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Calendar

May

- 5 Simple Science @ PSC
- 6-7 ... Starflight Weekend @ Camp Sealth
- 10 C.A.R.E. Dinner
- 12 B.G.P.C. Annual Meeting & Awards
- 13 500 Seller Day
- 13 Outdoor Skills Day
- 20-21 Adventure Weekend @ Camp
..... Sealth
- 27-29 Special Family Weekend @ Camp
..... Sealth
- 29 Memorial Day - Office Closed

June

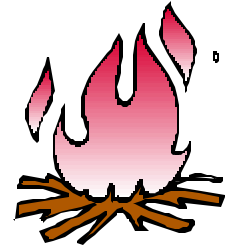
- 3 National Trails Day
- 9 Discovery LaserQuest Lock In
- 11 Peace Arch Celebration
- 25 Open House @ Camp Sealth

Council Fires

Join us at your area's Council Fire to celebrate your child's accomplishments this year with all the groups in your area.

Parents will be amazed to see all that Camp Fire groups have done. Youth may get ideas of what they'd like to do in Camp Fire in the future!

Call the South Branch Office at 253 854 3676 for more details. Dates had not been set by the time this newsletter went to publication.



Welcome New Leaders!

Roeann Corey
Paula Hooser

Maple Valley
Kent

1-2
K-2

Older Youth News

Congratulations to the four South Branch Wohelo recipients of 2006!
Rachel Hickel Cassie Vandel Kristi Sigafos Sarah Scott



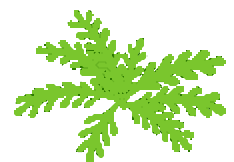
Wohelo Award Training for future candidates is tentatively scheduled for Monday, May 15th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the South Branch Office. For current 9th graders and above, this training will show you the steps to earning the award, and start you on your way towards choosing your individual Advocacy projects. You **must** R.S.V.P. to 253 854 3676 to ensure a place in the training.

8th-12th graders: Come to Horizon Cabinet's End of the Year Bash and enjoy a night of roller skating! Put June 2nd, 2006 6-9 p.m. on your calendar. Skating will be \$3, plus a small rental fee for skates or rollerblades. See flyer for more details.

Wohelo Candidates planning to receive their Award in 2007 need to call 253 854 3676 or e-mail hollianne-M@campfire-usa.org to set up an appointment with Hollianne in the next few months to ensure you are on the path to completion!

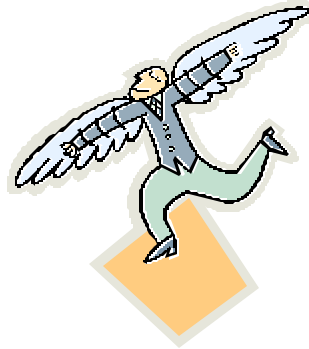
Service Projects

Groups in Renton gathered together and celebrated through giving service at Dead Horse Canyon on April 29th. They spent their Saturday morning restoring natural habitat by removing invasive plants and planting native plants.



Upcoming Training Dates

Please call the office at 253 854 3676 to register for any of the training dates below.



Program Level Training:

Is your group flying up to a new program level in Camp Fire? Leaders of 2nd, 5th, and 8th graders will be moving on in the fall. Get a jump on the new program materials by attending training this spring, and be ready to go in the fall!

Adventure Training (for groups entering 3rd grade)

Tuesday, May 16, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 17, 6:30 p.m.

Adventure 4/5 Training (for groups entering 4th grade)

Covers *Wood Gatherer* (4th grade) and *Fire Maker* (5th grade) materials
Tuesday, June 13, 6:30 p.m.

Discovery Training (for groups entering 6th grade):

Discovery Preview (for adults and youth): Friday, April 28, 6:30-9 p.m.— includes a potluck dinner. More information when you call to sign up!

Horizon Training (for groups moving into the 9th grade):

For youth: Horizon Cabinet invites all 8th grade groups to a night of rollerskating! Put June 2nd 6-9p.m. on your calendar. Skating will be \$3, plus a small rental fee for skates or rollerblades. See flyer on page 5 of this issue for more details.

