



Upcoming Events

- **April 5** - 7:00 Scouts & Boards of Review
- **April 10** - NCSU Merit Badge College
- **April 12** - PLC
- **April 16** - Troop 28 Youth Leadership Training
- **April 17-18** - Canoe Training Campout
- **April 19** - 7:00 Scouts
- **April 20-22** - Norman Rockwell Scout Paintings
@ NC Museum of History
Murrells plan to attend on April 21st others welcome to join them.
- **April 24** - Youth Leadership Expo, Scoutarama,
NC State Fairgrounds
- **April 26** - 7:00 Scouts

Troop 28 March Community Service

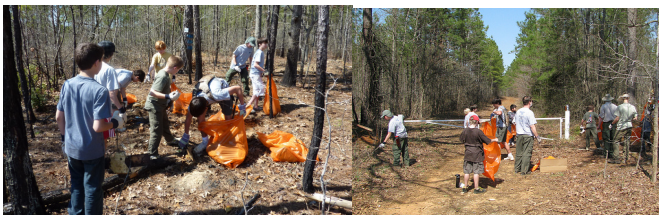
Clothing Drive

Thank you to everyone who brought clothing to be distributed to the men at the Wilmington Street Shelter. The men really appreciate all that is given to them. There is always a great need for pants and shoes. I will continue to accept donations whenever you wish to make them.

Luke V

Medoc Mountain State Park

On March 28, 2010 Troop 28 Scouts participated in a Leave No Trace service project at Medoc Mountain State Park, North Carolina. The following scouts worked: Alex W, Grayson W, Andy P, Will G, Shawn S, Adam A, Michael B, Christopher M, Garrett M, Edward Y, Thomas R, Patrick W, Penn H, Luke V. The scouts picked up litter along a boundary line on one of our more recently acquired properties at the park. Leave No Trace Behind!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



Troop 28 - Court of Honor

March 8, 2010

Rank Advancements:

Tenderfoot - Grayson W, Edward Y
First Class - Alex W, Christopher M, Garrett M

Merit Badges presented:

Art - Thomas R.
Camping - Tyler L, Will G
Citizenship in the Community - Andy P
Citizenship in the Nation - Alex W, Michael B, Garrett M
Citizenship in the World - Christopher M, Patrick W
Computers - Luke V
Environmental Sciences - Edward Y
Environmental Science - Grayson W, Adam A
Fingerprinting - Luke V, Thomas R.
First Aid - Adam A

TROOP 28 LEADERSHIP

Elections were held at the March 22, 2010 Scout meeting.

Newly elected members of the Patrol Leaders Council:

Senior Patrol Leader - Will G
Assistant Senior Patrol Leader - Shawn S
Assistant Quartermaster - Max M
Assistant Quartermaster - Patrick W
Patrol Leader - Garrett M
Assistant Patrol Leader - Michael B
Patrol Leader - Alex W
Assistant Patrol Leader - Christopher M
Patrol Leader - Pat Q
Assistant Patrol Leader - Tyler L

Other positions to be confirmed at a later date.

TROOP 28 EAGLE CORNER

Congratulations our newest Eagle Scout!

Kevin R passed his Eagle Board of Review on March 9th! His leadership project was replacing the landscaping timbers around the traffic islands in the parking lot of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.



Celebrating 100 Years - A Year of Celebration

For the next five (5) months we will highlight one of the five awards in our newsletter.

http://ww2.scouting.org/100years/100years/sitefiles/1000/YourSource/PlanningTools/A_Year_of_Celebration/BSA_Year_Patch_Earning.pdf

ACHIEVEMENT

Achievement in Scouting builds self-esteem and fosters collaboration with others. With every rank advanced and award earned, Scouts develop pride in themselves and their units. More than just getting a patch, Scouting's myriad of awards challenge Scouts to excel, have fun, and grow into healthy, prepared adults. In addition to advancement, the award recipient makes an active effort to reflect on personal achievements and those of other Scouts. The Year of Celebration Achievement Award highlights the possibilities for personal achievement. Scouts will pursue rank advancements, religious emblems, as well as engage adults and alumni in conversation about their own achievements in Scouting.

