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Nominate Your "Scouting Hero" for National Hall of Leadership

As part of the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, the BSA has announced the "National Hall of Leadership". This recognition is designed to allow anyone to share stories about Scouts, Scout leaders, or other Scouting volunteers which demonstrate outstanding Scouting leadership through selfless and extraordinary acts of service.

More specifically, each story should be about how an individual made/makes a significant difference in the lives of others by the extraordinary service they have given and the Scouting virtues they

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Making the morning news: Shannon Smith with Fox 8 television chats with Scouts between live segments of their promotion of the Boy Scouts of America 100th Anniversary. Scouts even managed to teach Shannon how to tie a bowline while she was there. Thanks go out to all the Scouts, parents & leaders who got up at 5 a.m. to help us out with the TV spots.

2010 Friends of Scouting More Important Than Ever

Scouting in the Old Hickory Council continues to grow. More youth than ever before are taking part in quality Scouting programs throughout the council's eight-counties. Camping programs have been growing in each of the last several years. A growing number of local organizations are adopting Scouting partnerships as part of their outreach to youth and families.

Providing a high level of support for local Scouting requires substantial resources, including funding to provide a strong financial base for quality Scouting to build on. The Old Hickory Council has been fortunate to have great financial support from a broad base of contributors through the annual Friends of Scouting program. These

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We have a winner! Troop 919 Boy Scout Chris Warner shows off the iPod Touch he received for being the first weekly drawing winner in this year's popcorn sale. Presenting the prize as one of his last official duties was Piedmont District Director Michael Montgomery. Michael accepted a promotion to Field Director at a council in Virginia, and began his new assignment in late October. Congratulations go out to both Chris and Michael!



Scout Executive's Minute

Change is in the Air!

I believe the colors of the leaves have been more beautiful this fall than I can ever remember. My wife tells me I say this every year. I'm not sure if my memory is fading, if I'm just more appreciative as I get a year older, or if they really are the best ever!! In any case, this time of year marks significant change as we move from summer to winter. Not only do we see this in the leaves, but also in the shorter days, crisp frosty mornings, and the wisps of smoke rising from campfires and fireplaces.

Speaking of change, I want to share a couple of things getting ready to take place in Scouting starting in 2010:

Beginning January 1, 2010, all top unit leaders - Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, and Venture Advisors will be required to complete training for their specific positions. This required training includes Youth Protection Guidelines, Fast Start training, "This is Scouting", and position specific training for their current position. Top leaders who have already completed basic training for their current positions will not have to re-take this training in 2010 (unless they change positions, of course). Leaders in these positions will have one year to complete the training. Beginning in 2011, ALL direct contact leaders (including den leaders, Webelos leaders, Tiger den leaders, etc.) will be required to complete training, as well. Until now, training has only been encouraged, but not mandatory. Scouts can only get the best experiences under the leadership of trained adults, and the BSA is serious about giving every youth the opportunity to participate in the very best Scouting program possible.

Also taking effect on January 1, 2010, annual registration fees for youth and adults will increase from \$10 to \$15 per member. This is the first increase of Boy Scouts of America registration fees in seven years. At about the cost of one soft drink per month, Scouting registration fees are still one of the best bargains for families! This fee increase will not apply to any youth or adult application submitted to the council service center before December 31, 2009. However, the new fee will be in effect on January 1 for all new and renewing youth and adults, including unit rechartering in March.

For 100 years, the Boy Scouts of America has been the leading values-based program for youth. That is not changing!! In fact, as we prepare for the second century of Scouting, the ideals and principles of Scouting are more relevant than ever before. Thanks to all of you who are volunteering your time and resources to make sure every eligible youth has the opportunity to be involved in a high quality Scouting experience!!



Carolina Beach State Park in October: Scouts with Troop 336 in Wilkesboro enjoy some sea kayaking during their weekend at Carolina Beach.



Council Calendar

For adult & youth training dates see pages 4 & 5,
and for district dates see individual district sections.

November

- 1 Last Day to Sell Popcorn
- 3 All Unit Popcorn & Prize Orders Due Online
- 7 Order of the Arrow Banquet
- 10 Historical Association Committee Meeting
- 11 Veteran's Day
- 12 Popcorn Arrives in Warehouses
- 14 Super Saturday - Popcorn Pickup for Units
- 17 Religious Emblems Committee Meeting
- 18 Training Committee Meeting
- 18 Executive Board Meeting
- 19 Council Day Camp Committee Meeting
- 26-28 Thanksgiving Holiday - Scout Shop & Service Center Closed

December

- 1 Eagle Reception - Bridger Field House, Wake Forest University
- 2 Eagle Breakfast - 1st Baptist Church, Mount Airy
- 4 All Unit Popcorn Money Due to Council
- 8 Historical Association Committee Meeting
- 16 Council Friends of Scouting Training Dinner
- 17 Program/Camping Committee Meeting
- 18 Silver Beaver Nominations Due to Council
- 19 Historical Association Trade-o-ree
- 24-25 Christmas Holidays - Scout Shop & Service Center Closed

January

- 1 New Years Day Holiday - Scout Shop & Service Center Closed
- 8-10 Camp Raven Knob Camp Staff Interviews
- 10 Winterplace Ski Day
- 12 Historical Association Committee Meeting
- 18 Martin Luther King, Jr Holiday - Service Center Closed (Scout Shop Open)
- 19 Family Friends of Scouting Presenter Training - Winston-Salem
- 20 Golden Eagle Friends of Scouting Dinner
- 21 Family Friends of Scouting Presenter Training - Dobson
- 26 Executive Board Meeting
- 28 Family Friends of Scouting Presenter Training - Wilkesboro

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donations, along with support from local United Ways/United Funds, the annual Scout popcorn sale, and fees paid by Scouts & families to cover the cost of activities, have allowed the Old Hickory Council to reach a growing number of youth and families, including those from low-income and other challenging areas.

However, the uncertain economic conditions are having an effect on Scouting. In 2009, the Friends of Scouting program experienced reductions in corporate support totaling over \$25,000, and these gifts are not expected to return until the economy begins to turn back around. The Forsyth County United Way has reduced annual funding for Scouting by \$75,000. The Wilkes County United Way has cut funding for Scouting for the seventh year in a row. While United Way continues to be by far the council's largest single source of contributions, the council is bracing for additional reductions in 2010.

In order to continue and expand the current level of Scouting in the Old Hickory Council - and in light of these recent announcements - the 2010 Friends of Scouting campaign has taken on an increased importance. In the first months of 2010, council volunteers will be contacting all previous Friends of Scouting contributors, and asking them to renew their pledges of support. Families involved in Scouting will also be asked to consider a gift to Scouting through the Family Friends of Scouting phase of the campaign. Additional potential givers - individuals and businesses linked to Scouting - will be identified and asked to support local Scouting efforts.

The council's staff and volunteer leadership have already started exploring ways to be more efficient while maintaining or improving our level of service to families and volunteers. With a combination of increased effort in the Friends of Scouting campaign and continued strong stewardship of Scouting dollars, your council will continue its level of success through this time of economic stress - and will "be prepared" to continue growing into the next century of Scouting.



Council popcorn team: Council Popcorn Chairman Art Blackwood helps orient district leaders at the Council Popcorn Training Dinner in August. Thanks go out to Art and all the district and unit popcorn chairmen who helped make this popcorn sale another great one!



Obstacle course at Hanes Park: A Scout with Pack 942 runs the "rocks, caves & rivers" obstacle course during the 275th Daniel Boone birthday celebration at Hanes Park.

Bring-A-Buddy Recruitment

From now through November 20, any Cub Scout that recruits a friend to join their den will both receive a 2009 Survival Tool which features a whistle, compass, signal mirror, and waterproof storage area. Turn in your application to your Cub Master and enjoy the adventure of Scouting with this survival tool.



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have modeled.

Nominations for the Hall of Leadership are made on-line at www.scouting.org/100years. Stories must be 450 words or less. Each story serves as a nomination for the Hall of Leadership Recognition. There is no age limit for the individuals who are nominated. Any individual who has been active in Scouting for at least one year is eligible to be nominated. The nominating period will end on February 8, 2010.

Each council may select up to 12 nominations to be considered for the National Hall of Leadership. Local judging will be conducted by a panel of community leaders. The National Hall of Leadership team will select one Hall of Leadership nominee from each of the 304 local Scout councils. These recipients will be recognized at the BSA National Annual Meeting in May, 2010.

Throughout the year, the Old Hickory Council and the BSA will be sharing many of the Hall of Leadership stories with our Scouting families and with our communities, as examples of the incredible value and relevancy of Scouting today and in the future.



Old Hickory Council Training Opportunities



Registered leaders, interested adults and junior leaders are encouraged to take advantage of these great training opportunities. Important Note: Additional training opportunities can be found by looking in your District section of the Raven.



Summer Camp Training At Raven Knob

We completed another successful summer of training for adult leaders at summer camp. Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills was completed by 92 Scouters from 16 different councils. Boy Scout Position Specific training was completed by 39 Scouters from 10 different councils.

Congratulations to all, but those attending from Old Hickory are: Johnny Money Troop 409, N. Koehn Terry, Bob Vonegut Troop 101, Vicki Powell SA Troop 101, Kevin Clark SM Troop 101, Brian Darnell SA Troop 644, Todd Caudle, Mel Steadman SA Troop 731, Maria Mewing-Hokbein MC Troop 926, James Blankley SA Troop 648, David Brown SA Troop 779, William Scott Sell SA Troop 922, Wesley D. Hutching SM Troop 922, Thomas L. Porter SA Troop 922, Thomas Martin Pace SA Troop 922, Christopher Nelson SA Troop 926, Lee G. Spencer SM Troop 926, Richard Abernathy SA Troop 934, Robert S. Belote, Jr. SA Troop 336, Mark Taylor SA Troop 940, Terry Boger Troop 409, Dolly Goodman Troop 237, Wesley D. Hutchins SM Troop 922, Benny Hill SA Troop 408, Tom Hardin SA Troop 919, Benjamin C. Powell Troop 101, Bill Marvin Troop 934, Gary Herbert Troop 731.



Scouts visit Raleigh: Scouts and leaders with Troop 749 made a visit to Raleigh recently to spend a day with Representative Dale Folwell. They visited the Legislation Building and were recognized by the legislators.

