



## Eagles Nest

June 2004

### Why we give our time

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While serving on an Eagle Board of review, I began to wonder how much time is contributed by adults (other than the boy's parents) to help a boy achieve the rank of Eagle Scout.

I estimated the time for counseling a minimum of 21 merit badges; providing patrol advice on overnight outings, summer camp, high adventure trips, and troop meetings; serving on boards of review; and the hours served by the Scoutmaster. This came to a minimum of slightly more than 100 hours per year (or a Tenderfoot-to-Eagle total of around 500 hours) of non-parental adult leadership for each Scout who reaches Eagle.

This total helped me appreciate how much time other adults will contribute so my two sons can get to Eagle. And it made me feel ever more committed to help others in a similar way.

Recently, while describing the adventures my wife and our two sons and I have enjoyed in Scouting, we were asked, "How do you find the time?"

My answer? We make the time, because so many others have already contributed- and will continue to contribute-so much to our sons.

### June Calendar

Friday, June 4-Tuesday, June 8

#### **Edisto River 50 Miler**

Leave Scout Hut at 4pm return at 7pm

Sunday, June 13-Saturday, June 19

#### **Camp Ho Non Wah**

Leave Scout Hut at 11am, return around 2:30pm. Bring Money for lunch-both trips!

Sunday, July 11-Thursday, July 15

#### **Appalachian Trail 50 Miler**

Leave Scout Hut at 3pm  
Return 5:30pm  
Bring money for lunch

Thursday, August 12

First Day of School for  
Public Schools

Wednesday, August 25

First Day of School for  
Spartanburg Day School

Tuesday, August 17

First Scout Meeting 6:00-7:30

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# Scoutmaster Notes



Summer is here! We had a great Cross Over Ceremony, a great Tap Out Ceremony, and a great Mount Mitchell Weekend. For once the weather was good. The Scouts and their Dads who worked the top of the mountain had one passing shower, lot' s of sun and ate like Kings Saturday night. All reports from Spartanburg and Marion were good. Thanks for all the hard work.

Now, we are focusing on the summer activities. We have our first 50-Miler striking out in less than a week. Scout Camp will be here before we know it and after that it will be time for the last

50-Miler.

I will be available to do Scoutmaster Conferences at any time this summer. Please feel free to call me for anything I may help you with, 590-5738. **Have a great summer!**

Thank you,

**W alter**

## Election Results – May 4, 2004

Congratulations to the following Scouts on being elected to leadership positions in Troop 1. Remember, leadership requires setting examples in attendance and participation in all troop activities in addition to knowledge of your specific position.

### Troop Officers

Senior Patrol Leader	-----	Ben Taylor
Assistant SPL's	-----	Matt Hammond Patrick Kavanagh Andrew Yates
Quartermaster(s)	-----	Monty Oates – Scout Hut Richard Lacoste - Tents Richard Gilliam - Equipment
Scribe	-----	Winslow Schwartz
O/A Rep	-----	Parrish Smith
Troop Guide	-----	Clarke Todd
Recycling Officer	-----	Clay Russell

### Patrol Officers

<b>Patrol</b>	<b>Patrol Leader</b>	<b>APL-Scribe</b>
Hawk	Mackenzie Hines	Sam Mercer
Moose	Chase Simmons	Caleb Jennings
Pine Tree	Harrison Cecil	Hamilton King
Alligator	Mark Crowley	Hunt Russell
Bison	Rob Richardson	
Pedro	Josh Graham	
Ram	Zach Brown	Brad Daley
Frontiersman	Christopher Graham	Ben Yurgiewicz
Wolverine	JohnDavid Ike	Charles Adams
Rattlesnake	Lesesne Phillips	Sam Parrott
Shark	William Hudson	Michael McNeely