Complete three of the five requirements in each category to earn that award.

Boy Scouts

1. Talk to a family member or family friend who used to be in Scouting or a Scout leader and ask about their favorite Scouting achievements. Write 200 words and share with your troop leader or parent OR fill out your family's Scouting Family Tree at www.Scouting.org/100years.
2. Advance to Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life, or Eagle rank, or earn two merit badges.
3. Earn the religious emblem for your faith.
4. Attend 90 percent of your troop or team meetings for three consecutive months.
5. Earn one of the following awards: BSA Lifeguard, Mile Swim, BSA Emergency Preparedness Award, or BSA Physical Fitness Award.

Troop 28

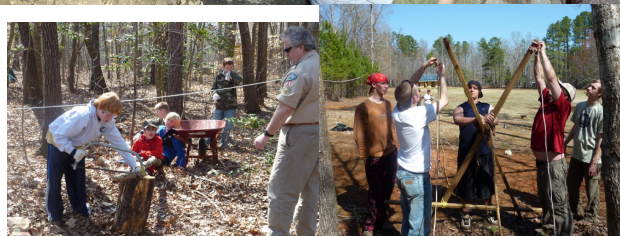
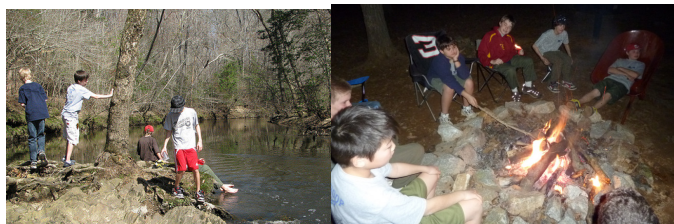
Tentative 2010 Campout Schedule

May	15-16 River Canoe Campout
June	12-13 Grayson Highlands backpack
June 29-July 5	Sea Base High Adventure Camp
July	4-10 Summer Camp at Raven Knob
July 26-August 4	National Jamborees
August	Virginia Creeper
September	Whitewater rafting
October	Climbing
	8-9 Occoneechee Camporee – Camp Durant
November	Backpacking
December	Movie Night

Medoc Mountain Campout

March 19-21, 2010 Troop 28 Scouts and Leaders set out for adventure at Medoc Mountain State Park, located a pleasurable short 1.5 hour drive from Raleigh. Meals over an open fire, building a monkey bridge, ax yard, campfires, exploring nature are just a few of the fun activities.

Everyone found the following statement from the park website to be very true. "At Medoc Mountain, the urban refugee finds a welcome tranquility, a chance to embrace the outdoors. Trails beckon as light filters through branches overhead and falls on paths that hold the promise of new frontiers. The peacefulness gives the opportunity to refresh. The silence of the forest is broken only by bird songs and the occasional drumming of the pileated woodpecker. Spend some time at Medoc Mountain State Park and let nature renew your spirit."



"Where is there a boy to whom the call of the wild and the open road does not appeal?"

Robert Baden-Powell

NCSU Merit Badge College

Saturday, April 10, 2010 - NC State University Campus

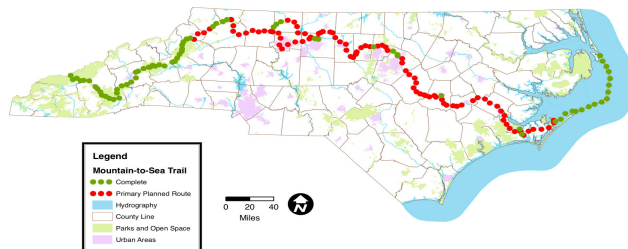
Sponsored by Occoneechee Council, NCSU Department of Chemistry, and NCSU College of Natural Resources - Merit badges will be taught by leading experts in their field! Troop 28 Scouts registered to attend: Geology - **Garrett M**; Composite Materials - **Andy P, Shawn S**; Forestry - **Patrick W**; Chemistry - **Luke V**; Soil and Water Conservation - **Grayson W, Christopher M, Penn H, Edward Y, Michael B, Adam A**

Scouts should arrive between 7:30-8:00 am for Registration. You must be in your class by 8:45 am.
Assistant Scoutmaster John Murrell will be the Troop 28 leader on site.