Wohelo Award Training (for Horizon Youth):

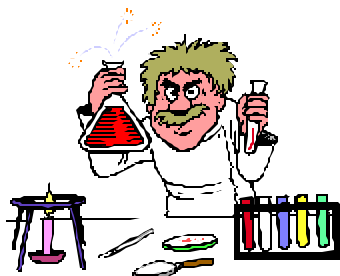
Tentative (MUST register in advance) Wednesday, May 15th, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

For Leaders: Horizon Preview offered by appointment with Hollianne.

Adventure Weekend: It's a Mad, Mad Science Weekend!

Hopefully you and your group of mad scientists are registered for a weekend of crazy concoctions and cool crafts at Camp Sealth, May 20th and 21st.

Any questions regarding the weekend should be directed to Elethea Steward, at 360 829 2617.



2006 Auction

The Central Puget Sound Council of Camp Fire USA will hold its 21st Annual Benefit Auction on Friday, November 3rd at 5:30 p.m. This year's theme is "Today's kids. Tomorrow's leaders."

Each year the towns in the South Branch put together items for this event. Several towns have already chosen themes. Leaders and parents may make donations to these baskets. Collect items this summer and bring them to the September Leaders' Meetings or to the South Branch Office. Additional items procured would be greatly appreciated! The funds earned support almost 17,000 local youth.

Town Basket Themes

Auburn:	Harvest
Highline:	Coffee Time
M. Valley/Kent:	Time Out
Renton:	Italian
B.G.P.C.:	Day Dreams



Be watching for other town themes to be announced or call the South Branch Office.

Write Away!

Hi, I'm Mellinda Dollinger, and as most of the people in Camp Fire USA know I am working on getting my Wohelo Award. I am involved in my high school's newspaper and I am using what I have learned for one of my advocacies.

I am trying to help Leaders, and other youth who are hoping to get their Wohelo, write news articles. I am also hoping that there are others (Leaders or Camp Fire members) willing to submit articles to the local papers like I am, telling the community of all the wonderful things we do in Camp Fire!

I have created a simple form that can help you write a news article and I am hoping that it will be used many, many times! I am willing to help as much as I can with the writing of articles, and I also need volunteers willing to try their hand at journalistic writing! If you would like to help me with the completion of my advocacy, go ahead and e-mail me at mellon687152@yahoo.com. Thank you and I hope to hear from you!

Mellinda Dollinger
Wohelo Candidate



Day Camp Volunteers Have Fun!

As always, volunteers are wanted for a variety of positions including counselors for boys and girls groups, songs and games specialists, purchasers, nurse, archery instructor, outdoor cooking/fire building instructor, arts and crafts specialists, equipment coordinators, and the list goes on!

Many positions can be done in teams, so bring a friend! Remember, full time volunteers' kids go to camp for a greatly reduced fee! If you would like to volunteer at on of the South Branch Day Camps, please fill out the form below and mail it to the South Branch Camp Fire office at 1404 Central Ave. S #109, Kent WA 98032 or call for an application packet and to sign up for training dates.

Yes, I'd love to join you! I am interested in:

- Tall Timbers 1 July 17 – 21
- Tall Timbers 2 July 24 – 28
- Camp Royal Arch August 7 – 11



And I could help do the following: (Please check one or more)

- Counselor (Junior in high school minimum age)
- Junior Staff (8th grade and up)
- Fire Tender
- Purchaser
- Craft Specialist
- Games Specialist
- Song Leader
- Outdoor Skills
- Nurse (Must have First Aid/CPR Cert.)
- Nature Specialist
- Creative Dramatics
- Preschool Childcare
- Hike / Field Trip Coordinator
- Equipment Truck Manager
- Jackknives Compass Pacing Knots

Training is required for all adult and junior staff. Please plan on attending one on-site and one off-site training. You will be notified of when these trainings are – the off-site trainings are usually in June and the on-site training is usually just before camp starts. Call the office for dates, times, and locations 253 854 3676.

Name: _____ Adult OR Youth in Grade

Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ E – mail address _____

A Fond Farewell to the Pathfinders

Meaghan Luchau and Ashley Schalow have been in Camp Fire since they were very young. Their leaders, Amy DeVore and Shena Rodgers, have had the undisputed joy and privilege of leading them, advising them, and watching them grow and change from playful creative children to amazing, intelligent, multi-talented and beautiful young adults.

