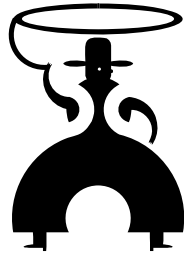


Third Annual Mount St. Helens Weed Rodeo

(Saturday, June 28, 2008)



Help Celebrate the Centennial of the Gifford Pinchot National Forest,
Control Noxious Weeds and Protect 28 years of Ecosystem Recovery NW of the Volcano.

What?: A volunteer project to remove scotch broom, an invasive weed from the developing forest northwest of the volcano. The first 30 volunteers to arrive on Saturday will receive a MSHI Weed Rodeo polo shirt.

When?: **Saturday, June 28, 2008.** Registration begins at 9:00 am, and the work party continues until 3:30 PM. Following the “weed pull” there will be a tour of Johnston Ridge Observatory with Monument Scientist Peter Frenzen to view and learn about the volcanic crater and impacts of the recent eruption on the Crater Glacier.

Where?: Meet in the parking lot of the picnic area at Coldwater Lake. Follow State Route 504 43-miles east of Interstate 5 to the turn off to Johnston Ridge. Two miles past the turn off, turn left to Coldwater Lake and then bear right to the picnic area. See [Monument Recreation Map](#)

Who?: Students, community groups, businesses, and volcano enthusiasts of all ages are needed to come out and join in the fun! Please bring a sack lunch, water bottle(s), work gloves and wear sturdy boots. Please come dressed for “rain or shine” weather.

How?: The **Mount St. Helens Institute** (MSHI) is partnering with the **USDA Forest Service**, **Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument** and the **Gifford Pinchot Task Force** to organize this event. **Please reply using our [Online RSVP Form](#) so we know you are planning to attend.** Completing this brief form will help us best prepare for and coordinate each event. Volunteers are welcome to show up and register on the morning of each event.

What's Next?: The **Mount St. Helens Institute** will be hosting a variety of trail and facility repair projects, noxious weed pulls and other fun volunteer projects this spring and summer. For further information visit our website www.mshinstitute.org, email us at info@mshinstitute.org or call (360) 449-7887



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