



## Upcoming Events

- June 30-July 6 Camp Powhatan Summer Camp
- July 8 7:00 pm-Troop Meeting - Outside
- July 15 7:00 pm-Troop Meeting
- July 22 6:30 pm-Troop COH
- July 29 7:00 pm - Troop PLC meeting



Troop 28  
Leadership Position Description

### PATROL LEADER

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

**Type:** Elected by members of the patrol

**Term:** 6 months

**Reports to:** Senior Patrol Leader

**Description:** The Patrol Leader is the elected leader of his patrol. He represents his patrol on the Patrol Leader's Council.

**Comments:** The Patrol Leader may easily be the most important job in the troop. He has the closest contact with the patrol members and is in the perfect position to help and guide them. The Patrol Leaders, along with the Senior Patrol Leader and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader are the primary members of the Patrol Leaders' Council.

#### QUALIFICATIONS

**Age:** none

**Rank:** none

**Experience:** none

**Attendance:** 75% over 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, shirt tail 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.

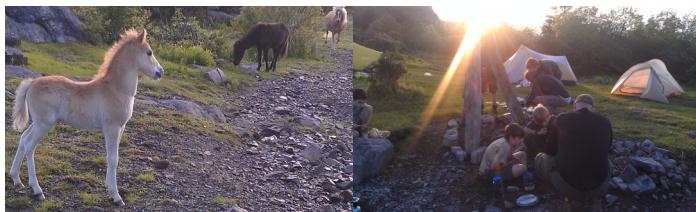
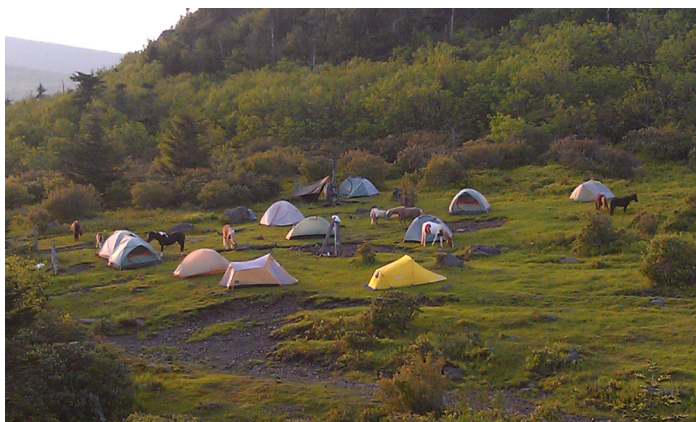
**Attendance:** Set the example by being an active Scout. Be on-time for meetings and activities. You must call the Senior Patrol Leader or Scoutmaster if you are not going to be at a meeting or if you suddenly have to miss an outing. You also need to make sure that the Assistant Patrol Leader is ready to assume your responsibilities.

#### SPECIFIC LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Appoints the Assistant Patrol Leader.
2. Represents the patrol on the Patrol Leader's Council
3. Plans and steers patrol meetings
4. Helps Scouts advance
5. Acts as the chief recruiter of new Scouts
6. Keeps patrol members informed
7. Knows what his patrol members and other leaders can do.

## Grayson Highlands Backpacking

June 8-9, 2013



## What is STEM and Nova?

### STEM—Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics

STEM is part of an initiative the Boy Scouts of America has taken on to encourage the natural curiosity of youth members and their sense of wonder about these fields through existing programs. From archery to welding, Scouts can't help but enjoy the wide range of STEM-related activities. To support this initiative, the BSA developed the Nova Awards program so that youth members have fun and receive recognition for their efforts.

### Why STEM?

We live in a time of great opportunity. The spirit of innovation can help us overcome challenges and ensure a prosperous and secure future. To seize this opportunity, we must position ourselves at the cutting edge of scientific discovery and technological innovation.

Yet our country is falling behind in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. This is why many professionals and educators in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics believe the United States should do more now than ever to encourage students to enter STEM-related fields. These experts say our young people need strong STEM skills to compete in the world market. We must work together to cultivate the next generation of critical thinkers and innovators.

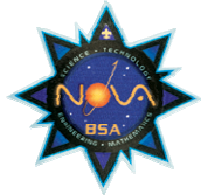
*Ten-year employment projections by the U.S. Department of Labor show that of the 20 fastest-growing occupations projected for 2014, 15 of them require significant mathematics or science preparation.*

### STEM Is the future

Fostering a strong STEM education is our best opportunity to boost the spirit of innovation. It's what we need to help ensure this country continues on a prosperous and secure journey. STEM literacy is also critical because it has a profound and growing impact on our day-to-day lives. Nature, space exploration, and any STEM-related interest reveals to us the beauty and power of the world we inhabit.

