

The Eagle's Nest

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, TROOP 1

JANUARY 2008

Scoutmaster Notes

Scouts and Parents,

I hope everyone had a good break and is ready for our "spring semester." There will be a lot of changes in the coming months as we welcome a large crossover group, make some improvements to the Scout Hut, and travel to some new locations on our outdoor treks such as Robert's Cave in Virginia.

We have a Court of Honor coming up in a few weeks, so try and finish up any badges in the next week or two. Also, please take advantage of the new format at Merit Badge College in February to get some of those Eagle required badges completed.

Finally, we are anticipating a rush of Eagle ceremonies in the coming months. Congratulations to all our new Eagles! Make sure you work with Elise Mercer to coordinate your ceremony.

As always I appreciate your dedication, support and loyalty to Troop 1.

Calhoun



WHAT'S AHEAD FOR TROOP 1

Tuesday, January 8, 6pm
Crime Prevention

Tuesday, January 15, 6pm
Crime Prevention

Tuesday, January 22, 6pm
Court of Honor

January 25-27
Ski Trip, Boone, NC

Tuesday, January 29, 6pm
Space Exploration

Saturday, February 2
Merit Badge College

Sunday, February 3
Scout Sunday—see info on page 3

Tuesday, February 5, 6pm
Personal Management

Saturday, February 9
Merit Badge College



*Proper uniform is required of all
Scouts at all troop meetings.*

Have no fear! It is almost time to light the Troop 1 campfire for another season in the outdoors—well, almost. We will be warmed by the furnace of the **Valle Crucis Conference Center on January 25-27 as we take to the mountains for our annual weekend of skating, skiing, and snowboarding at Beech and Sugar Mountain.** This trip is sure to be a blast. Just remember: the registration deadline is our January 8th meeting, so don't delay.

The real campfire will be lit and Rusty's skillet will make its 2008 debut on **February 23-24.** We'll drive just up the road to **Kings Mountain** and spend Friday night at the state park. The next morning, we'll begin a **16-mile backpacking loop through both the state and national parks, with a stop at the Revolutionary War Battlefield to earn the Battlefield Trail Award** (<http://www.nps.gov/kimo/planyourvisit/battlefieldtrailaward>). Saturday night will be spent somewhere along the trail.

Troop 1 will be back in the caves again as we head to **Roberts Cave in Virginia for a spelunking weekend on March 14-16.** This will be a new cave for us and is sure to contain a few surprises. We will all be in suspense to see what weather conditions confront us on this outing, as we have seen every kind of weather on prior trips.

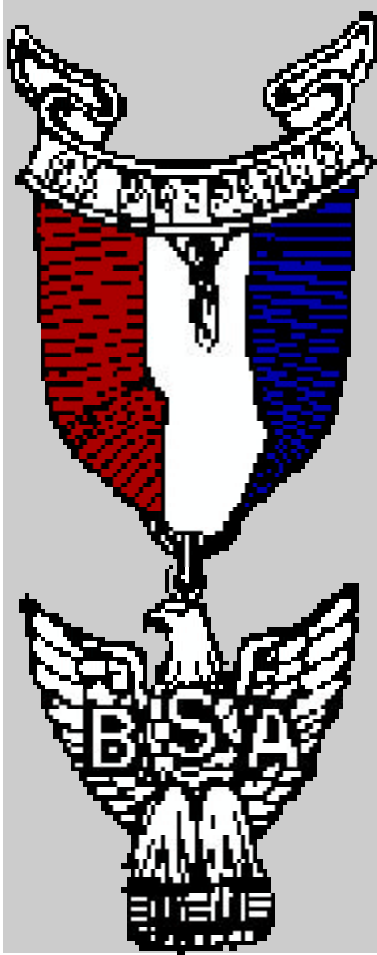
The nautical and navigational skills of Troop 1 will be put to the test in April as we set sail from the **Florida Sea Base for a week of sailing in the Keys during spring break.** *There is space for one more Scout to join in on this trip that is sure to bring a lifetime of memories.*

What a fall season we had with trips to the Nantahala for whitewater rafting, Lake Summit for fun on the water, Lake Moultrie for motor boating, Mt. Pleasant for deep sea fishing, and Linville Gorge for rock climbing. That all spells big adventure for the Scouts who were with us on those trips! One of the most awesome moments of the season was witnessing a group of cold, terrified Scouts as they prepared to make their first descent into what seemed like a bottomless pit at Linville Gorge, putting their trust into that rope that would guide them down. To see their faces at the bottom of the rappel said everything—the fear erased as they raced back to the top to do it again! I think we may have set a new troop record as all were in bed by 6:15 that night!

Let's get that campfire lit! I look forward to seeing all of you on and in the trails, caves, and coral reefs this winter and spring.

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Troop 1
Outdoors



SCOUT SUNDAY FEBRUARY 3, 2008

All Troop 1 and Pack 1 Scouts and their families are invited to breakfast at the Church of the Advent Family Life Center at 8:00. The cost of the meal is \$3.00 per person/ \$15.00 max per family. **Please let Elise Mercer know by January 28 if your family will be able to attend breakfast and how many will be eating;** phone at 582-4756 or e-mail at elisemercer@charter.net.

