

# Troop 28

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church -- Raleigh, NC

December 2011

## Upcoming Events

- December 3 Brier Creek Car Show  
Umstead Park hike  
Troop 28 Movie Night
- December 6 7:00 pm - Troop Meeting  
7:00 pm - Committee Meeting
- December 13 7:00 pm - Court of Honor
- December 20 7:00 - Troop Meeting
- December 21 Hurricanes Hockey game night
- December 27 Christmas week, no meeting
- January 3 PLC meeting

## Climbers Wanted!!

Get ready for our Vertical Edge overnighter climbing experience, on January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012. This is a really fun opportunity for our Scouts to introduce their friends to our Troop, and to show how you can 'climb the walls!'

## LDS Merit Badge University

November 12, 2011

Merit Badge Universities are a very good way to make progress on merit badges. Scouts should always check with their Scoutmaster or Merit Badge Coordinator prior to signing up for a merit badge. They then should also read the entire merit badge book and complete any needed prerequisites prior to attending the class.

For the LDS merit badge university, which was offered in several locations, Scouts were asked to bring cans of food as donations for needy families. Troop 28 Scouts enrolled in a number of merit badge classes, enhancing their knowledge and skills. Thanks again to the hard-working volunteers who helped to make this event happen.

## Troop 28 Website

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

*Check it out!*

## BW Wells Campout

November 18-20, 2011

'Trail to First Class' Campout

Ranger Program Saturday at 3:00 pm on local wild animals.



Several of our older Scouts, including Patrick W., Adam A., and Garrett M., helped by setting up an 'ax yard' and taught the safety and technique skills for use of knives, saws, hand axes, and axes. Younger Scouts who needed to earn a 'Totin Chip' card were able to do so, and then used those skills to make properly-sized kindling and fuel for cooking fires. Scouts found tinder, and used their kindling and fuel to build their fires, with a focus on lighting the tinder with sparks from flint and steel. These 'survival' skills may very well help to save a life someday.

State Ranger Emily Abernathy graciously donated her time to take our Scouts on an hour's hike to look for signs of local wild animals. Various signs were seen.



# INTERFAITH WORSHIP WORKSHOP



Christianity



Judaism



Islam



Buddhism



Hinduism

**SAT., DECEMBER 10, 2011 -- 1:00 pm**

**Jacoba Hall**

**St. Francis of Assisi Church**

11401 Leesville Road, Raleigh, NC 27613

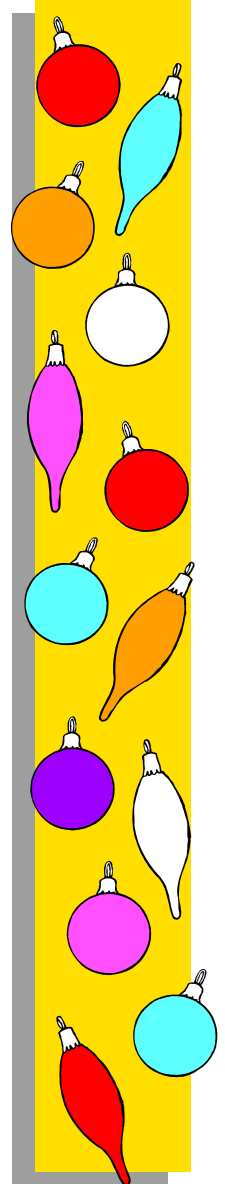
Have your Boy Scouts join us as we explore different major world faiths, and gain greater understanding and appreciation for both the differences and similarities that exist with these religions. Help your Scouts work towards achievement of religious awards, as all Scouts attending will receive an attendance certificate.

Our program will start at 1:00 pm, and is expected to last until 3:15-3:30 pm.  
Light snacks and refreshments will be available.

**\* To assist us in preparing Attendance Certificates and also in having sufficient refreshments, please RSVP, with your attending Scouts' names and unit to:**

John Murrell [scouter28@mindspring.com](mailto:scouter28@mindspring.com) or;

Ken Spry [scoutcampfire@gmail.com](mailto:scoutcampfire@gmail.com) or [spryken@pobox.com](mailto:spryken@pobox.com)



"Leadership is based on inspiration, not domination;  
on cooperation, not intimidation."  
William Arthur Wood, author



## POPCORN

WOW!!!! What a success!!!!!!

### TROOP 28 EAGLE CORNER



Watch for the revisions to the Eagle requirements, which are coming up soon!

## Shotgun shooting campout

We are trying to 'nail down' some dates in February for a 'shotgun merit badge' campout. This would likely be held locally, and would help our Scouts practice and learn proper firearm handling, as well as develop good shooting skills. Stay posted for more information on this. Probable dates include the first 2-3 weekends in February.

## Impeesa District Recognition Dinner/Roundtable

Thursday, December 1, 2011

Recognition of this year's achievements by Scouts and adult leaders will be given to a number of Impeesa District's members. Troop 28 Scouts Max M. and Tyler L. will be recognized for achieving their Eagle rank, and Chris M. and Luke V. will be recognized for achievement of their PRAY program awards. Additionally, ASM Hank Stroup will be recognized with receipt of the "Most Valuable Unit Scouter" award. Great job, guys!!



