

# Troop 19 Beaver Tales



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Dear Troop 19 Family:

This has been a great summer so far and we have so much left to do. In a few days, we are sending a large group of Scouts from Troop 19 and Mecklenburg County to the 2010 National Jamboree. The jamboree will be the highlight of this year's celebrations for the 100th Anniversary of Scouting in the USA. We have several letters in our next newsletter from Scouts who attended the 100th Anniversary Jamboree.

I want to thank **Ken Key** and all the Assistant Scoutmasters for making summer camp 2010 such a great event. Our SPL, **Sam Orr**, did an extraordinary job in leading the troop during camp.

We have a couple great trips planned for this fall. There are sign ups in the newsletter and on the website.

Please sign your Scout up early and reserve his place on these great trips.

Parents, there

is a special section in this newsletter discussing the use of electronics on camping trips. Let me say now - **E L E C T R O N I C S D O N O T B E L O N G O N C A M P I N G T R I P S W I T H T H E S C O U T S .** I am very concerned that Scouts are abusing this rule and I am very serious about getting these electronics out of our camping trips. I want everyone to understand, that from this point on - **IF I SEE ANY OF THESE ELECTRONICS THEY ARE MINE!**



Finally, we have a camping trip planned for August to Camp Cheerio. There will be time on the trip for Scouts who earned partials on the Swimming Merit Badge at Camp Grimes to complete them.

This is an extraordinary year in Scouting. Be sure to keep up with the newsletter and the troop website so you can be part of all the fun.

Yours in Scouting,  
Lawrence W. Banks, Jr.  
Scoutmaster Troop 19



- Upcoming Events:**
- 2010 Jamboree**  
Jul 26 - Aug 4
  - OA 3rd Ordeal**  
Aug 20 - 22
  - Troop Climbing Campout**  
Aug 27 - 29
  - Troop Elections**  
Sept 7
  - Senior Scout Camporee**  
Sep 17 - 19
  - OA Fall Fellowship**  
Oct 1 - 3
  - Fall Court of Honor**  
Oct 5

# *Ken Hilton* *2010 Earl J Gluck* *Training Award Recipient*

Ken is a Sr. Project Manager for Carolina HealthCare Systems and has been active in Troop 19 since January 2010. Ken and his wife Debra have two children, Ian a Scout in Troop 19 and Sara.

Prior to joining Troop 19, Ken was active with Pack 19 at Back Creek Presbyterian serving as Den Leader, Webelos leader and Pack Trainer. Ken moved up to Troop 49 in 2008 where he served as committee member and Assistant Scoutmaster. On the district level Ken serves as Hornets Nest District webmaster and was the Unit Commissioner between 2008 and 2010.



This award is given to an outstanding trainer of the year in Mecklenburg County Council. Earl J. Gluck served as Council President of Mecklenburg County Council, was an active member in the Kiwanis Club, and served as President of WSOC radio. This award is in honor of him for his service and dedication to the

Ken has earned the Cub Pacesetter award, District Golden Nest Award, District Award of Merit and the Pack Trainer Award.

Sadly Ken and his family are leaving us and headed back to their native Nova Scotia. Please join us in congratulating Ken on his recognition and for his hard work and dedication to the ideals of Scouting. We also wish Ken and his family well in their new endeavors.

Council and Scouting.

Troop 19 is proud to announce that the 2010 recipient is our own **Ken Hilton**.

# *Pam D'Amour* *In Memoriam*

ter Gardener, and an active member of the Methodist Church. Her Memorial Service was July 17, 2010 at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, Indianapolis, IN.

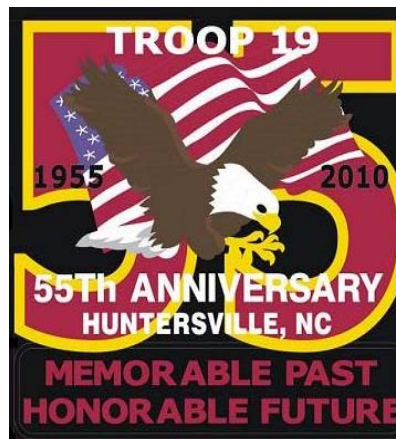
Please join us in wishing our condolences to Pete, Alex and Russ on the loss of their mother and wife and remember the D'Amour's in your prayers.



It is with great sadness that Troop 19 reports the loss of one of our family, **Pam D'Amour** has lost her fight with cancer.

