

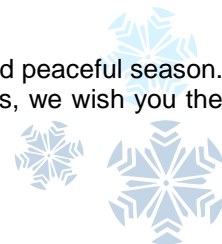
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The Official Group Program Newsletter of Camp Fire USA Central Puget Sound Council

Holiday Greetings!

To all our members, alumni and friends, Camp Fire wishes you a joyous and peaceful season. As we celebrate those occasions most meaningful to our individual families, we wish you the best of holidays and a happy and healthy New Year!

Wohelo,
Camp Fire Staff



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CANDY FUNDRAISER 2012

Dates of Sale: January 27 – February 20, 2012

2012 Products:

- **Creamy Smooth Mint Patties**
- **Almond Roca Buttercrunch**
- **Almond Caramel Clusters**
- **P-Nuttles**—chocolate-free, toffee covered peanuts!
- **Camper Mix**—sugar-free product—back by popular demand!

Plan to do **goal setting** with your group—handout coming soon.

Sales incentive stuffed animals: See page 6 for pictures. Incentive boxes will be available in December. Contact Mary Olsen at MaryO@campfire-usa.org to check out a box of animals to show your group.

Candy Captain Trainings will be held in January. Stay tuned for more details.

Candy Rallies are an opportunity to get families and youth excited for the Candy Fundraiser. Pizza and salad will be provided. Please watch your e-mail for more information.

Super Sell-A-Thon will be on Sunday, January 29th. Please see the January/February *Wohelo* Newsletter for more information.



Merchants of Merit

Do you know of a business that wants to thank their customers or honor their employees? Or perhaps they want to be recognized as a business that supports youth.

Businesses that buy at least 15 units of candy become *Merchants of Merit*. They will receive an official Merchant of Merit certificate for their place of business, have their business listed on our website as a supporter, and receive thanks in our newsletter (circulation 1,000+).

Encourage your group to promote this special opportunity by selling cases to local businesses. For more information contact Mary Olsen at MaryO@campfire-usa.org or call 206 826 8945.

Candy for a Cause Supporting Our Troops

Camp Fire is again partnering with Operation Homefront to support the troops and their families. Customers may purchase candy to give to families who have a deployed parent. When a parent is deployed, families often suffer from worry, stress, reduced income and isolation. By giving candy to a these families, we send them a message that their sacrifice is important and that their community supports them.



OPERATION HOMEFRONT WASHINGTON

Message from CEO

Although fall can be a time for quiet and contemplation, at Camp Fire we are energized as groups reconnect after the summer break, new groups form and we plan ahead for a new year packed with opportunities for our kids to grow into tomorrow's leaders. A warm welcome on behalf of all of us at Camp Fire to leaders, kids and families who have joined us this year and who have renewed their connection.

Camp Fire: A trusted, treasured organization that is not well known!

I recently attended the National Camp Fire leadership conference and returned super-energized with practical ideas and great connections that will benefit our kids and families. I also came away with great pride for Camp Fire. National recently completed 30 focus groups in seven cities, including Seattle. Camp Fire kids and families, as well as those who have not been involved in our organization, were asked about their perceptions and experiences. Camp Fire participants were also asked to complete the questions: "Because of Camp Fire I..." and "The best thing about Camp Fire is..." The answers were heart-warming, funny and profound. We learned that Camp Fire kids feel welcome and able to be themselves; are encouraged to try new activities; grow as leaders; have fun and make friends. And Camp Fire parents and guardians say that they too feel welcome and they value the many benefits that Camp Fire provides for their children. The folks conducting the research likened the "feeling" about Camp Fire with brands that have a very loyal following—like Apple and Harley Davidson. This is great news! We look forward to communications tools that National is developing to help us reach more kids and families. Many thanks to the youth and families from the Central Puget Sound Council who participated in the focus groups!

Join me for the Detlef Schrempf Foundation St. Patrick's Day Dash on March 17th!

We are once again helping with this very fun event. Camp Fire, with three other organizations, is a fortunate beneficiary of funds from the Dash. Please take a look at the "Dash" article in this newsletter (page 11) and plan to join us!

Gearing up for our annual Candy Fundraiser!

