November 2010



Upcoming Events

- November 1 6:00 pm PLC 7:00 pm Scout Meeting
- November 6 University of Scouting (see article)
- November 8 7:00 pm Scout Meeting 7:00 pm Committee Meeting
- November 13 MAWAT Merit Badge College Durham (Registration after 11/1)
- November 15 7:00 pm Scout Meeting November 22 No Scouts
- November 25 Thanksgiving Day
- November 29 7:00 pm Scout Meeting
- December 4 Troop Movie Night

Troop 28 Website

www.troop28raleigh.com

Occoneechee Fall Camporee

October 8-10

Patrick W, Luke V, Thomas B from Troop 28 attended the Occoneechee Fall Camporee "Return to Our Heritage" at Camp Reeves on October 8-10, 2010. The scouts were a visiting Patrol with Troop 364 from Pleasant Grove UMC.



Troop 28 Leadership

Newly appointed positions:

Garrett M - Chaplain's Aide Thomas R - Troop Guide

Virginia Creeper













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Troop 28 Fundraising

Look for more information on fundraising opportunities coming soon! These are a great way to earn Scout Bucks to help cover the costs of Troop activities.





American Red Cross Wilderness First Aid Basics

This course meets WFA requirement to attend Philmont. You will learn basic instruction on emergency action steps, delayed-help situations, patient assessment & record, treatment of injuries, preventing disease transmission, wilderness and disaster first aid, etc. Cost is \$105.00. Course is 16 hours.

Upcoming Classes:

I Nov. 13th & 14th (8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

Registration and Course Information:

I Course includes all student materials.

I Class will be held at American Red Cross, 3700 Regency
Parkway, Cary, NC 27518.

I You must register and pay in advance: triangleredcross.org or call Janie at 277-2803.

I Class is non-refundable.

I Wear comfortable clothing.

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TROOP 28 EAGLE CORNER

Eagle Scout Court of Honor

An Eagle Court of Honor was held on October 17, 2010 for Ricky Hopper & Kevin Ritter.

Eagles Mark your calendars -

- <u>Falls District</u> dinner on Thursday, December 2nd, at St. Francis. All Scouts who received their Eagle this year are invited and will be honored. Please let the Scoutmaster know if you can attend.
- <u>Occoneechee Council</u> 2010 Eagle Banquet 1/22/2011



15th Annual American Indian Heritage Celebration

Saturday, November 20 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Celebrate American Indian Heritage Month with musicians, dancers, artists and storytellers from North Carolina's eight state-recognized tribes. The eight state-recognized tribes are Coharie, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Haliwa-Saponi, Lumbee, Meherrin, Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation, Sappony, and Waccamaw-Siouan. Catch the excitement of the 15th Annual American Indian Heritage Celebration on Saturday, Nov. 20, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the N.C. Museum of History in downtown Raleigh. This lively festival is the museum's largest annual event. Admission and parking are free, so all you need to spend is your time.

Discover the Real George Washington: New Views From Mount Vernon. All Month Take advantage of programs that complement this traveling exhibition from Mount Vernon Estate & Gardens

Long, Obstinate and Bloody: The Battle of Guilford Courthouse Saturday, Nov. 6 2-3 p.m. Hear about one of the bloodiest and most intense engagements of the Revolutionary War. Joshua B. Howard, Research Historian at the N.C. Office of Archives and History, will present this program, followed by a book signing.

Troop 28 2010 / 2011 Campout Dates

December 4 Movie Night January 21-23 Campout **February** 11-3 Campout 18-20 Campout March April 8-10 Campout **13-15** Campout May June **10-12** Campout July **3-9** Boy Scout Camp

"The reason most people never reach their goals is that they don't define them, learn about them, or even seriously consider them as believable or achievable. Winners can tell you where they are going, what they plan to do along the way, and who will be sharing the adventure with them."

-- Denis Waitley

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LDS Merit Badge Clinic

October 29 & 30, 2010

The Fall Tri-District Merit Badge Clinic was bursting with opportunities to earn Boy Scout Merit Badges. Offerings included some of the Historic Merit Badges that can only be earned in 2010, Eagle required badges and an abundance of other badges. Remember to earn your Eagle Rank you will need 21 Merit Badges with 12 of those designated as Eagle Merit Badges. 131 Sessions were offered at the three locations with classes offered on Friday night and two sessions on Saturday. Troop 28 had 11 scouts attend earning 24 badges.

Adam A - Family Life, Cit Community, Cit World

Thomas B - Cit Community, Cit World

Michael B - Cit World

Garrett M - Carpentry, Personal Fitness, Cit World

<u>Chris M</u> - Family Life, Animal Science, Horsemanship

Thomas R - Cit World, Family Life

Luke V - Cit Community, Radio

Alex W - Cit World

Grayson W - Golf, Cit World

Patrick W - Animal Science, Horsemanship

Edward Y - Family Life, Public Speaking, Cit World





Volunteering

Don't forget to turn in your volunteer hours to Mrs. Munt.



Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network's (WIHN) mission is to provide shelter, meals, case management and educational services to homeless families in addition to promoting action and awareness in the community

regarding homelessness.

On October 17 & 18 Troop 28 Scouts volunteered at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church which was hosting families thru the WIHN program. On Sunday the Scouts helped with setting up bedrooms and on Monday night they lead games and other fun activities for the children who were staying at GSLC for the week.

Occoneechee University of Scouting

NEW THIS YEAR CLASSES FOR SCOUTS

On Saturday, November 6th, the University will include seven periods of instruction and a lunch break. Lunch is included in your registration fee. Please wear your Scout uniform and bring paper and pencil/pen for notes along with a watch for time. Appropriate handouts and materials will be provided based on the courses selected. It is suggested that unit leaders carpool together and take a variety of courses to expand their overall unit knowledge.

