

September

Valleyfest Parade

It is always the third Friday night of September, 7:30 pm
Use this to plan for next year.

The Amaizing Corn Maze

Friday, September 23–Sunday, October 30, 2011

CAMP FIRE USA DAYS are September 30th, 31st and October 1st and 2nd

Take your club to the Amaizing Corn Maze in Hauser. Pick up a \$1 off coupon from the Camp Fire USA office. For every person using this coupon, The Amaizing Corn Maze will donate \$1 to Camp Fire USA.

Where: 3405 N. Beck Rd., Hauser, Idaho (check the website for directions)

Go to www.theamaizingcornmaze.com or call 509-242-CORN

October

Share Our Dream

Thursday, October 13, 2011, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Wine and Dinner Fundraising Event at Northern Quest Casino. Be inspired by the work of our local Council and help Share Our Dream for the community at our Annual Donor Dinner.

RSVP to Colene at 509-747-6161 X 22 or crubertt@campfireinc.org by Friday, October 1

Club Trainings

Saturday, October 15, 2011, 8 am - 4:30 pm

This is a great way to network with other leaders. Learn the basics of club curriculum for Starflight, Adventure and Discovery. This training will provide a strong foundation for understanding progression, flexibility, and available recognitions for your club's age group. The training will help you maneuver through the many program options available as well as introduce the basic progression structure that National Camp Fire USA provides. Each level is taught in three hours. Be sure to invite your co-leader and interested parents along. Networking, 8 – 9 am; Curriculum trainings, 9 - 12 pm; Lunch, noon – 12:30 pm; 1st Aid/CPR, 12:30 – 4:30 pm

*Register on-line individually for curriculum and for 1st Aid/CPR

Where: Council Office

Cost: Free - Bring a lunch (babysitting available by donation – please let Marcia know if needed)

Cost for 1st Aid/CPR Class: \$35 per person

Register on-line by: Tuesday, October 11

This training provides certification in First Aid and CPR for Children, Infants, and Adults. Certification is valid for two years. It is Camp Fire USA Inland Northwest Council Policy that a registered adult with current First Aid and CPR certifications accompany all outings outside the regular meeting site. To ensure compliance with this policy, it is recommended that leaders and co-leaders are current with both certifications. It is also important to have a certified person at all club meetings.

Adopt-A-Highway Clean-Up

Sunday, October 16, 2011, 1 - 4 pm

The Board of Directors has adopted a 1-mile stretch of Interstate 90 in Post Falls. All Camp Fire USA members are welcome to participate. The Adopt-A-Highway Clean-Up is also an opportunity for youth members (Discovery & Horizon) to participate in a great service project that everyone who drives the highway will appreciate. There is a special youth emblem. Contact Marcia.

Register on-line by: Tuesday, October 11

Horizon/Wohelo Training

Monday, October 17, 2011, 6:30 pm

Monday, October 24, 2011, 6:30 pm

For all Horizon members interested in earning their Wohelo Award. This training is to help youth navigate through the process. Please bring your Horizon curriculum book and Wohelo forms.

Where: TBD

Register on-line by: Tuesday, October 11 for October 17 & Tuesday, October 18 for October 24

Scare Away Hunger Costume Skate Party

Wednesday, October 26, 2011, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Gather the ghosts and goblins. It is time to join other clubs for fun and a good cause. This is a fun-filled night that will help others. Scare Away Hunger is a food drive that will benefit the Second Harvest Food Bank. Bring your family and friends to introduce them to the fun and great work our clubs do. While preparing for and attending this skate party, you can work toward a "trail" emblem or beads. Skating is a great physical activity, make your own costume, volunteer to decorate the food donation bin or volunteer to help organize the food drive. If your club would like to assist in the planning and preparation, please contact Marcia or Jon.

No need to register for this event, just meet us there!

