Troop 166 and Troop 066 Newsletter

Outings Report

The return of rain to the Pacific Northwest did not dampen the fun had by 16 Scouts an d 6 adults during the September backpacking outing. Hiking in two separate crews, the Scouts entered the Olympics at the Upper Dungeness trailhead. The Troop 066 crew headed to Handy Camp, while the Troop 166 crew trekked to Royal Creek. For several Scouts, this was their first backpacking trip! Both groups enjoyed great food and great company.

Many thanks to the adults that supported this trip, especially trip sponsor, Josh Sementi — Thank You! This month, the Troop will explore San Juan Island by bicycle on October 13-15. Whales, biking, history and more are on the agenda, you don't want to miss out! Please see the Trip Bulletin from Sean Starke for details.

This Month:

October 1	WTA Trails Service Project
October 2	Fall Court of Honor 6:15 Potluck, 7:00 Ceremony
October 11	Troop Committee Mtg 7pm WPC
October 13-15	October Outing-Biking San Juan Island
October 28-29	Junior Leadership Training

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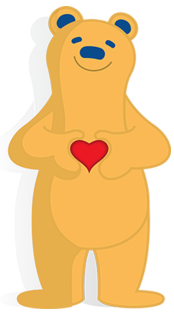
Is JLT for Me?

JLT (Junior Leadership Training) is a fantastic weekend of leadership training for all interested Scouts, 1st Class and above. Held at SM Bill's Pioneer Post house, it features workshops of various leadership topics along with great meals together and late night games. JLT is always a fun weekend. If you are a 1st Class Scout or above, JLT is for you!

Fall Save the Dates

Don't miss out! Please add these dates to your calendars for upcoming Scout activities:
October - Fall Car Wash Ticket Fundraiser
November 10-11/12 November Outing
December 2/3 Camp Parsons Service Weekend

Fall Fundraiser



It's nearly time to get out there and sell Brown Bear Car Wash tickets! Kickoff is coming soon for our annual fall fundraiser. Each Scout will be expected to sell a quota of 40 tickets during October to help raise funds for the Troop's operating expenses and Camp Parsons. Questions? Contact: Aaron Rimmer

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Newcomer Corner

This month, new Scouts will embark on their first Brown Bear Car Wash Sale and we want to make sure it is a positive experience. Here are some selling tips from a few of our Scouts:

1. Sell right away. Don't wait.

2. Use Venmo or PayPal. It makes sales easy and quick.

3. Know your facts. People love hearing:
   -75% of sales goes back to the Troop

   -$12 is the same price you pay at Brown Bear

   -Brown Bear is eco-friendly

4. Be creative! Send out emails, post a sales video on social media, call friends and family.

Good luck and happy selling!

Welcome Back Picnic

The Troop enjoyed time together at the Welcome Back Picnic. Thank you to the Flynn family for grilling up the food and to all Scout families for their contributions. In addition to playing capture the flag, the Troop welcomed Amanda Diaz and Baird Helliwell.

Thank you to Karl Layton, SPL, for your leadership with the Scout activities. It was a great way to kick-off the new school year.

Shooting Star Spotlight

While the Troop is Scout led, working behind the scenes are amazing adults from our Troop. Each year, we recognize a few with the Shooting Star award. Conrad Plyler, Eric Blank, Robyn Reed, Sean Starke, Travis Spikes, and Trent Siegel are this year's recipients. This month, we'd like to shine a spotlight on Eric Blank, Troop Recruiting Chair. Eric comes to the Troop from Pack 144, where he served as Akela, among many other roles. When Jack, his youngest son, joined Troop 166, Eric didn't miss a beat and jumped in right away to help with recruiting and retention. Perhaps you've already seen him in action, sending welcome emails and reaching out to new families as they get settled. He's also supported outings as a driver and is sponsoring the June 2024 outing. Thank you Eric for all that you do for the Troop!

Merit Badge Fair

Seattle Territory will be holding a Merit Badge Fair at Fairview Church on October 28th. For those not attending JLT, this is a great way to earn a Merit Badge or two. More details to come in the coming weeks.

Troop Information

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Robyn Reed Troop 066
Assistant Scoutmasters:
Troop 166: Trent Siegel, Kirk Siqveland, Doug Baer, Josh Sementi
Troop 066: Lynh Nguyen, Kirk Siqveland
Troop Committee Chair: Kevin Flynn
SPL: Karl Layton-outgoing Lars Hedin-incoming

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