The candy fundraiser provides the chance for kids and groups to set goals and earn money to help realize those goals. Some kids use candy funds toward camp fees; some groups fund trips; others donate a portion of their earnings. Our Council depends on candy sales for about 10% of our income—which helps us continue providing services to all of you. As you hear about candy sales events, I really encourage you to consider how to increase sales this year. You can also help by approaching businesses to become "Merchants of Merit," and to offer those who "don't eat candy" the chance to buy for Operation Homefront. Last year, Camp Fire kids collected 2,767 units of candy for the troops and their families.

Wohelo!

Bridgett



"Launching the Second Century"
National Leadership Conference 2011



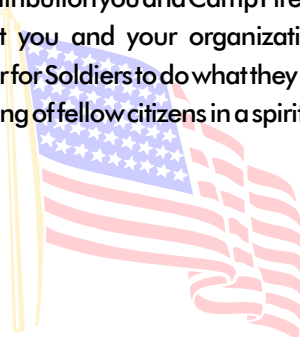
Bridgett Chandler (center) with Camp Fire CEOs at the Camp Fire USA National Conference in Kansas City.

Thanks from Operation Homefront

I wanted to thank you for the generosity of your organization in support of Soldiers and their families. I was fortunate enough to have been asked to assist with the pick up of the Camp Fire candy for the Trunk or Treat event at Camp Murray. I was overwhelmed at the contribution you and Camp Fire so readily made available. The support that you and your organization showed is a perfect example of why it is easier for Soldiers to do what they do (because they know that they have the backing of fellow citizens in a spirit of selfless service).

Thanks again!

Sincerely,
SFCJ. Webb



National Art Competition

The medium for 2011–2012 is **fibers**, which includes any art that is created by using fibers—such as yarn, cloth, or string—and may include such artwork as macramé, painting on cloth, weaving, knitting, sewing, photos on cloth, and more.

Art must be submitted by April 16, 2012. Camp Fire kids can work on their projects with their group, or on their own. Either way, the National Art Competition is a fantastic opportunity to explore art and have fun. For specific requirements or more information, please contact your Program Manager.



Welcome, New Leaders!

Welcome to the new leaders joining the council this year. Thank you for your enthusiasm and dedication.

SOUTH

Barbara Bicknell-Porter
Becki Neumann
Janet Hickling
Joe Thue
Joy Ream
Kimberly Marsh
Krissi Koltos
Melissa Poole
Miranda Clairmont
Tauna Allen

NORTH

Allison Dennis
Brook Whalen-Robinson
Deb Harrick
Erin Mulvenon
Lina Karman
Lisa Whitley
Natalie Singer-Velush
Rachel Harrison
Terri Buellert
Tim Jaureguy
Zarya Bintz



THANK YOU,
Leaders,
for your gifts of
time, talent
and service.
Wohelo!

DATE CHANGE

Discovery/Horizon Weekend has been rescheduled for March 24-25, 2012.

Remember to Renew

Being a Camp Fire member has many benefits so we want every member renewed and registered.

For those who have already returned the Group Renewal form, thanks! Youth who renewed by September 30 will be receiving their **Early Bird emblems** in November.

Not sure if you're registered?

Your Group Leader was recently mailed a roster of registered members and can let you know. If you haven't been able to renew your membership yet, please get together with your Leader, who can get the form to you and then send it to us after you've completed it. It only takes a couple of minutes to do. A **new, signed membership form** is required **every year**. For questions about your renewal, registration or scholarship forms or to pay your membership fee, please contact Elaine Bacon at ElaineB@campfire-usa.org.

Adult Renewal Weekend at Wrangler

December 2-4, 2011 | \$100/person
Get away and relax at Camp Sealth. For more information, visit www.campsealth.org.

Welcome Back, Leaders!