100th Anniversary Service Project Opportunities

Since the Scout helped W.D. Boyce find his way to an appointment in the London fog, service has been the enduring legacy of the Scouting program. As part of the 100th Anniversary Celebration, we encourage all units to recommit to performing at least 100 hours of service projects as a unit during 2010. A special patch will be awarded for units who complete this service requirement. Service project opportunities coordinated by the Council include:

- Mountains to the Sea Trial,
- Food Bank of North Carolina,
- Big Sweep/River Clean Up,
- Habitat for Humanity,
- Governor's Service Project
- Projects from each Council presented to the Governor



North Carolina Youth Jamboree

North Carolina State Fairgrounds
Saturday, April 24, 2010

You will not want to miss the 2010 NC Youth Jamboree at the North Carolina State Fairgrounds on Saturday, April 24, 2010, sponsored by the NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services! This exciting event is for every youth in central NC from the ages of 6-18 and will feature hundreds of exciting events and displays. Members of all the participating youth organizations will have displays and games from 9:00am until 3:00pm. The event will conclude with an arena show and youth celebration featuring many very special guests including NC Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler!

- Hundreds of exciting events
- Military displays
- Challenge courses.
- Arena programs
- Free admission with the donation of two canned goods
- Continuous music, bands and performances throughout the day
- Participation by the Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4-H and FCA
- Prizes and awards for best displays and competitions in each age group
- Team Building and Leadership Training games organized by the Gen Hugh Shelton Leadership Center
- Food available for purchase on site
- Free parking and easy access to the site

Volunteer Opportunity

Lake Crabtree - Spring Big Sweep

Saturday, April 3, 9 a.m.-noon

Meet at the Boat Rental Complex (tower).

Give back to the community and your local park! Volunteer to help keep the shoreline of Lake Crabtree litter-free. Gloves, bags and other supplies will be provided by the park. Call 919-460-2723 to sign up or for more information. Individual volunteers and groups are welcome.

Yates Mill Pond - Volunteers Trail Workday

Saturday, April 3 & June 5; 9 am-12 pm

Lend a hand & help to clean up the park's hiking trails & woodlands. Equipment & gloves will be furnished. Please wear proper clothing & footwear, and bring drinking water.

NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING

OCCONEECHEE COUNCIL, BSA

NORTH STAR

1st Weekend: Friday, June 25 @ 7 pm - Monday, June 28, 2010 @ 6 pm

2nd Weekend: Friday, July 9 @ 7 pm - Sunday, July 11, 2010 @ 6 pm

Scouts 13 and older --- see Scoutmaster for details

April is Raleigh History Month!

Charles Meeker, the Mayor of the City of Raleigh, has officially proclaimed April 2010 as -Raleigh History Month - and calls upon the city's citizens to join their neighbors and the Raleigh Heritage Trail in participating and learning from this observance.

As part of the Raleigh Heritage Trail, Historic Oak View County Park is one place where you can get your Raleigh -Passport to History - and begin your history adventure! For details, please go to www.raleighheritagetrail.com

N.C. Museum of History

April 20 - 22, 2010

National Norman Rockwell Art Tour

On loan from the National Scout Museum

Original Norman Rockwell and Joseph Csatsari paintings depicting the history of Scouting

The 2010 Major Gifts Art Tour will be in Raleigh on April 20-21 at the North Carolina Museum of History. On Wednesday, April 21st the museum has agreed to extend its hours and will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. so that everyone can come and enjoy these beautiful paintings. Come and experience this historic event. And while you are at the museum; be sure to visit the Scouting History Exhibit that is located on the third floor. Patches are available in the museum's gift shop to commemorate the 2010 Anniversary of Scouting.

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