This year marks the end of an era for the Pathfinders. Ashley will be moving on to college and Meaghan will be headed there just one short year later. Meaghan has earned her Wohelo Award and is now leading a group of kindergarten Camp Fire girls. Ashley has had an amazing impact in both women's wrestling and theatre.

As the last year of a truly remarkable time period comes to an end, Shena and Amy would simply like to say to Meaghan and Ashley thanks for the memories and the opportunity to be a part of your lives. We love you and we are very proud of you! Best of luck and love and friends in all you do, ladies!

2006 Candy Fundraiser - South Branch

120+ Sellers

AUBURN13th Year 120 Dollinger, Mellinda

120 Scott, Sarah

8th Year

147 Coen, Karissa

5th Year

120 Cleveland, Amanda

6th Year

120 Aguiniga, Celina

4th Year

166 DeWolfe, Kaitlin

3rd Year

335 Hembree, Josh

319 Hembree, Sarah

135 Gray, Courtney

2nd Year

219 Nassirian, Madelynn

1st Year

180 Deshler, Makenzie

150 DeWolfe, Rylee

120 Hales, Lauryn

ENUMCLAW8th Year

120 Steward, Victoria

3rd Year

120 Matthews, Colton

120 Matthews, Courtney

2nd Year

120 Woolery, Alexandria

1st Year

120 Johnson, Crystal

FEDERAL WAY9th Year

120 Doesburg, Katherine

7th Year

180 Rowe, Alexandria

137 Tirhi, Shaddin

120 Thompson, Alyssa

6th Year

136 Mayer, Jill

4th Year

1046 LaPella, Sam

120 Kirby, Kathryn

3rd Year

705 Johnson, Ocean

600 Newton, Alysha

137 Mayer, Grant

2nd Year

1016 Sherburne, Jacqueline

236 Minnick, Julianne

148 Hutchinson, Piper

145 Smith, Shannon

120 Kirby, Molly

1st Year

701 LaPella, Anna

700 Fry, Anthony

195 Wilks, Mickayla

135 Vadino, Caroline

120 Herrick, Allie

120 Sullivan, Olivia

HIGHLINE10th Year

120 Gregory, Heather

9th Year

120 Martinson, Megan

8th Year

557 Gregory, Amber

5th Year

380 Martinson, Amanda

3rd Year

210 Mannard, Jessica

120 Musser, Carly

120 Reissig, Michelle

2nd Year

321 Browne, Emily

303 Justis, Bryn

201 Ryckman, Anna

150 Kitano, Erin

136 Flores, Jasmine

120 Gracey, Janelle

1st Year

233 Browne, Madison

204 Vences, Francesca

147 Jensen, Kayla

135 Poirier, Lily

133 Larson, Jazmin

127 Vellmer, Jazlyn

126 Campbell, Nicole

122 Yaroslaski, Sarah

120 Demaree, Alora

120 Hendricks, Chloe

120 McCann, Madison

120 Ormsby, Bailey

120 Poirier, Heather

KENT4th Year

210 West, Allison

3rd Year

306 Cote, Brianna

160 Schouteren, Kali

141 Melvin, Kelly

120 Pierce, Corie

120 Wells, Robbie

2nd Year

1035 Herold, Brendan

232 Shandrick, Paula

155 Sullivan, Maddie

135 Murphy, Charlene

135 Murphy, Jocelyn

135 Taylor, Jennifer

135 Vesco, Samantha

1st Year

135 Tordillos, Vanessa

126 Parks, Amber

MAPLE VALLEY5th Year

149 MacKinnon, Samantha

4th Year

300 Cole, Anna

173 Riley, Savannah

160 Ferguson, Tara

135 Watt, Jenny

127 Stam, Amanda

2nd Year

123 Musard, Madeleine

1st Year

123 Ford, Brook

120 Fuller, Mary

RENTON6th Year

566 Porter, Victoria

5th Year

520 Soranaka, Kristi

4th Year

200 Oakes, Amber

3rd Year

321 Stepper, Brianna

2nd Year

345 Grissom, Riley

210 Kelly, Hannah

1st Year

209 Leenhnecht, Jenna

204 Ford, Taylor

200 Diss, Anna

200 Dunn, Oliver

181 Guiberson, Alyssa

135 Anderson, Savannah

135 Allen, Bryanna

135 Dunn, Sarah

125 Vargas, Cailyn

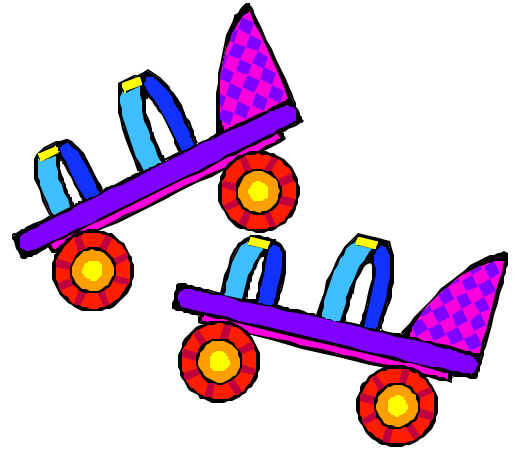
120 Haver, Emily