Leaders and leader teams bring Camp Fire activities and learning alive for hundreds of boys and girls. The time they devote to training and planning, plants the seeds of success in every life they touch. Welcome back to the leaders that have decided to enjoy another year of Camp Fire (as of the time of publication):

EAST

Casey Engstrom
Catherine Boysen
Christa Ostrem
Christine Hurley-Geffner
Christy Kirchmeier
Colleen Allison
Danielle Majestic
Diana Lafornera
Kirsten Lints
Lolo Levy
Lorrie Walesby
Pam Zackula
Suzy Lepeintre

WEST

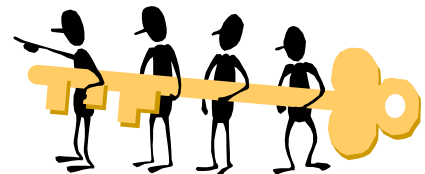
Ivaly Alexander

SOUTH

Amy DeVore
Amy Hallmon
Barbara Bicknell-Porter
Becki Neumann
Carla Bies
Charisse Gregory
Cheri MacKinnon
Cheryl Hoyt
Ellen West
Jeanne Martin
Jessi Patton
Judy Mannard
Kara Holt
Kathy LaPella
Kelly Ringoen
Kim Hutchinson
Laura Widdie
Loretta Freilingier
Lorrie Scott
Mary Nelson
Meesa Taylor
Michele Huston
Patti Ford
Paula Kelly
Renee Clark
Renee Patterson
Richard Dunn
Sheila Airis
Shena Rodgers
Stacey Sherburne
Trese Justis
Yon Lemieux

NORTH

Ann Wong
Barb Bodovinitz
Becky Harper
Bev Sakamoto
Bridgett Chandler
Clarissa Hsu
Debra Rosenthal
Diane Torre
Felicia Forrest
Gail Ballard
Gayle Teramoto
Grace Tazuma
Hanna Mandt
Jeannette Smith
Jeff Westmoreland
Jennifer Zell
JoAnn Kosai-Eng
Karen Boyle
Karen Montes
Kari Brotherton
Kat Green
Kat McGavick
Lisa Butler
Lori Chisholm
May Honmyo
Michelle Kelly
Paula Weigand
Shelly Stumpf
Stacy Carlson
Tracy Pozil



Volunteers are KEY!

2011 Candy Fundraiser

Why sell candy to raise money?

How do groups benefit?

- Groups earn money to pay for weekends at camp and field trips.
- Groups earn money to purchase their own emblems and beads.
- Some groups set money aside each year for a "senior trip."
- **Last year 27 groups earned over \$300 for their own treasuries, 14 of those earned over \$500, 8 of those earned over \$600 and 2 over \$1,000!**

How do kids benefit?

- Youth learn to handle money and keep track of progress toward goals. This is a life skill!
- Youth build confidence when talking and selling to adults. This is a life skill!
- Youth learn the value of being polite. This is a life skill!
- Youth feel pride in setting goals and reaching them! This is a life skill!
- Youth work toward a particular stuffed animal prize and many earn Camp Fire Currency to help make summer camp affordable for their family.

How it helps Central Puget Sound Council:

Yearly membership fees pay only a fraction of the cost of recruiting, training and supporting volunteers and youth in Group Program.

Can we sell at stores?

YES! Storefronts are a great place to sell candy! Contact the Site Sale Coordinator for the area you wish to sell in and reserve a date and time that works for you.



The January/February *Wohelo* Newsletter

will list who to call in each area. This process is a time saver for businesses and sellers. You may sell anywhere in King or Kitsap counties as long as you **reserve the time** with the local Site Sale Coordinator.

Candy orders are due December 1st!

The 2012 Candy Fundraiser begins at 4 p.m. on Friday, January 27th.

Get a head start on the Candy Fundraiser by taking orders from family and friends over the holidays.



HELP! I'm a new leader! How do I order?

Mary Olsen will be managing the Candy Fundraiser this year. She has over 30 years of experience with Camp Fire candy sales and is an awesome resource. Contact her for support at MaryO@campfire-usa.org.

Comments taken from Candy Fundraiser evaluations and conversations with leaders and parents:

Jackie earned enough money to pay over 80% of a seven day session at Camp Sealth last summer. It was a lot of hard work and her "Thank you anyway, have a nice day" turned several non-buyers into buyers!

Karen's daughters enjoy selling a case at a time to business owners and have quite a list of repeat Merchants of Merit.

"My son is shy by nature and the candy fundraiser has really helped him overcome that shyness."