Registering for Training Courses

To register for a Training Course that has a fee, you **MUST** send in the registration AND the money at the same time. If you do not send the money, we will not purchase food and supplies to cover your attendance.

If you register over the phone, you will not be registered until the money has been either brought by the council office or we receive it in the mail. You cannot pay **AT** the course, we must have the money and registration before you attend.

This has been necessitated by folks registering for a course, saying they will pay when they get to the course, and not showing up. Meanwhile we have purchased food and supplies on their behalf.

This applies only to courses that are charged a fee: Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills, BALOO, Wood Badge, University of Scouting, Trainer Development Conference, and Wilderness First Aid

SR-NYLT-001 A Huge Success!

During the month of August, boys from across the state participated in the BSA's highest level of training for youth: National Youth Leadership Training! In addition to learning how to be a leader, the boys had a blast and began working towards earning their WINGS! In all, 42 boys participated with Old Hickory, Old North State, Piedmont, Central Carolina and Occaneechee Councils represented. It goes to show the reputation of the course when boys all the way from Charlotte and Raleigh come to the Old Hickory Council for NYLT!!!!

However, this course could not have been as successful as it was without the youth staff who led it. The Council should be exceptionally proud of the following boys who led, developed and instructed the course. They represented their Troops and the Old Hickory Council well! These boys also earned their Gold Wings:

- Troop 919's Wes "Goose" Hodgin – SPL
- Troop 918's Stephen "Tyco" Dozier – ASPL Services
- Troop 409's Jordan "Buddy" Mitchell – ASPL Programs
- Troop 942's Christian "Ace" Wentink – Senior Troop Guide
- Troop 877's Josiah "Ranger" Plumley – Troop Guide
- Troop 918's Joshua "Gnat" Brown – Troop Guide
- Troop 942's Nathaniel "Strik-R" Wentink – Troop Guide
- Troop 942's Eli "Squirrel" Wentink – Troop Guide
- Troop 944's Adam "Ghost" Meyer – Troop Guide

It has been a HUGE honor working with these boys and the adult staff who supported them. As being the first course in the region, these boys showed why we are #1! Stay tuned as participants earn their wings. Thanks for allowing me to serve.

YIS James "Godfather" Brown



Venture Leader Training

Venture Leader Training was held at the council office on Saturday, October 10th. Eleven leaders were present and completed Venture Leader Specific Training and Youth Protection Training for Venture Leaders.

Those that attended were Teresa Messick, Phil Geringer and Bill Marvin from Crew 934; Grier Wimmer with Crew 703; and seven leaders who drove down from Jefferson NC in order to have trained leadership for a new unit. They were Dolly Goodman, Ariel Mead, Guy Mead, Travis Denny, Carol Denny, Eric Reeves and Michelle Reeves.

Congratulations go out to all these leaders, and thanks to Stan Gordon for heading up the course.

Woodbadge Presentation

Congratulations go out to Arvil Sale for completing his ticket after the practical portion of SR943, and congratulations also to Handy Douglas for receiving his beads in a presentation at the Piedmont Roundtable.



Promoting the 100th Anniversary of the BSA: Hanging Rock District Chairman Charles Gray is shown manning a booth promoting the 100th BSA Anniversary at the Stokes Stomp.



Blue Ridge Mountains Scout Reservation
May 26th (8 p.m.)-May 31st

What is Leave No Trace (LNT)?
Leave No Trace is designed to assist outdoor enthusiasts with their decisions about how to reduce their impacts when they hike, camp, picnic, snowshoe, run, hike, hunt, paddle, ride horses, fish, ski or climb. The program strives to educate all those who enjoy the outdoors about the nature of their recreational impacts as well as techniques to prevent and minimize such impacts. Leave No Trace is best understood as an educational and ethical program, not as a set of rules and regulations.

Who are Master Educators?
LNT Masters are individuals who conduct the 16-hour LNT Trainer Course. These individuals are an essential part of delivering the message of LNT to Scouts and Scouters.

What will I learn in the Master Educator Curriculum?
The course will begin with two days in base camp where participants will learn how to conduct experiential training and typical Scouting "frontcountry" and "near-backcountry" camping styles. These sessions will cover LNT issues very common in Scouting: family camping, large-group camping, car/campsite camping, summer camp, Camporees, and Day Camps. The next three days will occur in the field where sessions will be outdoors and the experiential training will cover typical trekking styles commonly used for Scouting high adventure. The course will also expose participants to some specialty LNT topics such as natural rock climbing. Participants must be prepared to backpack the Reservation's rugged trail network and live the LNT ethic for three days in the backcountry. More information will be sent after your application is received.

How do I sign up?
Those Scouts interested in becoming Master Educators should fill out the attached registration form. Group size for this course is limited and participants will be accepted in the order their forms are received. The Master Course fee is \$250. This covers the cost of food for the week and all training materials needed to begin teaching LNT to others in our scouting community.

Registration form can be found on the council web site training page.

If you have questions, please contact Greg Harman (gharman@oia.yarblink.net)

COPE Climbing Committee Recognizes Chairman's Service

On September 13th at the COPE Staff cookout, Dan Meckley (left) was presented two awards - one from the Council Camping Committee for ten years of dedication to the Old Hickory Council as the Council Climbing Committee Chairman, and the other a plaque for service and continued dedication to the COPE program.

For those who do not know Dan, he has had the responsibility of overseeing the Climbing and Repelling at Camp Raven Knob and Pilot Mountain. This includes both off season and summer camp, as well as helping camp staff with supervision and training of staff. So if you've repelled, climbed or earned climbing merit badge in the last ten years, it's because of Dan's untiring efforts and dedication to the youth of the Old Hickory Council.

Dan will be stepping down as chairman to go back to school in the medical profession. Although his time will be limited, he'll be helping out where and when he can.

Facebook fans see the O.H.C. Rock Rats page updates on COPE/Climbing activities in the Old Hickory Council. Become a fan and post your Climbing/COPE related photos.





Dogwood District

Chairman: Terry Mills
Commissioner: Kenny Hooker
District Executive: Kevin Cheek

Serving the people of Surry County, N.C.

Alleghany District

Chairman: Eldon Joines
Commissioner: Phil Horton
District Executive: Kevin Cheek

Serving the people of Alleghany County, N.C.

Eagle Scout: Josh Clark, a junior at Mount Airy High School, was presented his Eagle Scout Award on June 6 at First Presbyterian Church. The ceremony was led by Steven Kish, president of Venture Crew 540, with special presentations by other council, district & church personnel. Josh's service project was the construction of an adirondack shelter at the Children's Center of Surry. Shown at right are (from L to R) Steve Wilburn, Josh Clark, Bruce Bradley, Steve Woronoff and Steve Daniel. Congratulations to Josh on his achievement!



November

- 3 Dogwood District Committee Meeting Pilot Mountain UMC 7:00 PM..
- 5 Alleghany District Meeting Lions Club 6:00 PM.
- 10 Dogwood District Banquet First UMC Pilot Mountain 7:00PM (See Betty Taylor for tickets).
- 12-13 Dogwood Units Pick up Popcorn orders (check with Popcorn Chair for date, time and location).
- 14 Alleghany Units Pick up Popcorn orders (Check with Popcorn Chair)
- 14 Alleghany District Annual Banquet (Rescheduled for April).
- 26 Happy Thanksgiving (Scout Office Closed till Monday November 30, 2009).

December

- 1 Dogwood District Committee Meeting Pilot Mountain UMC 7:00 PM.
- 3 Dogwood District Popcorn Money due to District (Check with Nelson for location).
- 3 Alleghany Popcorn Money due to District contact Reba Cox turn at Lyons Club Sparta 6PM.
- 3 Alleghany District Committee Meeting 6:00 PM, Sparta Lions Club.
- 8 Dogwood Cub & Boy Scout Roundtable Meeting 7:00 PM, Calvary Baptist Church Troop & Pack 556, Franklin Road Mt. Airy.

- 14 Alleghany Roundtable 7:00 PM, Sparta Lions Club.
- 24-26 Scout Shop Closed for Holiday.
- 25 Christmas Day Happy Holiday.

January

- 1 Happy New Year Scout Shop Closed.
- 5 Dogwood District Committee Meeting First United Methodist Church, Pilot Mountain 7 PM
- 7 Alleghany District Committee Meeting 6:00 PM, Sparta Lions Club
- 10 Old Hickory Council January Ski outing Winterplace West Virginia.
- 11 Alleghany Roundtable 7:00 PM, Sparta Lions Club.
- 12 Dogwood Cub, Boy Scout Roundtable Meeting and Scouting for Food Bag pick up at Dobson LDS Church Troop 591, Windsor Park off Bus. 601 Dobson NC.
- 22-24 Dogwood, Laurel, Alleghany Annual Klondike Derby, Raven Knob Scout Reservation
- 29-31 Reschedule Date for Dogwood, Laurel, and Alleghany Annual Klondike Derby, Raven Knob Scout Reservation.

2009 Dogwood Popcorn Corner

Dogwood District held their district popcorn kick-off in Shoals at the Fairview United Methodist Church September 8, 2009. Members of Troop 561 served a great meal consisting of barbecue chicken, mashed potatoes and green beans. They topped off the meal with several homemade desserts. Nelson Clark the Dogwood District Popcorn Chairman and Art Blackwood Council Popcorn Chairman mapped out this Alleghany & Dogwood Districts continued on page 7.



Proud Eagles: Brandon Mizelle and Ryan Haymore (left to right) of Troop 546 were awarded the rank of Eagle Scout at a ceremony held at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Pilot Mountain. Brandon is the son of Scott & Melissa Mizelle of Danberry and Ryan is the son of J.C. & Frankie Haymore of Mount Airy. Congratulations go out to these Scouts for their accomplishment!



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year's fund raising opportunity. The Old Hickory Council along with Trail-End Popcorn has put together another great Popcorn Package for our units.

The sale began on October 1, 2009 and will wrap up November 1st, 2009. Units need to make sure your orders for popcorn and prizes are in to the council by November 3, 2009. Units will be required to enter your order online; any units needing assistance with the online orders should make this request ASAP as we will need to arrange for someone to assist you. We will have orders ready for your units to pick up on Thursday Evening November 12, 2009 and Friday November 13, 2009. Nelson has secured the Wound A Bout warehouse located in Pilot Mountain for our popcorn pick-up. Popcorn chairmen should have received directions in your popcorn letter from Nelson. Units needing additional directions should contact Kevin Cheek at 336-406-1414. Unit's popcorn money will be due to the council by December 4, 2009. You will receive additional information via the mail on times and locations for your payments.