Pam, along with her husband **Pete** were very active in Pack and Troop 19 along with their sons **Russ** and **Alex**. Pam met Peter in 1984 and were married

June 18, 1988. They moved to Charlotte, NC in 1989. They returned to Indianapolis in 2006. Pam was a Mas-



## Shining Light Jamboree Satellite Broadcasts

On Saturday, July 31, 2010, at 8 p.m. EST, the Scouting family - past, present and future - will be able to take part, in a special nationwide broadcast. A Shining Light Across America will bring the Centennial Celebration Show from the 100th Anniversary National Scout Jamboree in Fort AP Hill, Va. to communities across the country via Webcast and satellite transmission.

You do not want to miss this show. Talk about a shot of adrenaline for Scouts and volunteers and a great way to introduce the program to prospective members!

Join fellow Mecklenburg County Scouts for an awe-inspiring Centennial Celebration show! We have several locations that will receive the satellite broadcast direct

from the Jamboree site. Please sign up for your location at [mccscouting.org](http://mccscouting.org), our council website.

\* WTVI (our local PBS station) at 3242 Commonwealth Avenue, Charlotte, NC 28205 has reserved their studio and conference room for July 31, 2010. They have room for 150 people, so sign up early! The point of contact for this site is Mike Rusho and Eric Davis, VP Broadcasting and Content, is our WTVI contact.

\* Huntersville Presbyterian Church at 201 South Old Statesville Road has reserved their sanctuary and fellowship hall for July 31, 2010. These facilities will hold several hundred people. Roger Kincaid of Pack 19 is our point of contact for this site.

Each site will be open from 6:30 - 10:00 pm on the 31st. If you can't make the satellite events, be sure to watch the Webcast at 8 pm ET via (URL to be announced).

### A SHINING LIGHT ACROSS AMERICA



## Eagle Update

Congratulations to **Scott FitzGerald Sokley**, Troop 19's latest Eagle Scout! Scott, the son of Jill and Troop 19 Assistant Scoutmaster Chris Sokley of Huntersville, successfully completed his Eagle Board of Review on June 3, 2010.

Scott becomes the 85th Eagle in the 72 year history of Troop 19 and the 72nd Eagle since 1996 under Scoutmaster Larry Banks. After graduation from Southlake Christian Academy, Scott will be attending Western Carolina University to study Engineer-

ing.

Scott's Eagle ceremony is scheduled for August 8, 2010 at HPC. The ceremony begins at 2:00.

Let's all join in and congratulate Scott on his accomplishment and to thank him for all his contributions to the troop and the Order of the Arrow during his career as a Scouting youth.



# Troop 19 News and Notes

## Troop 19 Family

Troop 19 would like to congratulate Assistant Scoutmaster **Jamie Redies** and his wife **Amy** on the birth of their daughter **Ava Grace Redies** on June 2. Ava and Amy are doing well and big brother Kendall is looking forward to helping out with his new sister. Congratulations Amy and Jamie!

## Lacrosse Honors

Please congratulate Troop 19's **Bradley McDonnell** when you see him for making All Conference in Lacrosse at Lake Norman Charter School!

The Coaches for LNC Lacrosse selected him to the All-Conference team as voted on by the coaches in Conference 10. Brad was selected for his play at the attack position. While it is a team game, his individual and team play stood out in conference games and was recognized by the leagues coaches. Congratulations Brad.

## Troop 19's Bradley McDonnell in action recently with the Mooresville Lacrosse team



## James E West Fellowship

Troop 19 is proud to announce that **Wesley King** has become our newest James E West Fellow. The A James E. West Fellowship is a recognition given for a cash gift of \$1,000 or more to a local council endowment fund. James West was the first Chief Scout Executive of the BSA, serving in that capacity for more than 30 years.



The annual earnings from the trust are used to support council operations or specially designated projects such as camperships, scholarships, or camp development.

## WSA Cycling Nationals

At the Jul 16 - 18, 2010 USA Cycling nationals in Granby, CO, Troop 19's **Eric Vest** has qualified for three events. The only 13-14 year old cyclist-athlete in the nation so qualified. In fact, it isn't possible to race two of the events - the start time for the Four-Cross Friday is prior to the 1 1/2 hours finish time expected of the Cross Country race starting earlier that afternoon. When asked, "So what is Eric supposed to do when his 4X time comes up while he's racing in the XC event?" the response was (quoting) "Well, we never had an Eric before." Congratulations Eric and Good luck cranking down the mountain in Colorado!!