## April & May Advancements

C. Adams	Personal Fitness
J. Barber	<b>EAGLE</b>
C. Brown	<b>Scout</b>
Z. Brown	Camping, Indian Lore, Weather
B. Daley	Indian Lore, Genealogy
J. Dargan	<b>Scout</b>
A. Darr	Genealogy
R. Gilliam	Weather
M. Hammond	<b>Star</b> , Cit World, Indian Lore
C. Hellyer	<b>Scout</b>
D. Henderson	Weather
M. Hines	Weather
W. Hudson	<b>Scout</b>
J. Ike	Indian Lore, Weather
M. Ivey	Weather
C. Jennings	Genealogy
P. Kavanagh	<b>EAGLE</b>
H. King	First Aid
R. Lacoste	<b>Star</b> , Genealogy
S. Mercer	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Class, 1<sup>st</sup> Class</b>
D. Middlebrooks	Art, Genealogy, Indian Lore, Swimming
D. Miller	Personal Management
D. Newton	<b>Scout</b>
M. Oates	Genealogy, Indian Lore, Lifesaving
M. Parks	Personal Fitness, Personal Management
S. Parrott	<b>Scout</b>
L. Phillips	<b>Scout</b>
J. Reel	<b>Scout</b>
R. Richardson	Genealogy
C. Russell	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Class, 1<sup>st</sup> Class</b> , Weather
H. Russell	Life, Personal Management
A. Sanchez	<b>Scout</b>
W. Schwartz	Genealogy, Nature
T. Shoulders	Family Life, Personal Fitness, Personal Management
R. Sturm	Personal Fitness
C. Todd	<b>Life</b> , Genealogy, Soil & Water Conservation
B. Yugiewicz	Weather



## Easy Summer Merit Badges

When you get bored this summer, but are not quite ready for full time schoolwork, there are two merit badges you may earn on your own.

The **READING MB** involves reading eight books and keeping a log about them. You may probably earn credit for books you are already reading for school. You must also spend four hours of volunteer work in a reading or library situation and fill out a form. Look on the internet at <http://www.meritbadge.com/bsa/mb/095.htm> or contact Coby for exact requirements. (Where it says “discuss with your counselor,” please write a report and turn it in to Coby.) Coby or Walter must approve any books that are not on your school’s summer reading list.

The **SCHOLARSHIP MB** is also very easy to earn. It involves showing your final report card, reporting on a field trip and two interviews, a note from your principal or guidance counselor and a short essay. You must also have participated in an extracurricular activity. Contact Coby or look at <http://www.meritbadge.com/bsa/mb/100.htm> for exact requirements.

## Scout Camp News

Camp Ho Non Wah (June 13 – 19, 2004) is quickly approaching. Are you prepared?

Each scout has been provided a handout that provided a vast amount of information needed for attendance at Camp Ho Non Wah. Please take a few minutes and review before your scout leaves for Camp Ho Non Wah. I have listed page numbers for some of the more important items.

Emergency call information and Camp rules are on page 5.

Medical information is on page 6. If your scout should need to take medications while at camp they should be checked in at the Health Lodge after arriving on Sunday.

There is an equipment checklist of items to bring and recommended items not to bring on page 7. It is recommended that all scouts bring spending money. Some of the merit badges require an addition fee and will need to be paid by the scout. Archery \$10, CPR Training \$8, Indian Lore \$6, Motorboating \$2, Rifle Shooting \$10, Shotgun Shooting \$15, Water Skiing \$5, Woodsman \$5, Advanced Indian Lore \$15. Please be sure to send this with your Scouts.

There is an additional equipment requirement for first year scouts found on page 9.

Some of the merit badges have a pre-camp requirement. Some of the badges require bringing a merit badge book or other items needed to complete the merit badge to camp. For example, scouts participating in the Environmental Science merit badge are asked to bring two clear plastic (emptied and clean) 2 liter bottles and merit badge book. Please review your merit badge selection for any pre-camp requirements. If you have pre-camp requirements please complete them before leaving for camp. Merit badges offered at Camp Ho Non Wah this year are listed on pages 10 through 13.

If you have questions please call me at (w) 560-4696 or (H) 542-2761. If you need a replacement handout or need more information please send me an email to [middlebrooks@srhs.com](mailto:middlebrooks@srhs.com).



## Activities and Service Hours

One of the requirements for 2<sup>nd</sup> Class is that a scout must participate in five “troop activities.” He must participate in five more for 1<sup>st</sup> Class. Another requirement for 2<sup>nd</sup> Class is that a scout must complete one hour of service to others. Star and Life ranks require six service hours each. There has been much confusion this spring about what qualifies for these requirements.

**A troop activity** is anything that the troop does together, other than a meeting. All of our campouts qualify; in fact, two of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Class activities and three of the 1<sup>st</sup> Class activities must involve overnight camping. The fall Barbeque counts, as does marching as a troop in the Veterans Day parade. Any outings we do as a troop such as the orienteering class at the Lancaster’s farm also qualify. Participating in a Court of Honor, such as attending Crossover without spending the night, does not count. Neither does attending a Scout Sunday service.

