

Upcoming Events

- August 2 7:00 pm PLC meeting
- August 9 7:00 pm Troop Meeting
- <u>August 12-14</u> Pigeon River whitewater raft campout
- August 16 7:00 pm Troop Meeting (not at GSLC)
- <u>August 20</u> 8:30 am Personal Fitness MB (Mrs. Munt)

- August 23 7:00 pm Troop Meeting
- August 30 7:00 pm PLC meeting

Troop 28 Camp Raven Knob

Troop 28 Scouts attending Camp Raven Knob in July were: Adam A, Thomas B, Michael B, David C, Dylan C, Daniel C, Nalin G, Munga M, Christopher M, Garrett M, Andy P, Thomas R, Stephen S, Griffin S, Luke V, Alex W, Patrick W. Leaders: John Murrell, Mark Robbins, Hank Stroup, and Shawn Shadrix.



Summer Camp Raven Knob

July 3-9, 2011

This year we returned to Knoll campsite, sharing it with Troop 1131 from the Washington, D.C. area. After our arrival and setup on Sunday, we had a lunch of cold cuts sandwiches and fruit, and then off to complete the medical history checks and swim tests. The lake water felt good after the day's heat! Dinner at the dining hall was a new experience for many of our Scouts, which was followed by the campfire at the O.A. arena. On Monday, Scouts settled into their new daily routines of classes and meals. We were lucky to be chosen to have a Troop rifle shoot, which we did on Monday night (after some thunderstorms passed through). This year might be remembered as the 'Year of Rain', as virtually every afternoon's 'Free Swim' session had to be cancelled due to thunderstorms. Even the closing night's campfire had to be held in the dining hall! For Troop 28, we are used to this sort of weather during our campouts! On Tuesday night we gathered for a casual session of learning 'Monkey's Fist' knots, and on Wednesday morning we had our usual Knob hike and scenic breakfast (see photos below). That night parents made the long drive to camp, bringing lots of pizza and other goodies. Thursday night we met with Troop 914 for a 'Monkey's Fist' knot session, and ate freshly made Monkeybread.. yumm! We returned Saturday, a little dirty, tired, and happy, with a number of good memories!



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<u> Troop 28 Fundraiser Car Wash</u>

Photos from our June 18th car wash. Scouts helping were Adam A, <u>Christopher M</u>, <u>Garrett M</u>, <u>Stephen S</u>, <u>Griffin</u> S, <u>Luke V, Patrick W, Edward Y</u>, and <u>Victor Y</u>. Leaders helping were Lori Wilson, Gary Vacek, Hank Stroup, Jeff Bell, Sheila and John Murrell.



Young Eagles Rallies

www.eea.org Free airplane rides for kids ages 8-17

Asheboro Regional Airport, Asheboro, NC

EAA Chapter 1114 Young Eagle Flights Saturday, September 10, 2011 10am - 3pm Contact: David Williams Phone: 919-219-5933

Triangle North Executive, Louisburg, NC

Saturday - Sunday, September 17-18, 2011 0900 - 1700 *Airshow *Fly-in *Food *Rotorcraft *Seminar *Young Eagles Rally High Flight 2011 Triangle North Executive Airport open house and airshow <u>http://highflight2011.wordpress.com/</u> Contact: Tom Slater Phone: 919-247-9242



Troop 28 Website www.troop28raleigh.com Check it out!

National Youth Leadership Training

NYLT courses offered in surrounding Councils can be utilized by our scouts. Let John Murrell, Scoutmaster know if you are interested in attending any of these.

> East Carolina Council Aug 5-7 & 12-14 http://www.eccbsa.org

Old Hickory Council Aug 6-8 & 12-14 http://www.oldhickorycouncil.org

Tidewater Council Sept. 16-18 & 23-25 http://www.tidewaterbsa.com

Mecklenburg County Council

Nov. 11-13 (S.E.A.L.S.) http://www.mccscouting.org

<u>LEADERSHIP</u>

"**Leadership is not** a 'magnetic personality' -- that can just as well be a glib tongue. It <mark>is not</mark> 'making friends and influencing people' -- that is flattery.

