



Forest Fire Lookout Association
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EASTERN WASHINGTON 2016 CHAPTER REPORT

MEMBERSHIP: 55 members. 29 complimentary copies of the Lookout Network sent to agencies and donors.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Ending Balance of \$1,655.50.

ACTIVITIES: Members Jim McNally, Ron Marvin and your Director volunteered with the Sullivan Lake RD-Colville NF to perform restoration on Salmo Mountain Lookout. The project was facilitated through Passport in Time. The PIT crew working over two, one week sessions, accomplished an amazing amount of reconstruction to the interior that included fabricating three complete window sets, new ceiling and floor. The roof was sealed against leakage and an incredible amount of scraping of the exterior was necessary before painting. Work will continue over the summer of 2017 to return this lookout to volunteer service and into the rental program. The FFLA Restoration Grant has been awarded for the continuation of the project. This will complement the E. Wash. Chapter commitment to see this project thru to completion.

LOOKOUTS: Restoration continues on Mount Spokane Lookout with the return of the stairs leading to the L-4 attached to the Vista House. Mount Spokane State Park and two Boy Scouts are leading the project. Ray Kresek and the Fire Lookout Museum have offered to equip the lookout for volunteer service.

North Twentymile Lookout restoration was completed by Eric Pfeifer, son of Bob Pfeifer who began working on the project in 2014.

Several lookouts, including Leecher and Aeneas, continue to be staffed.

The CNF discovered the wreckage of an F-86 Sabre jet, complete with armament that crashed in 1955 near Timber Mountain Lookout.

OBJECTIVES: Continued support of the restoration of Big Butte Lookout and Salmo Mountain Lookout.

Rod Fosback
Eastern Washington Director