We would like to thank the members of Troop 561 for the great meal they served. Hats of to each unit that was represented at the popcorn kick-off and we look forward to a record breaking year in popcorn sales. If you have any additional questions or need assistance please feel free to contact Kevin Cheek at the above number.



Troop 541 Eagle Scout: Dakota Southern of Troop 541, sponsored by Fancy Gap Baptist Church, was recently presented with the Eagle Award. Dakota is currently an East Carolina University student. Dakota's Eagle project was to build wooden benches for a play area at his church. Congratulations go out to Dakota on his achievement!

Dogwood Cub Scout Corner

Cubs, Parents, and Pack Leaders make sure you are gearing up for the great events that are planned for the spring of 2010. The Dogwood District Cub Scout Committee is in the process of putting together two exciting events that your unit and boys will not want to miss.

We are forming a committee to develop this year's Pinewood Derby. The event will be held on February 27, 2010 in Mount Airy the location TBA. Parents are encouraged to help your cubs build their 100 Anniversary Pinewood Derby Car. Cub Packs are encouraged to have completed their unit races prior to district race. This will allow your boys to have some competition prior to the district derby. We need several volunteers to help so sign up to assist if you will.

The Second event that is currently being planned is a Cubmobile Race. This race is to be held on April 24, 2010 in the Mount Airy area. Phillip Mappa and committee should have additional information in the next issue of this newspaper. Each unit should have already received the plans for the development of their Cubmobile at one of the last roundtables.

The Dogwood District Committee is looking forward to these two great Cub Scout events and encourages a high level participation from your units. Leaders needing additional information please call Kevin Cheek at 336-406-1414 or see additional information as it becomes available on the Old Hickory Council Website under the Dogwood District Tab.



Hanging Rock Eagle Scout: Troop 408 Scout Parker Ryan Tuttle was awarded the Eagle Scout Rank at a ceremony in August. Parker is a senior at South Stokes High School, and completed his Eagle requirements on August 13, 2009. Parker is presently serving at Troop Quartermaster. Earlier he served as Senior Patrol Leader, the highest leadership position for a boy within the troop. For his project Parker planned, organized and supervised the construction of a recreational area behind the lodge. The project consisted of three picnic tables, storage facility, and a manicured horseshoe course.

November 2009

- 3 Laurel District Commissioners Mtg.
- 4 Hanging Rock District Committee Mtg. Duke's Restaurant 6:30pm
- 5 Laurel District Committee Mtg. at Booneville Baptist Church 7:00pm.
- 14 Hanging Rock District Banquet at Trinity UMC at 6:00pm Cost \$10
- 12 Laurel District Roundtable at the Deep Creek Baptist in Yadkinville at 7:00pm
- 13 Laurel and Hanging Rock Districts Unit Popcorn Pickup Day!

December 2009

- 1 Hanging Rock Roundtable at Pinnacle Scout Hut at 6:45 p.m. Host T-400

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Hanging Rock District

Chairman: Charles Gray charlesgray@alltel.net
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District Executive: Steven Simpson
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**Serving the people of Stokes
County, N.C.**

Laurel District

Chairman:
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Vice Chairman: Fred Jordan
fred@northwilkesborodistrict.org
Commissioner:
Lynn Frank laurelscouting@msn.com
District Executive: Steven Simpson

**Serving the people of Yadkin County
and the greater Elkin area, N.C.**



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- 3 Laurel District Banquet at the 1st UMC in Elkin at 6:00pm
- 9 Hanging Rock District Committee Mtg. Duke's Restaurant 6:30pm

January 2009

- 5 Hanging Rock District Roundtable at 6:45pm at 415-Capella Church of Christ
- 7 Laurel District Committee Mtg. at Booneville Baptist Church 7:00pm.
- 13 Hanging Rock District Committee Mtg. Duke's Restaurant 6:30pm
- 14 Laurel District Roundtable at 1st UMC in Elkin at 7:00pm Host 648
- 16 Hanging Rock Klondike Derby. This Year we are focusing on Community Service and the 100th Anniversary in our Derby program. Dogwood, Laurel and Alleghany Klondike Derby.



Troop 421 Eagle Scout: Austin Guy Gray was recently awarded the rank of Eagle Scout in the Hanging Rock District. Austin is the son of Robin & Cindy Gray of Francisco. Austin's project involved his home church, the Colinstown Presbyterian Church. Austin planned, organized and supervised painting Sunday-school rooms, hallways and bathrooms.



Troop 412 Eagle Scout: Caleb Lane Gray of Troop 412 earned the Eagle Scout Award in June, 2009. Caleb attends East Forsyth High School in Kernersville and is the son of Terry & Sherry Gray of Winston-Salem. Caleb's project involved the Second Chance Ranch in Danbury. Caleb planned, organized and supervised a three-quarter mile obstacle course that included twelve obstacles. Congratulations go out to Caleb on his achievement.

Popcorn Orders Due November 3rd

All popcorn orders are due to the Council online. Please contact your Unit Popcorn Chairs and make sure you have submitted your order.

Duke Energy Award

Lewis Wood will be presented with the Duke Energy Award on Behalf of the King Chamber of Commerce for the continued community support by the Boy Scouts of America on November 12. Lewis was also nominated for various other awards for his community involvement and 60+ years in Scouting!

Popcorn Breakdown & Pickup

Hanging Rock Popcorn breakdown and Pick-ups will be at the Mabe's fertilizer warehouse in Danbury on November 12th & 13th. A few helpers are needed to make help break-

out 11/13. Please Contact Steven Simpson if you can help. (336)306-6236. Laurel's Site will be at the Booneville warehouse again this year. Next to the Neighbors Gas Station. Breakdown will be 11/12 and pick-ups on Friday.

Wilderness First Aid

There's a Wilderness First-Aid Training Course being held at CRK on November 20 & 21. This is a wonderful opportunity to your scouts and leaders with hands on training and certification. This makes for a great precursor to First Responder or EMT. Sign-up info is online and at the Scout Office.

District Banquet

Hanging Rock District Banquet will be held November 21st at Trinity United Methodist Church in King. The party and recognition will start at 6:00pm. This is one of the years best celebrations with video footage of scouting in action, great food and people that come out of the wood-work.

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Troop 412 Eagle Scout: Shane Michael Maneval of Danbury was recently awarded the Eagle Scout Rank. Shane has been accepted at Emory Riddle Aeronautical University in Arizona. Shane's project involved the Second Chance Ranch in Danbury. Shane planned, organized and supervised the construction of a half-mile long bicycle trail that included two bridges. Shane and his mother Tabatha Nienhueser live in Danbury and attend Good Shepherd Catholic Church. Congratulations go out to Shane for his achievement.



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Please get your Tickets from Charles Grey (Hanging Rock District Chairmen).

Laurel Banquet

Laurel District Banquet will be held December 3rd at the First United Methodist Church in Elkin. Come be apart of the celebration with Door Prizes, Recognition/Awards, Great Food and Fellowship.

Commissioner College

The Commissioner College will be held January 23. This is one of the greatest volunteer trainings of the year and they only hold it once each year! If you want to learn more about unit service and the leadership structure please plan to attend. Make your reservations at the Scout Office.

Cub Scout Day Camp

A safari in Stokes County? Yes, Stokes County Cub Scouts participated in a Birds, Bugs, and Butterfly Safari that began on July 10, 2009. The six through ten year old boys enjoyed two days of summer camp at the King American Legion field. Hanging Rock District Committee camp chair, Marilyn Shouse, and program directors Giulia Smith and Tim Sullivan managed the injury-free events. Other adult staff included: Steven Simpson, District Executive; Jean Gann; Jane DeHart; Teddy Logsdon; Brenda Mozingo; and Amber Boger.

Forty-two boys learned youth gun safety through NRA's Eddie Eagle program, and earned many Cub Scout requirements. In addition they had fun, fun and more fun with water events, bottle rockets, and cart and bug races. The King Fire Department and King Police Department provided safety tips. One big hit with the boys was K-9 trained dog, Officer Colt. Friday evening many parents and their boys camped for the night.

Stokes Boy Scouts also helped with the program. Steve Lawson from Troop 415 served as the patrol leader. Other assisting Boy Scouts were: Harry Dearmin, Troop 400; Jesse Eads, Troop 408; Cody McBride, Troop 415; Jacob Sullivan, Troop 415; and Ben Lamb, Troop 450. Assistant Scout Master of Troop 408 and Eagle Scout Malachi Stanley served as the moderator as each Cub rank retired an American flag.

Stokes County boys participated in another quality camp, receiving a 100% inspection. Old Hickory Council and Hanging Rock District executives on hand were: Steve Wilburn, Council Scout Executive; Craig Depuy, Council Director of Field Services; Traci Stanley, District Commissioner; and Charles Gray, District Committee Chairman.

King Fest

Hanging Rock District and Troop 409 joined forces to promote Scouting and popcorn sales. King Fest was held on

October 3 at the Central Park in King. Two booths set side by side were used for different purposes but shared the 100th year anniversary and join Scouting signs. Approximately ten new boys were recruited during the day

Merit Badge College

"Another successful event, and thankfully dry" is how event coordinator Troop 412 Scout Master Terry Gray summarized the program. The last part of Terry's remark was in reference to the rainy conditions of last year's program and this year's threatening skies. His remark on the program understates the overwhelming success of the college. Terry and his team spent long hours to provide an obviously well planned and coordinated event. Troop 421 again hosted the program with Scout Master Alan Millikan welcoming the assembled troops after the flag ceremony.

In addition to the traditional assortment of merit badges Terry Gray's team provided other interesting badges such as a course on Auto Mechanics, Nature and Cooking. Several alternatives to merit badges courses were offered for our new scouts, such as fire safety and toten' chip. District trainers Pat Terry and Marilyn Sensabaugh offered adult training classes during Merit Badge College.

All troops from Hanging Rock District plus troops from outside the district enjoyed a day of learning and fun. Out of District participants were: Troop 650, Yadkin County; Troop 914 and Troop 922 from Forsyth County; and Troop 486 from Durham.

Yes Terry – another successful program with 102 boys earning badges and six adults trained in "This is Scouting" and "Pack Trainer." And another beautiful day for Scouting.