Leadership is lifting a person's vision to high sights, the raising of a person's performance to a higher standard, the building of a personality beyond its normal limitations." -- Peter F. Drucker

What are our Scouts doing?

Our newsletter is a great opportunity for our scouts to write articles and essays, and for parents to brag about the wonderful accomplishments of our Scouts! Don't be shy!!

- Tell us about your summer activities
- Tell us about awards you received
- Tell us about your sports activities
- Tell us about your church trips and activities
- Tell us about clubs at school
- Tell us about your family vacation
- And the list goes on and on!

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June Meetings' Summary

<u>July 5, 2011</u> No Meeting - Troop at Camp Raven Knob <u>July 12, 2011</u> No Meeting - Church Halls reserved <u>July 19, 2011</u>

Our focus at this meeting was to review and sign off rank requirements, particularly for newer Scouts. 10 newer Scouts, and several older Scouts were in attendance.

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<u>July 26</u>

We reviewed our upcoming Pigeon River campout, and also had a review of Merit Badge blue cards by Mrs. Munt. Mr. Bell, our Committee Chair, discussed the process of getting a Board of Review for rank advancement. Luke V. gave a presentation about one of his favorite music bands, as part of his Communications MB requirements. We also continued our process of review of rank requirements and sign-offs. For the older Scouts, we discussed future options for summer camps, EDGE requirements, and also planning for Personal Fitness and Personal Management Merit Badge sessions.

Troop 28 2011 Campout & Activities Dates

August September October	12-14 Campout - Pigeon River 16-18 Virginia Creeper campout 1-2 Walmart Storefront Sales 1 NC Big Sweep
October October October October	 14-16 Beach campout 15-16 Sams Club Storefront Sales 15 Jamboree on the Air 29-30 Walmart Storefront Sales 29 Orange District Merit Badge Univ
November November December	5 University of Scouting 11-13 Campout 3 Troop Movie Night

Volunteers Needed

October 29 Occoneechee Council Harris Lake - Haunting for Harris - Volunteers needed



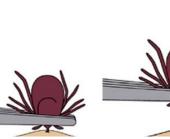
TROOP 28 EAGLE CORNER

Working on his Eagle rank. His project was making and installing garden benches for the Springmoor Retirement Community. Keep watch for further news and details.

How to remove a tick...

By: Dennis Ritter, Assistant Scoutmaster

- 1. Use fine-tipped tweezers to grasp the tick as close to the skin's surface as possible.
- 2. Pull upward with steady, even pressure. Don't twist or jerk the tick; this can cause the mouth-parts to break off and remain in the skin. If this happens, remove the mouth-parts with tweezers. If you are unable to remove the mouth easily with clean tweezers, leave it alone and let the skin heal.
- 3. After removing the tick, thoroughly clean the bite area and your hands with rubbing alcohol, an iodine scrub, or soap and water.
- 4. Avoid crushing the tick's body. Save the tick in a ziplock bag for possible identification by a doctor or the local health department. Write your name and date on the bag.



Follow-up

If you develop a rash or fever within several weeks of removing a tick, see your doctor. Be sure to tell the doctor about your recent tick bite, when the bite occurred, and where you most likely acquired the tick.

PRECAUTIONS YOU CAN TAKE...

- Avoid brushy and grassy areas, especially in May, June, and July. Stay in the center of the path.
- Wear light-colored clothing so that you can see ticks that get on you.
- Wear long pants and long-sleeved shirts.
- Wear shoes that cover the entire foot.
- Tuck pant legs into socks or shoes, and tuck shirts into pants.
- Wear a hat for extra protection.
- Spray insect repellent containing DEET on clothes and exposed skin other than the face, or treat clothes with permethrin, which kills ticks on contact.
- Walk in the center of trails to avoid brush and grass.
- Remove your clothing, and wash and dry them at high temperatures after being outdoors.
- Do a careful body check for ticks after outdoor activities.