## November Meetings' Summary

### November 1, 2011

Regular Meeting & Committee Meeting

### November 8, 2011

Regular Meeting

### November 15, 2011

Regular Meeting with visiting Webelos from Pack 28 and Pack 33.

### November 22, 2011

PLC meeting

### November 29, 2011

Regular Meeting (Map and Compass work)

## Troop 28 2011-12 Campout & Activities Dates

December	3	Car Show, Umstead Park hike
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January	27	Vertical Edge Lock-in
February	4	Occoneechee Eagle Banquet
February	10-11	Possible Shotgun campout (local)
February	18-19	Umstead backpacking campout
March	16-18	Snowshoe Weekend
April	13-15	Impeesa District Camporee; B.W. Wells campground
May	19-20	Campout
June	24-30	Boy Scout summer camp

## Capitol Tree Lighting

Thursday, Dec. 8

5-7:30 p.m. (museum open)

6 p.m. (tree-lighting ceremony on the Capitol grounds)

## First Night Raleigh 2012

Saturday, Dec. 31

2-6 p.m. (children's celebration)

7 p.m.-midnight (nighttime events)

*First Night button required for entry.*

For more information, call Artspllosure at 919-832-8699 or visit [artsplosure.org](http://artsplosure.org).

## Mark your calendars!

### Highland UMC Merit Badge University

February 25, 2012

Highland UMC Merit Badge University. Check with Ms. Munt if you have not already signed up.

### NCSU Merit Badge University

March 24, 2012

This is always a very good MBU for the 'science' oriented merit badges, like Chemistry, Geology, Forestry, and more. Be sure to put this on your calendar for a great way to learn new sciences!

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

## Changes to Eagle Rank Requirements

Effective January 1, 2012, new changes to the requirements for Eagle rank take effect. These include:

1. There will no longer be needed a letter from the Service Project recipient acknowledging satisfactory completion of the project, as this is redundant with the signatures required in the Eagle Workbook.
2. There are more detailed guidelines for the Eagle Service Project Fundraising Directors, who oversee the candidates' progress in raising the money necessary to complete the project. Please see the documents posted in our "Eagle Guide" section of our Troop website, [www.troop28raleigh.org](http://www.troop28raleigh.org), for details. This section has the workbook in .pdf files (both printed and 'fillable' versions), as well as answers from the Eagle Review Board, to frequently asked questions. This should prove very helpful to all Eagle rank candidates.

## 2013 BSA JAMBOREE

July 15<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>, 2013. <http://www.ocscouts.org>



Summie Bechtel Reserve

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

July 15<sup>th</sup> through July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013

The 2013 National Scout Jamboree will be the first at the Bechtel Summit, and will offer unique opportunities focusing on the adventure of Scouting.

\*\*\*\*\*FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER\*\*\*\*\*

Take your home troop to the National Scout Jamboree

**Informational Meeting - January 18, 2012**

Scout Office at 6:00 pm

This meeting will:

1. Introduce you to the great activities planned for the 2013 National Jamboree.
2. Help you understand how little your troop will need to bring to the National Jamboree (NO troop equipment required).
3. Discuss how the council will provide all of the transportation to and from the Jamboree.
4. Discuss how you can combine with other troops to create a full Jamboree troop.
5. Introduce the requirements to attend the Jamboree
6. Have lots of time for questions

If you can't make the meeting, but want more information: Please call Brendan Turner at (919) 452-9976, or e-mail at: [BrendanWTurner@yahoo.com](mailto:BrendanWTurner@yahoo.com).

This is your opportunity to attend the 2013 National Scout Jamboree with your scouts.  
Don't Miss It!

## SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

### TWELVE WORDS!

At the beginning of every scout meeting a boy stands in front and holds up three fingers. He then recites twelve words:

**TRUSTWORTHY** - How can a boy say he is trustworthy then say he has done his homework when he has not.

**LOYAL** - How can a boy say he is loyal then pick on a friend.

**HELPFUL** - How can a boy say he is helpful then make the statement: "I'll do it later".

**FRIENDLY** - How can a boy say he is friendly then argue over whose turn it is.

**COURTEOUS** - Then not hold the door open for the next person.

**KIND** - And not want to participate in a charity drive.

**OBEDIENT** - And doesn't do a thing his parents tell him to do.

**CHEERFUL** - Then fights with his parents.

**THRIFTY** - Then spends every cent he has on video games.

**BRAVE** - And not get involved when he sees a group teasing someone.

**CLEAN** - Then tell a dirty joke.

**REVERENT** - And skip church on Sundays.

How can a boy call these words "laws" when he doesn't have the conviction to follow them?

And how can we call a boy a scout if he doesn't follow these laws?

From: Scout Troop 333, Lansdowne, Pa

