The Latest In YEP

This week the crews worked at Far North Bicentennial Park and the Campbell Tract with our BLM partners. The teens did trail maintenance, including laying down gravel and limbing tree branches that were encroaching on the trail. On Tuesday, the crews went to the Anchorage Assembly meeting to present their favorite YEP projects and witness the swearing in of the new police chief, Kenneth McCoy. On Friday, the teens will be going on a Glacier Wildlife Cruise out of Whittier for their Ed Rec activity.
Community Corner

Next week is mentorship week. For mentorship week, we are partnering with many organizations, including the Alaska Department of Fish & Game, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Forestry Division, Sierra Club, and Alaska State Parks. We want to thank all the organizations for generously giving their time to teach our teens life skills they can use in the future.
Crew Member of the Week

This award is given to crew members who are outstanding employees of YEP.

Amelia Shen

Amelia’s favorite thing about YEP is getting to work for the local community, helping out, and having a chance to learn new things. Amelia’s favorite YEP tool is the garden rake. In her free time, Amelia likes playing video games, biking, and reading. A fun fact about Amelia is she uses chopsticks to eat chips.

Crew Lead Comments

Brant- Amelia has been a consistent worker since the day she arrived. It has been a pleasure to have her work ethic, attitude, and spirit out on the trails.
This week the crews’ Ed Rec day will be spent on a Glacier Wildlife Cruise out of Whittier.

Last week the crews went gold panning in Indian Valley Mine and hiked in Girdwood for their ED Rec activities.
The Weeks Ahead

Projects
This week we are excited to be outside and work on Anchorage’s beautiful trail system, and we are thrilled to have you working alongside us! Next week is Mentorship Week. The teens will participate in a job shadow based on their career interests. Various organizations will also do presentations to help guide the teens as they continue into their future. The crews will also be planting trees at McHugh Creek and clearing invasive bird vetch from trails around Russian Jack Springs Park.

Mark your calendar for YEP’s closing dinner on Wednesday, August 4th, 2021, from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM, at the Kincaid Chalet.
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