## Troop 19's Eric Vest earlier this year, flying down Beech Mountain

## New Troop 19 Family

Troop 19 would like to welcome to us family, **Danny Ryan** and his parents, **Mike** and **Mary Ann Ryan**. Danny has been active in Troop 35 at Hickory Grove United Methodist Church, He and his family have joined Troop 19 as of May 2010. Let's all welcome Danny and the Ryan's to the Troop 19 family.



# *Troop Rules: A Reminder and Change in Policy From Scoutmaster Banks*

We have had a number of incidents recently regarding *Unauthorized Equipment or Items*. The Troop has had to confiscate items brought by Scouts to outings and summer camp that are not allowed by troop policy.

The troop has tried to enforce the rule by taking the unauthorized items and returning them to parents after the outing or event. This method has been unsuccessful in preventing Scouts from violating the rule. **From this point forward, Scouts who violate this rule and have the unauthorized item confiscated WILL NOT GET THEM BACK.**

The rule is reprinted below. All Scouts and their families are given a set of these rules when they join the troop. A parent or guardian's signature upon receipt is written acceptance of the rule and an agreement to abide by the rule and punishments as outlined in the handbook. If you have any questions on the rule, please contact your Patrol Head Assistant Scoutmaster or Scoutmaster Banks.

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## **RULE 7: POSSESSION OF UNAUTHORIZED EQUIPMENT OR ITEMS**

### **IMMEDIATE CONFISCATION OF SAID ITEMS WILL OCCUR**

- A. Cell phone, pager, electronic games, radio, TV, MP3 player, CD player or any other electronic device designed for entertainment; however, this does exclude any GPS device that is designed exclusively for geographic purposes
- B. Fixed blade knives or large folding knives
- C. Firearms, except where used with supervision for bona fide Scout activities
- D. Any other dangerous weapons, such as a slingshot, bow and arrow (except where used with supervision for bona fide Scout activities), sword, sharpened objects, martial arts weapons, or objects which appear to be any of the aforementioned items (toy lookalikes, props, etc.)
- E. Laser pointers
- F. Ammunition or any gun powder (except where used

- with supervision for bona fide Scout activities)
- G. Paint ball guns and related items
- H. Lighters

**Punishment:** Minimum - Level 1  
Maximum - Level 6

### **TROOP-INITIATED PUNISHMENTS**

- Level 1 – Conference
- Level 2 – Intervention
- Level 3 – In-troop suspension
- Level 4 – Suspension for one through four meetings
- Level 5 – Suspension for five through twelve meetings
- Level 6 – Suspension for 13 meetings through expulsion

Parents - this change has been brought on by continued abuse of the rule by Scouts attending troop activities and camping trips. There is no reason for a Scout to have any of the Unauthorized Items on a troop outing or event. Adult leaders have emergency phones should need arise. The other items are unnecessary distractions that interfere with communications and the purpose of the outings - experiencing the adventure of the outdoors and learning skills that cannot be learned at home. We ask for all parents to help us enforce this rule and to make sure you son does not bring any of the unauthorized items to Troop outings.

### **Remember:**

***From this point forward, confiscated items will not be returned.***



# My S.E.A.L.S. Staff Experience

By Thomas Chapman

Since my very own S.E.A.L.S. (Scouts Enthusiastic About Leadership Skills) course almost two whole years ago, I have served on staff four different times. Some of them were hectic, some were relaxing and some were challenging. But one thing I can conclude is that I have had fun and made lots of new friends.

For those of you who haven't yet attended a S.E.A.L.S. course, it is a weekend long course based on leadership skills training. Most of us staff members are troop guides, meaning we are assigned to a patrol and must be in charge of them for the weekend. We must also give a presentation on a certain leadership skill or skills. For some giving the presentation is the most challenging thing of

the weekend, but as long as you rehearse and study it before hand you don't have much to worry about.

One of the most memorable experiences would be getting up at a dreadful 5:45 to report down to our patrol campsites by 6 get them up and get cooking. We march into the campsites singing loud and cheerfully and let me tell you, singing loudly at 6 in the morning requires more energy than meets the eye.

You also meet lots of new people and make lots of friends being on staff. If you are ever offered the chance, then I strongly recommend you be on S.E.A.L.S. Staff. All it requires is a few Thursday night meetings in advance, presentation rehearsing, and one weekend. Trust me - you will come back with new friends and



good memories.

And one more note - whenever you cook the chicken, make sure you cook it ALL THE WAY DONE and thoroughly. That's about as far as I'm going to go with that.

