory is updated and available. Paper copies are available at Troop meetings. The electronic version was emailed earlier this week-if you did not receive and would like a copy, please email Jen Beaverson.

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Winter Court of Honor

At Winter Court of Honor in February, the Troop took time to honor the accomplishments of the Scouts during the last term. Pearl Hedin was

recognized for her achievement of Scout rank with the Scout Ceremony-Congratulations Pearl! Other Scouts earning rank this winter include:

Tenderfoot-Jack Blank; Second Class-Indigo Beatty; Star-Geneva Sementi; and Life-Asher

Danielson. Fifteen merit badges were also awarded. 19 Scouts earned overnight honor segments, including Geneva Sementi with a whopping 31 nights camping with the troop last year! The Whippoorwills won the interpatrol competition and Jason Poon was honored as the Scout of the Year. Finally, the new Troop officers were installed, including new SPL, Asher Danielson.



Newcomer Corner

Scout account? What's that you may be asking as a new member of the troop. When a Scout exceeds the quota of a troop fundraiser, a portion of the extra funds raised are placed in his/her Scout account. These funds can be used for long-term hikes or other high adventure activities sponsored by the Troop. It is a way for a Scout to earn their way. Curious how much your Scout has earned in their Scout account? Use this [LINK](#) to view your Scout account balance.

Annual Physical-Form C Reminder

Remember that Scouts and any adults participating in outings of >72 hours (Camp Parsons, 50 miler, etc.) must have an annual physical and submit an updated medical BSA Form C, with a doctor's signature. Please make your appointments now as appointments fill quickly. Please scan and send your completed Form C to David McBride (mcbride.david.j@gmail.com).

Calling All Adults

While the Troop is Scout led, the Troop adults play a key role in supporting the Scouts. Your help is needed as we have one opening that is in need of filling:

- **Assistant Scoutmasters (2023-2024):** for consideration by any adults who wish to participate on a regular basis in Troop meetings, outings, and Scout advancement. For more information see [here](#).

If you are interested in a position or have questions contact our Troop Committee Chair, Kevin Flynn (kevin.flynn@sap.com).

Seattle Territory Opportunities

CPR/AED Training March 9 7:00 - 9:00 PM at Chief Seattle Council Service Center. For 11 y/o on up. Fee is \$20. Contact Steve Pierce (greenwerks@comcast.net) for details. Registration: [CPR/AED](#)

Merit Badge Fair Saturday March 11 7:30am-1:00pm at Fairview Church. Registration: [Merit Badge Fair](#)

Friends of Scouting

Last call for donations! If you have not had a chance to donate and want to, you can use this link: [FoS](#). Thanks to many Troop families, we were able to reach our FoS fundraising goals this year. Thank you for supporting Scouting!

Troop Information

Scoutmasters:

Bill Montgomery Troop 166

Kirk Siqveland Troop 066

Assistant Scoutmasters:

Troop 166: Trent Siegel, Kirk Siqveland,
Josh Sementi, Doug Baer

Troop 066: Lynh Flynn, Robyn Reed

Troop Committee Chair: Kevin Flynn

SPL: Asher Danielson



Troop 166 and Troop 066 External Website: <http://www.troop166.net/>

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