Light the fire within



Resident Camp

With Resident Camp just a few weeks away, I wanted to take the time to express how excited I am for this upcoming season. We have a fabulous staff in place, great activities planned, and hundreds of amazing campers who will be coming through Camp Kirby over the next two months. Every moment at Kirby is magical, from the first Polar Bear Dip to the last Council Fire, and I can't wait to share all of those experiences with you!

We are still looking for a few people to join our kitchen staff for the summer. No cooking experience is needed, as we can train on site! Please visit our website for more information:

http://www.campfiresamishcouncil.org/ckirby-employment/

Please let me know if you have any questions, and I look forward to seeing many of you this summer!

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Camporee

Roses are red. Violets are blue. If I could make Slime, I would throw it on you. This was true at Camporee in May. Camp Fire Samish celebrated Club Members' hard work and spectacular success in the Candy Fundraiser. Throughout the fundraiser, youth earned raffle tickets to increase their chances to throw slime over some of the Camp Staff. Six youth were chosen to dump Oozing Green Slime over these brave adult leaders. Smiles were seen on all the faces as the pouring of slime commenced. Candy Season was officially a success, not because of the slime, but because of the hard work, the values learned, and the skills that were gained by Camp Fire Samish Youth Membership.



Wizarding World of Western Washington

Missed out on the Hogwarts letter? Now is your chance to discover all your favorite magic! Come hit the quaffle in Quidditch, brew potions, and create the magic that lies within your very fingertips. August 14th we will be hosting a Wizarding World Day Away in Everson. If Everson is located outside of your reach, have no fear! Camp Kirby will be having a Wizarding World Day Away, August 27th through the 28th. See Camp Kirby in a whole new light as you enter the Wizarding World of Kirby. Discover brand new magic this summer with Camp Fire Samish.

We are looking for volunteers to work these events. If you want to spend your summer playing in the sun and practicing your Patronus, contact us at (360) 733-5710 or email BAC@campfiresamish.org.

Register



Afterschool Enrichment

This year Camp Fire Samish programming grew in size by including Afterschool Enrichment Programs into its services. The program proved to be a success not only by the number of attendees, but also by offering new experiences to the youth in the community. We were able to provide students with classes such as Art in Nature, Beginner's Spanish, Science and Experiments, Survival Skills, and many more. We partnered with elementary schools throughout the area, including but not limited to Northern Heights, Carl Cozier, Everson, and Edison Elementary, as well as running the entire Afterschool



Annual Report

Following an informal potluck dinner, Vice-President Vanessa Veit led Camp Fire Samish's Annual Meeting. Each year, adult members gather at camp to review the prior year's Annual Report to the Community, elect new board members, honor an outstanding staff member or volunteer, and to celebrate our success. Nearly 25% of all registered adult members attended!

Please welcome Spencer Roozen and Alice Sigurdson to our Board of Directors. Both come with a wealth of community connections and a strong desire to give back. Gail Grossman was voted onto the Nominating Committee. Welcome to our team!

Kathryn Luera was presented with an engraved commemorative brick for her outstanding service to Camp Fire Samish. She has been on staff for eleven years and has volunteered even longer. Her passion is serving youth, investing in Camp Kirby, and helping kids thrive in the great

Program at Bay View Elementary in Skagit County. Thanks to our dedicated staff, Camp Fire Samish was able to achieve our promise to help children find and fuel their spark across the region. outdoors.

We concluded the evening with birthday festivities and cake for our Site Managers, Erin and Amanda Adair.



Make A Difference

Giving kids an opportunity to get outside, exercise, and explore nature in a safe and nurturing environment is one of Camp Fire's core values. Camp Kirby Resident Camp days are filled with activities such as archery, boating, hiking, swimming, and making new friends; as well as learning valuable life skills like self-reliance, teamwork, and leadership.

We believe strongly that every child deserves the opportunity to attend summer camp. While we keep our programs as affordable as possible, nearly 20% of our members require some type of financial assistance. Your gift will help us enable these children an opportunity to discover the magic of Camp Fire and Camp Kirby.

To date, we've received generous donations from the Wakumi Alumni group (who raised funds at their annual rummage sale) and to several philanthropic families and individuals. Thank you for making a positive difference in the lives of our youth!

Donate



Labor Day Weekend

Spend Labor Day Weekend at Camp Kirby! Camp will be open for YOU on Saturday and Sunday night!

Prices are per person, and include lodging accommodations and a



Mark Your Calenders!

Day Camp June 25th - 29th

Open House Sunday, July 1st 2 pm - 4 pm

Resident Camp July 8th - August 11th

Whatcom Day Camp July 16th - 19th

Wizarding World
Everson, August 14th



Whatcom Day Camp

Camp Fire Samish is excited to announce our new summer activities! We are hosting a week long day camp July 16th through the 19th at Hovander Park in Ferndale. The camp will be Neverland themed and will contain all your favorite characters. Come play in the park

continental breakfast each morning

For more information please click <u>HERE</u>.

Camp Kirby August 27th -28th 9 am - 4 pm

Community Appreciation Sunday, August 19th 1 pm - 4 pm

Labor Day Weekend

September 1st - 3rd

with Tinkerbell and Peter Pan, escape Captain Hook with the Lost Youth, and discover the joys of escaping away to Neverland without even having to turn on a movie. Register Here.



Camp Kirby Wish List

Our Wish List items are an excellent way to give outside of traditional cash donations. These items are needed specifically for this year's Day and Resident Camp. The list is on Amazon and can be shipped directly to Camp Fire Samish. Maximize your gift using Amazon Smile where .5% of your purchase is donated to the charity of your choice.

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