

## **THE EAGLE'S NEST**

*Boy Scouts of America Troop 1, Spartanburg, South Carolina  
Chartered Organization of the Episcopal Church of the Advent*

*A Miniature Edition  
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### **TROOP 1 CALENDAR**

Tuesday, August 15, 6:00 – 7:30	Back to Scouts Meeting & Family Hot Dog Supper <i>Patrol Leaders, please report to Scout Hut at 5:30.</i>
Friday, August 18 – Sun., Aug. 20	Nantahala Family Campout
Tuesday, August 22, 6:00 – 7:30	Scout Meeting
Tuesday, August 29, 6:00 – 7:30	Scout Meeting
Tuesday, September 5, 6:00	Court of Honor

### **Looking Ahead**

September 8 – 10	Lancaster Farm Trip (New Scouts)
September 8 – 10	Canoe Trip (Older Scouts)
September 22 – 24	Lake Summit Campout
October 20 – 22	Edisto Campout

### **SCOUTMASTER NOTES**

It is time to get back in the swing of things for the new scouting year. However, Troop 1 had a busy and productive summer as scouts attended Camp Daniel Boone and toured the US Capitol, General Westmoreland's grave site / West Point, and Monticello. I am very grateful to all of the parents who helped out at camp and with the bus trip. We are extremely fortunate to have such strong support from our parents as well as a number of folks in the community.

We will not be publishing a printed calendar as we have done in the past. With the use of e-mail and Microsoft Outlook that most people use, the Troop will save \$1200 in paper and printing costs. Coby Alexander will send out the calendar real soon which will be able to be downloaded directly into Microsoft Outlook.

We will hit the ground running with our **FIRST MEETING AUGUST 15 @ 6:00pm** and the Nantahala Camping Trip that weekend. Please note the camping trips scheduled for September. It is especially important that the New Scouts attend the Lancaster Farms trip September 8-10 in order to make progress for achieving First Class rank advancement.

I look forward to another outstanding year for Troop 1. See you August 15 @ 6:00pm.

*~Calhoun*

### **UPDATE ON HAMILTON**

As many of the Troop 1 family is aware, Hamilton King was recently diagnosed with a congenital vascular malformation in the left frontal cortex of his brain. This diagnosis came as Hamilton was traveling with other Advent youth in England. He received excellent care in London and was able to continue on for the duration of the trip, along with mom Mallie who jetted over to join in the hospital and touring fun. Hamilton feels very well and has maintained his usual round of activities since getting back home, with a few doctors' appointments thrown in for good measure! This is a condition Hamilton has likely had since birth and should prove no hindrance to him following removal of the mass. The Kings are currently weighing various surgical options and calendars before Hamilton returns to Woodberry Forest School in September. Through it all, Hamilton has been more than stalwart, patient and good-humored--a shining reflection of his family and of Troop 1. Please keep the Kings in your prayers as they move forward.

### **TROOP 1 OUTDOORS**

Troop 1 has finished up a great summer of camping, canoeing, bus riding, and seeing a whole lot of what our country is all about whether it was the beauty of the Edisto River, the majestic mountains of Camp, or the great places we were able to visit going to West Point. Lewis Barnett, Sam Parrott, and Lesesne Phillips completed the Edisto 50 Miler, Camp Daniel Boone, and the Westmoreland trip this summer spending 13 nights with their troop. Way to go!

Troop 1 has a very exciting fall line up for the outdoor program. Following the Nantahala Family Rafting trip coming up August 18-20 there will be two camping trips the weekend of September 8-10. New scouts will be going to Lancaster Farm to learn outdoor scouting skills and older scouts will be going canoe camping.

We will be camping at Lake Summit the weekend of September 22-24 where scouts will have the opportunity to work on the motor boating, water skiing, and wilderness survival merit badges. Coming up the weekend of October 20-22 will be one of Troop 1's favorite trips as we venture back to Edisto Island for a weekend of great food and fun on the beach.

*~Ted*

## GOD AND CHURCH

God and Church, which is part of the God and Country series, will be offered this year to sixth, seventh and eighth grade scouts. The goals of this class are: to strengthen young people's relationship with Christ; to challenge young people to learn about and participate in the worship and ministry of the church; to have young people make a plan for daily Bible reading and memorize a creed or statement of belief or passage of scripture; to provide the opportunity for young people to experience the joy of serving others. More information about the curriculum is available online at [www.praypub.org](http://www.praypub.org)

This class will meet on Tuesdays from 5:00- 6:00 in the Advent youth center, beginning this Tuesday August 15. Scouts **and parents are encouraged to attend the first meeting**. The class schedule is as follows:

Introductory Session	August 15
Session 1	August 22
Session 2	August 29
Session 3	September 12
Session 4	September 26
Session 5	October 3
Session 6	October 17
Session 7	October 31
Field trip to Temple	Friday, November 10 (no SHS game or camping)
Session 8	November 14
Session 9	November 28
Session 10	December 5

Participating scouts will be required to attend a Sunday worship service at either Restoration Church, Evangel Cathedral, or Spartanburg Community. This requirement is the scout family's responsibility.

**If you have questions, contact Chris Lynn at the church at her email address above or by calling 585-2268 or 585-9090 ext. 1222.** You will need to purchase a God and Church student workbook for your scout. They can be purchased online or at the Boy Scout office.

## HELP NEEDED

Additional volunteers to help Jerry Setzer and Bubba Littlejohn with the Board of Reviews. Please contact Calhoun if you are willing and able to help.

**\*\* The Eagle's Nest will return to its usual publication format and schedule next month. \*\***