



### March 2014

### Parents and Scouts: Take the ScoutStrong PALA Challenge!!

## The SCOUT Strong Presidential Active Lifestyle Award Challenge will help you add activity to your life, and reward you when you do!

This challenge is for everyone associated with the Boy Scouts of America, including Scouts, Ventures, Parents, Volunteers, Council Staff, Board Members, Friends of Scouting, and BSA Alumni.

To earn the SCOUTStrong PALA Challenge Award, you are required to meet a daily activity goal of 30 minutes a day for adults and 60 minutes a day for kids under 18 for at least five days a week, for six out of eight weeks. Stick with the program and you'll earn an award in less than two months.

http://www.scouting.org/scoutstrongpala.aspx for more information!!!

From Tiffany Jarvis: Fundraising Chair

### **BSA Camp Cards**

Each scout will get 25 Camp Cards at the Court of Honor on March 18th. Cards sell for \$5.00 each. There is a tear off coupon for \$5.00 off a \$50 purchase at Harris Teeter and 6 reuseable coupons on the back. Sell dates; March 18 - April 22nd All sells, money, unsold & undamaged Cards must be returned by April 22nd. (There is a meeting that night). Scouts earn \$2.50 from each Camp Card they sell for their scout account. This is a great way to earn money for summer camp. We can get more cards if a scout sells all

that are damaged or not returned by 4-22 will need to be paid to council. The troop if they don't have money in their scout account, it will be the scouts responsibility to purchase.

25 and wants more. And now for the fine print:: Any cards will deducted \$2.50 from the scouts' account, My Eagle Project is to build three bookcases for the ESL department at Sanderson High School and stock them with books. These books should be a kindergarten to second grade reading level. Fiction, nonfiction, poetry, and step into reading books are all great. I hope to wrap up the book drive at the March 18th Court of Honor. Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Scout Alex W

Welcome to the troop!! Aiden B., Gage G., and Riley M. our newest SCOUTS!

"Almighty God; we make our earnest prayer that Thou wilt keep the United States in Thy holy protection; that Thou wilt incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to government; and entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another and for their fellow citizens of the United States at large. And finally that Thou wilt most graciously be pleased to dispose us all to do justice, to love mercy, and to demean ourselves with that charity, humility and pacific temper of mind which were the characteristics of the Divine author of our blessed religion, and without a humble imitation of whose example in these things we can never hope to be a happy nation. Grant our supplication, we beseech Thee, though Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen." Troop Chaplain David C

If you have not paid for your scouts dues, of \$35.00 yet, please get this to Debbie King right away.

# Did you know that broken pencils are pointless.

Ba Dum Dum!

#### **SUMMER CAMP:**

June 30 - July 5 Camp Cherokee July 13-July 19 Camp Powhatan

The second payment for Camp Powhatan is due on March 11<sup>th</sup>. The \$100 fee should be submitted to Shauna Schmidt the first 15 minutes of the Troop Meeting.

The second payment for Camp Cherokee is due April 14<sup>th</sup>.

Scouts, it's time to start finalizing your list of

NC State MBU badges you would like to attend. I would like to have everyone's **prioritized** (1/2/3) list this week such that I can send the final list back to everyone for verification.

The MBU will be held April 5th at NC State, and offers the following badges. They have yet to provide more information, but based on last years MBU each badge is all day.

Chemistry Composite Materials Electricity Energy Engineering Animal Science
Robotics & Electronics Forestry Geology Nuclear Science Pulp and Paper Space Exploration
Veterinary Science Soil and Water Conservation Environmental Science Fish and Wildlife Management
Here's a link to the flyer for all the details: NC State MBU Mr. Robbie King Asst. Scout Master

The NC State University's College of Veterinary Medicine 2014 OPEN HOUSE will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 29.

**DETAILS:** www.cvm.ncsu.edu/news/openhouse/

The popular annual event will offer the traditional opportunities to get up close with various animals large and small, demonstrations, special displays and exhibits, and chances to talk with faculty and students.

**NEW THIS YEAR:** The Smithsonian Institution's special traveling exhibit, "Animal Connections: Our Journey Together" will be one of the new attractions this year. Housed in a mini-museum inside an expandable 18-wheeler, the 1,000-square foot exhibit introduces visitors of all ages to the human-animal bond. Whether you're an aspiring veterinarian, an animal lover, or a health care professional, you and your family will find something to capture your interest in this exhibit. Take a video tour now. Numerous fun and informative tour stops explain advances in veterinary medicine, veterinary medical technology, best care practices for the family pet, and what it takes to become a veterinarian. Animals touch our daily lives from the food we eat, the products we consume, the health care advances we benefit from, and the services, entertainment, and companionship we enjoy. Wildlife species add to the beauty and wonder of our world. The connection between wildlife, domestic animals, the environment, and humans is called "One Health" and this concept is the foundation for veterinary medicine.

The Open House will explore the One Health concept with special exhibits and discussions on the connection between wildlife, domestic animals, the environment, and people

"Excellence is not a skill. It is an attitude."

-- Ralph Marston, Author

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

3-11-14 Troop Meeting/Second Powhatan Camp Fee Due \$100.00

3-14-14 Snowshoe snow sports weekend

3-18-14 Court of Honor/ Fundraising

BSA Camp Card Distribution

3-25-14 PLC meeting

4-1-14 Troop Meeting/Committee Meeting



# John Wayne: The Scout Law Minute

This Minute is meant for Boy Scouts.

At a dinner to raise funds for the purchase of land for the John Wayne Outpost Camp, John Wayne gave a talk to the guests. He recited the Scout Law and then continued with his own interpretation of what it meant:

"Trouble is," he continued, "we learn them so young we sometimes don't get all the understanding that goes with them. I take care of that in my family. As each boy reaches Scout age, I make sure he learns the Scout Law. Then I break it down for him, with a few things I have picked up in more than half a century since I learned it "

**Trustworthy**: The badge of honesty. Having it lets you look any man in the eye. Lacking it he won't look back. Keep this one at the top of your list.

**Loyal**: The very word is life itself, for without loyalty we have no love of person or country.

**Helpful**: Part sharing, part caring. By helping each other, we help ourselves, not to mention mankind. Be always full of help: the dying man's last words.

**Friendly**: Brotherhood is part of that word. You can take it in a lot of directions - an go - but make sure and start with brotherhood.

**Courteous**: Allow each person his human dignity which means a lot more than saying, "yes ma'am" and "thank you sir". It reflects an attitude that later in life you wish you had honored more, earlier in life. Save yourself that problem. Do it now.

**Kind**: This one word would stop wars and erase hatreds. But it's like your bicycle, it just no good unless you get out and use it.

**Obedient**: Starts at home. Practice it with your family. Enlarge it in your friends. Share it with humanity.

**Cheerful**: Anyone can put on a happy face when the going is good. The secret is to wear it as a mask for your problems. It might surprise you how many others do the same thing.

**Thrifty**: Means a lot more than putting pennies away, and it is the opposite of cheap. Common sense covers it just about as well as anything.

**Brave**: You don't have to fight to be brave. Millions of good, fine, decent folks show more bravery than heavyweight champs just by getting out of bed every morning, going out to do a good day's work and living the best life they know how against the law of odds.

Clean: Soap and water help a lot on the outside. But it is the inside that counts and don't ever forget it.

**Reverent**: Believe in anything that you want to believe in, but keep God at the top of it. With Him, life can be a beautiful experience. Without Him, you are just biding time.