**Service hours** include participating in a project benefiting the “community” as opposed to helping an individual. The recent Christmas in April project was a good example. It is an organized project clearly benefiting a community. Just babysitting or helping the elderly couple next door does not qualify. The Scoutmaster must approve all service hours in advance. The Goodfellows project at Christmas, helping at Mobile Meals or the Soup Kitchen or working on an Eagle project are pre-approved. Be sure to get the person in charge of the project or your parents to write a note saying when and how long you worked.

Helping another Scout by working on his Eagle project counts both as an activity and as service hours. The Eagle candidate does not have to be a Troop 1 scout, any Eagle project will qualify. The Eagle candidate should report the scouts that helped him, along with when and how long they worked, as part of his Eagle paperwork. You will not be credited for the hours until our troop leaders receive the paperwork.

The activities may be completed anytime since you became a Boy Scout. If you spent the night at Crossover, that counts as your first activity. The service hour for 2<sup>nd</sup> Class may also be completed anytime since becoming a Boy Scout. The service hours for Star, however, must be completed after earning 1<sup>st</sup> Class. Likewise, the hours for Life must be done after earning Star. The date that you officially earn a rank is the date you successfully completed the Board of Review, not the date you were presented the award.

If you have any questions about any of this, see Coby or Walter or send e-mail to [Coby@teleplex.net](mailto:Coby@teleplex.net) or [Oatescon@aol.com](mailto:Oatescon@aol.com).

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## Committee Members

Walter Oates- Scoutmaster  
Michael Hammond-Committee Chairman  
Coby Alexander-Advancement Chairman  
Rev. Rob Brown- Chaplain  
Grant Calhoun- Mount Mitchell Co-chair  
Stephen Freudenthal-Barbecue Co-chair  
Ken Frick- Finance Chairman  
Jamie Hodge- Mount Mitchell Co-chair  
Mallie King- Eagle's Nest  
Rodney Lacoste- Outdoor Chairman  
Grey Lancaster- Senior Advisor  
Jacky Middlebrooks-Scout Camp Chairman  
Mike Parks-Senior Advisor  
Cathy Richardson- Secretary  
Chip Smith- Board of Review Chairman /  
Barbecue Co-chair  
Sarah Todd-Program / Merit Badge Coordinator  
Holly Watters- Master of Ceremonies



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# June Birthdays

**Matthew Parks turns 18 on June 21**

# July Birthdays

**Andy Frick 7/04**  
**Robert Erwin 7/07**

**Winslow Schwartz 7/20**  
**Drew Sanchez 7/22**

## Congratulations to the tapped out Members of the Order of the Arrow

John Cochran  
Mark Crowley  
Adam Freudenthal  
Matt Hammond  
JohnDavid Ike

Patrick Kavanagh  
Hamilton King  
Monty Oates  
Parrish Smith  
Clarke Todd

## Important News

**There will be no July Eagles Nest. Our next issue will be emailed by August 12th!!! Have a great Summer!**

The Lynn's have a backpack for sale - cheap! It's one they bought for Tripp when he was in the 7th grade or so, so it has been well loved. It would be a great starter backpack for a new Scout. Please call Chris Lynn if you are interested, work (585-2268) or home (573-8900).

**We want to encourage all Scouts to continue to work on merit badges and rank advancements over the summer. They need to keep good records and if it is an Eagle required merit badge, the instructor needs to have approval from Coby.**

## Fund Raising

There is talk of taking a high adventure scuba diving trip summer 2005. Troop 1 has organized and executed "exotic" high adventure trips in years past. We need to get this back on our calendar. A trip to blue waters can get rather expensive. And for ol' mom & dad to come off the hip with \$1,600 or so takes planning and sacrifice. Solution? Encourage your Scout to participate in the upcoming fund raisers. Half of all the money your Boy Scout earns goes into his high adventure account. This is a good way to help offset some of the costs associated with these trips. Not only does this help the Troop, but it directly helps the Boy Scout. Encourage him to get his uniform on and sell himself and our Troop! Many lessons learned in this exercise! The upcoming opportunities are the 50 Miler Fund Raisers and the November



### BBQ Tickets.

Rodney Lacoste is organizing a scuba certification class for all interested boys this summer. The Discover Scuba date will be the 9th of June. The cost for this is \$25.00 and if choose to become certified the \$25.00 will be deducted from the cost of the certification course. Please email Walter ([Oatescon@aol.com](mailto:Oatescon@aol.com)) and let him know you will be there!