100th Anniversary Celebration

Let the celebration begin! Hanging Rock District kicked-off the 100th Anniversary celebration on Friday September 11, 2009. Walnut Fest, a community event, was the venue to begin the district's celebration. Thanks to Troop 444, Scout Master Elwood Mabe, the parents and leaders for a wonderful display. The boys and leaders of Troop 444 exhibited doing a good turn by preparing several cobbles and donated samples to the hungry crowd. Troop 444 is sponsored by the Stokesburg United Methodist Church.

Celebrating Birthday of Boy Scouts of America

Hanging Rock District continued their celebration of the Boy Scouts of America's birthday at the Stokes Stomp. The Stomp is a Stokes County festival sponsored by the Stokes County Arts Council, and held on the Dan River in Danbury. District leaders manned a festival booth handing out literature and signing new Scouts and leaders. Approximately 15 boys and leaders received applications. With our

100th Anniversary sign at the booth over 20,000 attendees were introduced to the upcoming birthday.

In addition the Arts Council provided a Children's Stage for youth programs. The Hanging Rock District, under the direction of Marilyn Shouse performed a skit titled, "How a Good Turn Brought Scouting to America." The program involved the boys and leaders from Pack and Troop 415, sponsored by Capella Church of Christ. The narrator was Traci Stanley, District Commissioner and leaders, Mr. and Mrs. Gann, Tim Sullivan, Selena Hill, Brenda Mozingo, and Randall Paterson. Boys in the skit were Isaac Paterson and Devin Hill from Pack 415, and Jacob Sullivan and Josh Todd from Troop 415.

National Day of Camping at Hanging Rock District

Many boys and leaders in the Hanging Rock District participated in Day of Camping. About half the troops in the district camped on September 19 and 20. Fortunately the persistent drizzle ended in Stokes County just before boys began erecting tents. Units camping included: Troop 400, Pinnacle; Troop 408, Walnut Cove; Troop 427, Germanton; Troop 444, Walnut Cove; and Troop 450, King. Troops from out of Hanging Rock District that camped in Stokes County were: Troop 655, Yadkin County; Troops 914 and 922 from Forsyth County; and Troop 486 from Durham. Projects included picking up trash, learning Scout safety, and construction of wood frames for birthday signs by SR 8 leading into Stokes County.



Arts Council Presentation: Troop 415 Scout Brad Gray accepts a plaque from Stokes County Arts Council Executive Director Eddy McGee for his construction of a marquee & benches for his Eagle Scout project. The Stokes County Arts Council provides a venue and intellectual oasis for Stokes County citizens. The Arts Council continues their support of the Boy Scouts and other youth groups by offering special sites at the county's major event in September – The Stokes Stomp.



Blue Ridge District

Chairman: Scott Cronk
Commissioner: John Craft
Executive: Daniel Baird

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November

- 2 Blue Ridge District Committee Mtg at 7:00pm (Boone UMC, room 201)
- 3 Blue Ridge District Day Camp Mtg at the LaQuinta Hotel in Boone at 7:00pm
- 11 Blue Ridge District Roundtable Mtg at 7:00pm (Boone UMC) Theme is Publicity and Civic Service / Unit Program.
- 30 Blue Ridge Commissioners Mtg

December

- 7 Blue Ridge District Committee Mtg at 7:00pm (Boone UMC, room 201)
- 9 Blue Ridge District Roundtable Mtg at 7:00pm (Boone UMC) Theme is Membership.
- 12 Blue Ridge Merit Badge College at Boone UMC

January

- 4 Blue Ridge District Committee Mtg at 7:00pm (Boone UMC, room 201)
- 13 Blue Ridge District Roundtable Mtg at 7:00pm (Boone UMC, room 200) Theme is Advancement

and Religious Awards.

28 Blue Ridge Commissioners Mtg

For more information pertaining to any of the events listed above, please check our District website for new details or changes or updates that may occur.

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www.ScoutingInBlueRidge.com

Unit Committee Training

If your Unit is interested in having a unique training opportunity, then ask one of our District Officers about our Unit Committee Training. This is an orientation training that takes an inside look at how the Unit Committee functions as part of your Unit. This training should improve your chances of recruiting more committee members and involve more people to do less. We offer to hold this training for any Pack or Troop at your regular meeting spot for all parents and unit leaders.

Blue Ridge District Leadership

We are also always looking for more people to help us with the planning for different things, and we'd like to ask for help from you about with suggestions of folks that you think could really help Scouting improve in many different facets (listed below). We want to identify even more good people in our community to help Scouting through their professional skills and circle of friends by helping us in different areas on our District Committee. Some of these areas are: Activities & Camping, High Adventure, Training, Finance and Friends of Scouting, Publicity and Marketing, Civic Service and Eagle Projects, Scouting for Food, Merit Badge Counselors, Advancement & Recognition, Membership, Recruiting, starting new Units, expanding Scouting into Rural areas, Diversity in Scouting, or perhaps taking on a role as a Unit serving Commissioner.

Day of Camping: Ashe County's Troop 237 Scouts, Scouters and friends enjoyed a camping over the "Day of Camping" weekend in September. Thanks go out to all units who helped showcase Scouting in September as a part of the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America.



It is NOT necessary that anyone has a Scouting background; just that they have a Scout-like attitude and most of the appropriate professional skills. Please take some time to ask your unit leadership and parents to think about someone who might fill one of those needs, and please contact Daniel Baird at bubbabaird@bellsouth.net or 336-469-9976 with any suggestions you may have.

Blue Ridge Popcorn Pickup!

Friday, November 13th at Critcher Brother's Warehouse at 9:00am: Help break down district order for all the units and you can take your unit's order with you when we are finished!

Saturday, November 14th at Critcher Brother's Warehouse at 8:00 - 9:00am: Any units who were unable to pick up their orders on Friday must come at this time to pick up theirs!

District Popcorn Chair: Betsy Craft in Boone. Please call me at home (828-264-8926) or email me (bcraft_usa@yahoo.com) if you have any questions. I can usually answer most questions or problems you might have before I need to refer you to the council office!!

Cub Scout Recruitment

A big thanks to all Scout leaders and volunteers who have helped with our school night recruitment. Remember, recruitment doesn't end after the school night, so keep up the great work!

Blue Ridge District Day Camp for 2010!

We have begun a process for selecting the top two chairman for our own Day Camp here in the Blue Ridge District to be held during the summer of 2010. If you or someone you know might be interested in helping with our Day Camp, please let us know by phone or by email or by filling out the survey that we have recently sent out to all of our Cub Scout Packs about how you can help with Day Camp.

As a Day Camp Director: This position requires a 3 day training that would be paid for by the Council, the job duties are primarily: to run the administration for day camp, recruit and delegate staff assignments, track the budget and provide training for adults prior to our Day Camp week. This position works closely with our District Executive.

As a Day Camp Program Director: This position also requires a 3 day training that would be paid for by the Council, the job duties largely consist of providing for the overall program activities, producing our daily schedule, working with the Director to help recruit our staff, and to see that the boys achieve many advancement requirements. This position also works closely with our District Executive.

Training for the two positions above for this year will happen over the weekend of March 5-7, 2010. The Day camp director and program director will have the final say as to when and where we have Day Camp and for how many days.

**Wilkes District**

Chairman: Randy Huffman
Commissioner: Roland Scroggs
Executive: Daniel Baird

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November

- 10 Wilkes District Committee Mtg at 6:00pm (North Wilkesboro "First" UMC)
- 10 OA Chapter Meeting at 6:00pm (North Wilkesboro "First" UMC)
- 10 Wilkes District Roundtable Mtg at 7:30pm (North Wilkesboro "First" UMC) Theme is Publicity and Civic Service / Unit Program

December

- 8 Wilkes District Committee Mtg at 6:00pm (North Wilkesboro "First" UMC)
- 8 OA Chapter Meeting at 6:00pm (North Wilkesboro "First" UMC)
- 8 Roundtable Mtg at 7:30pm (North Wilkesboro "First" UMC) Theme is Publicity & Civic Service / Unit Program.

January

- 12 Wilkes District Committee Mtg at 6:00pm (North Wilkesboro "First" UMC)
- 12 OA Chapter Mtg at 6:00pm (North Wilkesboro "First" UMC)
- 12 Wilkes District Roundtable Mtg at 7:30pm (North Wilkesboro "First" UMC) Theme is Advancement & Religious Awards.

Carolina Beach trip: T-336 with North Wilkesboro Presbyterian Church took 28 Scouts & leaders for a weekend trip to Carolina Beach State Park during fall break. They camped, cooked, hiked, swam, kayaked, fished and visited all the Wilmington sites, including the USS North Carolina Battleship.



For more information pertaining to any of the events listed above, please check our District website for new details or changes or updates that may occur.

www.oldsouthcouncil.org
www.ScoutingInWilkes.com

Unit Committee Training

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Wilkes District Fall Camporee

What a great time everyone had at the Boy Scout Wilkes Fall Camporee. With close to 90 people who attended, great things were seen and good times were had, we'd like to thank

Ship 924 assists Kerr Scott Reservoir Clean Up Day: Ship 924 joined Troop 333 in operating a donated pontoon boat to help with the shoreline cleanup during the Wilkes District Camporee. The Friends of Kerr Scott Reservoir are in the planning stages of creating a new Sea Scout Ship at Kerr Scott Reservoir.



the W. Kerr Scott Reservoir for their ongoing support of the Boy Scouts but especially for their efforts toward a GREAT camporee and for all the exciting things they had at National Public Lands Day for us! With some service hours by our boys, leaders and parents, and a great time in fellowship we're proud to be a close partner with the Army Corps of Engineers and the Ranger's staff at the lake. THANKS AGAIN!

Wilkes District Cub Scout Training

In October we had a successful Cub Scout Training, thanks to the work from Gina Cleary, Mike Queen, Roland Scroggs, Randy Huffman, Richard Huie and his grandson Brandon who helped us all understand the role of Den Chief a little better with the Webelos program. Thanks for all your hard work with our Training!

Wilkes District Leadership

We are also always looking for more people to help us with the planning for different activities, and we'd like to ask for your suggestions of people that you think could really help Scouting improve in many different facets (listed below). We want to identify even more good people in our community to help Scouting through their professional skills and circle of friends by helping us in different areas on our District Committee. Some of these areas are: Activities & Camping, High Adventure, Training, Finance and Friends of Scouting, Publicity and Marketing, Civic Service and Eagle Projects, Scouting for Food, Merit Badge Counselors, Advancement & Recognition, Membership, Recruiting, starting new Units, expanding Scouting into Rural areas, Diversity in Scouting, or perhaps taking on a role as a Unit serving Commissioner.

