

Troop 28

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH, RALEIGH, NC

September 2011

Upcoming Events

- September 6 7:00 pm - Troop Meeting
7:00 pm - Committee Meeting
- September 13 7:00 pm - Troop Meeting
- September 17-18 Virginia Creeper Campout
- September 20 Troop 28 Court of Honor
- September 24 Popcorn Sales Begin
- September 27 7:00 pm - PLC meeting
- October 1, 2 TTC Wal-Mart popcorn sales days
- October 4 7:00 pm - Troop Meeting, Elections
- October 7 7:00 pm - Junior Leader's Training
- October 8 Jr. (Scouts) leaders COPE's day

Troop 28 Website

www.troop28raleigh.com

Check it out!

REI Bike Maintenance Class



Pigeon River Campout

August 12-14, 2011

Prepared with books, pillows, and trivia games, the Troop left Raleigh early on Friday afternoon for our 6-hour drive to our campsite at Cosby Creek, Tennessee. Rest stops along the way were few and brief, so that we still had some dwindling daylight when we arrived at our mountain campsite. On Saturday morning, Andy P. led the EDGE training of setting up an ax yard, and proper use of the knife, ax, and saw. New Scouts to the Troop tried out their new skills on some handy logs, as they earned their 'Totin' Chip' cards. After a quick lunch in camp, we left for our rafting ride down the Pigeon River. The water flow is a controlled release from a hydroelectric power plant upriver, and we had Class 3 and some Class 4 rapids. Great raft guides helped us through the rapids, letting us spin at the right times for extra fun! Several times we got out of the rafts to cool off in the 70-degree water... it felt great! Our 5-mile ride down the river seemed to end too soon, and we headed back to our campsite. On Sunday, we had a quick breakfast, broke down camp, loaded our gear, and headed towards Chimney Tops, New Found Gap, and Clingman's Dome. We stopped and explored Clingman's Dome, which is one of the highest points on the Appalachian Trail. The clouds rolled in at the viewing platform, and were a cool change from warm valleys below. The Scouts explored some very large granite boulders adjacent to the Dome. We then continued on to Raleigh, passing through various mountain towns, including Cherokee, NC. A tired, but happy Troop finally arrived back around 6:30 Sunday evening, with adventurous tales to tell!



Mark your calendars!

LDS Merit Badge University

November 12, 2011

Watch for more information!

University of Scouting

November 4, 2011

For more information ocscouting.org

Personal Fitness Merit Badge

Several Troop 28 Scouts had a kick off workout for their Personal Fitness Merit Badge by meeting at the Lower Field of Baileywick Park on August 20, 2011. Watch for updates in future newsletters. Ms. Munt is the Merit Badge Counselor.

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Volunteers Needed

October 29

Occoneechee Council

Harris Lake - Haunting for Harris - Volunteers needed

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.

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, rappelling, shooting, mountain-boarding, and more! Start planning now to be a part BSA's first Jamboree held on its own property! July 15th-24th, 2013. <http://www.ocscouts.org>

***Troop 28 JLT**

Scout Leaders & Troop Officers we will hold a Junior Leadership Training (JLT) class at GSCL on 10/7/11 from 7-9:00 pm. This is required for all scouts attending COPE's class.

Troop 28 Elections

Troop 28 Elections will be held October 4, 2011. Be sure to be at the meeting! Remember some Boy Scout ranks require that you hold a Troop office for 6 months.

August Meetings' Summary

August 2, 2011

PLC. SPARTAN Patrol in charge. Scouts in attendance: Thomas R, Luke V, Patrick W, Stephen S, David C, Griffin S.

August 9, 2011

Were to meet in parking lot COBRA Patrol in charge. Scouts in attendance: Thomas R, Christopher M, Patrick W, Edward Y, Andy P, Adam A, Michael B, Garrett M, Stephen S, Munga M, Alex T, Victor Y, Griffin S, Evan H, Dylan C, Daniel C, Nalin G, Brennan T.

August 16, 2011

REI North Hills, Bike Maintenance Class

August 23, 2011

Regular Meeting

August 30, 2011

PLC

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.

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>

"Nothing in the world can take the place of persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful men with talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not; the world is full of educated failures. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent."
-- Calvin Coolidge, 30th President of the United States

Troop information to be included in the next newsletter should be submitted to
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LEADERSHIP

Leadership is not so much about technique and methods as it is about opening the heart. Leadership is about inspiration—of oneself and of others. Great leadership is about human experiences, not processes. Leadership is not a formula or a program, it is a human activity that comes from the heart and considers the hearts of others. It is an attitude, not a routine. Lance Secretan, Industry Week, 10/12/98

SCOUTStrong PALA Challenge

The SCOUTStrong PALA Challenge is a Scout-specific PALA challenge (Presidential Active Lifestyle Award). To earn the SCOUTStrong PALA Challenge award, a participant is required to meet a daily activity goal of 30 minutes a day for adults and 60 minutes a day for youths under 18 for at least five days a week, for a total of six weeks. Participants can take up to eight weeks to complete the program.

Check out

www.scouting.org/SCOUTStrongPALA or see our troop website under 'Files'.

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2011 Campout & Activities Dates

September	16-18 Virginia Creeper campout
October	1-2 Walmart Storefront Sales
	1 NC Big Sweep
October	7 Evening JLT location TBD
October	8 COPE's day at Camp Durant
October	14-16 Beach campout
October	15-16 Sams Club Storefront Sales
October	15 Jamboree on the Air
October	29-30 Walmart Storefront Sales
	29 Orange District Merit Badge Univ
November	5 University of Scouting
November	12 LDS Merit Badge University
November	18-20 Campout
December	3 Troop Movie Night

ONE WORLD - ONE EVENT - ONE JOTA

Earn the Radio MB in One Day!



Talk to Scouts around the world and earn Radio MB and Signaling MB before the end of the year!



What is "Jamboree on the Air"?

Jamboree on the Air (or JOTA) is an annual scouting and amateur radio event sponsored by the World Scout Bureau of the World Organization of the Scout government. Thousands of amateur radio stations around the world participate. You never know you might talk to the International Space Station!

Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturing, and Girl Scouts are encouraged to attend!

The youth will be able to:

- Talk to other Scouts around the world without the internet
- Explore wireless technology
- Learn how to use a ham radio to help their community
- Learn how to earn their amateur radio license (it's easier than you think!)
- Earn the Radio Merit Badge
- Learn how to use portable radios to communicate while camping or hiking.

Prerequisites: (Things to do before you get there)

Bring a flashlight, mirror, OR a battery (9V and a Buzzer from Radio Shack)

A Signed Blue Card from Your Scoutmaster!

Don't forget your worksheet!

Venture Crew 75 and the American Legion is providing Lunch

And \$5 for the Jambo Patch and QSL Card (must be registered by September 17)

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Who is invited: Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturers, and Girl Scouts.

What: Jamboree on the Air

Where: American Legion Post #116

6400 Johnson Pond Road
Fuquay Varina, NC

When: Saturday, October 15th,
2011

Time: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Merit Badge Book: <http://usscouts.org/mb/worksheets/Radio.pdf>

To register: <http://www.ebbids.com/JOTA>



A WOSM Event



Hosted by the Hemlock District of the Occaneechee Council

SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

What is the most important word in the Scout Law?

Trustworthy? NO.

Helpful? NO.

Reverent? NO.

Let me tell you. The most important word in the scout law is "IS".

The Scout Law doesn't say a Scout 'might be', or 'may be' or 'could be' or 'should be' - it says a Scout IS. That means the basic character of a Scout includes those characteristics.

Go be Scouts!!!!