The South Branch SALUTES our top seller, Sam LaPella, with 1046 boxes sold! Congratulations also to two close runners up, Brendan Herold with 1035 boxes sold and Jacqueline Sherburne with 1016 boxes sold! WAY TO GO!!

Skating Party!

8th Grade Welcome to Horizon and Horizon End-of-Year Bash!

- When:** Friday, June 2nd, 2006, 6 p.m.
- What:** A chance for 8th graders to meet current Horizon members and find out about new opportunities in Camp Fire, and for current Horizon members to have a fun evening with friends and to welcome graduating 8th graders into Horizon.
- Meet for a 6 p.m. dinner (provided by Camp Fire USA) at the South Branch Camp Fire office. Then it's off to Auburn Skate Connection, 1825 Howard Rd, Auburn. Ends at Skate Connection at 9 p.m. (Parents pick up at the rink!)
- Cost:** \$3 per person plus \$1.50 for quad skates or \$3 for blades. (Or bring your own!)
- Who:** All current 8th graders and all Horizon members.
- Bring:** A signed **Special Activity Permission Form** for each youth
Drinks to share
DRIVERS!!!



Register Now! Registrations must be postmarked by May 22nd! Send the form below and a check payable to Camp Fire USA to:

Horizon Bash, Camp Fire USA, South Branch Office,
1404 Central Ave. S. #109, Kent WA 98032.

Questions? Call: Hollianne at the South Branch Office 253 854 3676

Registration Form for 8th Grade Welcome/Horizon End-of-Year Bash

Advisor's Name: _____ Phone _____

E-mail _____ Names of youth attending: _____

Number of youth attending: _____ @ \$3 = _____

Quad Skate Rental: _____ @ \$1.50 = _____

Roller Blade Rental: _____ @ \$3 = _____

Total enclosed (Check payable to **Camp Fire USA**) _____

Yes, I'll drive!! (Must be at least 18 to drive youth) Name: _____



OUTDOOR SKILLS DAY 2006

WHEN: Saturday, May 13th, 2006 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Registration: 8:45 a.m., Workshops start at 9 a.m.

WHERE: Masonic Park, 23660 Marine View Drive S, Des Moines (Map will be sent with confirmation)

WHO: Youth **from 4th grade to 12th grade** working on the Outdoor Progressions. (Note: Two adults must accompany your group, including one who has taken Field Trip Training. If you have a group with Fire Tenders and High Adventure, and also Trail Makers and Gypsy, you must have an adult for the first two progressions, and an adult for the two higher progressions.)

FEE: \$5 per **youth**, pre-paid. (Make checks payable to **Camp Fire USA**)

BRING: Water bottle, permission slip. Dress for the weather. **NO** canvas or open toed shoes.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Postmarked by **May 5th, 2006**

SEND: Registration form, check, and self addressed stamped legal size envelope to:
Meaghan Luchau, 24817 19th PI S, Des Moines, WA 98198
Call Meaghan with registration questions: 206 824 9589.



OTHER QUESTIONS? Call Hollianne Monson at 253 852 3676

OUTDOOR SKILLS DAY REGISTRATION FORM

Leader's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ ZIP: _____

adults attending: _____

Number of youth attending: _____ x \$5 per youth = _____ Enclosed

Please write the name of youth and what level they are:

Levels: Fire Tender, High Adventure, Trail Maker, Gypsy

Names of Youth	Level of Youth	Names of Youth	Level of Youth
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Father/Child Trails Day Event

Earn your National Trails Day emblem while spending time with your father or father figure.