Amy's group is excited to earn the stuffed animals and enough money to pay everyone's fees to attend the Adventure Weekend at Camp Sealth each spring. Every year they set aside a portion of their candy refund to help pay for a trip to Disneyland when they reach high school.

"Money is tight and the Candy Fundraiser helps my children pay their own way – you should see how proud they are!"

"My group sets goals for the fund raiser – before we place our order. Being able to tell customers what you are earning money for really boosts sales!"

Katie "traded in" her Camp Fire currency for a Visa gift card and took her parents out to dinner as a thank you for their help and support during the fundraiser.

"Last year, with the difficult economy, I thought sales would be down – I was surprised, sales were better than the year before."

"My high school child is very busy. A single e-mail to friends and family sold 42 units in less than an hour!"

2012 Candy Incentives!!



Petey Puppy
45-74 Units



Pesky Pup
75-134 Units



Sweet Pablo Puppy
135-199 Units



Buford Beagle
200-274 Units



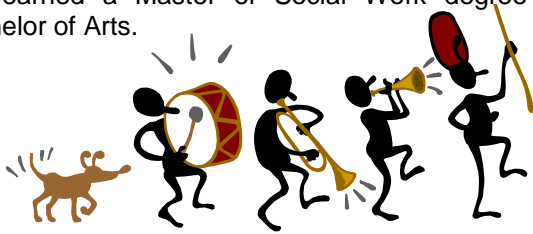
Cookie Puppy
275-349 Units



Dandy Dog
350+ Units

Welcome, Elizabeth!

We are delighted to welcome Elizabeth Pauley to Camp Fire. She brings many years of non-profit management experience with her to the role of Program Director at Camp Fire USA Central Puget Sound Council. Most recently she served as Director of Family Services at Habitat for Humanity of Tacoma/Pierce County. Prior to that, Elizabeth was the first Director of the YWCA GirlsFirst Program. Elizabeth grew up in Seattle. She attended Clark Atlanta University in Atlanta, GA where she earned a Master of Social Work degree and a Bachelor of Arts.



President's Volunteer Service Award



The President's Volunteer Service Award was established to recognize the valuable contributions volunteers are making in our communities and encourage more people to serve.

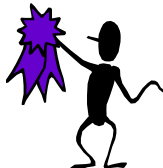
In 2010-2011, **89 Camp Fire youth and adult members** earned the President's Volunteer Service Award, giving **18,590 hours of service**.

To earn the award this year, keep track of your volunteer activities and hours served (can include non-Camp Fire service hours too). Each age group has different time requirements. Service must take place between April 1, 2011-March 31, 2012. For more information, please contact your Program Manager. President's Volunteer Service Award forms are due by April 11, 2012.

Camp Fire Shines at Puyallup Fair

Seventy-nine blue ribbons (as well as lots and lots of red and white) were earned by the **40 youth** who entered items in the Puyallup Fair this fall. Three members of Central Puget Sound Council also received "Best in Category" ribbons:

Andrea for a clay entry
Heather for a photo entry
Carter for a nature entry



Hundreds of entries from Camp Fire youth throughout Western Washington were on display on the first floor of the Pavilion Building.

YOU can enter items next year, enjoy seeing your items on display, and come home with ribbons! Some groups save items during the school year and others gather things near the end of August. Watch the *Wohelo* newsletter and your e-mail for entry details.

A Salute to Hospitalized Veterans

Join Camp Fire Councils across the country in remembering America's hospitalized veterans.



Salute to Hospitalized Veterans is a learning experience for youth, as well as being fun, allowing youth to develop a better understanding of veterans and what they have done for our country. The program has its own emblem, which youth can earn every year through learning about veterans and by making cards and remembrances for them.

You should have already received the requirements in an e-mail. Contact your Program Manager if you still need these. Please submit cards and remembrances by January 6, 2012 and the Council will send them to hospitalized veterans.

Wohelo Award Information

Attention all Wohelo Candidates! If you're working on your Wohelo Award, please remember to meet with your Older Youth Advisor (OYA) on a regular basis to keep track of your progress.

