Troop 166 and Troop 066 Newsletter

Outings Report

April's outing exposed Scouts to both natural and man made beauty. The Grand Coulee Dam Visitor's Center was the first stop where Scouts completed a



scavenger hunt and spent time learning the history and



engineering of Grand Coulee. The Scouts then traveled to Steamboat Rock State Park to set-up camp and embark on a "2.5 mile

hike" that grew to a gorgeous 6 mile hike to the top of Steamboat Rock. Ropes were employed to assist with the scramble and Scouts were rewarded with great views of the surrounding lakes and landscape. With no burn ban in effect, they were able to enjoy a "real" campfire, complete with fire,



skits and songs. Thank you to the trip

sponsor, David McBride, for organizing the outing and to the drivers for transporting the

Scouts.

Next month we hope the entire Troop will be able to attend Camporee at Camp Pigott. Second only to Camp

Parson's in terms of attendance and fun, Camporee is a gathering of 20 plus local troops, competing in scout skills and just having fun. Please see the trip bulletin for



etin for details and contact Trent

(trentsiegel@gmail.com) with questions. Camporee will also be discussed at the Parent meeting on May 2nd.

Parent Meeting on Monday May 2

Please plan on attending the Parent Meeting on Monday, May 2nd, at 6:30 pm. This will be a chance to ask questions, learn about Troop advancement, summer camp, medical form needs, and the Troop Committee.

Upcoming Calendar

May 2 6:30pm	Parent Meeting- during Troop Meeting at Wedgwood Presbyterian
May 7	Aviation Day- Tukwila Merit Badge Fair - Camp Pigott
May 8 3:30pm	LTH Practice Hike Carkeek Park to Shilshoe via beach
May 14	LTH Practice Hike- Place TBD
May 15 1-3pm	Celebrate Bill's 60 Years Center for Urban Horticulture 12-1pm & 3-4pm Clean Up/Set Up
May 20-22	Aurora District Camporee At Camp Pigott
June 4 and 11	LTH Practice Hikes- Place TBD
June 13	Spring Court of Honor

Celebrating Bill's 60 Years of Service

The wait is over! It is time to celebrate Scoutmaster Bill's 60th Anniversary with Troop 166. Kindly use the Evite Link to RSVP. We continue to look for all of the 150 plus Eagles under Bill's mentorship. If you have contact information for any Troop 166 Eagle Scouts prior to the year 2000, please use this link to share contact information. If you have photos for the slide show, please upload them to this folder. If you would like to assist the Organizing Committee in covering the cost of the celebration, please use this link. Any donations in excess of the cost of the celebration will be donated to Troop 166 and 066.

Newcomer Corner

Your Scout is asking to attend Camporee, but what is Camporee??? The Aurora District Camporee is a

fun-filled weekend of camping with other local Troops. Patrols collaborate and compete in a variety of events: scout skills, relays, patrol spirit, cooking, etc. Troop and SPL/Scoutmaster relays; Campfire, songs, skits; and the Mountain Man





challenge (range skills) round out the great weekend. IT's an outing that all Scouts should find a way to attend. See the trip bulletin for details.

New Scouts and Scouters should also be aware that Spring Court of Honor (awards ceremony) is just a month away. If Scouts are getting close to completing a Rank or Merit Badge, now is the time to push to get the work done, signed-off in the Scout Book and Scoutmaster Conferences and Board of Reviews scheduled. Have questions? Contact your Patrol Guide, Senior Patrol Leader or one of the ASM's.

Backpacking Opportunities

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. For more information, see trip bulletins and contact Robyn Reed <u>rcreed@gmail.com</u> or Kevin Flynn <u>kevin.flynn@sap.com</u> with any questions.

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:

- Eagle Court of Honor
- Recruiting and Onboarding

For more information, contact our Troop Committee Chair, Kevin Flynn (<u>kevin.flynn@sap.com</u>).

Spring and Summer Save the Dates

Outings Planning Meeting May/June TBD Camp Parsons Planning Meeting June 20 LTH Practice Hike-Backpacking 3-Day Hikes (Teanaway Area) June 24-26 and July 1-3 Camp Parsons July 10-16

LTH Backpacking 50 Miler July 30-Aug 7 New Scouts Pioneer Post Aug 20-21

Camporee and Parsons Volunteers

Camporee (May 20-22) and Camp Parsons (July 10-16) are "not to be missed" outings for the Troop. To support these great events, volunteers are needed to help run event stations at Camporee (camping skills competitions) and chaperones are needed for Camp



Parsons. To find out more, contact: Trent <u>trentsiegel@gmail.com</u> (Camporee) Doug <u>dougbaer72@gmail.com</u> (Parsons)

Upcoming Training

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills/IOLS 5/14 \$20 Wilderness First Aid 6/11 AND 6/18 \$50 CPR/AED Training Class 6/9 at Roundtable, 7PM \$20 For more details and to sign up, contact District Training Chair Stephen Pierce: <u>greenwerks@comcast.net</u>.

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>.

Troop Information

Scoutmasters:

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Troop Committee Chair: Kevin Flynn SPL: Jason Poon



Troop 166 and Troop 066 External Website: <u>http://www.troop166.net/</u> Internal Wiki: <u>https://scoutwatch.org/Troop166/</u>