

The Lands Council invites you to attend
the 23rd Annual

April Showers

auction & dinner

S A T U R D A Y | SPOKANE CONVENTION CENTER
April 7th, 2018 | 334 W Spokane Falls Blvd
5:00 - 9:00 PM | Spokane, Washington

Please join us for a wonderful evening of great friends, a delicious dinner, fantastic live and silent auction items, and most importantly, supporting the restoration and revitalization of your Inland Northwest forests, water, and wildlife.

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PROJECT SUSTAIN

Thanks to KEEN, students from The Community School kicked off Project SUSTAIN's "Snow Science and Water Resources in a Changing Climate" winter field unit at Mt. Spokane. On the first day, the students:

- Dug snow pits,
- Identified snow layers,
- Measured snow layer temperature, hardness, and density, and
- Classified individual snow crystals.

On day two, students participated in a winter ecology scavenger hunt and avalanche search-and-rescue activity with the US Forest Service and Idaho Panhandle Avalanche Center.

Thank you to Gonzaga Outdoors for the snowshoes. And thanks to KEEN!



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THOUGHTS FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
BY MIKE PETERSEN

Wildlife, wilderness, and water are the overarching themes of our work here at The Lands Council. In the coming year, it means we will partner with the Colville National Forest to restore the impaired West LeClerc Creek in Pend Oreille County. It means we will be working with diverse forest coalitions in three states to move science-based restoration projects forward. These projects will increase forest resiliency to wildfire and climate change, as well as improve water quality on our National Forests. They will also provide jobs thinning small diameter trees and bringing fire back on the landscape.

We are expanding our efforts to help rural forest communities thrive. We were invited to help form a new committee in Pend Oreille County to improve trails, access, and other recreational amenities in the county - with a focus on helping the Colville National Forest meet its potential as a prime recreation destination.

With our expanded wildlife program, we are taking on the challenging issue of wolves and livestock. For many, wolves are the icon of wild nature and need full protection. We think one solution is to protect wolves on our public lands, and find solutions where there

is conflict with livestock. One solution is to find new pasture where there is an existing road network, closer to communities. At the heart of this work is to permanently protect the wild, roadless areas in northeast Washington as Wilderness. Our efforts on the Idaho Panhandle and Kootenai National Forests are also paying off, with increased restoration in previously logged forests, and support from diverse rural leaders for new Wilderness and increased recreation opportunities.

Closer to Spokane, we are starting Phase 2 of our fungi/PCB project. Thanks to volunteer Les Stephens and a great team at North Central High School, we are conducting further research into how fungi can break down toxic PCB's and other water pollutants.

Our Project Sustain has been getting kids outside on snowshoes this winter to measure water content on Mt. Spokane and learn about native wildlife.

We are looking forward to another successful year relocating beavers to more suitable habitat and even creating "analog" beaver dams that help slow the flows, trap sediment, and prepare new homes for beaver.

We will continue work with our great volunteers

and partners to plant thousands of trees along the Spokane River and Hangman Creek and will once again lead the annual Spokane River Clean-Up in September.

Finally, you may have heard the good news that a dangerous oil refinery has been blocked by Governor Inslee. Our work on that from Spokane was noted and in the coming year we will continue to push for clean, renewable energy.

I hope all of you are getting outdoors as our weather warms and hope to see many of you at our Annual Auction on April 7th. Thank you for supporting our work and helping to keep the Inland Northwest a great place for people and wildlife!



Mike Petersen | Executive Director

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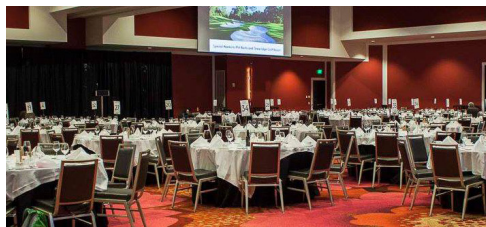


This year celebrates the 23rd April Showers auction and dinner. This much-anticipated event is a staple in our philanthropic community. We put a lot of work into making this event as special and fun as possible. Please help us in making this year's event a success by attending or inviting your friends and family!

ATTENDING. April Showers has a 23-year reputation of being one of the best events of the year. Ticket prices are only \$75 for individuals and \$500 for a table of 8, which includes a three course meal, and wine - plus great deals on hundreds of items.

INVITING. Even the best events are better shared with your friends and family. We would love the opportunity to share the mission and work of The Lands Council with you and your community. Please invite your friends and family to share in this lovely night.

To buy auction tickets or reserve a table, visit www.landscouncil.org, call Chelsea at (509) 209-2407, or email cupdegrove@landscouncil.org.



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Do you work for a company who would benefit from being a part of a large-scale, well-publicized event like April Showers? Sponsorship levels are an affordable way to promote your business to a great group of local members and other business partners, while supporting a meaningful cause.

Your sponsorship does more than simply put your organizations name in front of Spokane's environmental community and business leaders; it makes a real difference to the future of our community's environment. We have fun, engaging sponsorship levels still available, such as:

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DONATE AN ITEM

Donating to our auction is a great way to promote your business to our wonderful members and guests while supporting cause that matters to you. April Showers is our most important and well-known fundraising event of the year. In 2017, we hosted nearly 400 guests and made over \$85,000 for your local forests, water, and wildlife. Not only will your donation contribute to the health of our region, but your donation will also be recognized in our program and booklet that our 400+ guests receive.

The April Showers Auction and Dinner never fails to offer an exciting line up of live and silent auction items. You can donate online or stop by! Items needed:

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| • TICKETS TO GONZAGA BASKETBALL GAMES OR OTHER REGIONAL SPORTS EVENTS | • LOCAL GETAWAYS |
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