If you're planning on earning your Wohelo in 2012, you must have all your requirements completed, and documentation checked by your Older Youth Advisor, before February 28, 2012.

If you're interested in a workshop to help complete a specific highlight or reflection, please contact your Program Manager.



Remember to use your **2010-11 Candy Currency** before 12/22/11. Store items and camp gift certificates are a great way to use up your refunds. To order apparel from the National website, please contact Ngoc Do at NgocD@campfire-usa.org.

Getting Candy Ready: Sales and Sense

Teach youth to be effective salespersons who follow safe sale practices. Set goals and make plans to meet those goals, teach how to meet and talk with people, how to handle money and practice personal safety.

The Sales and Sense project may be repeated every year in conjunction with the candy sale.



For a meeting plan for sales techniques, safety and money management, contact your Program Manager.

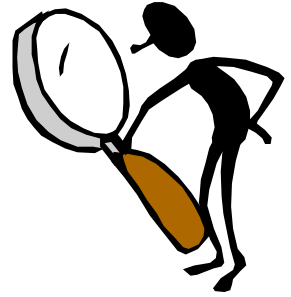
CANDY RALLIES: Attend a candy rally in January for safety tips and to practice selling, sample candy and make signs!



Mission: Dad/Kid!

March 3-4, 2012

(approximately 10 a.m. Saturday to 10 a.m. Sunday)
Presented by Meredith Carlson and Brianna Stepper



Who: Camp Fire USA kids and their dads/honorary dads
Where: Camp Sealth on Vashon Island
Cost: \$50 per person (lodging, dinner, brunch and five "fun shops")

Questions? E-mail Brianna_stepper@hotmail.com or call Brianna at 425 922 6383.

To Register, please send this completed form, with check payable to Camp Fire USA and a self-addressed, stamped envelope for your confirmation letter to: **Camp Fire USA Dad/Kid Weekend, 2820 Whitworth Ave S, Renton, WA 98055**

Registration deadline is Wednesday, February 1st! Registration before the deadline does **not** guarantee you a heated cabin (last year this event filled before the deadline). A confirmation letter will be mailed or emailed after February 25th.
Please understand that canceled reservations will not be refunded.

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Dad/Kid Weekend 2012 Registration Form

Dad's Name: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

Address: _____ **City/ZIP:** _____

E-mail: _____ **Other Phone:** _____

| Child's Name(s) | Leader's Name | Age | Gender |
|-----------------|---------------|-----|--------|
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Cabin Mate Requests: 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Medical Concerns or Dietary Needs: _____

FUN SHOPS!

(Please choose 6 - you will have time for 5!)

- ___ Decoding
- ___ Nature Reconnaissance
- ___ Outdoor Cooking
- ___ Outdoor Games
- ___ Gadget Making
- ___ Masters of Disguise
- ___ Self-Defense (Archery)
- ___ Mission: Dad/Kid
- ___ Free time

Dad/Kid Rectangular Remembrance Pins - \$6 each

Triangle Year Dangles - \$1 each

(Indicate which years needed)

___ 2003 ___ 2004 ___ 2005 ___ 2006 ___ 2007
___ 2008 ___ 2009 ___ 2010 ___ 2011 ___ 2012

Previous Year _____



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| Number of Participants Registering | _____ x \$50 = _____ |
| Number of Remembrance Pins | _____ x \$6 = _____ |
| Number of Year Dangles | _____ x \$1 = _____ |
| TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED (registration and pin fees) = \$ _____ | |

Remember: you will also need a ferry ticket to get to Vashon Island. See you there!!



ADULT WEEKEND 2012 Think Outside the Trash – Recycle Revisited February 24, 25 and 26, 2012



Adult Weekend at Camp Sealth is a fun weekend with a choice of workshops and activities to enjoy with friends, old and new. Stay in heated cabins, have meals in Rounds Hall and walk the beach. This year's theme again focuses on "green" projects using recycled materials. New this year is the option for an additional camp-provided meal on Saturday.

The silent auction will benefit Special Family Weekend, a family retreat weekend at Camp Sealth for families who have children with special needs. In 2011, we raised over \$1,800 to help reduce the costs for families to attend. If you would like to donate an item or service to the 2012 auction, please contact Pat Kishline at p.kishline@comcast.net for a donation form prior to the event.