It is NOT necessary that anyone has a Scouting background; just that they have a Scout-like attitude and most of the appropriate professional skills. Please contact Daniel Baird at bubbabaird@bellsouth.net or 336-469-9976 with any suggestions you may have. Thank you for your help, and for your on-going service to Scouting!!



Over 2,000 Attend Parent/Son Camporees





Davey Jones Venture Weekend at High Rock Lake





Salem District

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**Serving the people of South
Forsyth County, N.C.**

November

- 3 Commissioner Meeting
- 5 District Committee Meeting
- 12 District Leader Roundtable- Ardmore UMC
- 19 District Eagle Board- Ardmore Baptist

December

- 1 Commissioner Meeting
- 3 District Committee Meeting
- 10 District Leader Roundtable- Ardmore UMC
- 17 District Eagle Board- Ardmore Baptist

January

- 5 Commissioner Meeting
- 7 District Committee Meeting
- 14 District Leader Roundtable- Ardmore UMC
- 21 District Eagle Board- Ardmore Baptist
- 29-31 Klondike Derby (Boy Scouts)- John Holland's farm

Salem District

Do you ever wonder how Council and District events, finance and membership get pulled off? Have you ever wondered how you could get involved in the planning of these different opportunities for your Cub Scout, Boy Scout or Venturer?

District leaders mobilize resources to ensure the growth and success of Scouting units within the district's territory. Members of the district committee are volunteers. The district trains adult volunteers, provides district programs for units such as camporees, and Scouting shows, assists in the formation of new units, and helps coordinate the annual giving campaign. The district committee also provides the unit with a unit commissioner. The unit commissioner gives direct coaching and consultation to the unit committee and other adult leaders. The volunteers on the district committee can be a helpful resource to the unit committee. Call upon their guidance when needed.

On the 1st Thursday of each month (August- June) members of our District Committee get together to work and plan for the actions of the Salem District. We welcome parents, grandparents, leaders, and Chartered Organizational Representatives to attend this meeting at 7 PM until 8:30 PM at the Council office. Questions contact: Adam Cook at arcook@bsamail.org or 336-397-1625.

Membership News

The Salem District had three very successful recruiting nights in early September. The Recruiting night coordinator Rhonda Landreth in conjunction with Membership chairperson Wendy Kiger assembled a great team of school coordinators and pack representatives to answer questions and get those new cubbies started with their new packs. Salem District packs added new Cub Scouts ready to hit the ground

running, or maybe hit the road for that first Parent-Son at Raven Knob. Congratulations to those who worked so hard for a job well done.

The Salem District is proud to welcome its newest units, with Boy Scout Troop 730 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Clemmons, Cub Scout Pack 727 at Bunker Hill United Methodist Church in Kernersville and Boy Scout Troop 750 at Friedland Moravian Church in Winston Salem.

Membership

To: Salem District Cubmaster, Den Leader, Scoutmaster, Crew Advisor and Committee Chair:

Recruitment season is NOT over. Remember you can recruit all year long. Right now our recruitment efforts are just ok ... but we'd like them to be GREAT. All of you know what a great program Scouting is. Why keep it to ourselves? SPREAD THE WORD. Still talk to the school's PTA about doing a flag ceremony. Do a Fall clean up day for the church or a school. Stand outside Wal-Mart hand-out flyers. Things to try for unit Open House: ice cream social, fun day at a local park, invite a friend to a camping trip, Bring-a-Buddy recruitment program and much more!

Right now, Salem District youth are down by 100 youth that includes Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, & Venturing in comparison with December 31, 2008. We are asking for Scouts, Parents, Leaders and Community to get back to where we were last year before the holiday season gets here. School Nights are over but opportunities for Scouts to sign-up don't have to stop. Keep recruiting. There are youth out there missing a Great Opportunity! Football and sport season ends in October so look at opportunities for recruitment at closing banquets. If the District can assist you and your unit in additional recruitments, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Please make sure you have all your Scouts registered with the Council. Our Unit Commissioners will be contacting you in the next couple of weeks to check rosters.

Let's find them and give them the opportunities!

Salem Banquet

The Salem District Volunteer Recognition Banquet will be on Saturday, January, 9th, with time and location to be announced. The tickets for the banquet will be available at the receptionist desk at the Scouting Center, as well as from some district volunteers. Brenda Walburn is our chairperson for this year's banquet, and is preparing for a great evening of fellowship, food, and most importantly recognition of the hard working volunteers that give their time to the packs, troops and crews, as well as to the district and council. Get your tickets early!

Salem Popcorn Pickup

The popcorn pickup schedule will be posted on the Salem District continued on page 15.



**Fishing Derby
Champ: Troop
779 Scout
Brandon Haynes
shows off his
winnings from a
fishing derby held
in June. Brandon
won Biggest Fish
Caught, Most
Fish Caught and
Smallest Fish
Caught. Way to
go Brandon!**



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district page on the council website, along with going out through the Salem District Yahoo Group. Go to www.oldhickorycouncil.org, then click on my local district, then click on Salem. The link will be on that page.

We need your help for popcorn sorting and distribution! The days and hours when we need helpers are: Thursday, Nov. 12 from 1-5:30 PM; Friday, Nov. 13 from 8 AM-8PM; Saturday, Nov. 14 from 8 AM-12 PM

If you can help for a few hours during these times, it would be a great help. We will be at our traditional distribution location (the Twin City Warehouse located at 3302 Old Lexington Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27107).

Klondike/Roundtable

It is almost time to don the long johns, wool socks, stocking caps, and parkas. Then we will be ready to break out the cross country skis, or snowshoes, go out into the woods and build a snow fort or two and have some contests...But we don't live in Minnesota, so we'll just have to put on our warm clothes, rig up our sleds and race around in late January in the beautiful mostly sunny south.

All Salem District troops are invited to the Salem District Klondike Derby January 29-31 at the Holland Farm down on the Yadkin River. Before going to the farm, your first stop will have to be at the Salem District Roundtable on November 12th at Ardmore United Methodist Church at 7:00.

Owen Holder will have events for troops to run, as well as rules sheets with sled dimensions to hand out. Owen, Josh, Chester and Jason are looking forward to an even bigger, more fun Klondike than last year.

Join us in December for Eagle Board Chairman John Holland as he answers questions about Eagle Board operations. As always all Scoutmasters and assistants are welcome. This will be a great opportunity to get your questions answered.

Join us in January as Doug McGlasson prepares us for winter camping, just in time the Klondike Derby in late January. Hope to see you these on the 2nd Thursday at 7:00 at Ardmore United Methodist.

Welcome all Salem District Scouters!

Are you tired of being left out? Did not know of that event until it was too late to register? Never be left out or behind again!

Salem District Proudly Serves the Youth and Charter Organizations in the Southern Part of Forsyth County including Clemmons, Southern Winston-Salem, Kernersville, and all points in between.

We are dedicated to serving you, the leaders of Salem District. This YAHOO! GROUPS site will be a major hub where activities, ideas, and information can be exchanged with all Packs, Troops, Crews, and Post in the District. A place for discussions and where questions can be asked and answered.

Veteran leaders with years of experience and new leaders with new innovative ideas are just a few clicks away. Just send us your questions and see how many answers you get. No question will go unanswered!

Salem District is here to serve you and to help you succeed as a leader of the young men and women involved in Scouting.

Please join us at where you can find the Salem District calendar of events, receive timely email reminders of upcoming events and deadlines. Be informed and stay up to date with YAHOO! GROUPS.

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Piedmont District

Chairman: Tony Potter
Commissioner: Keith Huffstetler
District Executive: Fred Patterson
District Executive: Jean Dominique

**Serving the people of North
 Forsyth County, N.C.**

November

- 5 District Commissioner Meeting
- 5 District Committee Meeting
- 12 Scout Leader Roundtable Mtg
- 14 Popcorn Pickup Day

Top of the world: Lewisville Troops 752 & 719 enjoyed a Philmont trek this year, after stops in New Orleans, the Alamo and the Grand Canyon on the way to New Mexico. The two crews hiked about 85 miles while at Philmont, including a visit to the top of Baldy.



December

- 3 District Commissioner Meeting
- 3 District Committee Meeting
- 10 Scout Leader Roundtable Mtg

January

- 7 District Commissioner Meeting
- 7 District Committee Meeting
- 14 Adults Leaders Roundtable Mtg

Popcorn Pickup

The popcorn pickup schedule will be posted on the district page on the council website. Go to www.oldhickorycouncil.org, then click on my local district, then click on Piedmont. The link will be on that page.

We need your help for popcorn distribution! The days and hours when we need helpers are: Thursday, Nov. 12 from 1-5:30 PM; Friday, Nov. 13 from 8 AM-8PM; Saturday, Nov. 14 from 8 AM-12 PM

If you can help for a few hours during these times, it would be a great help. We will be at our traditional distribution location (the Twin City Warehouse located at 3302 Old Lexington Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27107).

Charter Information Meeting

Our annual charter information meeting will once again be held on Thursday, January 14, 2009 from 6-7 PM. A meal will be served (we are asking everyone to pay \$5 to cover the cost of the food). We will discuss the procedure of going through the recharter paperwork and review items that are commonly overlooked that could delay your recharter pa-

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Philmont Crew
623B1: Troop 918
 Scouts and Scouters recently completed their 12-day Philmont trek, and are shown on the Tooth of Time summit. The crew spent time at the Air Force Academy, the US Olympic Training Center, the Gardens of the Gods and Pike's Peak while acclimating to the elevation prior to their 100-mile trek.

Director in Blue Ridge Mountains Council in Roanoke, Virginia. We will miss him and appreciate his five years of service to Piedmont District.

New District Executive Named

Piedmont District Chairman Fred Patterson will be taking on some new responsibilities November 16th as he switches from chairman to district executive.

Fred has a wealth of experience in Scouting and with the Piedmont District, and we're pleased to welcome him back to the professional side of Scouting. For more information about Fred see the article on page 22.

Centennial Quality Awards

Just a reminder that the commissioners will be contacting your unit soon to make plans to help you fill out your 2009 Centennial Quality Unit Award, and to help you set goals for 2010.

