

The final hike for "Hike into Spring 1988" took students from CCC to the Lewis River near Mt. St. Helens in Washington. The overnight hike followed the river through old growth Douglas Fir, cedar and hemlock with numberous wildflowers blanketing the trail's edge. Highlights of the trip were the beautiful weather, the gourment dinner competition, the evening campfire singalong, and the morning's pancakes. Student activities included using an increment borer to determine a tree's age and estimate its general health, a demonstration on primitive fire starting skills, and discussion of management policies for old growth timber.



Honest tree . . . this won't hurt a bit.



The water purification system.



The groups gourmet buffet.