- Where: **Cedar River Trail.** Meet at the Liberty Park Shelter next to the Renton City Library located at 100 Mill Street, Renton. Park at the library and follow the Camp Fire USA signs.
- When: **Saturday, June 3rd**, 10 a.m. – Noon – rain or shine!
Following our hike we will have time for a bring-your-own picnic lunch.
- Cost: **\$5 registration fee per Camp Fire USA youth member.** Camp Fire youth earn the National Trails Day emblem. Non-Camp Fire siblings are welcome and do not need to pay, but they will not receive an emblem.
- Bring:
 - * **Special Activity Permission form** for each youth attending. Forms can be found at www.campfire-usa.org under *Forms*, or pick one up at the South Branch Office.
 - * Plenty of Water
 - * Sturdy walking shoes
 - * Dress for the weather
 - * Picnic lunch for your family.
- Questions: For additional questions regarding the hike or registration, call Hollianne at 253 854 3676.



Space is limited so get your registration in early! Send the form below and your registration fees to:
Trails Day Event, Camp Fire USA, South Branch Office, 1404 Central Ave. S. #109, Kent WA 98032
NOTE: No confirmation letter will be mailed.

Father/Child Trails Day Event Registration

Camp Fire Youth's Name _____

Adult Participant's Name _____

Address _____ City _____ ZIP _____

Phone # _____ Group Coordinator's name _____

Does your child have any special needs or need any special equipment to hike? _____ Please explain: _____

Is your child going to need any medication while hiking? _____ If yes, please list: _____

Will there be additional siblings present? _____ If yes, please provide name(s) _____

Camp Fire youth attending _____ x \$5 = _____ Total amount enclosed.
(Please make checks payable to Camp Fire USA.)

Non Camp Fire youth attending _____ (no cost).

NOTE: These youth must also have a Special Activity Permission Form!

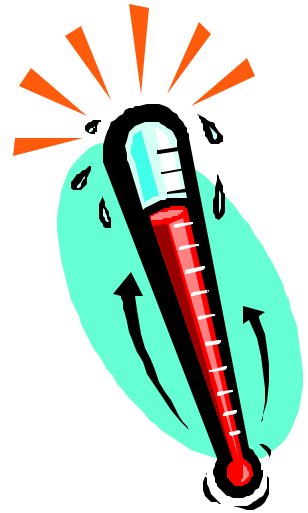
DIRECTIONS to library parking:

From Highway 167, go north until the freeway ends. Turn right onto S Grady Way, stay straight to go on to Main Ave S. Turn slight right onto Houser Way S. Turn left on to Mill Ave S. / WA-900.

From Sunset Blvd. Go south, take the W-900 W/Bronson Way ramp. Turn slight right onto Bronson Way N / WA – 900. Turn slight left onto Mill Ave. S / WA-900.

Leaders' Meeting Dates for May and June 2006

Auburn	Tuesday, May 2 nd Tuesday, June 6 th	7 p.m.	Auburn First United Methodist 100 N Street SE, Auburn
Enumclaw	Monday, May 8 th Monday, June 12 th	6 p.m.	Enumclaw Youth Club House 1225 Battersby Avenue, Enumclaw
Federal Way	Wednesday, May 10 th Wednesday, June 14 th	7 p.m.	Mirror Lake Elementary School 625 S 314 th Street, Federal Way
Highline	Thursday, May 4 th Thursday, June 1 st	7p.m.	Our Saviour's Lutheran Church S 168 th & Ambaum Blvd S, Burien
Kent & Maple Valley	Wednesday, May 10 th Wednesday, June 7 th	7 p.m.	Covington Elementary School 17070 SE Wax Rd., Kent
Renton	Monday, May 1 st Monday, June 5 th	7 p.m.	St. Matthew's Lutheran Church 1700 Edmonds Ave NE, Renton
B.G.P.C. Annual Dinner and Awards	Friday, May 12 th	6 p.m.	The Grange in Maple Valley



Some Leader Associations may choose not to hold a meeting in June. If in doubt, call the office at 253 854 3676.

Note: If you miss your regularly scheduled Leaders' Meeting, basic information will be mailed to you. Other handouts, flyers, newsletters, etc. as well as program support, are available at the South Branch Office.

Office hours are 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.



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