Silver Beaver Nominations

With all of our dedicated leaders lets make sure that we make our nominations for the Silver Beaver Award by December 18 at the Wachovia Scouting Center.



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perwork from being submitted. Attendance at this meeting will increase the likelihood of a successful recharter for your Scouting unit.

District Banquet is now in April

The Piedmont District Banquet will be held on Thursday, April 8, 2009 at New Hope United Methodist Church at 6:30 PM. The banquet has been traditionally held in December, but was moved to coincide with the new schedule for the selection of new district officers and district members at large. More details will follow in the next edition of the Raven.

December District Meetings

The District Committee Meeting, The District Commissioner Meeting, and the Adult Leader Roundtables will be held in the month of December this year. This is a change from our normal schedule, since the banquet has been moved to April. We will not have these meetings in April, since we are holding the banquet that month.

Piedmont District Boy Scout Advancement Camporee

Because the Council Camporee will be held in the spring of 2010, the PDAC (merit badge college) will not be held next spring. The Salem Merit Badge College will also not be taking place next spring. We are currently looking at moving the PDAC to the fall of 2010. Please make your Scouts, leaders and parents aware of this change.

Fall Survival Camporee

Special thanks to our Camporee Chairman, Glenn Chamberlin, and his staff for such a great program. After all that wind and rain on Saturday morning, the alligator and copperhead snack was an interesting addition to the fish dinner. We would also like to congratulate each patrol that competed in the survival skills programs.

Farewell To Michael Montgomery

We congratulate Michael on his promotion to Field

Survival Camporee:
 Scouts work on their primitive firebuilding skills during the recent Piedmont District Survival Camporee. Thanks go out to all the great volunteers who helped make this a camporee to remember.





Who you Gonna Call - For all things popcorn start by trying your District Popcorn Chairman

District	Popcorn Chairman	Phone	Email
Alleghany com	Reba Cox	336-372-5343	rebamurphy@yahoo.
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Staff Assistant	Betty Ann Ritchey	336-760-2900	britchey@bsamail.org

Key Popcorn Dates

Nov 14 Super Saturday - popcorn pickup day for units
Dec 4 Unit popcorn money due to council

The final weekly drawing forms are due in the council office by noon on Friday November 6

For the most up-to-date local popcorn information go to "Popcorn" under "Fundraising" at www.OLDHICKORYCOUNCIL.ORG

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Davy Jones Rendezvous

Over the weekend of September 18th - 20th, 2009, Venture Crews and Sea Scout Ships from across North Carolina, Virginia, and South Carolina gathered at High Rock Reservoir for the second annual Davy Jones Rendezvous. Ships and Crews representing the Old Hickory, Old North State, Colonial Virginia, and Daniel Boone councils along with representatives from South Carolina gathered at Raven Point and Charles T. Hagan, Jr. Sea Scout Base to participate in a weekend of fun, fellowship, food, and competition. The scheduled rendezvous competitions included Geocaching, Rubber Ducky Regatta, Tire Tube Joust, Canoe Race, No Paddle Canoe Race, Canoe Tug-O-War, Snark Sailboat Regatta, Log Roll, Motorboat Man Overboard, and Motorboat Slalom.

Other activities were catamaran sailing and tubing. Salem District Executive Adam Cook oversaw Venturers and Sea Scouts taking day sails around High Rock Lake on board a newly donated 18 foot Hobie Cat catamaran sailboat. The winds cooperated and the Hobie Cat spent the afternoon ripping across High Rock with its various crews. In addition, George Weaver of Crew 934 spent the afternoon pulling a tube behind his boat and giving rides to any and all who dared! Many a tuber ended up swimming sooner than they anticipated.

Next year's Davy Jones Rendezvous is scheduled for September 17th - 19th, 2010. This year's participants decided that the 2010 theme will be Vikings. So, mark your calendar, grab your fuzzy boots and horned helmets, and join us on the water!

The Davy Jones Rendezvous resulted from the request two years ago of past Southern Region Sea Scout Commodore Walt Whitacre to create a rendezvous in central North Carolina. So, the Old Hickory Council's Raven Point Rendezvous was renamed and expanded to include Venture Crews and Sea Scout Ships from across the "Cardinal Wardroom", service areas 5 and 7 of the Southern Region. Davy Jones Rendezvous offers a wonderful opportunity for Sea Scout and Venturing age youth to meet new friends, see old ones again, and participate in fun competition. Fair winds!

Winterfest 2010

Plan now to attend WINTERFEST in 2010!! ALL Venturers, Sea Scouts and Explorers are invited to attend this extraordinary event! Held the weekend of February 5-7, 2010 (Friday-Sunday), Winterfest is a competitive-event and leadership training weekend held in Gatlinburg, Tennessee.

Every year, over 2,000 participants are gathered from 12 states to experience what Venturing and Exploring are really all about. Winterfest brings together the opportunity to meet new people, learn new skills, share ideas, compete against other posts and crews, and have FUN!! While you're here in the Great Smoky Mountains there are endless possibilities. If you choose to, you may go shopping, ride the sky needle, visit the museums, and many other attractions in addition to the events of Winterfest. This year will be the best Winterfest yet with all the new events, things like: Target Shooting, Mock Trial, Talent Show, Sea Scout Events, Volleyball & Water Basketball, Engineering Design, Basic First Aid, Advanced Emergency Medical, Prusik Rope Climbing, Snow Skiing, Backpacking Cooking, Dutch Oven Cooking, and Tabletop Displays. Not to mention a dance on Friday and Saturday evening. Does your Post or Crew have what it takes?

Come to Gatlinburg this February for the competition! The Old Hickory Council is planning to send a youth contingency, for more information contact George Clinard at 336-971-4172 or gclinard@yadtel.net You can check out the following web link for more information on Winterfest: <http://www.nega-1fl.org/> and you should plan to attend an orientation meeting on the planning for this event at some time between December of 09 and January in 2010 which we will announce later this fall.



Council Reaches 2009 Friends of Scouting Goal!

Supporters from throughout the Old Hickory Council's eight counties proved that the Scouting continues to be highly valued as the top values-based program for youth. Hundreds of businesses and individuals pledged their financial support to the annual Friends of Scouting campaign. These gifts surpassed the council goal of \$440,000, the highest level of annual giving in the council's long history!

Thanks to all those who provided financial support for the council's continued growth and success!!

	<u>2009 Goal</u>	<u>2009 Actual</u>
Old Hickory Council Total	\$440,000	\$441,575
Piedmont District	\$136,500	\$144,227
Salem District	\$75,500	\$70,638
Alleghany District	\$12,400	\$13,625
Dogwood District	\$52,700	\$54,825
Hanging Rock District	\$16,000	\$16,567
Laurel District	\$27,350	\$24,422
Blue Ridge District	\$15,000	\$15,359
Wilkes District	\$40,500	\$41,124
Learning for Life	\$12,000	\$10,870
Special Gifts	\$51,750	\$49,918



Eat more pork: Nathan Noah with Troop 962 hams it up during his troop's recent barbecue fundraiser.



Cook Island Scouts on parade: Cook Island Scouts are shown participating in ANZAC day observance. Photos & story by Paul Tombleson.

Old Hickory Eagle Scout in South Pacific

I, your humble correspondent was recently in Rarotonga, Cook Islands, South Pacific visiting family who live there. It was during the ANZAC day parade that I met the Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and Sea Scouts who participated in the activities. For those not familiar with ANZAC it stands for Australia, New Zealand Army Corps which became famous for the Gallipoli campaign in Turkey during World War One and later on the Western front. ANZAC day would be something a kin to Veterans or Memorial Day here. It is very common to wear a red poppy that symbolizes the sacrifices made on the fields of Flanders in France were poppies grew profusely after the battles.

It was during this event I caught up with the local Scouting contingent and consequently got to spend time with them at their island paradise camp. ANZAC day always starts with a solemn dawn service followed later by a parade and second wreath laying by dignitaries and in this case by the youth organizations including the Scouts.

The parade this day was led by the black and white uniformed Boys Brigade Band, who thumped out a solid beat that drowned out the crashing of waves from the outer reef protecting the nearby lagoon. The Girl Guides, Brownies, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Sea Scouts and a sundry follow close behind making a fine spectacle for locals and tourist alike. Rarotonga with a population of about 10,000 had only about a dozen veterans plus some visiting military personal making up the soldier/veteran marching group. While the group was small with young and old, women and men alike they still managed to make a grand entrance to the memorial area, albeit a limping stride from a few of the old timers. The big Sergeant Major with his beret cocked at just the right angle and uniform impeccably turned out barked... left, left, left right left in harmony with the coconut palms swaying appreciation in the stifling midday breeze.

It isn't long before each group lays a wreath to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice for freedom. The Scout who carried the wreath walked with a crisp gait, solemnly laying the wreath then stood at attention making a snappy salute before returning to his troop. It was all in all a moving and cheerful occasion. The mood of the bystanders was light yet respectful as is island life in general. No one is uptight or strictly enforcing rules and regulations here, and I never heard "signs up" once... a real breath of fresh tropical air!

I meet up with the Boy Scouts later in the day at their camp which is set up on the school grounds of a Catholic Church. The boys are in the middle of an exam about Boy Scout history, it's a light hearted affair of the usual questions... who started Boy Scouts, what year did it start, etc. Followed by the usual new boy replies of... "Didn't you start scouting" says one

boy to the Scout leader, "You are old". PC has not reached this isolated island yet!


I agree to bring my son Brad who is also visiting along the next day to help teach the new boys knots. After dragging him away from climbing coconut palms to indulge in freshly grated coconut pulp to sprinkled over sliced papaya with lime juice, we turn up for the Scout meeting. Brad quickly engages the boys and has them tying the Bowline which is a knot some of the older boys haven't become proficient in yet. The younger boys immediately start taunting the older boys about their new found skill, prompting me to realize that scouting is about the same all over the world it seems. We stay for the closing ceremony which culminates with the lowering of the 15 star flag of the Cook Islands then drive off into the setting sun to my sister's house on the west side of the island for dinner and the rest of the fresh papaya and coconut.

