



**Troop 28**  
Leadership Position Description

**ASSISTANT SENIOR PATROL LEADER**

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Type:**Appointed by the Senior Patrol Leader  
**Term:**6 months

**Reports to:**Senior Patrol Leader

**Description:**The Assistant Senior Patrol Leader is the second highest-ranking patrol leader in the troop. The Assistant Senior Patrol Leader acts as the Senior Patrol Leader in the absence of the SPL or when called upon. He also provides leadership to other junior leaders in the troop.

**Comments:**The most important part of the ASPL position is his work with the other junior leaders. The ASPL should be familiar with the other positions and stay current with the work being done.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

**Age:** none  
**Rank:**1st Class or higher  
**Experience:**none  
**Attendance:**50% over the previous 6 months

**PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS**

**Training:**You must attend the troop Junior Leader Training even if you have attended in the past.  
**Attendance:**You are expected to attend 80% of all troop meetings, Patrol Leaders' Council meetings, outings, and service projects. If your attendance is low, or if you have three (3) unexcused absences in a row, you can be removed from office.  
**Effort:**You are expected to give this job your best effort.

**GENERAL LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES**

**Uniform:**Set the example by wearing your uniform correctly. This means that you will wear all of the parts of the troop uniform, shirttail tucked in, with all required badges in their correct locations.  
**Behavior:**Set the example by living the Scout Oath and Law in your everyday life. Show Scout Spirit in everything you say and do.  
**Attendance:**Set the example by being an active Scout. Be on-time for meetings and activities. You must call the Senior Patrol Leader or Scoutmaster if you are not going to be at a meeting or if you suddenly have to miss an outing. You also need to make sure that someone will assume your responsibilities.

**SPECIFIC LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES**

Helps the Senior Patrol Leader lead meetings and activities.  
Runs the troop in the absence of the Senior Patrol Leader.  
Helps train and supervise the Troop Scribe, Quartermaster, Instructor, Librarian, Historian, and Chaplin Aide.  
Serves as a member of the Patrol Leader's Council.

**Troop 28 Website**

[www.troop28raleigh.org](http://www.troop28raleigh.org)

Almost certainly, you have visited the Troop website at some point. Scouts and parents alike often use the site to learn about merit badges, rank advancement, high adventure, or to access the troop newsletter.

**Upcoming Events**

- **August 5** 7:00 pm-Troop Meeting @ North Raleigh Presbyterian
- **August 10** Andy P Eagle COH
- **August 13** 7:00 pm-Troop Meeting  
7:00 pm - Committee Meeting
- **August 16-17** Ocoee River Whitewater Campout
- **August 20** 7:00 pm-Troop Meeting
- **August 27** 7:00 pm- Troop PLC meeting



**Camp Powhatan**

June 30 - July 6, 2013



*Blue Ridge  
Scout Reservation*

If you have photos or stories from summer camp please email them to [scouter28@mindspring.com](mailto:scouter28@mindspring.com)



**TROOP 28 EAGLE CORNER**

**Andy P**

**Andrew P's Eagle Scout Court of Honor:** Please join Andrew and his family at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church on Saturday August 10th at 2 pm to celebrate him achieving Scouting's highest rank of Eagle. A reception will follow immediately after the Court of Honor in Fellowship Hall. To rsvp, please go to: [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/60B0F45A4A7292-andrew](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/60B0F45A4A7292-andrew) or email Mark Paff at [markpaff@aol.com](mailto:markpaff@aol.com)

**Edward Y**

**Edward Y** has started work on his Eagle Project to build a Butterfly Garden at Leadmine Elementary School. Watch your emails for workdays.

## Occoneechee Council

Check out the new Scout Sign at:  
<http://ocscouts.doubleknot.com/document/scout-sign-edition-08-2013/128576>

### Quiz Question:

What Merit Badge is depicted?



"In Scouting, a boy is encouraged to educate himself instead of being instructed."

*Robert Baden-Powell*



## PUNography

- I used to think I was indecisive, but now I'm not so sure.
- At first I didn't like my beard, but then it grew on me.

## Volunteer Hours

Remember to get your volunteer hours preapproved by Mr. Murrell or Mrs. Munt if they are for hours not done with the troop.

## Troop 28

### 2013 Campout & Activities Dates

August 16-18	Ocoee River Whitewater Campout
September 27-29	Mount Mitchell Campout
September 28	Popcorn Sales NCSU Game
October 5	Popcorn Sales Sam's Club
October 6	Popcorn Sales Sam's Club
October 12	Popcorn Sales NCSU Game
October 19-20	Beach Campout
October 26	Popcorn Sales WalMart
October 26	Open Rock Climb Pilot Mountain
November 15-16	Local Campout
December 6-7	Camp Durant Campout

## COOKING

### Foil Packet Cooking Tips

- Use heavy duty foil. You don't want the foil to rip and have ashes get in and your dinner leak out. If you use regular foil, double up on the sheets. If your food is heavy, and/or if you plan to eat directly from the pack, it's a good idea to double up even on the heavy duty sheets.
- Rub Olive Oil (cooking spray tends to make food burn) on the side of the foil on which you're going to place the food with cooking spray before you add your ingredients and seal it up.
- When placing your ingredients on the sheet of foil, always put the meat on the bottom as it takes the longest to cook.
- Cook your foil packet on the fire's coals, not in the fire itself. Ideally, you want to place the packet on a bed of coals about 2 inches thick.
- Hard, raw vegetables like carrots and potatoes take a long time to cook. If you don't want to wait, use the canned variety.
- When cooking meat, throw in some high-moisture veggies like tomatoes and onions. This will keep the meat from drying out.
- Cooking times will depend on how hot the fire is and the kind of food in the packet. I generally err on the side of cooking it too long-this is the kind of food that you don't need to be overly delicate with. Flip the packets over a few times during cooking, and open and check on how the food is progressing from time to time.
- When it's finished cooking, open your foil packet carefully, as it's full of hot steam!