Following breakfast, all Troop 1 Scouts are encouraged to attend the church service at 9:00. Our troop will be recognized and Scouts will be participating in the service. We will meet outside the Church of the Advent at 8:45. Scouts should wear Class A uniform with sash and any awards.

Lastly, we will need volunteers to help set up and serve breakfast. Please let Elise know if you are able to help.



2007 Troop 1 BBQ

Rusty Barnett and I are pleased to announce that yet again our annual BBQ exceeded all expectations. Corporate and family sponsorships totaled \$7,650.00; this is very important as it allows more money to go directly to the Troop and not to expenses. Ticket sales were \$8,538.00, thus bringing total revenue for the event to \$16,188.00. I believe this is a new record! The total amount going to the Scouts' high adventure funds was \$3,325.00. This money can be used for the annual ski trip, summer camp, and other special trips. The BBQ ran smoothly, as always. We had great weather and great help by Scouts and parents. Extra thanks go to John Bauknight and Caleb Fort for bringing their cookers. Slow-cooked chicken is the way to go! Also, thanks to Chris Walker of Blue Moon Sauces for introducing us to some new seasonings and sauces. If anyone would like to try these at home, Chris can be reached at 266-2808. Rusty and I are very grateful for everybody's cooperation and enthusiasm, and we look forward to next year's event. The winners of our ticket sales competition are: first place: Charles Setzer; second place: Charles Mercer; and third place: John Blackman.

Thank you,
Jerry Setzer





MERIT BADGE COLLEGE REGISTRATIONS

Questions or changes? Contact Coby Alexander at (864) 590-3557 or coby@teleplex.net.

Scout	Date	Time	Class
Barnett, Lewis	2 Feb	8:30-12:30	Cit World
Barnett, Lewis	2 Feb	1:00-4:30	Cit Nation
Blackman, John	2 Feb	1:00-4:30	Family Life
Boyles, Zack	2 Feb	8:30-12:30	Cit Community
Boyles, Zack	2 Feb	1:00-4:30	Cit Nation
Cope, Julian	9 Feb	8:30-12:30	Cit Nation
Fort, Caleb	2 Feb	8:30-12:30	Cit World
Graham, Christopher	2 Feb	8:30-12:30	Cit Community
Graham, Christopher	2 Feb	1:00-4:30	Family Life
Graham, Christopher	9 Feb	All Day	Communications
Hammond, Wil	2 Feb	All Day	Emergency Prep
Hammond, Wil	9 Feb	All Day	Communications
Henderson, Drew	2 Feb	1:00-4:30	Family Life
Henderson, Jake	2 Feb	1:00-4:30	Cit Nation
Holcomb, Nic	9 Feb	All Day	First Aid
Kayser, Dietrich	2 Feb	8:30-12:30	Cit Community
Kayser, Dietrich	2 Feb	1:00-4:30	Cit Nation
Kayser, Dietrich	9 Feb	8:30-12:30	Medicine
Kayser, Dietrich	9 Feb	1:00-4:30	Cit World
Lacoste, Richard	2 Feb	1:00-4:30	Family Life
McBride, Harry	2 Feb	8:30-12:30	Cit World
McBride, Harry	2 Feb	1:00-4:30	Cit Nation
McBride, Harry	9 Feb	All Day	First Aid
McBride, John	2 Feb	8:30-12:30	Cit Community
McBride, John	2 Feb	1:00-4:30	Family Life
McBride, John	9 Feb	8:30-12:30	Cit Nation
Mercer, Charles	2 Feb	All Day	Environ. Science
Mercer, Charles	9 Feb	8:30-12:30	Cit Nation
Mercer, Charles	9 Feb	1:00-4:30	Cit Community
Middlebrooks, Drew	2 Feb	8:30-12:30	Surveying
Middlebrooks, Drew	9 Feb	1:00-4:30	Architecture
Reel, Rainsford	2 Feb	8:30-12:30	Cit Community
Reel, Rainsford	2 Feb	1:00-4:30	Veterinary Medicine
Setzer, Charles	2 Feb	All Day	Environ. Science
Setzer, Charles	9 Feb	All Day	Communications
Yurgiewicz, Ben	2 Feb	8:30-12:30	Cit Community
Yurgiewicz, Ben	2 Feb	1:00-4:30	Cit Nation

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Happy Birthday!

Ben Yurgiewicz, 1.09

Caleb Fort, 1.13

Clay Russell, 1.15

Matt Hammond, 1.19

Harry McBride, 1.24

Sam Mercer, 1.27

Clarke Todd, 1.29

DATES TO REMEMBER

Merit Badge College
February 2 & 9, 2008

Scout Sunday
February 3, 2008

Camp Ho Non Wah
June 15-21, 2008

**IN MEMORIAM:
ALBERT M. WARNOCK, JR.
1935-2007**

Former Troop 1 Scoutmaster Al Warnock passed away peacefully at his home in Gulf Breeze, Florida in late October. Mr. Warnock led Troop 1 for several years in the 1980s. He is survived by his wife Dini and three sons.