After my return to North Carolina I sent Raven Knob tee shirts from the 2008 summer camp stock to all the boys we met. The island Scout leader John Paul Wilson had the boys wear the tee shirts while they acted as torch bearers for the recent international sporting event, Pacific Games 2009. He sent me a picture of the boys wearing Raven Knob tee shirts some 5 thousand plus miles away from here. Proving that Old Hickory Council is known far and wide and that its Eagle Scouts are helping boys all over the world!

Paul Tombleson, Advancement Chairman, H.R.D.



2010
Old Hickory Council



Scouts On Skis!!

at WINTERPLACE Ski Resort

Three Great Dates to Choose From!!
Ski One or Ski Them All!!

Sunday, January 10, 2010

Sunday February 7, 2010

Sunday, March 7, 2010

Scouts, leaders, and family members can take part in the Fun!!
Cost- \$49.00 Each Ski Package Includes

- ⌘ Full Day Lift Ticket-8 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- ⌘ Meal Voucher
- ⌘ Ski Equipment Rental
- ⌘ 90 Minute Lesson based on Skiing Level (at the top of each hour)
- ⌘ Snow Sports Merit Badge Clinics at 10 a.m., Noon, & 2 p.m.


Unit Leaders Will receive more details in the Fall of 2009

Check-In at Winterplace (near Beckley, W. Va.) opens at 8:00 a.m.
Lift tickets good for skiing until 10:00 p.m.

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Boy Scouts can earn the Snow Sports Merit Badge!!
Snow Sports Merit Badge clinics included in the registration fee!!

For more information, check out the Old Hickory Council Web site.
A registration packet will be sent to all Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Skippers and Advisers later this fall.





Camp Raven Knob

Camp Raven Knob is the camping facility of the Old Hickory Council. Located west of Mount Airy off Highway 89, Raven Knob has provided camping adventures for boys since 1954. Cub Packs and Scout Troops are encouraged to include the camp in their outdoor activity plans. There are 3,200 acres of property at Raven Knob. This offers great hiking, fishing, and camping opportunities for Scouts of all ages. There are special programs for older Scouts including rock climbing and a ropes course. The Barnhardt Training Center is available for groups to use for training activities throughout the year. Reservations can be made online at oldhickorycouncil.org, click on Camp Raven Knob, then on Non Summer Camp Reservations.



Raven Knob Camp Staff 2010

Summer Camp at Raven Knob is just a few months away and we are now looking to build our Camp Staff for 2010. If you are interested in working on our staff next summer please go to www.ravenknob.com and complete an application. We will need staff members who have a strong Scouting background and who are ready for a summer of high energy activity. Whether you are in high school, college or have already retired we can use your help. Our staff is comprised of some 120 staff members from a wide range of backgrounds and skills. Take a moment and fill out an application and remember, working on Raven Knob Staff is not just a job, it's a way of life.

Summer Camp 2010

Leaders please review the Camp Chart online at ravenknob.com to make sure that your Troop or Crew is signed up for Summer Camp 2010 at Raven Knob. The campsites will go quickly and the number of Troops rolling over their sites from 2009 was high, so be sure to check the chart and if your unit is not on the chart contact Keith Bobbitt at kmbcrk7@aol.com or at 336-760-2900 to confirm your reservation.

Our Summer Camp Program Committee has already met and we are preparing several new changes and upgrades for next summer. Further details will be posted in upcoming issues of the Raven and at the Raven Knob website.

National Jamboree 2010

It's coming...and it's going to be big...really big! This will be the greatest celebration of Scouting ever held. The Centennial Scouting Jamboree will be held in July of 2010 at Fort A.P. Hill in Caroline County, Virginia. With over 45,000 Scouts and Leaders in attendance boys from our local troops will have the opportunity of a lifetime to see the very best of Scouting. We will be sending three troops to the Jamboree. These troops will be comprised of 36 Scouts and 4 Leaders each. Presently we have almost filled our troops, and we have only limited space. If you are interested in participating go to www.scouting.org and get all the details on how to register. Ask anyone who has ever attended a National Jamboree about their experience and you will get just a taste of what lies in store for the 108 Scouts that we will be sending. Register soon and be apart of the CENTENIAL CELEBRATION!!!

We will be holding our first meeting with Scouts, Leaders and parents on Saturday afternoon November 7th at Trinity Moravian Church on Sprague Street in Winston-Salem. This meeting will begin at 2:00 p.m. and every Scout who is registered to attend the Jamboree is encouraged to attend.

Camp Raven Knob Usage Fees

The Scouts and Scouters of the Old Hickory Council are certainly fortunate to have at their access Camp Raven Knob, and Raven Pointe. With thousands of acres of Scouting adven-

ture on hand just about every weekend we see numerous Cub Packs, Scout Troops and Venture Crews enjoying the great resources that are readily at hand.

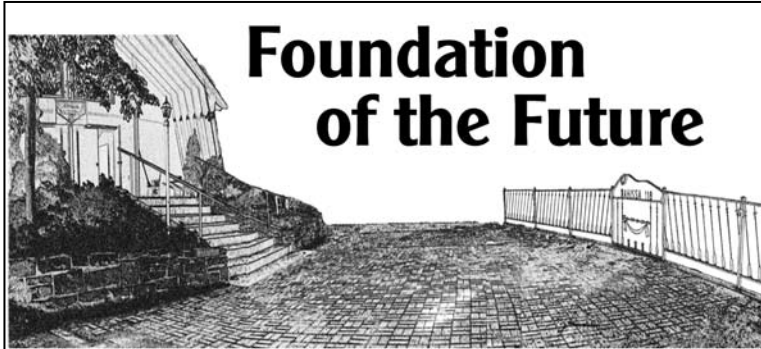
In order to continue to provide these great facilities to our Scouting family the Council Camping Committee has put into place a series of user fees. These user fees are explained in detail on the Council website and at ravenknob.com. The fee structure will take effect on January 1, 2010. Please take a few minutes and review the program online, and if there are any questions please contact Keith Bobbitt at the Scout Office.

Chainsaw Safety Training

The Boy Scouts of America has required now for several years that individuals who use chainsaws on Boy Scout property or at outings be trained by a certified forester. We will have a course on Saturday, February 13, 2010. Brian Elam, the North Carolina State Forester for Surry County, will conduct this course. The course will be held at the Barnhardt Training Center at Camp Raven Knob and will begin at 8:30 a.m. The course fee will be \$15.00 and lunch will be provided. Space is limited and pre-registering by February 1 through the Council Office is required. BE SAFE... BE THERE!!!



Lawnmower donated to camp: Daniel and Jeremiah Millikan of Troop 427 in German-ton present a heavy duty mower to Graham Baucom of Camp Raven Knob. This is a gift from the estate of Robert O. (Bud) Grubbs in Winston-Salem, NC.



Foundation of the Future

Buy a Personalized Engraved Brick And build upon the OA's Legacy of Cheerful Service

If you are a Boy Scout, Cub Scout, Scout Leader or someone who simply appreciates the natural beauty and serenity of Camp Raven Knob, then you already know that Camp Raven Knob has a special place in your life...and to those who have come before you and to those who will follow.



Engrave your brick to commemorate your special time at Camp Raven Knob

Camp Raven Knob has made a lasting impression on Scouts, their families and friends for more than a half century. Now, those closest to "the Knob" can return the gesture through a gift to build this special place for the future.

Wahissa Lodge is continuing the Order of Arrow's Legacy of Cheerful Service and support of the Boy Scouts' camping program by helping to raise funds to build the Wesley K. Morgan Maintenance Facility at Camp Raven Knob.

Personally engraved bricks can honor a loved one, commemorate a special event or simply show your support for Camp Raven Knob. Your \$50 gift will make a lasting impression for years to come.

Now is your chance to support Wahissa Lodge and Camp Raven Knob with a donation that will last a lifetime. Buy a personalized engraved brick for yourself or in honor of or in memory of a loved one. Each sponsored brick will be a visible part of Wahissa Lodge's courtyard and will help ensure that the legacy of the Order of Arrow will continue for generations to come.

Brochure & order forms available at www.wahissa.org



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ANNIVERSARY POCKETKNIVES

The Wahissa Collector's set will be available from 2008 through 2015

Choose a your own serial number (you may want to select your Troop number as an example)

The cost of the 2008 knife is \$75 and may be adjusted by the manufacturer in subsequent years.

ORDER FORM

Wahissa 118 Anniversary Pocket Knife Order Form

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Serial Number Choice
(Maximum of 3 digits)
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2 _____
3 _____

Credit Card No. _____

Name on Card _____

Exp. Date _____

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Please include your payment of \$75 including sales tax and mail to the Old Hickory Council office

Wahissa Lodge #118 • Old Hickory Council
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Happy birthday Daniel Boone: Scouts & leaders with Packs 914, 753 & 942 pose for a photo at the Daniel Boone marker at Hanes Park during their participation at the Daniel Boone birthday celebration. Rev. Gary Marshal, a longtime Scout leader and Daniel Boone historian, came from Carroll County, Virginia to share his collection of books, patches and flintlock rifles with Scouts. Randell Jones, author of *In the Footsteps of Daniel Boone*, organized the birthday celebration, and, as an Eagle Scout, looks forward to sharing his exciting stories with Scouts during the 100th BSA Anniversary year. You can contact Randell at www.danielboonefootsteps.com for more info on a program for your unit.

Centennial Quality Award 2010: When Tradition Meets Tomorrow!

The 100th anniversary of Scouting will be celebrated next year. The excitement of celebrating a century of fun and adventure, citizenship, patriotism, and good character is truly an opportunity for America to salute the Boy Scouts of America.

Leading up to the Centennial Year, the BSA has focused much effort on the National Strategic Objective: "2010: When Tradition Meets Tomorrow." As a means for achieving this objective, the national BSA established the Centennial Quality Award. The revised award program was seen as a tremendous opportunity to acknowledge and salute those who truly deliver exceptional programs to youth members at all levels of our organization.

The Primary Focus: As you have heard over the past few years, the theme of the Centennial Quality Award is "To improve the QUALITY of program in every unit in America!"

Every level of the organization has been asked to establish annual goals to accomplish in key areas of quality program delivery each year. When a unit, district, or council earns this award, it makes a statement that they have provided their youth members with the highest quality program experience possible.

In the coming weeks, your District and Unit Commissioners will begin the Centennial Quality Award. Meetings will be scheduled with your Unit leadership to provide the actual 2010 forms, and will assist you in your review of the past year, and developing your goals for the coming year.