### Sausage and Eggs

- 1 frozen hash brown patty
- 2 eggs, scrambled, uncooked
- 2 frozen sausage patties
- spices and seasonings
- Cheese (optional)

Crimp the sides of your sheet of foil so that the eggs won't go anywhere when you add them. First place your hash brown patty on the foil. Then place the eggs on top of the hash brown patty. Then place the sausage patties on top. Season with spices and condiments and wrap up in a tent pack\*\*\*.

Place on hot coals and cook for 15 minutes. Add the cheese when it's ready (it turns out better than cooking it in the pack).

### \*\*\*The Tent Pack

The tent pack provides a pocket of air that allows for greater steaming. Thus, it's best for foods you want steamed more than browned like fruits, vegetables, and meat/vegetable combos.

1. Tear off a sheet of foil just as you would for the flat pack.
2. Place the food in the middle of the foil.
3. Bring the long sides together in the center and tightly fold them together towards the food. This time, stop folding a few inches before you get to the food, leaving a pocket of space and creating a "tent."
4. Tightly roll up the shorter sides, again leaving an inch or so of space between the end of the fold and the food.

Troop information to be included in the next newsletter should be submitted to  
[scouter28@mindspring.com](mailto:scouter28@mindspring.com)

## New Guide to Advancement 2013

The newest edition of BSA's Guide to advancement was released on July 11th! The pdf version contains answers to just about every advancement question, and it's an essential tool for advancement chairs and anyone who wants to stay up-to-date.

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33088.pdf>

### SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

#### COURTEOUS

From the Scout Handbook - "A Scout is courteous. A Scout is polite to everyone regardless of age or position. He knows that using good manners makes it easier for people to get along."

When someone sees a Scout in uniform, they visualize him helping a little old lady across a busy street. That is the essence of being courteous as well as helpful, cheerful, friendly, and kind. They are all tied together and that image is exactly what scouts should work towards.

Being courteous is being a gentleman. It is opening doors and holding them open for the next person. It is noticing that the bus you are on is filling up and you have a seat while a woman is standing. It is saying "Pardon me" when you bump into someone in a crowd. It is giving a firm handshake when you make the acquaintance of someone.

Courtesy often seems to be a thing of the past; something for old people or something out of old black and white movies. In our age of email, instant messaging, and online chats, courtesy becomes a more difficult behavior to learn and practice. And, make no mistake; it takes practice to become good at it. Courtesy requires personal interaction where the value of the other person can be demonstrated. After all, courtesy occurs out of respect for other people.

When we have respect for the other person, we show that respect through courtesy. We shake hands with men. We remove our hats to women. We stand and converse when someone approaches us and begins talking. We say Please and Thank you. All of these are ways in which we show that we respect the other person. All together, these are known as 'etiquette' - the proper way of behaving politely. Etiquette is how Scouts should manage their behaviors.

It is important that Scouts show courtesy to all people. Whether it is a cute, young girl or an old, stooped woman, a Scout treats her courteously. Whether a rich businessman or school janitor, the Scout greets him cheerfully and sincerely.

And, that can be the challenge. Courtesy without an underlying respect and thoughtfulness is a lie. To be courteous requires us to first be caring; to be concerned with the people around us and on the lookout for their wellbeing. Many people, hoping to get ahead, will be very courteous and friendly to people above them in social standing, while at the same time treat lesser ranked people with disdain. We see this often in business where a salesman will be outgoing until he realizes there is no sale to be made and then turns his attention elsewhere. But, the same occurs daily in all social circles. A Scout needs to overcome this temptation and be sure he treats all people with equal respect and courtesy.

The next time you go to a restaurant with a group of friends, make an effort to listen to how many of them say a simple Please or Thank You to the waitress when she takes the order or brings food or water. My experience has been that I am often the only one, and I sincerely make an effort to do it. The first thing I do is read their nametag if they have one and then use their name from then on. I also look at their face and eyes while they are taking the other diners' orders just to get a feel for what they are like. I do this not in the hopes of better service, but so I remind myself that the person waiting on me is just as important as I am and deserving of my respect, courtesy, and appreciation.

One other courtesy exercise that might be enlightening is to have a patrol dinner. At summer camp last year, our troop ate in the dining hall rather than cooking our own meals for the first time in at least six years. Each patrol sat at a different table. I was appalled at how the scouts behaved at the tables! This summer, the month before camp, I will be hosting a series of patrol dinners. Scouts will be invited to eat and will be instructed on proper table manners and courtesy in general. Is that the Scoutmaster's job? Sure, my job is to train and let them lead - besides, it will be fun.

The Daily Good Turn is founded partially on courtesy. Helping the little old lady across the street is the epitome of Good Turns, but countless other opportunities are available when a Scout keeps his eyes open and his thoughts on helping others.

Finally, I want to point out that true courtesy is done cheerfully and sincerely. Someone may be trained to do all the correct actions, but without a heart that cares for others, they are hollow actions. Sincere courtesy raises the social level and rubs off on those around a courteous person. And, courtesy should begin at home where it may be the most difficult to demonstrate. Remembering to be polite to parents, brothers, and sisters can be a true challenge for a Scout, but one which he needs to overcome to become a man of strong character.

**A Scout is Courteous.**

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