



Alumnus



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Reconnect with Friends!

Join us at the Alumni BBQ at Fire Mountain Sunday June 29, gather at 4pm, dinner at 6. Come meet the 2014 camp staff and reconnect with alumni. For more info, contact dave@firemtn.org.

3 Great Supporters Pass Away

Three diligent, dedicated supporters of Fire Mountain have passed away in the last few months. The world has lost some wonderful men who were examples to many of us as camp staff alumni.

Ron Bromley served as camp director in an important transitional period 1991-1993. Ron's ever upbeat attitude and humor ring through the trails of camp. We will ever remember his whistling showtunes through the dining hall. His mark on the Scouting movement, and in particular Fire Mountain will be felt for many years.

Adnan Bakkar was a monumental force in the Evergreen Area & Mt. Baker Councils for decades. Three sons and a grand daughter served on camp staff and Adnan was a major volunteer at hundreds of week-end events at camp and served several years as a volunteer commissioner. Thousands of Scouts knew him well and called him friend.

Doug Wolff served many summers as volunteer commissioner in addition to his many other roles in Boy Scouting. His son also served on camp staff. His humor and calm demeanor brought peace to many camp weeks as he lightened the load of the camp leadership and supported troops in their experience of camp.

No words can begin to describe the service these three have given to their community and to individuals. They each were a typification of the spirit of Fire Mountain. We will miss them and express our deepest condolences to their spouses, children and all who called them friend. If we all live our lives as they lived, the world will be a better place.

Where Are They Now?

Wondering what happened to all your camp friends? Several Alumni have recently celebrated special moments in their lives:

Congratulations on the birth of their baby:

Brianne (Gessaman) Ownings (01-02, Medic)

Nathan Moseley (95-96)

Geoffery McKilligan (03-04, Aquatics)

Chris Layton (2003)

Trevor Lee (95-2000, Aquatics)

Andrew Rawlings (01-03, Aquatics)

Robert & Amie Dockter (Camp Director/Trading Post, 2012)

Wedding Bells are ringing for:

Sean Armitage (03-06) & Kevin O'Neill (04-06, Aquatics)

Nick Hertl (97-99, Aquatics)

We would like to include more announcements in this area, including graduations and other special events, please e-mail dave@firemtn.org to let us know what events are happening in Alumni life.

Contributions in Memorial

Financial contributions have been made to the FMSAA in memory of individuals who have passed away.

Doug Wolff (in honor of Adnan Bakkar)

William Ayers (in honor of Doug Wolff)

Karen Daniel (in honor of Doug Wolff)

Eberhardt Family (in honor of Doug Wolff)

Raymond Fong (in honor of Doug Wolff)

Bill Griffin (in honor of Doug Wolff)

Dave Henrichsen (in Honor of Doug Wolff)

Patty & Alden Hoggard (in honor of Doug Wolff)

Mary Mara (in honor of Doug Wolff)

Will Nickum (in honor of Doug Wolff)

Sandra Scatena (in honor of Doug Wolff)

Craig Schieber (in honor of Doug Wolff)

Gordon Smith (in honor of Doug Wolff)

Patrick & Sharon Smith (in honor of Doug Wolff)

Fred Warden (in honor of Doug Wolff)



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Buy a Stair

As you may have heard, Fire Mountain is adding an exciting new program element to our camp... a Zip Line starting at a 65' tower near Camus Lodge and running over 2,000' over water to Bjorn's Island. Once you land at Bjorn's Island you walk across a 170' suspension bridge back to the east shore of Lake Challenge. You have an opportunity "Buy A Stair" of our new Zip Line Tower, including an engraved plaque for \$250. For more information see. Mountbakerbsa.org, Hurry, they are going FAST!

Fire Mtn Under Construction

If you've been up to camp recently or have been following our Facebook page you've seen many construction projects in work over the last year, with many just kicking in to high gear over the last few months.

- Archery is moving back to its old stomping ground in the "Back 40" just across the creek from Kit Carson Field and is significantly improved.
- Salishan Lodge is going through a complete remodel to become a significantly improved First Aid Station and camp Museum.
- A new boating marina is being built along the South Dike near the Coho "Cub" Beach.
- a new camp Administration building is being constructed between Salishan & Gaches Farmhouse.
- There are also plans being worked on to relocate the Skagit Shelter to the top of the hill at the Campfire Bowl, and with moving the parade field back down to Kit Carson Field.

Financial sponsors are invited to contact the Properties committee Chairman Marty Robinett at marty@robinettmgmt.com, sponsors are needed for many planned upcoming improvements.

Alumni Events

follow us on at [facebook.com/firemountain](https://www.facebook.com/firemountain) for more info

June 15 Scholarship Deadline

June 29 Alumni BBQ (meet the staff) @ FM

July 15 Pie Night @ FM (meet @ 7; Pies @ 9)

College Scholarships for Alumni

Would you like to apply for a college scholarship? Application is simple and the number of applicants each year is small. The deadline for application each year is June 15. Visit firemtn.org for more information and for an application.

Alumni in Action: Merit Badge Extravaganza

The 11th Annual Merit Badge Extravaganza at Fire Mountain was a great success. Providing the opportunity for over 345 Scouts from 47 Troops to come up to Fire Mountain during the off-season to work on merit badges over two weekends, including some camp favorites like: Rifle Shooting, Archery and Space Exploration. We also had a new offering of the Surveying merit badge this year in which the Scouts were able to work with a professional land surveyor and plot some points around camp. Again this year we had great support for the Fire Safety merit badge which included the Scouts working with real fire training equipment and a fire engine. Thanks goes out to all of the people who have volunteered their time and talents to make this event a success year after year for over a decade now.

Donate to Fire Mtn. Alumni

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Joe Miller Memorial Scholarship:	\$ _____
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