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LEGACY JOURNAL

Winter 2006

Upcoming Events

The Lands Council Holiday Celebration
Wednesday, December 6th 5:30-7:30pm
Lorinda Knight Gallery, 523 W. Sprague
Featuring artist Kathleen Cavender

Please join us for complimentary wine and appetizers in appreciation of your contributions to The Lands Council. Bring a friend! Enter our drawing to win a beautiful holiday wreath.

Questions? Contact Debbie Boswell at 509-838-4912 or dboswell@landscouncil.org.

Save the Date!

The Lands Council 12th Annual Auction & Dinner

The 12th Annual Lands Council auction will be held Friday, April 13th, 2007 at Northern Quest Casino. Contact Lisa Logan at llogan@landscouncil.org or 509-838-4912 to donate an auction item, help underwrite, or volunteer on our auction committee.

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Another way you can support The Lands Council is by giving through your workplace giving campaign. TLC is a member of Earth Share of Washington, an alliance of 70 leading conservation and environmental organizations. By partnering with businesses and government agencies, Earth Share inspires employees to support the environment through workplace giving campaigns and volunteerism. Not sure if your business or government office is connected with Earth Share? Visit www.esw.org to find out more or contact Amber Waldref at awaldref@landscouncil.org to learn more about the benefits of giving through Earth Share.



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— DIRECTOR'S LETTER —



Dear friends,

It's that time of year again – a time for skiing and sledding, warm drinks and family gatherings. It's a time to give thanks for the many joyful moments we have experienced in the past year. I want to especially thank you for your tremendous support of The Lands Council.

In 2006, The Lands Council has grown in size and strength because of your donations, your support of our auction, and the gifts of your time and talent. Through your generosity, we were able to expand our Water program. In September, we hired Brian Walker as our new Watershed Director. Brian, who has an M.S. in Environmental Science, is an excellent addition to our staff.

Our toxics education program continues to make huge strides in the community, protecting our most vulnerable neighbors from toxics in the River, understanding cumulative effects of lead in children, and educating Hillyard residents about a toxic dumpsite right in their backyard. In 2007, we will be partnering with the Spokane Regional Health District to initiate a community dialogue about environmental health challenges that we can work together to resolve.

Our work to protect the Colville National Forest continues through the Northeast Washington Forestry Coalition, which brings together businesses, conservationists, mill owners, and local government to enhance forest health, public safety and community economic vitality. The Coalition is now using its collaboration to help revise the Forest Plan – an innovative approach that will continue in 2007.

Even with all our growth and success, I am humbled by your continued generosity and willingness to respond to the needs of this community, and the wild areas that depend on us for protection.

I hope to celebrate with you at our Holiday Party on December 6th at the Lorinda Knight Gallery. As always, feel free to contact me at any time with your questions, comments or ideas on how we can continue to preserve and revitalize our Inland Northwest forests, water and wildlife.

Sincerely,
Mike Petersen, Executive Director

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LEGACY CIRCLE MEMBER PROFILE

Mike Schnell

Mike Schnell loves mountains, or at least high places. After climbing Mt. Ranier, Mt. Hood and Granite Peak (and countless other peaks) in the early 80s, he and his friend, Steve Sather, read about the "Highpointers Club" and embarked on a quest to conquer the highest point in every 50 states. Just this past year, Mike completed his 49th highpoint (HP) with his son, Sam (age 14). Mike's passion has become a family affair. His wife, Mary Fagan, has completed 10 HP and Sam joined for 6. When he's not climbing, Mike and his brother, Dan, own and operate Market Equipment Co., offering grocery store refrigeration design, construction and service. A TLC member since 2000, Mike joined The Legacy Circle and Board of Directors in Fall 2004. Mike's love of the outdoors grew out of his experience hiking in Northwest backcountry. He notes, "The rest of the country is pretty easy terrain compared to our own backyard!" You may be wondering which HP Mike hasn't conquered? Mike's still deciding if he has what it takes to conquer Alaska's Denali (Mt. McKinley). Let us know when you get there, Mike!



Mike, Sam and Mary in a recent Thanksgiving photo.

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