### What Are the Nova Awards?

The Boy Scouts of America developed the Nova Awards program to excite and expand a sense of wonder in our Scouts. By working with an adult counselor or mentor, the various modules allow them to explore the basic principles of STEM and discover how fun and fascinating STEM can be. The Supernova awards are offered for those who enjoy a super challenge. For more information about STEM and the Nova Awards program, visit [www.scouting.org/stem](http://www.scouting.org/stem). Discover how the Nova Awards program helps youth be "Prepared. For Life."



## Nova Awards Program

The Boy Scouts of America's NOVA Awards program incorporates learning with cool activities and exposure to science, technology, engineering and mathematics for Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturers. The hope is that the requirements and activities for earning these awards stimulates interest in STEM-related fields and shows how science, technology, engineering and mathematics apply to everyday living and the world around them. Counselors and mentors help bring this engaging, contemporary, and fun program to life for youth members.

### The Nova Awards

There are four Nova awards for Cub Scouts, Webelos Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturers. Each award covers one component of STEM—science, technology, engineering, or mathematics.

Boy Scout Nova awards: Shoot!, Start Your Engines, Whoosh!, and Designed to Crunch

For their first Nova award, Scouts earn the distinctive Nova award patch. After that, a Scout can earn three more Nova awards, each one recognized with a separate pi ( $\pi$ ) pin-on device that attaches to the patch. The patch and the three devices represent each of the four STEM topics—science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

### The Supernova Awards

The Supernova awards have more rigorous requirements than the Nova awards. The requirements and activities were designed to motivate youth and recognize more in-depth, advanced achievement in STEM-related activities

For Boy Scouts:

Dr. Bernard Harris Supernova Bronze Award  
Thomas Edison Supernova Silver Award

For earning the Supernova award, Scouts receive a medal and certificate.

All requirements may be found in the Nova awards guidebooks, available through local Scout shops—one for Cub Scouts, one for Boy Scouts, and one for Venturers. The requirements can be completed with a parent or an adult leader as the counselor (for the Nova awards) or mentor (for the Supernova awards). Each guidebook includes a section for the counselor and mentor.

## Troop 28

### 2013 Campout & Activities Dates

June 30-July 6	Summer Camp
August 23-25	Pisgah Forest Campout
September 20-22	Mount Mitchell Campout??
October 19-20	Beach Campout
November 15-16	Local Campout
December 6-7	Camp Durant Campout





## Quiz Question:

What Merit Badge is depicted?



## 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.

## Happy Birthday, America!

Take this little Fourth of July Trivia Quiz.

### **1. Who was the main author of the Declaration Of Independence?**

Sam Adams, Ben Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, George Washington

### **2. Which state was not one of the 13 original colonies?**

Georgia, Virginia, Vermont, Massachusetts

### **3. Who didn't sign the Declaration of Independence?**

Ben Franklin, Sam Adams, George Washington, John Hancock

### **4. How many stars were on the first US Flag?**

13, 16, 10, 12

### **5. Who is credited with sewing the first US Flag?**

Dolly Madison, Betsy Ross, Abigail Adams, Martha Washington

### **6. Who wrote the Star-Spangled Banner?**

John Philip Sousa, Francis Scott Key, Samuel Francis Smith

### **7. Which country did not help the American colonists in the Revolutionary War?**

Spain, France, Netherlands, Germany

Answers on next page.

## PUNography

- Be kind to your dentist. He has fillings, too.
- What do you call a dinosaur with an extensive vocabulary? A thesaurus.

## 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.

## TROOP 28 EAGLE CORNER



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

## COOKING

### Campfire Goulash

12 ounces noodles  
1 package sour cream mix  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder and a dash of pepper  
4 tablespoons bell pepper flakes  
2 tablespoons celery flakes  
1 tablespoon paprika  
Beef stick, hot dogs, ham, cut up, or a small can of roast beef

Plunge noodles into 2 quarts boiling water. Cook until done. Pour off most of the water and add the meat. Simmer covered 5 to 10 minutes, until thoroughly heated. Stir often to prevent sticking.

