Troop 166 and Troop 066 Newsletter

Outings Report

In February, thirteen Scouts focused on advancements at Rasar State Park. After arriving, the Scouts went on a nature hike and spotted two eagles along the way. The afternoon was spent on merit badges and advancements. The evening included a lift off challenge with Scouts conquering



a 30 lb dumbbell and attempting quad extensions with firewood bundles. It sounds like crossfit outdoors! Scoutmaster Bill battled Scouts at a game of hearts, rounding out a fun evening at camp. Many thanks to Sean Starke for sponsoring the February outing!



The Troop kicked off March with a snow filled weekend at Mt. Baker. More on their escapades in the epic powder will come in next month's newsletter. Thank you to super sponsor Sean Starke for planning this fantastic winter weekend!



This Month:

March 1-3	March Outing Winter Camp at Mt. Baker
March 4`	PLC Meeting 6:30 pm @ Wedgwood Church
March 11	Troop Meeting 6:30 pm @ Wedgwood Elementary
March 16	Compost Sale Delivery Day 8 am
March 18	Troop Meeting 6:30 pm @ Wedgwood Elementary
March 25	Swim Night @ Evans Pool, Green Lake (tentative)

For Troop iCal feed, use this <u>URL</u> Troop Calendar: <u>Here</u> Scout Account Balance: <u>Here</u>

Compost Sale

It's COMPOST TIME! Troops 066/166 are digging our annual Cedar Grove Compost Sale! This year's quota is 20 bags, and Scouts who sell more will receive \$4 per bag sold over quota in their Scout account. The Troop will deliver orders on Saturday, March 16th. Have questions? See Jayson



Beatty's kick off email and/or reach out to the dirt master himself: jaysonbeatty@gmail.com.

Friends of Scouting

Thank you for helping the Troop reach our goal for the annual Friends of Scouting campaign. We surpassed both the participation and financial goals! Great job! If there is anyone that would still like to give, please use the link here (FOS) to go directly to the Troop 166/066 fundraising page, and feel free to share this with family and friends who understand the importance of Scouting in our children's lives.

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Newcomer Corner

Scout account? "What's that?" you may be asking. When a Scout exceeds the quota of a troop fundraiser, a portion of the 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. You can use this **LINK** to view your Scout account balance.



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. Scouts earning rank this winter include: Tenderfoot-Thomas Slade, Pearl Neidt, Hailey Sementi, and Maile Starke; Second Class-James Lohan; First Class-Ben Matlick and Star-Kyle McBride. Twenty-four merit badges were also awarded. Special awards included Camp Parsons VIP and Klondike Derby patches. Twenty-four Scouts earned overnight honor segments, including top campers Brendan Beaverson, Elizabeth Flynn, Karl Layton, and Geneva Sementi, each with 25 nights of camping with the troop

last year! The Rabid Rabbits won the interpatrol competition — way to go, new Scouts! Finally, the new Troop officers were installed, including the new SPL, Kyle McBride.

Annual Physical-Form C Reminder

Remember that Scouts and any adults participating in outings of >72 hours (Camp Parsons, 50 milers) must have an annual physical and submit an updated medical BSA Form C, with a doctor's signature. Please scan & send your completed forms with insurance cards to David McBride (mcbride.david.i@gmail.com).

Save the Date(s) for 2024

Don't miss out! Please add these dates to your calendars for upcoming Scout activities:

April

April 20-21 April Outing-Olympic Peninsula Bike Outing April 27 Troop/LTH Prep Day Hike #1

May

May 4 Parent Outing Planning meeting May 11 Troop/LTH Prep Day Hike #2 May 17-19* Camporee at Camp Pigott and Camp Edward

*Friday evening departure

June

June 1 Alaska Airlines Aviation Day June 1 Troop/LTH Prep Day Hike #3 June 8-9 June Outing-Blake Island (tentative) June TBD End of Year/Parsons Planning Picnic June 28-30 Troop/LTH Backpacking Prep Outing

July 5-7 Troop/LTH Backpacking Prep Outing July 14-20 Camp Parsons

August

August 3-10 Long Term Hike - Eagle Cap August TBD Pioneer Post

Merit Badge Fair

Seattle Territory is hosting the Spring Merit Badge Fair at Fairview Church in Maple Leaf on April 6. This year the theme is safety, with classes offered in crime prevention, family life, fire safety, and traffic safety. For more information, contact Wesley Miles.

Troop Information

Scoutmasters:

Bill Montgomery Troop 166 Robyn Reed Troop 066

Assistant Scoutmasters:

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