Where: Pattison's North Skate Center, 11309 N. Mayfair Rd., Spokane

Cost: \$4.25/skater (add \$2 for blades)

What to bring: non perishable food for the food bank

November

Club Candy Chair Training

Thursday, November 3, 2011, 6:30 pm

Saturday, November 5, 2011, 10 am – 1 pm

The Candy Fundraiser is the Council's largest fundraiser of the year. This would not happen without adult volunteers. Because of this added responsibility, we encourage all Club Leaders to find an adult volunteer, called a Club Candy Chair, to manage the candy/money for their club. In order for the annual fundraiser to be an efficient & successful process, Club Candy Chairs **must** attend one of the trainings to receive necessary information and resources to help train their club parents and kids on this **important** fundraiser.

Where: Council Office

Register on-line by: Thursday, October 27 for November 3 and Tuesday, November 1 for November 5

Outdoor Cooking at Camp Dart-Lo

Thursday, November 17, 2011, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Whether the weather be hot or whether the weather be not...we will adventure in all sorts of weather. Join us at Camp Dart-Lo for a cookout gathering. Try your hand at a Dutch oven, open fire iron skillet or open fire foil cooking. Then take part in other activities and learn about the Camp Fire USA Outdoor Progression program. During this event, we will be introducing the Outdoor events calendar. The calendar will include club activities and Leader training events for those Leaders not familiar with outdoor skills.

Where: Camp Dart-Lo

Register on-line by: Monday, November 14

Cost: \$3 per person

Babysitting Class

Saturday, November 19, 2011, 10 am - 4 pm

This program is for boys and girls at least 12 years old! The course includes basic childcare skills to keep children safe in your care. It also includes behavior management, safety measures, playing with children, work ethics and basic business skills. You must pre-register and pay on-line. Bring a sack lunch and beverage.

Where: Council Office

Cost: \$15 for Camp Fire USA members; \$25 for non-members

Register on-line by: Tuesday, November 15

What to bring: a sack lunch and beverage

January

First Aid and CPR

Saturday, January 7, 2012, 9 am - 2 pm

This training provides certification in First Aid and CPR for Children, Infants, and Adults. Certification is valid for two years. It is Camp Fire USA Inland Northwest Council Policy that a registered adult with current First Aid and CPR certifications must accompany all outings outside the regular meeting site. To ensure compliance with this policy, it is recommended that leaders and co-leaders are current with both certifications. It is also important to have a certified person at all club meetings. Register by the deadline to ensure a spot in the class.

Where: Council Office

Cost: \$35 per person

Register on-line by: Tuesday, January 3

"The Y" Swimming

Tuesday, January 17, 2012, 6 - 8 pm, Spokane Valley YMCA

Thursday, January 19, 2012, 6 - 8 pm, North Side YMCA

Its open swim at two area YMCA's. Bring your families and join Camp Fire USA's newest friends for two family nights. If you know kids interested in joining Camp Fire USA, invite them along. This is a great opportunity to meet other leaders, parents and Camp Fire USA kids. Council staff and volunteers will be available to answer any questions. No need to register for this event, just meet us there! Have your club kids meet you in the lobby prior to swimming. Adult leaders may be asked for photo identification.

Cost: \$4 per non-YMCA member, free if YMCA member (bring card)

Leaders: please sign in and pay as a club.

Chiefs Hockey Night

Saturday, January 21, 2012, 7:05 pm

Join the fun. Let's all cheer on the Spokane Chiefs! Bring the whole family. Order tickets by emailing nhopkins@spokanechiefs.com and say you are from Camp Fire USA.

Cost: \$13.00 per person in the lower level

Council Annual Meeting and Volunteer Recognition

Monday, January 23, 2012, TBD

Stay tuned for details

February

Candy Fundraiser

Saturday, February 11 - Sunday, March 4, 2012

Earn your way to Camp Dart-Lo, Camp Sweyolakan or Camp Aowakiya as you sell Camp Fire USA candy. All registered youth are **encouraged** to participate in this **important** annual fundraiser. Sellers benefit from this fundraiser by earning all or part of their way to Camp, earning awards individually and earning funds for their club. They also learn valuable life skills.