### Campfire Clam Chowder



1 package Knorr Swiss Leek soup mix  
2/3 cup instant potatoes  
2/3 cup powdered milk  
5 cups water  
1 (6 ounce) can chopped or minced clams, including juice  
Bacon bits (optional)

Mix all ingredients except bacon bits and bring to a boil. Simmer for 5 minutes or until done. Sprinkle bacon bits on top, if desired.

"The spirit is there in every boy; it has to be discovered and brought to light."

Robert Baden-Powell



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

# Troop 28 - Raleigh, NC

## Camp Powhatan



*Blue Ridge  
Scout Reservation*

Blue Ridge Mountain Boy Scout Council  
June 30 - July 6, 2013

"Blue Ridge Scout Reservation is located in **Pulaski County, Virginia** on a 17,500 acres (71 km<sup>2</sup>) property, almost 8% of the total county area. The reservation consists of Camp Powhatan, and Camp Ottari, with a network of over 100 miles (160 km) of mountainous trails crossing the land between the two base camps. It is the largest council-owned Scout Reservation in the United States and provides summer camping experiences to over 10,000 participants each summer."

"Camp Powhatan is positioned under the Jersey Ridge on the Blue Ridge Scout Reservation. Camp Powhatan extends a big-camp experience, as it is the largest council-owned Scout camp in the United States. The Camp offers over 30 areas of learning, providing Merit Badge instruction in Aquatics, Scoutcraft, Handicraft, Shooting Sports and Nature. Camp Powhatan also provides Adult Leader Training. A 60' Climbing tower on Jersey Ridge, and Blob on Lake Powhatan offer high adventure activities for Scouts. Camp Powhatan is renowned for its state-of-the-art facilities, including its Dining Hall, Nature Center, Scoutmaster Lounge, Health Office, and Trading Post."

## Happy Birthday, America! Answers

Answers: 1. Thomas Jefferson, 2. Vermont, 3. George Washington, 4. 13, 5. Betsy Ross, 6. Francis Scott Key, 7. Germany

## SCOUTMASTER'S CORNER

### LOYAL

From the Scout Handbook - "A Scout is loyal. A Scout is true to his family, friends, Scout leaders, school, and nation."

Loyalty means to be faithful. When we say a Scout is Loyal, it means he remains steadfast in his adherence to what is right. Being loyal is a character trait that can be often tested, and often misdirected.

When a friend of a Scout steals and then asks the Scout to keep it a secret to prove his loyalty, what should the Scout do? Is he being disloyal if he lets authorities know who stole? Similar dilemmas can occur when a Scout wants to be loyal to family or leaders.

If someone lies to protect another through a sense of loyalty, he smudges his own honor and he only prolongs the time until that other person gets into worse trouble. By being truthful, he may lose a friend, may lose love, and may lose popularity, but with his honor intact, he can live the Scout Law and know that, in the long run, he has done the right thing.

A Scout, as any other boy, wants to be part of something important, something great, something that is 'the best'. As young boys might argue that "My Dad can beat up your Dad", so older boys might debate about whose school football team is better. That kind of loyalty is more of a self-promoting exercise rather than being firmly supportive of the person or organization. True loyalty happens when nothing is personally gained.

A Scout, when he hears some boys putting down a friend, should step up and defend that friend's name. He should never join in laughing at slanderous jokes and should let the jokers know when he feels they are being unfairly harsh or malicious. This can be one of the most difficult demonstrations of a loyal friend - sticking up for an absent friend against other friends or popular people.

When a Scout is asked to be loyal to his leaders, he needs to support them and their decisions. When the leaders decide to have a fishing outing and a Scout lobbied for a waterski outing, he may be tempted to undermine the plans by staying home or even inviting other scouts to a party that same weekend. A loyal Scout will support and promote the plans of the troop, even when they are not his favorite choice. He will continue to follow the lead until he earns the position of leadership that allows his plans to take fruition.

Scouts need to be loyal to the laws of our country and the people that represent those laws. Whether or not a Scout agrees with the way a mayor, governor, or president governs, he must demonstrate respect to that position. Debating the merits and effectiveness of policies put in place by the current administration is a healthy, useful way to bring about change, but degrading the person currently holding an office demonstrates a lack of respect to the country.

By being loyal to the Scout Law, and holding its points dear, a Scout is naturally loyal to those around him in a right and good manner. Blind loyalty is not loyalty at all, but loyalty founded on truth, compassion, and honor is truly loyal.

A Scout is Loyal.

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