## S.E.A.L.S. 2010

*Troop 19 Scout T J Butner recently completed the Spring 2010 S.E.A.L.S. training course for future leaders. S.E.A.L.S. is an intensive course for Scouts who want to become effective leaders in their Troops. TJ writes below about his experiences at the S.E.A.L.S. course.*

Hello my name is **TJ Butner**. I recently went to a S.E.A.L.S. course. S.E.A.L.S. stands for Scouts Excited About Leadership Skills.

When I went to the course, the very first thing I did was check in and see which patrol I was in. I was in the

Orange Twinkies patrol.. Once we were established in our patrol, we spent time getting to know our patrol members. Later we attended the presentations given by the S.E.A.L.S. staff designed to teach you and your fellow scouts how to become better leaders and how to develop leadership skills. Other presentations focused on teaching us how to communicate better with others. The skills we learned in S.E.A.L.S. will help me with the troop and also in my school and personal relationships.

Now that I have been through S.E.A.L.S. and have learned the skills from the course, I have decided that I liked it so much that I even want to become a S.E.A.L.S. Staff member for the next course.

My experiences from attending

S.E.A.L.S. has left me with a lot of skills that I can use and I know that I can now communicate with troop better. So if you are thinking about signing up - you should - because it is a great experience and one you can really learn from.



## S.E.A.L.S. Class 2010-02 participants from Troop 19



## *NRA Training*

*by Taylor Turner  
Crew 19*

On the weekend of March 13, 2010, several members of the Crew including Miles and Teddy Jahns, John Mounts, Mr. Jahns, Mr. Mounts, Mr. Zaino and I went to the NRA club shooting range in Matthews. When we got there, there was already a huge class in session learning all the "how to" stuff. This was my first time shooting a pistol and I'm going to be honest, I was a little freaked out at first.

After the first 5 or so shots, I lead with the most hits. Then Teddy Jahns felt like he needed to redeem himself so he beat me in the bench rest position. This position requires you to sit down, lay the gun on a secure surface, and aim - a.k.a. the position no one would use in real life. We tried the standing up position and I don't like to brag, but I think I beat Teddy this time. John Mounts and Miles Jahns were good too, everyone had solid

scores.

Being in the Crew has many advantages, one of which is being able to schedule events like this one. That weekend was a lot of fun and I've been trying to get my dad to take me up to the range again. The Venturing Crew continues to plan high adventure outings and events which is a great way to keep the fun in Scouting. Until our next adventure signing out,

"Bust-A-Cap" Taylor Turner



*In the March 2010 elections, Senior Scout Sam Orr was elected as our newest SPL leading the Troop through the spring and summer seasons.*

Troop 19,

This past election I was elected to be Senior Patrol Leader for the next sixth months. I would first like to thank the troop for giving me the opportunity to be Senior Patrol Leader. I am excited about leading and I am sure it will be a great sixth months.



I will need help for sure, because I can't do it alone. I trust in my ASPL's and everyone who is ready to help. We are going to be a spirited troop and we are going to have a lot of fun.

Over the course of my term, summer camp takes place. This summer at Camp Grimes, I have high hopes that eve-

## *SPL Letter Spring/Summer 2010*

ryone is planning on winning the spirit stick. We won the Spirit Stick in 2009 so back to back wins will require a lot of spirit. It can be done though, as long as everyone has that goal in mind.

Once again, thank you to the troop. I hope everyone is excited about this last half of the scouting year.

Sam Orr  
Troop 19 SPL



## *Troop 19 Eagle Update*

*Troop 19 Eagle Scout, Al McCreary ('08) has enlisted in the US Navy. Below is his letter to Scoutmaster Banks on his enlistment.*

Mr. Banks,

I enlisted in the United States Navy on July 8, 2010, at around 4 pm at the Charlotte MEPS. I will be going for Nuclear Power, and have yet to be classified as to what exactly I will be doing in the nuclear field. I was promoted from E1 to E2 for having completed over 24 credit hours my first year of school, and then promoted from E2 to E3 for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

After calculations, it was determined that my Eagle Scout rank earned me about \$21,000 over six years, or about \$3,500 a year. I ship up to basics on March 14, 2011. I will be going to the Great Lakes Naval Base for nine

weeks to complete basic training. After that, I will head to Charleston, SC, for about a year and a half for schooling.

