

News from Mount Rainier, North Cascades, and Olympic National Parks  
from Washington's National Park Fund.



## November 2015

With snow in the mountains and the end of another year quickly approaching, we're filled with gratitude for all that you have done to support your national parks over these past months.

**You have funded 20+ projects, all very important to Mount Rainier, North Cascades, and Olympic National Parks, and ALL IMPOSSIBLE without YOU! Thank you!**

Please read on below and check out our [website](#) to learn more about your impact!

And we're excited about #GreenFriday in our parks this Friday, the day after Thanksgiving! **Will you choose to #OptOutside that day?** Let's skip the parking lots and get out into these beautiful parks! We hope that this movement that our friends at REI have started will become an annual tradition. Further details are offered below.

**Join us! Choose our national parks over parking lots this Friday.**

*Laurie Ward, Executive Director*

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**You are amazing!**

## Your donations have reached an all-time record high for the parks.

Philanthropic support for Mount Rainier, North Cascades, and Olympic National Parks reached a record \$602,000!

We've happily marked the FUNDED projects accordingly on our website and encourage you to visit and [see what your donations will be doing in our parks!](#) To call out a few...

- [Cascades Butterfly Project](#) in North Cascades National Park
- [Education Ranger](#) at Mount Rainier National Park
- [Spruce Nature Trail Bridge Replacement and Trail Rehab](#) at Olympic National Park

**The parks are so incredibly grateful for your philanthropic support. These projects would not happen without your contributions!**

We should note that not all projects put forward by the superintendents have received sufficient donations - YET. If you see an initiative that has not been marked funded, please know that you can still contribute. We would particularly encourage you to take note of programs for youth and families, and for volunteerism and stewardship, as these needs are not only important, but growing.

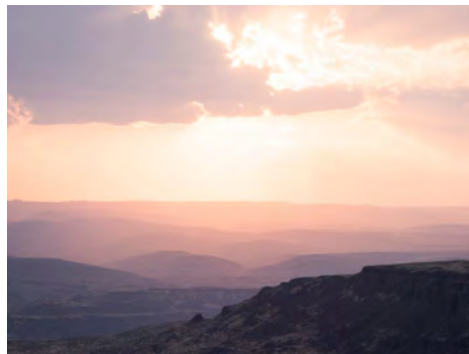
At Right: Ranger Stewart at Mount Rainier National Park.  
Kevin Bacher photo.



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**The national parks want to help you turn the day after Thanksgiving from BLACK to GREEN.**

**Will you #OptOutside with us on Black Friday?**



In an exciting development, entrance to Mount Rainier and Olympic National Parks will be FREE on the day after Thanksgiving! We will be at Rainier's Nisqually gates welcoming visitors on this #GreenFriday; we hope you'll join us out in the great outdoors.

We agree with our friends at REI who started this movement - being outside makes our lives better. On #BlackFriday, November 27th, [REI](#) is closing all 143 stores, and paying all 12,000 employees to take the day off.

Let's reclaim the day! Parks, not parking lots, on November 27th!

**In case you missed it: [REI's Jerry Stritzke in the New York Times](#)**

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**How wonderful is this?  
#beerforgood for Mount Rainier and Olympic National Parks!**



Photo: Eric Sheckler

**Hamma Hamma Double IPA**

Love [Zeek's Pizza](#)? Next time you're in, order up Schooner Exact's Hamma Hamma IPA. Tasty, "substantial", pouring at 13 locations through December, and most importantly, benefitting Olympic National Park! Thanks, Tommy and Matt for supporting YOUR national park!



## Wonderland Trail IPA

This delicious brew has been added to the lineup by Two Beers Brewing! Inspired by Mount Rainier's Wonderland Trail, a portion of the proceeds will benefit trail maintenance through Washington's National Park Fund. What a great way to celebrate 100 years of the Wonderland

Trail! Thank you, Joel, Caity, Caitlyn and all!!

Above: Superintendent Randy King at the celebration and fundraiser at Two Beers Brewing's tasting room, The Woods, on November 19th. Photo: Tami Asars

## #GivingTuesday is December 1st

After Black Friday (which we now know as #GreenFriday!) and Cyber Monday comes Giving Tuesday, a day dedicated to giving back. On Tuesday, December 1, 2015, charities, families, businesses, community centers, and students around the world will come together for one common purpose: to celebrate generosity and to give. On December 1st, we'll be posting on Facebook and Twitter with invitations to participate in this fun day of philanthropic giving!

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DECEMBER 1

#GIVINGTUESDAY

Be sure to Like us on Facebook and Follow us on Twitter

Share our #GivingTuesday posts that day with your friends and family!



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