The evaluation for the Centennial Quality Unit Award is a great opportunity to discuss the hopes and priorities of your unit with your Unit Commissioner. We encourage you, as a unit leader, to involve your unit committee, and as many other people as possible, and to continually seek ideas for improvement.

Remember, it is vital that you begin today is setting your goals and work toward achieving the award. Your youth members are counting on you!



Old Hickory Council
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Jamboree on the Air (JOTA): David Long and Boy Scout Zach Smith operate a mobile station in Andy Webb's van during the Jamboree on the Air. This year's event was held at Camp Raven Knob during the Parent/Son Camporee.

Matt Gfeller Memorial Run

Mark your calendar now for the first annual Matt Gfeller Memorial Doughnut Run to be held at Reynolds High School on November 14 at 9:00 AM. Matt was an Eagle Scout who died tragically last year while playing football for Reynolds High School. This 5K run or walk is open to the public and all ages are encouraged to participate.

Race participants may choose to register in one of two categories: "Challenger" participants will run half of the race, then eat a half-dozen doughnuts before completing the course. "Casual" participants will run/walk half of the course, eat as many or as few doughnuts as they wish before completing the race. Prizes will be awarded to the top finishers in the "Challenger" category.

Prior to November 1, registration fees are \$20 for adults and \$15 for students (through high school age), and \$25 for everyone after November 1. Proceeds will benefit the Matthew Alan Gfeller Memorial Scholarship Fund of The Winston-Salem Foundation. For information or to register online, go to www.twincitytc.org. For further questions, email mlineberger@triad.rr.com.



100th Anniversary skit: Hanging Rock District Scouts & Scouters perform a skit commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America at the Stokes Stomp.

Fred Patterson Selected as Piedmont District Executive



The Old Hickory Council is pleased to announce that Fred Patterson has been selected to serve as District Executive in the Piedmont District beginning November 16, 2009.

Fred is a long-time volunteer in the Old Hickory Council who brings a wealth of experience in Scouting and in business to his new position. He has served as a Webelos Den Leader, Cubmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, and District Committee Member. He currently serves as the Piedmont District Chairman, a position he has held since 2005. He has served on the staff at Camp Raven Knob for ten summers. He is an Eagle Scout, a Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow, and has completed Woodbadge training.

Patterson spent 28 years in the financial services industry as a Financial Planner and Investment Adviser. He has worked with Jefferson Pilot Securities, Nationwide Securities, and Wachovia Bank. Prior to his work in the financial business, Fred served as a District Executive for two years in the General Greene Council, where his duties included Camp Director of the General Greene Scout Reservation. He also worked with the Ten Mile River Scout Camps in New York.

Fred received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Human Relations from High Point University, and a Chartered Financial Consultant degree from American College. He is a member of College Park Baptist Church.

Fred and his wife Debbi have been married for 30 years. They have four children: Sarah, Brent, Avery, and Tiffany. Brent is an Eagle Scout and is currently serving our nation as a member of the U.S. Army.

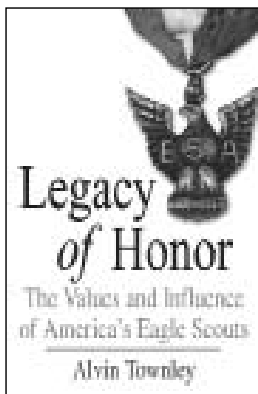


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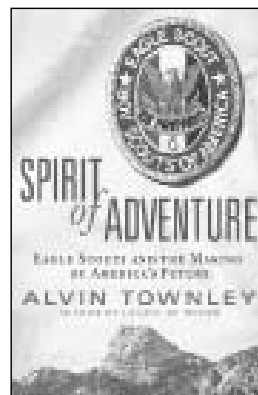
For the most current information on local activities and initiatives to celebrate the 100th BSA Anniversary go to www.oldhickorycouncil.org and click on "100th BSA Anniversary Celebration Information" on the home page, and for national information go to www.scouting.org/100years

December 1st & 2nd, 2009 - Eagle Scout Reception and Breakfast



Legacy of Honor author and Eagle Scout Alvin Townley has a new book out, titled *Spirit of Adventure*, and will be joining us here in the Old Hickory Council for an Eagle Scout reception at Wake Forest University's Bridger Field House in Winston-Salem on the evening of December 1st, 2009, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., and a breakfast in Mount Airy at the 1st Baptist Church at 7:30 a.m. on the morning of December 2nd, 2009. We will have Alvin's books available for purchase and Alvin will be signing copies and talking to local Eagle Scouts about his adventures in interviewing Eagle Scouts around the world.

All Eagle Scouts are invited to attend these events but should preregister by emailing Steve Daniel at steve.daniel@scouting.org.



Alvin's newest book, *Spirit of Adventure*, introduces America to a new generation of leaders - young Eagle Scouts who are leading lives of purpose and adventure. To meet these young men, Alvin traveled the globe, diving in Australia, surfing in Hawaii, rock climbing in Nevada, venturing into Africa, and cruising home aboard the aircraft carrier USS Nimitz. He discovered an inspiring story of service and leadership.

If you know an Eagle Scout who you think would like to attend one of these events please pass along this information and remind them to register.

A Year of Celebration - A Century of Making a Difference

We want every Scout, adult leader, and Scouting alum to have a chance to be part of our biggest milestone yet—our 100th Anniversary Celebration. We want to fire up the passion for Scouting while giving everyone an opportunity to make a difference ... and earn recognition.

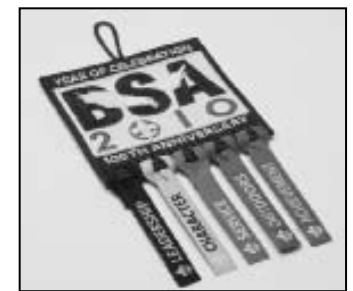
Through A Year of Celebration, A Century of Making a Difference, we will do just that. Individuals can earn a 100th Anniversary patch by demonstrating dedication to five of Scouting's core values—leadership, achievement, community service, character, and the outdoors.

Participants can earn patch segments in each category. The program will be both fun and engaging and, most important, will show America the impact that Scouting makes through its commitment to these values. A Year of Celebration will be in effect from Sept. 1, 2009, through Dec. 31, 2010.

To earn the awards, Scouts must demonstrate personal growth and teamwork. Adults and alumni must teach skills and become involved in Scouting activities. Specific requirements for each patch segment can be found on the home page of the council web site at www.oldhickorycouncil.org on the 100th Anniversary page.

Locally individuals can also earn the right to purchase a specially designed 100th Anniversary belt buckle when they've earned all the patch segments and participated in some of the events our council will be having.

A local Achievement Record Card will be provided to all Scouters and Scouts to track completed local events. The Achievement Record Card can be picked up at the council office or downloaded from the council web site home page.



Baloo Training

Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO), which helps with understanding the BSA's progressive camping program established by the National Council, was offered on October 24th @ Camp Raven-knob.

We had 42 registered adults taking this course. They were introduced to camping, cooking, camp fire safety, songs and other fun activities.

Tom Travis, our council training chair, was the course director, with the assistance of Dennis Winebarger, Rusty Worthington and Steve Cline.

Our next Baloo training will be in Spring 2010, any registered adult who is involved with pack activities is encouraged to participate.

The more trained adults your unit has, the better your program will be.

Boy Scout Christmas Tree Sale

Support Scouting

Purchase a North Carolina grown Frazier Fir Christmas tree!

Select your tree at the conveniently located Scout Office lot!
6600 Silas Creek Pkwy
Winston-Salem, NC

2009 Sale Dates

Nov. 27: Noon - 7 PM	Dec. 5: 9 AM - 7 PM
Nov. 28: 9 AM - 7 PM	Dec. 6: 1 PM - 6 PM
Nov. 29: 1 PM - 6 PM	

All proceeds go to support the Boy Scouts of America, Old Hickory Council and Order of the Arrow Wahissa Lodge #118
For More Information Call: Old Hickory Council - Boy Scouts of America (336) 760-2900



Good turn for the community: Cub Scouts, leaders and parents from Lewisville's Pack 752 all lent a hand to this year's Big Sweep effort and in the photo above are displaying all the trash they collected. Thanks go out to Pack 752 and all Scouting units who help make our communities better places to live.

Scout Shop Inventory



The Winston-Salem Scout Shop will be closed for inventory December 24, 2009-January 1, 2010.

The Scout Shop will reopen on Saturday, January 2, 2010. We are sorry for any inconvenience this might cause.



Horsemanship Merit Badge: Scouts with Troop 715 spent the weekend at Leatherwood Mtn in Ferguson, NC to earn their Horsemanship Merit Badge. The staff at Leatherwood prepared a custom course for the Scouts, who learned how to feed & care for a horse in addition to learning riding skills. Despite a constant drizzle, the Scouts toughed out the night at Leatherwood's camping grounds, learning to find dry wood for a fire, cook over an open flame, and keep dry all night.

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2009-2010 Centennial Quality Awards Timeline

The following are target dates for your Centennial Quality forms:

- October 2009 through January 2010 – Unit leaders meet with Unit Commissioners to review 2009 Goals
- October 26, 2009 – Letter and forms mailed to unit leaders for 2010 award
- January 22, 2010 - Units turn in the 2009 Centennial Unit form
- February 12, 2010 – Districts turn in the 2009 Centennial District form to the council office

Please see your Unit Commissioner for more information.

Commissioner College

Saturday, January 23rd, 2010

BB&T University in Winston-Salem
(across the street from the Old Hickory Council Service Center)

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Commissioner Service continues to grow stronger throughout the Old Hickory Council, and we are kicking off the Centennial Year of Scouting with a spectacular training opportunity for all Commissioners. This year, the Old Hickory Council is serving as host for the Triad Cluster Commissioner College, with Commissioners from neighboring Old North State and Blue Ridge Mountains councils travelling to Winston-Salem for this annual event.

This event is a great chance for all Commissioners from the three councils to get together for one day of specific training, with five separate levels of training offered to participants. Unit Commissioners, Roundtable Commissioners and Administrative Commissioners are all welcome to attend this event as a student or to serve on the faculty at all levels.

Registration materials will be distributed to all Commissioners in the coming weeks, and more information will be available on-line. Registration deadline will be on January 20. Please contact the Assistant Council Commissioner of Training: Jason Nagle via e-mail at: JTN427@aol.com or visit: www.unitlifeguard.org for more information or additional flyers.