Adult Participants may register for courses in any of the colleges (except Youth College). Youth participants may only register for courses in the Youth College. For example, a Cub Scout Leader may register for a Boy Scout or a General Studies course. A Venturing Leader may take a General Studies or Boy Scout course. Our goal is for Scouters to increase their knowledge by being exposed to all the different areas of the Scout program. Any questions about your selections can be sent to the Vice Chancellor of Registration, who can offer course suggestions.

<u>Purpose:</u> The purpose of the University is to promote learning and interaction between the different program areas, while enabling Scouters to prepare themselves to deliver a quality program in their units.

Course Catalog

https://www.doubleknot.com/openrosters/DocDownload.aspx?orgkey=382&id=81179

Youth Registration

https://www.doubleknot.com/registration/calendardetail.asp?ActivityKey=838140

P.R.A.Y. program

Mark Paff and Heather Vacek are continuing to lead a PRAY program for several of the boys in Troop 28. The program explores aspects of Christianity and helps to develop a greater religious understanding. The group meets immediately following the Scout meetings and there will be 11 sessions, each one lasting about 45 minutes, from 8:15 -9:00 pm.

Scouts participating are <u>Patrick W</u>, <u>Luke V</u>, and <u>Christopher M</u>.

One session the Scouts produced a video shoot of the resurrection re-enactment which was excellent! Everyone came together quickly and after a few dry runs they put together a fantastic production.

For another session they had a tour of the sanctuary which was conducted by one of the church pastors; Pastor Lauren Wegner.

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

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SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

The United States Supreme Court is hearing this case. In 1969, Red Skelton gave his personal view of the Pledge of Allegiance. The statement he made at the end, I think, tells it all.

Red Skelton, one of America's best loved Comedians and star of Motion Pictures, Radio and Television, was also a true Patriot. A man who loved his Country, its Flag and the Freedom America stood for. On January 14, 1969, Red touched the hearts of millions of Americans with his 'Pledge Of Allegiance,' in which he explained the meaning of each and every word. Red's 'Pledge' was twice read into the Congressional Record of the United States and received numerous awards.

This was first broadcast on: From The Red Skelton Hour, CBS TV, January 14, 1969. COPYRIGHT 1969 RICHARD RED SKELTON

'I remember this one teacher. To me, he was the greatest teacher, a real sage of my time. He had such wisdom. We were all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, and he walked over. Mr. Lasswell was his name.

He said; 'I've been listening to you boys and girls recite the Pledge of Allegiance all semester, and it seems as though it is becoming monotonous to you.

If I may, may I recite it and try to explain to you the meaning of each word:

I: me, an individual, a committee of one.

<u>PLEDGE:</u> dedicate all my worldly goods to give without self-pity.

ALLEGIANCE: my love and devotion.

TO THE FLAG: our standard, Old Glory, a symbol of freedom. Wherever she waves, there is respect because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts freedom is everybody's job.

OF THE UNITED: that means that we have all come together.

STATES: individual communities that have united into 48 great states.

Forty-eight individual communities with pride and dignity and purpose all divided with imaginary boundaries, yet united to a common purpose, and that's love for country.

OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC: a state in which sovereign power is vested in representatives chosen by the people to govern. And government is the people and it's from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people.

FOR WHICH IT STANDS

ONE NATION: meaning, so blessed by God. INDIVISIBLE: incapable of being divided.

<u>WITH LIBERTY</u>: which is freedom and the right of power to live one's own life without threats or fear or some sort of retaliation.

AND JUSTICE: the principle or quality of dealing fairly with others.

FOR ALL: which means it's as much your country as it is mine.

Since I was a small boy, two states have been added to our country and two words have been added to the Pledge of Allegiance: 'under God.'

Wouldn't it be a pity if someone said, 'That is a prayer,' and that would be eliminated for schools, too?'

October Meetings' Summary

October 4, 2010

PLC meeting led by Alex W, ASPL and attended by: Patrick W and Michael B. Followed by a regular Troop meeting with Alex W, ASPL, leading. Scouts in attendance: SPARTANS: Patrick W, Edward Y, Penn H, Chrix M, Thomas R, Luke V, COBRAS: Grayson W, Michael B, Adam A, Thomas B, Garrett M, Andy P, Shawn S, Tyler I

October 11, 2010

A regular Troop meeting was held with Max M, SPL leading. Scouts in attendance: SPARTANS: Patrick W, Edward Y, Penn H, Chris M, Thomas R, Luke V, COBRAS: Grayson W, Adam A, Thomas B, Garrett M, Andy P.

October 17, 2010

Scouts from Troop 28 helped at GSLC with setting up the beds for the WIHN program.

October 18, 2010

At the Troop meeting on Oct. 18 Troop 28 scouts helped GSLC with their hosting of the WIHN program families by playing games with the children.

October 25, 2010

A regular Troop meeting was held with Max M, SPL leading. Scouts in attendance: Max M, Alex W, Patrick W, Edward Y, Penn H, Christopher M, Thomas R, Luke V, Grayson W, Adam A, Thomas B, Garrett M, Andy P, Shawn S. Scouts reviewed the significance of the Presentaition of the Colors, assessed the VA Creeper Campout, learned how to make Vagabond Stoves, and worked on rank requirements. Shawn S was presented an Eagle Palm.

October 31, 2010

Hope everyone had a fun and safe HALLOWEEN!



Durham Merit Badge Clinic

Registration will be open for all on November 1 for the Durham Merit Badge Clinic to be held November 13, 2010. Contact Ms. Munt if you are interested in attending. Please note this is the weekend of a Troop campout.