



Hi Everett Mountaineers,

I'm excited to share our inaugural monthly e-newsletter. This is a big step forward in keeping our outdoors community in the know about all the great stuff we're up to. As they say in famous 1967 movie Cool Hand Luke, "What we got here is a failure to communicate." While we're far from failing (we have almost 1,000 branch members!), we can always do better and this will be a very useful tool for our club.

Moving forward, **you can expect to receive the Everett Branch Enewsletter around the 8th of each month.** Learn about upcoming activities, courses, and events and also about the volunteers that make our organization a success. You can also check out what's happening online at www.mountaineers.org/Everett.

Matt Vadnal,
Acting Editor



View from Pichuck Fire Lookout, a site maintained by Everett Mountaineers

Upcoming Events

Annual Salmon Bake | Sun, Oct 2

Join us for an afternoon of fun, food and fellowship at the Masonic Park located on the Mountain Loop Highway. The venue is a beautiful locale, especially this time of year when autumn colors accent a grove of tall evergreens next to a mountain stream. Volunteers should plan to arrive circa 10am. Alder-cooked salmon, corn and potatoes will be served at 2pm. Bring a main dish, a salad or a dessert to share with your fellow Mountaineers. The Salmon Bake is free for Mountaineers and \$5 for guests. There is \$5/car parking fee so be sure to carpool. A good time will be had by all! [Event details.](#)

Monthly Open House | Wed, Oct 5

The general public as well as Mountaineers are invited to attend our monthly get together to learn more about The Mountaineers and get plugged into our outdoor community. This month's meeting will be held at the Snohomish County campus at 7pm. Speaker TBA. [Event details.](#)

Winter Course Night | Wed, Nov 2

Don't Let Winter Escape! This event will showcase the season's upcoming courses. Representatives from our avalanche, climbing, scrambling, skiing and snowshoeing programs will be on hand to make presentations and field questions. If you attended any of our courses last winter consider retaking it to practice and reinforce skills or take another course. Encourage friends and co-workers to attend as well. [Event details.](#)

Annual Awards Banquet | Sat, Nov 5

Let's have a big turn-out to honor our 2016 course graduates and award recipients. Lowell Skoog, a distinguished climber, skier, writer and photographer, will be our speaker. This fun, annual event is part of the fabric of our branch, allowing members to see old friends and make new ones. Tickets must be purchased in advance. [Buy tickets.](#)

Branch Governance

Branch Elections

The Everett Branch Executive Committee elections will take place in conjunction with the elections for the Board of Directors from October 1 to October 21. The Mountaineers Program Center will be sending eballots to all Everett Branch members (but if you cannot access them through email, they will be available by clicking through in the blog we link to below). This year we have six volunteers willing to take on new roles. The membership will also be asked to review and approve the 2016 Amendments to the Branch Rules of Governance. The Branch Executive Committee and all of the branch members who attended a special meeting on September 7 recommended that the proposed Amendments be approved. Learn more about the candidates, amendments, and process, so that you're ready to cast your votes in October! You can find all the details on our [2016 Everett Branch Elections](#) blog.

Larry Ingalls Distinguished Service Award

This award is presented to an Everett Branch Mountaineer who has made significant contributions to the Branch and the Mountaineers over a long period of time. It symbolizes the heritage of volunteerism and leadership which is so vital to the Branch. Nominations should summarize the individual's contributions and service record. Email the nominations to matthewvadnal@aol.com by **October 5.** [Learn more.](#)

Future Submissions

This e-newsletter is key to spreading the word about events, activities, courses, and blogs. Submissions are welcome! If you have an item for an upcoming e-newsletter, email me at matthewvadnal@aol.com by the 25th of the month. Please include the following:

1. Title
2. Date
3. Web link to corresponding mountaineers.org listing
4. Short Description
5. Photo if you'd like (this is not required)