March

Absolutely Incredible Kid Day

Thursday, March 15, 2012

Write a letter to a special kid in your life!! Let them know how fantastic they are! Use your own stationary or find more information by clicking on the date on the homepage calendar.

Camp Fire USA Birthday Celebration

Stay tuned for details

Saturday, March 17, 2012, 1 – 3:30 pm

Earn the "Celebrate Camp Fire USA" emblem by joining in a party and partaking in the requirements! Invite your family and friends to help celebrate our birthday. Wear your Camp Fire USA uniform, a Camp Fire USA t-shirt or a camp t-shirt. Emblems will be available for purchase.

Where: TBD

April

Community Easter Egg Hunt at Camp Dart-Lo

Saturday, April 7, 2012, 10 am - noon

Egg Hunt for ages 3-7 and 8-12. Prizes!!

Where: Camp Dart-Lo

Cost: free with non-perishable food for the food bank

Register on-line by: Friday, March 30

National Art Competition

Due Friday, April 13, 2012

This year's National Art Competition medium is Fiber. The fibers theme includes any art that is created by using fibers such as yarn, cloth, string, and could include art work such as macramé, painting on cloth, weaving, knitting, sewing, photos on cloth, tie dyeing and more. The purpose of the National Art Competition is to encourage creativity and explore art as a career. To enter, participants can choose any project using any type of fiber. These activities can be completed individually or as a group.

Earth Day - Reduce, Reuse, Recycle – and Replenish

Thursday, April 19, 2012, 5 – 7 pm

Enjoy a great evening at Camp Dart-Lo learning what we can do for our own little patch of the planet. Plant a wildflower butterfly garden and build bird feeders out of household waste materials. We may even have a scavenger hunt to find out more about the environment in our own background.

Where: Camp Dart-Lo

Cost: \$2/youth participant

Register on-line by: Friday, April 13

Candy Fundraiser Awards Night

Stay tuned for details

On this special night, our hard working candy sellers and adult volunteers will be recognized. Candy trophies and other high-selling emblems will be awarded to youth. All Camp Fire USA members are invited to attend to celebrate the great success of our Candy Fundraiser!

May

Register For Camp!!!

Spring Fling Carnival at Camp Dart-Lo

Saturday, May 5, 2012, 11 am – 2 pm

Games will include face painting, fishing game, cupcake walk, archery, ring toss and much more. Popcorn and hotdogs will be available for purchase.

Where: Camp Dart-Lo

Cost: food if desired

Register on-line by: Friday, April 27

Junior Lilac Parade

Saturday, May 12, 2012, 10 am, line up at 9:30 am

Everyone loves a parade! Join us in the Jr. Lilac Parade!!!

More details in the Spring!

Register on-line by: Tuesday, May 8

Fly-Up & Grand Council Fire

Stay tuned for details

This traditional ceremony recognizes members of Camp Fire USA for their achievements during the year.

- Little Stars fly-up to Starflight before entering kindergarten.
- Starflight members fly-up to Adventure before entering third grade.
- Adventure members fly-up to Discovery before entering sixth grade.
- Discovery members fly-up to Horizon before entering ninth grade.
- Wohelo recipients will receive their award.

We will spotlight "moving up." Bring your camera and experience another memorable Camp Fire USA moment. Special mementos are only given to participants. Detailed information will be distributed in the spring.

Register on-line

Wohelo Reception after Board of Director's Meeting

Monday, May 21, 2012, 7 pm

Stay tuned for details

June

Have you registered for camp??

Ad-Di-Ho

Friday, June 1 - Sunday, June 3, 2012

Save the date for this year's Adventure, Discovery, and Horizon campout! Here's your chance to show your advanced outdoor skills and experience new challenges. We will continue the night hike, outdoor cooking, survivor challenge and so much more. The location, theme and other details will be announced in January.

Register on-line by: Friday, May 25

July

Have you registered for camp??

August

"Kids Helping Kids Back To School"

Saturday & Sunday, August 4 & 5, 2012

Mark your calendars for the 18th Annual "Kids Helping Kids Back To School" Program. Details available next spring. Help every kid go back to school with a new box of crayons!