After completion of "A" school, I will be promoted to E4, and once I complete "C" school, I will be up for promotion again to the rank of E5. I will then have the option of applying for OCS, or Officer Candidate School, and if accepted I could go to the Naval Academy to finish my schooling and be commissioned as an O1E, or Ensign prior enlisted.

I think that's about it.

Best,

Al McCreary  
Eagle Scout  
United States Navy





## *Dixie 2010 Report*

*Dixie Chairman Sam Orr*

Dear Scouters,

I was told I needed to write an article about the 2010 Southern Region Order of the Arrow Dixie Fellowship and when thinking of what to write I realized should start by saying that I hope you didn't miss it.

Dixie is the best annual OA camping trip of the year and is always a fun time for the lodge. This year was my third Dixie and it was a great time! A Dixie Fellowship is an annual conference of a select bunch of southern region lodges (SR-5). I was happy to take the role of Dixie Chairman for this year's Dixie after Wesley King stepped down. Well kind of... Wesley was what I call my youth advisor and helped me a lot in my first year as Chairman. I want to say thank you to Wesley who has done a great job in the past and was a big help this year. I also want to thank Mr. Sian, my advisor who also helped me out a great deal and has contributed much of his time to Dixie in the past. My last thank you goes to the support of all the leaders in the OA, everyone who could help plan, or anyone who attended- I hope you had a great time.

After winning the spirit stick at Dixie Fellowship for the last two years, Catawba Lodge came pumped for a possible chance of a three-peat. Understanding this, we gave this spirit stick our best shot. Although we did not win, Catawba lodge was very spirited throughout the whole weekend. The lodge theme for this year's Dixie was a "Pirates" theme. The lodge headed out with our chants and yells and had a great time. We wore eye patches, bandannas, and carried around plastic swords.

Once we arrived at Camp Old Indian we set up camp as fast as we could and went to the opening ceremony in all of our pirate gear. The ceremony was nice but only a brief introduction to the weekend. After that we were dismissed to an opening concert that went really well. Then, after closing with "Free Bird", the band went home and everyone headed to bed.

We arose early on Saturday morning for a good day ahead of us. We ate breakfast in mess hall, opened with a flag ceremony and then all campers went to

training sessions. Each lodge provided training on a certain topic for three sessions at 50 minutes a piece. These topics included info about

become lodge officers, conducting ceremonies, and pretty much anything to better a lodge. Then came lunch, and finally the quest events.

These events are where lodges compete against each other in games like volleyball, tug-of-war, fire building, and plenty of others. Everything seemed to go well, and then the rain came. Truly it was bad early Saturday afternoon and drizzled for a while before it actually began to pour at about 3 o'clock. This put a real damper on the quest events and a few of them were canceled so most of the participants just headed back to camp. From the time it began to pour until the time we left on Sunday I saw a lot of the inside of my tent because it poured the whole time. The rain however, couldn't stop Dixie. So later everyone got out of their tents (in the rain) and went to dinner and the Saturday night ceremony. Throughout the whole ceremony Catawba Lodge competed with others for spirit and also voted to elect new officers-section chief, vice-chief, and secretary. That wrapped up Saturday.

Campers woke and came to breakfast tired and wet Sunday morning because it was still raining! I feel like everyone was having fun regardless of the weather. After breakfast came the awards ceremony and Catawba did an awesome job in many areas-no we didn't take home the spirit stick but I know most everyone had a good time. So that finished it up for the Catawba Lodge pirates at the 2010 Dixie. Sorry if you weren't able to go, hope you can join us next spring!





## Boy Scout Troop 19 Huntersville, NC

### August 27 – 29, 2010 Scout weekend at Cheerio



## YMCA Camp Cheerio

Camp Cheerio is located just off Highway 21 in Roaring Gap, NC.

Sleeping in Lodge Cabins Friday & Saturday night, bring Sleeping Bag

4 Meals & snacks      Friday night Snack

Saturday Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner, plus Snack

Sunday Breakfast

Saturday activities      Climbing tower, Canoeing, Archery, Pool, Tennis courts, Zip Line, Gym, Hiking, Disc Golf & Ball fields. General athletic equipment available.