Some workshops require you to bring additional items. Please review both the workshop descriptions and your confirmation letter carefully for additional needs. Pictures and detailed descriptions of many projects are available at www.campfire-usa.org and at local leader meetings.

Please use a separate form for each person registering and send the lower portion of this flyer with your check, payable to Camp Fire USA, to Pat Kishline, 13245 SE 266th St., Kent, WA 98042. Please keep the upper portion of this flyer for important phone numbers and information. If you have any questions about the event, please contact Penny Renwick at 206 354 5817 or Pat Kishline at p.kishline@comcast.net.

Blue souvenir T-shirts and hooded zipped sweatshirts reflecting this year's theme are available through pre-order at \$8 to \$23 each. Sizes small through 3X are available. Please circle size when ordering below.

Registrations postmarked after Feb. 1, 2012, must pay an extra \$5. The FINAL postmark deadline is Feb. 8, 2012. Workshops are assigned in the order registrations are received. There are no guarantees on specific workshop availability. Sorry, no refunds. **Participants must be 18 and out of high school.** Please print legibly. Online registration is available at www.campfire-usa.org/AW2012_Register.htm.



Adult Weekend 2012 at Camp Sealth Registration

Name _____ Female/Male Home Phone _____
(circle one)
 Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
 Cell Phone _____ E-mail _____

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| Weekend (Sat/Sun) (includes dinner & brunch) | \$60 _____ |
| Saturday lunch | \$11 _____ |
| Saturday only (includes dinner) | \$40 _____ |
| Friday night (Lodging only) | \$12 _____ |
| Additional fee if postmarked after 2/1/12 | \$5 _____ |
| Weekend logo T-shirt (optional) S M L XL 2X 3X | \$8 _____ |
| Weekend logo sweatshirt (optional) S M L XL 2X 3X | \$23 _____ |
| <small>(circle size)</small> | |
| TOTAL ENCLOSED: (Checks payable to Camp Fire USA) | \$ _____ |

Please note any mobility issues, special needs or food allergies: _____

- Antique Style Wood Burning:** Wood burn vintage patterns on a small box and color with wood stain.
- Barrel Stave Candle Holder:** Make a candle holder from a barrel stave.
- Beaded Fringe:** Use seed beads to create a decorative fringe on a small amulet bag.
- Brooches:** Make 2 decorative pins: a zipper pin and a Kanzashi-style flower pin from fabric.
- Cake Decorating:** Decorate a 6" round cake using fondant, gum paste, icing & sugar paper. Basic skills required.
- Camp Fire Training:** Camp Fire program training of your choice with Mary Olsen.
- Camp Service Project:** Here's your chance to help out Camp with various projects available.
- Camp Tour:** Camp Staff will lead you on an extensive tour of camp to areas you haven't seen before or in a long time.
- Coffee Can Light:** Make a hanging lamp from a can, including socket & wire. Learn how to wire.
- Dry Erase Board:** Make a new or old picture frame into a functional dry erase board.
- Embroidered Flower Pincushion:** Make and embroider a pincushion made from fabric and felt.
- Embroidery Hoop Baskets & Trivets:** Turn old children's t-shirts or leggings into small baskets or trivets.
- Fleece Blankets:** Make your own blanket using 2 pieces of fleece material you bring. No sewing required.
- Fused Glass Mobile:** Fuse recycled pieces of glass and assemble them into a mobile. (2 workshops)
- Garden Art Glass Totem:** Create a masterpiece for your garden or home using dishes and various glassware
- Geocache—Basic:** Learn what it is & how to find it. Tour Vashon locating caches. (All day Saturday)
- Geocache—Advanced:** Love geocaching? Take it to the next level learning different types. (Sunday morning)
- Healthy Gourmet Cooking:** Cooking demonstration of roast chicken dinner, with some prep-work participation opportunity and tasting for all.
- Jazz Dance:** A fun way to exercise - learn easy steps of a jazz dance routine.
- Loom Purse:** Make a small knit purse using a Knifty Knitter Loom.
- Mini High Heel Shoes:** Create a set of mini high-heeled paper shoes to hold candy/small favors for your next party.
- Outdoor Cooking:** Learn different outdoor cooking skills including Dutch oven cookery, planking and other methods.
- Outdoor Living Skills:** Learn 10 essentials for planning a hike, including some survival skills (such as making a bow drill fire) and identifying edible plants.
- Picture Flowers:** Create a layered paper flower to display favorite photos or papers as a party decoration or gift.
- Pop Can Tab Jewelry:** Make earrings or a necklace using pop can tabs, wire and beads.
- Recycled Magazine Bowls:** Learn how to use pages from a magazine to make a small, colorful bowl.
- Snowman on a Screen:** Use simple embroidery to create a winter scene on a screen to hang on a wall.
- SteamPunk Jewelry:** Learn special metal techniques and combine them with new and used materials to create a piece of jewelry. (2 workshops)
- Vashon Touristy Tour:** Visit Vashon as a tourist – visit the lighthouse, find the bicycle tree, etc. (2 workshops)
- Wine Glass Charms:** Using wire, beads and charms, craft 6 wine glass charms to attach to goblet stems.
- Yoga:** Choose 1) **Slow, gentle yoga** appropriate for all ages/fitness levels/body types; or 2) **Active, flowing yoga** using more movement and strength – may work up a sweat.

