



Troop 45

Daniel Webster Council, Boy Scouts of America

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Rainier Expedition Update

Planning for the Mt Rainier Expedition has reached that critical point where we must make firm commitments to our plans. The basics are in place: we have airline and campsite reservations, and we have a basic outline for the structure of our week in the Pacific Northwest. The next steps are to fill in some of the blanks, make any necessary reservations, and.... collect the required fees. So.....

If you have not decided to come on the expedition, now is the time to change your mind! All Troop 45 scouts and their families are welcome. Please check out our website at <http://troop45.dartmouth.edu/rainier> (or just go to the troop site and click on Rainier2000). If you have further questions or you need to be talked into it, call Yorke Brown (643-4950) or Shirley Morris (643-2767) for answers and a pep talk.

If you are already on the roster, please check the website regularly for news. Mailings are expensive and cumbersome, and the website has more timely and detailed information anyway. *We need your input to fill out the schedule.* Please give consideration to what activities you'd like to participate in, and then either contact the owner of that activity or volunteer to own or lead a new one. There's still plenty of room on the schedule for more action.

If this is the first you've heard about this expedition, please make sure the troop has your email address, or knows that you don't have one. As of this writing, the troop secretary, June Richardson (643-3451; june.richardson@valley.net) is updating all our mailing lists. If you have not been receiving a steady stream of useful information, please let June know how you wish to have the troop communicate with you.

What's Up

1. Raft Trip. We need to get the Raft Trip and BBQ squared off ASAP. Raft trip money is now overdue. Please contact Shirley if you want to go on the raft trip or attend the BBQ. If you haven't sent in your money, please do so. If you are not going on the Raft Trip, please come to the BBQ. It's only five bucks and everyone else will be there. No, you don't have to eat steak; the guides will have veggie burgers for those with more refined tastes.

B. Events. We need event owners. The planning committee has set up the basics of air transportation, camping, and a few major events. Next we need people like you to choose additional events and take responsibility for them. If you agree to *own* an event, you don't necessarily have to *lead* it in the field. The important thing right now is that event owners work on getting plans together. The website includes ideas for events as well as the schedule for the week. Contact Shirley or Yorke with your idea. We have a critical need for Tatoosh Range Hikers and Strollers, and for various components of the Seattle Tour.

III. Campsites. We have campsites reserved at the Packwood Campground. You may take a full site for your family at \$92.07 for the week, or you may take individual one-quarter shares for \$23.02 for the week. We encourage scouts to buddy up in tents, since four tents on a site will be very crowded. We need your money by 15 May.

Schedule of Events				
Day	Event	Owner	Leader	Costs
Sat	Travel — Airline — Rental Cars	Shirley Morris [families]	Yorke Brown [families]	\$356.07
Sun	Tatoosh Range Shakedown — Climbers — Hikers — Strollers	Yorke Brown [open] [open]	Yorke Brown [open] [open]	
Mon	[your event here]	[you]	[hapless SM]	
Tue	Mt Rainier departs Mt St Helens departs [your event here]	Mark Noel Dave Rakyta	Yorke Brown Gregg Hoge	\$20 climb permit \$8 for park +\$15 climb permit
Wed	Mt Rainier in field Mt St Helens in field [your event here]			
Thu	Mt Rainier returns Mt St Helens returns [your event here]			
Fri	Tieton River Rafting Rimrock Hiking Steak Barbecue	Shirley Morris Shirley Morris Shirley Morris	Yorke Brown Dave Rakyta Yorke Brown	\$50 \$5
Sat	Seattle Tour — [Component A] — [Component B] — [Component C] Overnight in Seattle		 [families]	
Sun	Travel			

Timeline

- 15 Apr Raft \$50 due
BBQ \$5 due
- 15 May Campsite due \$92.07 full; \$23.02 individual
- 30 May Airfare due \$356.07
- 20 June Final air travel roster
- 22 June Climbing permits. \$20 for Mt Rainier (Camp Muir); \$15 for Mt St Helens

For detailed information, see <http://troop45.dartmouth.edu/rainier>.

Make checks payable to Troop 45 BSA and send to Shirley Morris, 2 Hunter Lane, Hanover 03755.