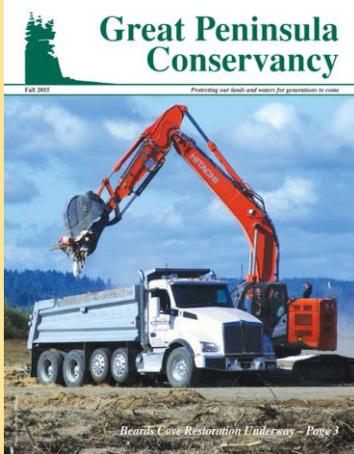




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Thanks to YOU, We're Celebrating Milestones!

This fall we gathered on the green fields of Clear Creek Valley's historic Petersen Farm to celebrate our community's success in conserving this legacy Silverdale farm.

Meanwhile, excavators take big bites out of the Hood Canal shoreline, as our Beards Cove restoration near Belfair gets underway.

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See photos of our fall property tours on [Facebook](#).

REI / GPC Stewardship Days



October 3 – Port Gamble Forest Heritage Park

Join our work party to reroute a popular multi-use trail to more solid ground. With your help, we'll create a new entryway to over 65 miles of public trail while protecting the habitat of countless wetland creatures! Your effort will build on the work of Kitsap Forest & Bay Project partners who helped create this North Kitsap park, providing access to the bay and over 500 acres of forest. Volunteers should wear long pants, sturdy shoes and gloves. Bring water, your favorite shovel, and trail building tools. Stay for a BBQ and go home with an REI water bottle. (9 am – 3 pm) **RSVP to [Kate](#).**

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October 17 – Banner Forest

Join us to construct a wetland trail crossing in Banner Forest.

You'll be helping protect water quality and wetland habitat in this popular 640-acre park used by hikers, trail runners, equestrians and nature lovers. GPC holds a conservation easement that protects 139 acres at the center of this South Kitsap park. Bring your work gloves, your favorite shovel and trail building tools. (Be sure to mark your tools!) Stay for a picnic lunch and go home with an REI water bottle. Please carpool; parking is limited. (9 am – 2 pm) **RSVP to [Kate](#).**

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Get Outside and Volunteer!



November 7 – Sehmel Homestead Park

Join us on the trails of Sehmel Homestead Park in Gig Harbor. After a brief training on how to decommission an unwanted trail and help it return to nature, we'll get to work and get the job done! Bring water, gloves, shovels, and wheelbarrows. Wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather. Snacks provided. **RSVP to [Kate](#) (360) 373-3500.**

November 21 – Land Steward Training

Want to get a close-up look at one of GPC's protected properties? Join us for a fun training for new land stewards on Saturday, Nov 21 (9 am – 12:30 pm). Land stewards volunteer one to two days per year to monitor a property. Be GPC's eyes on the ground! **Contact [Erik](#) (360) 373-3500.**

Kitsap Salmon Tours



November 14 – Chico Creek Tours

Celebrate the return of salmon at two **FREE** events. Visit one or both locations: Chico Salmon Park (Chico Way at Golf Club Hill RD, Bremerton) and Mountaineers Foundation Rhododendron Preserve (3153 Seabeck Hwy, Bremerton). Salmon experts will give short presentations at Chico Salmon Park from 10 am – 2 pm. Rhododendron Preserve tours offer a longer hike through the preserve and a presentation by salmon experts at the creek. Hikes begin at 10 am. Last hike is at 1 pm. (Expect steep trails.) [Learn more](#)

More Partner Events

North Kitsap Heritage Park Work Party – October 10

Love trails? Join volunteers at North Kitsap Heritage Park on Saturday, October 10, from 9 am to noon. Meet at the Miller Bay Road parking area. **RSVP to info@northkitsaptrails.org. Info: kitsapgov.com/parks**

White Horse Trail Work Party – October 24

Help maintain Kingston's White Horse Trail, Saturday, October 24, from 10 am to noon. Meet at the trail parking area on White Horse Drive. **RSVP to info@northkitsaptrails.org.**

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