Workshop choices: **Number from 1-10 with 1 being your first choice.**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Antique Style Wood Burning | <input type="checkbox"/> Barrel Stave Candle Holder | <input type="checkbox"/> Beaded Fringe Amulet Bag |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brooches (Decorative Pins) | <input type="checkbox"/> Cake Decorating | <input type="checkbox"/> Camp Service Project |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Camp Tour | <input type="checkbox"/> Coffee Can Light | <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Erase Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Embroidered Flower Pincushion | <input type="checkbox"/> Embroidery Hoop Baskets/Trivets | <input type="checkbox"/> Fleece Blankets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fused Glass Mobile (2 wrkshops) | <input type="checkbox"/> Garden Art Glass Totem | <input type="checkbox"/> Geocache – Basic (All day Sat) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Geocache – Advanced (Sun) | <input type="checkbox"/> Healthy Gourmet Cooking | <input type="checkbox"/> Jazz Dance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Loom Purse | <input type="checkbox"/> Mini High Heel Paper Shoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor Cooking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor Living Skills | <input type="checkbox"/> Picture Flowers | <input type="checkbox"/> Pop Can Tab Jewelry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recycled Magazine Bowls | <input type="checkbox"/> Snowman on a Screen | <input type="checkbox"/> SteamPunk Jewelry(2 wrkshops) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vashon Touristy Tour (2 wrkshops) | <input type="checkbox"/> Wine Glass Charms | <input type="checkbox"/> Yoga (slow/gentle) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yoga (Active Flowing) | <input type="checkbox"/> Camp Fire Training (specify) _____ | |

St. Patrick's Day Dash: Your Participation Benefits Camp Fire!

Camp Fire USA CPSC is once again teaming up with the Detlef Schrempf Foundation to assist in organizing the popular St. Patrick's Day Dash in downtown Seattle on **Saturday, March 17, 2012**. This year Camp Fire, which is one of four organizations that benefit from Dash proceeds, is sponsoring a new feature—a **"Root Beer Garden" for the little leprechauns!**



VOLUNTEER: We are calling on you, our amazing volunteers, to staff registration events leading up to the race and help out on the big race day! There are a variety of duties and shifts. For more information, contact Elizabeth Pauley at ElizabethP@campfire-usa.org or 206 826 8919.

RUN FOR CAMP FIRE: Lace up your tennis shoes, wear some green and join the race! Whether you're a novice or an experienced runner—this fun run is for you! The Dash is a 3.6 mile jaunt that begins and ends at Seattle Center. There are four waves so you can move at your own pace. The **LEPRECHAUN LAP** lets kids burn off energy with a Dash for the wee ones. Other fun features include appearances by dignitaries and parading bagpipers; and a Post Dash Bash with live music, a costume contest, sponsor booths, (root) beer garden and an awards ceremony. Call your neighbors, friends and other Camp Fire folks to join us for a fun-filled day! Online registration opens in November at www.stpatsdash.com.

