

McCHORD AIRWAVES

October 2008

McChord Officers' Spouses Club, P.O. Box 4088, McChord AFB, WA 98438

www.mcchordosc.com

President's Pen

I am so excited to have Fall back here in Washington! There are several things I look forward to with the coming of Fall, among those is the fact that my wardrobe is 90% thermals and raingear, so I have clothes to wear again!

Fall also marks a return of normalcy and routine, for better or worse. As everyone settles back into school, sport, and work schedules, the OSC starts back up and we go on to do great things throughout the winter. This fall we started off with our James Jewelry show, raising money for our welfare endeavors, and our Apple Festival-themed luncheon. Our social committee has done a fabulous job with our socials, so be sure to let Tia, Susan, and Barn know how much you appreciate their hard work. I want to thank all of our board members for providing a plethora of apple themed goodies for the Make It, Bake It, Grow It table, which raises money for our social budget.

If you just want to get out and enjoy the Fall here in the beautiful Northwest, especially with a family, may I recommend Lattin's Country Cider Mill in Olympia. They have fantastic cider and baked goods, fresh fruit and veggies, horse drawn wagon rides, and – my personal favorite – a petting zoo. They are currently hosting their Apple Festival and I would highly recommend taking a trip out there. The website is www.lattinscider.com.

Looking ahead, don't forget that this coming Saturday we have our monthly Bag Sale at the Thrift Shop, so come by and check out the deals and great finds! I hope you'll join us for our next social on October 21st with Fort Lewis' OSC. It is an evening of Bunko, so a good time will be had by all!

Warmest Regards,
Erica McDonald
President, McChord OSC 2008-2009

The Fort Lewis Officers' Spouses' Club invites McChord Spouses to join us for BUNKO at the Cascade Club

Tuesday October 21st

Cascade Club, Ft Lewis

Admission \$15 (includes appetizers & BUNKO)

Social: 6:00 pm, Appetizers: 6:30 pm, Bunko: 7:00 pm



Seating is limited so reserve your space early! You won't want to miss any of the fun. Come and meet the Ft. Lewis Spouses. If you've never played BUNKO before, this is a great place to learn! There will be plenty of food and, of course, PRIZES so don't miss out! The prizes will be a surprise... Will it be Polish Pottery? Longaberger? Crystal?

Reservations Due by October 13th
RSVP to Heidi Tucker @ tuckerzoo3@comcast.net

Ft Lewis OSC would like a paid reservation upfront, so our club will write them one check at the time we place our reservation. If you RSVP, you are committed to paying the \$15 or finding someone to take your place. We do not have childcare for this event

Mary Beth's St Louis Apple Bread

2 c sugar	1 c oil
3 eggs	3 c flour
1 1/4 tsp soda	1 tsp salt
1 tsp cinnamon	2 tsp vanilla
3 c. chopped raw apples (approx 2 large Granny Smiths)	

Beat together sugar, oil & eggs. Sift together flour, soda, salt & cinnamon. Add to sugar mixture. Stir in vanilla and apples. Put into 2 bread pans and sprinkle with white sugar. Bake @ 350' about 1 hour or until toothpick comes out clean.

Discover Your Own Backyard

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- 10 Oct Youth Center Pumpkin Patch Trip, Noon - 6PM
Cost: \$7, Permission slip required
- 17 Oct Pumpkin carving at the Youth Center, 5PM - 7PM
Bring your own pumpkin or get one there, they provide the carving tools
- 25 Oct Backyard Bash at the Youth Center, 3PM - 7PM, Luau fun at the Youth Center
- 31 Oct Haunted Circus at the Youth Center, 5PM - 6PM Less scary version
6PM - 8PM Prepare to be scared!
Members of 62 SFS will be on hand through the evening with scanners to check your goblins' loot, too!
- 31 Oct Trick-or-treat throughout base housing, 6PM - 8PM (Check The Airlifter for changes)
- 29- 31 Oct CES Haunted House, Gingko Housing, 7pm (1st hour child appropriate/less scary)
Confirm information in coming Airlifter issues!
- Check out www.mcchordafb.us/adv_tours.html#Oct for calendar events for Adventures Unlimited



Further Afield

- First 3 weekends in Oct Leavenworth Oktoberfest, Downtown Leavenworth
www.leavenworthoktoberfest.com
- 3 Oct Fall Arts Walk, Downtown Olympia
www.ci.olympia.wa.us/cityservices/par/specialevents/#arts
- 4 & 5 Oct Salmon Days Festival, Downtown Issaquah
<http://salmondays.org>
- 4 Oct thru 8 Mar 09 Lucy's Legacy, Pacific Science Center www.pacsci.org
200 2nd Ave N, Seattle
- 11 & 12 Oct Port Angeles Crab Festival, City Pier, Port Angeles
www.crabfestival.org/index.html
- 24 & 25 Oct Hoot 'n' Howl, NW Trek, Eatonville
Reservations recommended (available online)
www.nwtrek.org/page.php?id=368

Discover Your Own Backyard... (cont'd)

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Pierce County

Find your prize-winning pumpkin at one of these local farms. Why not check out their corn mazes and hay rides while you're there? Pumpkins are available throughout the month of October at all locations. A sampling of the closer locations is listed below. No endorsement is specifically expressed or implied.

