



Camp Parsons

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Dear Camp Parsons Supporter,

We send greetings from Camp Parsons. We are nearing a century of continuous camping here on the shores of Jackson Cove on Hood Canal. We have the privilege to offer 8 full weeks of Scout camping to Scouts from the Pacific Northwest as well as other Scouts from across the United States, Canada, and Japan. Camp Parsons is truly a destination camp, providing an outstanding Scouting experience delivered by an enthusiastic staff. However, to provide for future programs as well as to increase the number of Scouts who can take advantage of this facility, we need your help.

Camp Parsons is not only steeped in history and tradition, it is also home to some old structures that have served Scouts well throughout the years. Some, like the Silver Marmot Grill, which was originally built in 1919 have been successfully restored while others are unable to be retained. Our current Dining Hall is one of these structures that has lived through its usefulness and actually has become a hindrance to the program that we offer. The present Dining Hall only seats 350 people which means that during a typical summer week, not all the campers can fit inside at the same time. For years we have had to rotate troops to cook out in their campsites so there is enough space on any given day. It is time that we looked towards the future of Camp Parsons and its expanding program by developing a facility that will meet the needs of the Scouts who attend today as well as those who will attend over the decades to come. We need a facility that can be used year-round, has a commercial grade kitchen that meets all current standards for safe food handling, offers us the ability to cook a variety of different foods, adequate dishwashing facilities to eliminate the need for disposable dishware but most importantly, support the program at Camp Parsons by giving it the ability to comfortably feed those Scouts who attend and have room for more. Not only would it allow us to expand camping during the summer season, but it will offer us the ability to expand and develop a winter program as well.

We are asking for your financial support in helping fund a new 550 seat Dining Hall facility.

Camp Parsons means a lot to all of us. Any help you can give will greatly be appreciated and help continue the tradition of excellence that is Camp Parsons.

Yours in Scouting,

Ken McEdwards

Camp Director

Michael McNellis

ACD/Program Director



On the shores of Hood Canal, **Camp Parsons** has been serving Boy Scouts since 1919 and is one of the oldest Boy Scout camps in the country. The camp predominantly serves Boy Scouts and Venturers who are between 11 and 18 years old. Program areas include aquatics, motor boating, Scoutcraft, climbing, nature conservation, shooting sports, and outbound treks. Camp Parsons also functions as an off-season outdoor camping facility for Scout units and outside groups.

FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW -Development Campaign

A volunteer task force examined the facility needs of **Camp Parsons** as well as opportunities that will enable the Chief Seattle Council to fulfill the mission of Scouting in a quality manner. Their assessments highlight critical areas of attention to maintain Scouting's position in the Puget Sound area.

KEY FINDINGS

- As participation has nearly doubled in the past decade, driven by increased interest from troops from our council and all around the nation, certain facilities have not kept pace such as the dining hall. This limits capacity despite demand.
- Current dining hall facilities are not conducive to multiple groups.
- The dining hall is not available during the off-season due to lack of a heating system.
- The current dining hall facility limits the number of Scouts we can have each week at summer camp.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

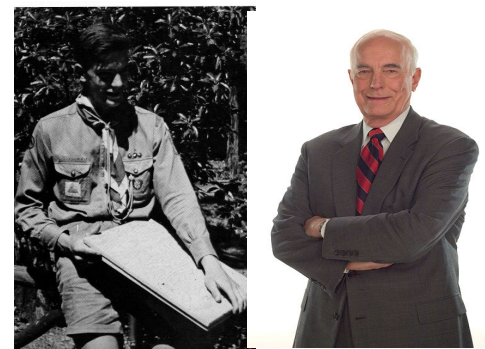
Based on the suggestions of the volunteer task force, the Chief Seattle Council wishes to undertake the development of a new dining hall:

- **Dining Hall plus endowment - \$5,000,000**

POSITIVE RESULTS FOR YOUTH AND FAMILIES

Due to these upgrades, we expect the following positive results:

- The larger dining hall will improve the experience of Scouts and also provide for year-round use of the Council property defraying fixed costs of operating the camp.



Camp Staff photo 1941

"It's as if those bikes happened yesterday. I recall exactly where we went, what we did, what the weather was like. Those Scouting experiences were important in shaping my current philosophy of wilderness preservation."

- Former Governor Dan Evans, Eagle Scout and Camp Parsons Staff Member, 1941





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LETTER OF INTENT

The **Parsons Dining Hall** Development Campaign seeks to strengthen local council programs for today and tomorrow. Current and deferred gifts will result in capital improvements and additional endowment funds to accomplish this task. Current gifts (typically, cash, stocks, bonds, and real estate or other property) are those generally payable over 3-5 years. Deferred gifts, such as wills, trusts and insurance take longer to mature and are generally earmarked for the endowment fund. For the purpose of measuring progress to achieving the campaign goal, deferred gifts are counted using present value calculations and can be used for both capital projects and endowment. Contributions to the council's endowment fund, may qualify the donor (s) for membership in Boy Scouting's national Heritage Society Donors are encouraged to consider the gift type (s) that best meet their personal situation. All gifts will be used in accordance with the campaign purpose, or as designated by the donor.

In support of Chief Seattle Council's Parsons Dining Hall Development Campaign, I (we) pledge the following gift(s):

CURRENT GIFT

I (we) are proud to pledge a current cash, securities or appreciated asset gift of \$ _____ to be paid over ____ years.

Paid herewith is \$ _____, with the remainder to be paid as follows:

The sum of \$ _____ on or about _____ (year one)

The sum of \$ _____ on or about _____ (year two)

The sum of \$ _____ on or about _____ (year three)

The sum of \$ _____ on or about _____ (year four)

The sum of \$ _____ on or about _____ (year five)

Please bill us (monthly) _____.

DEFERRED GIFT

I (we) are proud to make a deferred (Endowment) gift of:

(Please attach any supporting documentation as appropriate.)

Please contact Sharon Moulds (206) 725-8317 or Brian Redmond at (206) 902-2314 with any questions you may have.

CONFIDENTIALITY – Information obtained from or about donors shall be held in strictest of confidence. The name, giving category and designation of the gift may be recognized in various print and electronic media, such as the website and annual report.

If you do not want this information made public, please indicate below.

_____ Please treat this as an anonymous pledge or gift.

My / our gift is from: *(Circle one)* Mr. / Ms. / Mrs. / Mr. and Mrs. / Business / Foundation / Nonprofit Organization / Other

Individual Donor Name(s): *(Please print)* Yours _____ Spouse's _____

Name of Organization/Business Donor: *(Please print)* _____

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