

Hello Girl Scout Adult Volunteers!!



Cascade Challenge is looking for about *Forty Fun Folks* to be judges on Sat. May 16, 2015. Prerequisites: Be an adult that likes to be outside all day.

Cascade Challenge weekend is a primitive, tent camping, outdoor skills competition weekend for Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors of Girl Scouts Western Washington Council. This event is all volunteer run and is sponsored by SU 245 (Edmonds-Lynnwood).

Date: May 15-17, 2015 at Fire Mountain Boy Scout Camp, Mt. Vernon, WA

<u>This is the basic scenario</u>: Girl Scout Troops arrive **Friday** afternoon to set up camp, relax, and maybe mingle with other troops around the campfire. All the challenge skill events will take place on **Saturday**, where girls will be evaluated on teamwork, leadership skills, and combined knowledge in the below skill areas. Challenges are completed without 'help' from leaders during the events.

The famous Saturday Night Dinner Challenge is a highlight as the leaders bow out of the campsite and the Scouts prepare the meal on their own. An added twist is that we provide the food to them and only the Cadette troops know what items they will receive in their food box at dinner time.

After dinner on **Saturday night** we all gather for a traditional campfire with songs, skits, and good old fun. The awards and recognition ceremony on **Sunday** brings the weekend to a close.

Cascade Challenges this year are:

- Hiking & Map/Compass- With your ten essentials packed, navigate your way thru the woods.
- > Team Dynamics- Your positive & cooperative teamwork skills will lead you to success.
- > Emergency Shelters & Knots-Build a solid shelter for an unexpected overnight.
- First Aid-Beyond the basic band-aid, show us your trail side skills.
- > Plus **Challenge Dinner** Prepare a creative & nutritious dinner. All judges participate in dinner judging.

Cascade Challenge is put on by a village of adult Girl Scout volunteers; you can be one of the much needed adult volunteer judges. Perhaps your troop is not yet old enough to participate and you want to find out how it all works, OR perhaps, sadly, your teen-aged troop is not attending, OR you just love to support OUTdoor programs. Judges may request which challenge station they would prefer to be placed at. We try to match that choice as judges are at one station all day with a team to judge the 20 troops that will rotate thru.

There are several time frame options to volunteer as a judge:

- > Come and camp with us for the entire weekend; arrive anytime after 4 PM on Friday and stay thru the end at Noon'ish on Sunday.
- Or come Fri. nite and leave anytime after 8PM on Saturday.
- Or come Saturday morning (arrive 630 AM) and stay over till Sunday.
- > Or come for all day Saturday (arrive at 6:30 AM, finish up at 8 PM)
- Or come just for the Dinner Challenge (arrive at 3:30 PM, finish up at 8 PM)

What is included? Training and answer sheets are provided for each event, PLUS you will be fed some incredible dishes (vegetarian options too), probably have a whole lot of Fun, and of course receive a patch!! And you get to be out doors in the fresh air.

The Next Step: Send us an email and say YES count me in, invite a friend too. We will then send you more info and ask for more info about you. All judges do need to pre-register of course.

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