More pumpkin patches listed at www.pumpkinpatchesandmore.org/WApumpkins.php

- Double R Farms, 5820 44th Street E, Puyallup
Mon - Fri 3PM to dark
Sat & Sun 9AM to dark
Hay rides Fri - Sat - Sun only
- Maris Farms, 24713 Sumner-Buckley Hwy, Buckley
10AM - 5:30PM daily, 5 Oct - Halloween
www.marisfarms.com
- Schilter Family Farm, 141 Nisqually Cut-Off Road SE, Olympia
(Lacey - it's close!)
Take exit #114 off I-5 at Lacey
Pumpkins and corn maze open
10AM - 6PM daily
www.shilterfamilyfarm.com
- Spooner Farms, 9710 SR 162 E, Puyallup
9AM to 6PM daily
www.spoonerfarms.com

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- 1 - 5 Oct Country Crafters at Meeker Mansion, 312 Spring Street, Puyallup
Homemade gifts and decorations in the magnificent Meeker Mansion
www.meekermansion.org
 - 3 - 4 Oct Fort Nisqually Magical Candlelight Tour, Point Defiance Park, Tacoma
Call 253-591-5339 for tickets (reservations recommended)
www.fortnisqually.org
 - 3 - 5 Oct Greek Festival
St Nicolas Greek Orthodox Church, 1523 S. Yakima Ave, Tacoma
www.stnicolastacoma.org
 - 3 - 5 Oct Oktoberfest Northwest and Scandinavian Heritage Festival
Puyallup Fairgrounds
www.oktoberfestnw.com
 - 11 Oct Cider Squeeze at Meeker Mansion
312 Spring Street, Puyallup
www.meekermansion.org
 - 11 Oct Wolf Fest at Pt Defiance Zoo, Tacoma
www.pdza.org/page.php?id=240&month=10
 - 18 & 19 Oct
Zoo Boo at Point Defiance Zoo, Tacoma
Trick-or-Treat at the zoo!
www.pdza.org/page.php?id=240&month=10
 - 22 - 26 Oct
Holiday Food & Gift Festival, Tacoma Dome, Tacoma
Wed 11AM - 9PM, Thu 10AM - 7PM
Fri - Sat 10AM - 9PM, Sun 10AM - 6PM
One of the largest holiday gift shows in the nation with more than 600 exhibitors
www.tacomadome.org

For those who wish to sample the cider featured at the September social, check out www.sweetwatercerelars.com for prices and ordering.

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Pay it Forward

The Combined Federal Campaign kicks off on 1 October and runs through the end of November. Do you have a charity that you would like to support with your dollars? CFC is an easy way to do that. Why not ask your spouse to see the campaign literature and, literally, pay it forward.

Still looking for something to do? Why not ask about volunteering at your child's school? Could the spouse group in your squadron use some help? What about your place of worship? The holidays are getting close and many organizations will need extra help. There are opportunities all over the place! Sometimes, you just have to ask.

Are you a US citizen and registered to vote? If not, why not? Absentee ballots are easily obtained by mail from every state in the union. Visit www.fvap.com for information on registering to vote or how to obtain an absentee ballot. Last day to register to vote in Washington State by mail is 4 October or you may register in person at your county elections office until 21 October. Visit www.secstate.wa.gov/elections/register.aspx for

Special Activities



Monday Morning Ladies **Bowling** League 2008-2009 season began September 8 at 9:30 am. We would like to have you join us. We bowl to enjoy each others' company and to have fun. Call Karen Stolp at 858-9554 or email at mosseybacks@comcast.net for more information.

Moh Jongg group is seeking new players. Either Karmen McCloud at karmenmccloud@comcast.net or Gwen Hershman at hershman@earthlink.net can fill you in on the details.



Lunch Bunch is ready to taste Tacoma! Contact Daphne Rechner therechners5@comcast.net or Gwen Hershman hershman@earthlink.net at for more information.

The McChord Thrift Shop (253) 982-2468

Hours: Tuesday-Thursday & First Saturday
each month 9:30am-2pm

Location: Bldg. 717, Across from Adventures
Unlimited

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We're on the Web!

Visit us at:
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I want my children to have all the things I couldn't afford. Then I want to move in with them. ~Phyllis Diller

2008-2009 OSC Social Calendar
"Discover Your Own Backyard!"

Explore & Uncover the AMAZING Pacific Northwest!

21 Oct 6-9pm	Bunko with Ft Lewis OSC
11 Nov 6-9pm	WA Wine Tasting
16 Dec 11am-1pm	Ornament Exchange
20 Jan 11am-1pm	Thrift Shop Fashion Show
13 Feb 6-9pm	Annual Dessert Auction
17 Mar 11am-1pm	Skagit Tulip Festival
14 April 6-9pm	Scholarship Awards Dinner
12 May 6-9pm	Bingo Night

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