Reference: Center for Disease Control and US Food and Drug Administration

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2013 BSA JAMBOREE

ADVENTURES DELIVERED! - Get ready! The **2013 National Scout Jamboree** is coming and we're talking seriously high adventure! Make the trip of trips to West Virginia and visit BSA's brand new High Adventure Facility, **'Summit Bechtel Reserve'.** This 10,000-acre property near the New River Gorge will offer whitewater rafting, kayaking, zip-lining, trekking, climbing, rapelling, shooting, mountain-boarding, and more! Start planning now to be a part BSA's <u>first</u> Jamboree held on its own property! July 15th-24th, 2013. http://www.ocscouts.org

Let us know if any Troop 28 scouts are interested in attending.....

Area Youth interested in the automobile industry

The Hornets Nest Region AACA is offering a Youth Program education session at the Charlotte AutoFair at CMS on Sat. Aug 27th at 9:30 am or 1:00 pm at the entrance to pit road (see map)

The program will have adult Club instructors and will include:

Boy Scout merit badge class on Automotive Maintenance.
* includes engine function, brakes, tires, ignition/electrical, etc
Info on buying your first used car – list on what to look for.
Safety Checklist on preparing your vehicle for a trip.

Location: Charlotte Motor Speedway (Charlotte AutoFair)

Free entry to the car show for the day and free group van parking

Includes ages 8 thru 17



To organize attendance contact:

Mike Munao 704-545-7063 or cell 704-506-3642 (mstang66@yahoo.com)

or the HNR AACA office 704-841-1990 (hornetsnestregionaaca@windstream.net)

Hands on experience Learning opportunity for all

Automotive give aways included

It is the responsibility of the scout to follow with a registered counselor to complete the badge requirement.

Troop 28 Photos Needed

We look forward to receiving information or articles that you would like to include in our monthly Troop newsletter. If you have information or photos from Troop 28 activities please send them to scouter28@mindspring.com.

For Scouts going to Sanderson High School Students & Parents

Make sure that you have signed up for the SHSCommunity Yahoo Group for information on activities at Sanderson. http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SHScommunity/

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER Climbing the Mountain

There was once an Indian village on a wide open desert in the Southwest. A few miles from the village stood a tall mountain, towering up out of the desert.

One day, the Chief gathered all the young boys who were not yet braves. He said to them; "It is time for all of you to climb the great mountain. Tomorrow morning, start right after breakfast, and go each of you as far as you can. Then, when you are tired, come back; but let each of you bring to me a twig off a tree from the place where he turned back."

The next morning, they went away, each full of hope and feeling that he surely could reach the top. But soon the first returned slowly back, and in his hand he held out to the Chief a leaf of cactus. The Chief smiled and said, "My boy, you did not reach the foot of the mountain; you did not even get across the desert."

Later, a second boy returned. He carried a twig of sagebrush. "Well," said the Chief, "You reached the mountain's foot, but you did not climb upward."

The next had a cottonwood spray. "Good", said the Chief, "You got up as far as the clear springs."

Another came later with some buckthorn. The Chief smiled when he saw it and said: "You were climbing; you were up to the first slide rock."

Late in the afternoon, one arrived with a cedar spray, and the old man said, "Well done. You went half way up and reached the forest."

Before sunset, one proudly returned with a switch of pine. To him the Chief said, "Very good, you went to the high forest; you made three quarters of the climb."

The sun was down when the last finally returned. His hand was empty as he approached the Chief, and the other Indian boys began to laugh and tease that he had no leaf or twig, nor even tried the climb.

But his face was radiant, and he said: "Great Chief, there were no trees where I climbed; there were no twigs, but I saw the shining sea far away."

Now the old man's face glowed, too, as he said aloud and almost sang: "You have been to the top. It is written in your eyes, and rings in your voice. My boy, you have seen the glory of the mountain, and the distant sea. You need no twigs for proof, for it shows on your face, and springs forth from you."

<u>Troop information to be included in the next newsletter should be submitted to</u> <u>scouter28@mindspring.com</u>