

# Troop 166 and Troop 066 Newsletter

## Celebrating Scoutmaster Bill (60th!)

On Nov 22nd, the Troop surprised Bill Montgomery with a 60th Anniversary celebration at their weekly meeting. When Bill graduated from Whitman College in spring 1961, he contacted the Chief Seattle Council to see if there were any Scout Troops in need of a Scoutmaster. He was given the opportunity to take over as SM for Troop 166 in November of that year. His steadfast leadership & commitment to a quality Scout-led program has created an amazing community and legacy that continues to this day. More celebrations for Bill's 60th anniversary year will be coming, as we show appreciation and thanks for Bill!



dinner clean-up a high wind advisory was issued calling for up to **45mph gusts** that night.

It was a tough call but, keeping safety a priority, it was decided to pack up camp and come home that evening. Thank you to all the parents for meeting us unexpectedly for a 10PM pickup. Despite the change in plans, I know everyone had a fun and memorable time.



This weekend, the Troops are headed to Camp Parsons for a weekend of service. If you have questions, contact Jim Thompson [jimt7727@mac.com](mailto:jimt7727@mac.com). This is also a recruiting outing, so we'll have Webelos guests, too.

## Calendar

December 4-5	Camp Parsons Service Outing - Webelos Guests, Old Goat Welcome Dinner
December 13	Troop Holiday Party 6:30p - 8p@ Wedgwood Church
December 19	Eagle Court of Honor for Eli P., Carson K., Riley K., Joe S.

## Outings Reports

November's outing to Fort Casey was...memorable :) About 30 scouts and parents started the journey to Whidbey Island on the morning of Nov 13. Upon arriving at Fort Casey State Park the weather was cool but dry. Scouts played capture the flag, enjoyed sack lunches, set up camp, and explored the fort via a photo scavenger hunt.

At around 4:00 the patrols started working on the dutch oven cooking contest as the rains and winds picked up. The **scouts showed their grit and perseverance**, cooking their dinners and dutch oven recipes in dark, rainy, windy conditions. Shortly after

## Fundraising Update

Thank you to all the scouts and families for your hard work over the past month selling car wash tickets. I'm proud to say you **raised over \$16,000** for the troop!!! **Kai Plyler was our top seller** with 90 tickets and **Laszlo Anderson was our runner up** with 64 tickets and over \$40 in donations. Congrats Kai and Laszlo!

As a reminder, fundraising proceeds are used to offset the cost of troop activities and overhead expenses, but most importantly they're used to help fund Camp Parsons. We'll have an additional fundraiser in the spring selling Cedar Grove Compost.



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### Newcomer Corner

Welcome to Lauren Welch, our newest member! This month in the Newcomer Corner, we ask the big question, who's in charge??? While the adults guide the troop, the troop is scout led, meaning the scouts are planning their meetings and outings and leading the troop. If your scout has a question, suggest he/she starts with contacting his/her Patrol Leader. Want more information on the troop structure? Click [HERE](#).

### Holiday Party

Mark your calendars for the return of the annual holiday party on December 13th, 6:30-8:00pm at Wedgwood Presbyterian Church. Scouts should bring a wrapped gift (approx \$10 value), as part of our fun annual musical chairs/gift exchange. Parents are welcome to come! More information to come from the Patrol Leadership Council next week.

### Calling All Adults

While the Troop is Scout lead, there are many opportunities for adults to participate and support the Troop. Openings that are in need of filling include:

- Friends of Scouting (January)
- Compost Coordinator (March)
- Scouting for Food (March)
- Eagle Court of Honor\***Needed ASAP to help with the 12/19 ECOH\***
- New Scout Onboarding
- Google email/calendar
- Webmaster

Please consider helping so that we can do all the amazing activities we have planned for the year! If you are interested in a position or have questions contact our Troop Committee Chair, Kevin Flynn ([kevin.flynn@sap.com](mailto:kevin.flynn@sap.com)).



### Venture Crew 166 Forming!

A new Venture Scout Crew affiliated with Troop 166 + Wedgwood Presbyterian Church is starting up, with help from recent T166/066 graduates. Venture Scouts are youth-lead. The flexible program empowers Youth Officers to decide on the activities, goals, and frequency the group wants to meet in a calendar year. Venture Scouting is open to T166/066 Scouts ages 14-20. Want more information? Contact Trent Siegel: [trentsiegel@gmail.com](mailto:trentsiegel@gmail.com)



### New Directory

Hot off the press! The new directories for Troops 166 and 066 were distributed on Monday, November 22. If your family did not receive one, please contact Trent Siegel. Thank you, Trent, for spearheading this project and helping us all connect faces with names.

### Friends of Scouting

The annual Friends of Scouting campaign gets started soon and we are in need of a volunteer to lead the charge to coordinate our efforts for the campaign.

### Rechartering for 2022

Last call for dues! Please get your dues for 2022 and your deposit for Camp Parsons deposit to Doug Baer. Dues for 2022 are: \$100/scout, \$57/adult and \$100/scout for Camp Parsons.

### Troop Information

Scoutmasters:

Bill Montgomery Troop 166

Kirk Siqveland Troop 066

Assistant Scoutmasters:

Troop 166: Trent Siegel, Kirk Siqveland, Doug Baer

Troop 066: Lynh Flynn, Robyn Reed

Troop Committee Chair: Kevin Flynn

SPL: Xander Siqveland

Troop 166 and Troop 066 External Website: <http://www.troop166.net/>

Internal Wiki: <https://scoutwatch.org/Troop166/>