We would like to thank the Detlef Schrempf Foundation for their ongoing partnership and support of Camp Fire. To learn more about the Detlef Schrempf Foundation, please visit www.detlef.com.

Survey Says...

Each spring and summer, Camp Fire asks youth participants in Group Program, Day Camp and Camp Sealth to complete surveys designed to measure how well our programs promote self assurance, foster positive attitudes, encourage youth to make health choices and strengthen interpersonal skills. In addition to being a requirement of our United Way funding, outcome reporting is an important indicator of the success of our programs. We have finished compiling the extensive results and would like to share some of the results:

- **90%** of youth reported that the adults in Camp Fire usually or always show that they think young people are important.
- **93%** of youth reported that they usually or always practice good friendship skills and care about others.
- **92%** of youth reported that they usually or always feel they have learned to respect the environment and the importance of keeping it healthy.
- **92%** of youth reported that they usually or always can take responsibility for their own actions.
- **92%** of youth reported that they usually or always are comfortable being around people of different cultures and religions.
- **86%** of youth reported that they usually or always are comfortable being around people with disabilities, like not hearing or learning disabilities or someone in a wheelchair.
- **80%** of youth reported that they usually or always have the courage to walk away from doing something they think is wrong even when their friends want them to.

Way to go, Camp Fire!

Give the Gift of Camp Fire



Looking for the perfect gift this holiday season? Give the gift of lifetime memories and friends. A Gift Certificate for Camp Sealth or Day Camp is the perfect gift for a child or grandchild (age 4-18), who wants to experience fun, friends and new adventures! Suggest a gift certificate to a family member wondering what to get for your child who

lives all year singing "The Princess Pat," while waiting to go back to camp.

For more information or to purchase a Gift Certificate, contact Ngoc Do at NgocD@campfire-usa.org.

Your Contribution Counts

As you and your family consider your end-of-year giving, we hope you will think about making a gift to Camp Fire. Camp Fire's Annual Fund keeps our programs affordable by bridging the gap between the fees families pay to participate and the actual cost of delivering services to more than 13,000 youth and families every year.

If you would like to **help bring Camp Fire to more kids**, please make a secure donation online at www.campfire-usa.org (simply click the "Donate Now" button) or mail in your gift to the Council Office.



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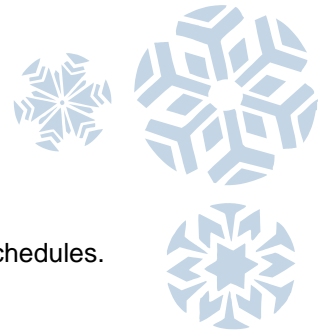
Holiday Closures

The Camp Fire USA Central Puget Sound Council Office will be closed the following days:

November 24-27 for Thanksgiving
December 23-30 for Winter Break

Olympic View Kids Club and Camp Sealth will be open in accordance with their published schedules.

Thank you for your patience. We hope you enjoy this season of festivities!



Looking Ahead... Upcoming Events & Important Due Dates

There are several Camp Fire events glimmering on the horizon. Please make note of these upcoming events.

- December 1 – Candy Orders due
- January 6 – Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Cards due
- January 27 – Candy Fundraiser Begins
- February 20 – Candy Fundraiser Ends
- February 24-26 – Adult Weekend at Camp Sealth
- February 28 – Wohelo Award 2011 Documentation due
- March 3-4 – Dad/Kid Weekend at Camp Sealth
- March 15 – Absolutely Incredible Kid Day
- March 17 – Camp Fire’s 102nd Birthday
- March 17 – St. Patrick’s Day Dash
- March 24-25 – Discovery/Horizon Wknd ***NEW DATE***
- March 24-25 – Pacific Science Center Camp-In
- April 11 – President’s Volunteer Service Award forms due
- April 16 – National Art Competition entries due
- April 28-29 – Starflight/Adventure Wknd at Camp Sealth
- May 12 – 500 Seller Day
- May 26-28 – Special Family Weekend
- Carnival of Beads TBD

