



Elder Central and Camp Site Manager

Current lead: Larry Lynch (lalynch48@gmail.com)

Benefits: Get satisfaction from maintaining the camp site in a sustainable and efficient manner. Be part of the Elder Central Team. Interact with Elders, OCF volunteers and staff and other Fair goers. Enjoy the ambiance of Elder Central and Camp. Eligible for Earned camping pass.

Elder Central and Camp Site Manager has three main tasks:

1. Site management e.g., wasp nests, poison oak removal, storm damage clean-up
2. Elder Central equipment storage, transport, set up, and take down.
3. Troubleshooting and problem solving during the Fair

Site management: Work involves monitoring the campground and acting, if required, within accepted OCF guidelines. There are generally three pre-fair camp cleanup work parties, usually the third weekends of April, May, and June. The Elder Camp Site Manager oversees the scheduled work parties and specifies tasks as needed. Campers are encouraged to participate with general camp clean up as well as tending of their own site. The site manager visits the site prior to the April work party to determine what needs to be done. There is always general cleanup of new growth and down material. In the past, fallen trees and branches have had to be removed. The site manager may request wood chips generated by OCF crews for maintaining camp trails and camp sites. Wildlife issues sometimes come up, mostly around nesting.

Elder Central equipment storage, transport, set up, and take down: The Elders have equipment for Elder Central which is stored off site and delivered for Fair. The site manager organizes and executes delivery of the equipment, about two pickup loads, and helps set up and make ready about a week prior to Fair. Post Fair this equipment must be dismantled, cleaned, and sorted, and returned to storage.

The current storage place is at Pam Sutton, 85684 Svarverud Road, 97405
cell: 541-342-6493 email: sttnpm@yahoo.com

Troubleshooting and problem solving during the Fair: During the Fair, the Site Manager is available to facilitate everything that goes on in camp including setting up group facilities, running power extension lines, hoses, fire prevention equipment, signage, carts, helping campers get in and out of camp, tending to the odd issues that come up e.g., wasp nests, broken equipment, hanging banners, etc.

Qualifications: It helps to be generally handy or to know someone who is. It helps to know wild land cleanup techniques, be familiar with and follow the OCF land use management plans and have the required tools. Good listening and communication skills are important, as this position is the "go to" when site management concerns are voiced.

Time commitment: year-round, pre, during and post fair, approx. 60 hours, multiple visits to the camp site throughout the year. There is no formal crew, but at times there are as many as 20 helping at a work party.

How to get involved: Look for notifications in the newsletters, on the listserv, Facebook page and in the pass request letter notification. Talk to Larry or Eric, attend camp clean up parties and come to the work parties.

Equipment needed for site clean-up and spreading wood chips: Rakes, shovels, saws, barrels, wheelbarrows, etc. During the Fair, a variety of common tools come in handy at Elder Central. A pickup for hauling equipment to and from storage is a necessity.

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