Total Weekend Price:      \$ 70.00 per Youth      \$ 105.00 per Adult

\$ 10.00 Bus Fuel round trip fee on 8/27/10

Troop 19 Camp Cheerio Weekend

Register by: August 22

Email Registration Information To: [norris.woody@gmail.com](mailto:norris.woody@gmail.com)

Send Payment To: [Mark King, 9629 Northdowns Lane, Huntersville, NC 28078](#)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Patrol: \_\_\_\_\_ Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## *Dixie 2010*

***Troop 19's Thomas Chapmen attended his first Dixie Fellowship this April.. Thomas writes of his experience at 2010 Dixie Fellowship.***

Before I went to my first Dixie this past April, I had really no idea what exactly it would be like. My dad kept getting me to practice this thing called the "Rope Throw" and he didn't mention much other than there would be a lot of boys there and a lot of spirit. So, what exactly was I to expect?

I arrived at Camp Old Indian into a congested entrance, one that really reminded me of being at a NASCAR race. After a little while getting all checked in and our gear loaded up, we made our way to our campsite, where I saw a few old buds from the lodge. Our theme this year was "pirates" so we all had to put in these spiffy Jolly Roger epaulettes. Luckily, the big camp arena was right in front of our campsite so making our way to that was no problem.

I got my tent set up in time just for the opening ceremony. It took place in a big ring, with a screen, lights, and music. It was like the scout camp version of Bobcats Arena. Our whole lodge was singing and cheering, and you could feel the adrenaline. The opening ceremony was really neat and a great way to get pumped up for an awesome weekend. After the ceremony, everyone headed down to the main field and let me tell you, it was like being at a fair. They had a bunch of big tents set up, lights, and a stage for a band that was really pretty good. I was getting pretty excited...

The next morning our lodge had signups for quest events and they started at 12:00. I had signed up for the Cross Country run and the Rope throw. The cross country run was pretty fun, until I got tired, of course, but I still finished well and our lodge didn't do bad. The rope throw I was a little nervous about because I had been practicing all week at my home and if you messed up it would put you a whole lot of spots behind. It consists of throwing a rope over a horizontal pole lashed to two trees, tying it to a log, running back over and lifting the log by tying it to a stake in the ground. At home, my average time was about 15-16 seconds. I didn't do bad this time but when I went to tie it to my stake I grabbed to much rope and I had to

go back and pull on the rope more, which resulted in a finished time of 20 seconds. Although I was somewhat disappointed I still got third for the event out of 9 lodges.

Throughout the whole weekend I saw this immense tent filled with tables and patches, and I figured myself I must go check it out for once. It was crazy, people had tables set up and binders full of these crazy looking patches. My dad already pre-ordered me a few 2010 lodge patches for me and I took those few and attempted to make whatever I could from those. I saw this one patch that really got my attention, it was from another lodge out of our region but it was celebrating the Carolina Hurricanes Stanley Cup championship from 2006. Being the hockey fan I was I just HAD to have that patch. I proposed a trade and lucky me the scout accepted, and I made my first trade! From then on I was hooked on the patches and patch trading business.

I will look back on this experience as one of the most action packed and exciting weekends of my scouting career. If you are in the OA - I do recommend that you go next year, and trust me, you will have a blast!



**Thomas Chapmen shows off his Third Place ribbon at Dixie 2010**



## Wood Badge 2010

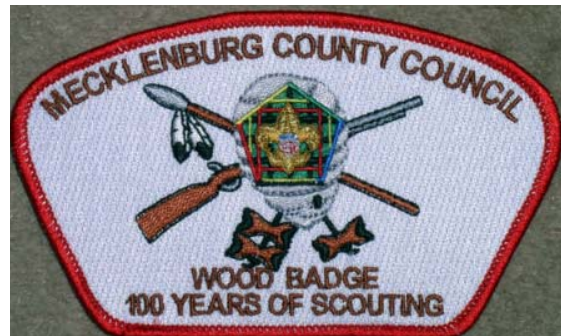
Wood Badge for the 21st Century is the premier adult leadership development course for the Boy Scouts of America. It teaches contemporary leadership and team-building skills where learners become members of their own Troop. Wood Badge for the 21st Century was designed for leaders from all of the current BSA programs (Cub Scout, Boy Scout, and Venturing) and is now taught in place of the old Cub Scout Leader and Boy Scout Leader Wood Badge courses. Wood Badge's effectiveness as a leadership development experience has been applauded by industry training professionals. Its positive influence on graduates' individual unit-level programs is unparalleled.

Troop 19 Committee Chair, **Eddie Shaner**, was part of Wood Badge Class SR 1037. Eddie and his class mates have completed the practical part of the course and are now working on their tickets. These tickets are a series of Scouting related tasks and projects that Wood Badge participants commit to complete with 18 months of the

completion of their practical portion to benefit Scouting.

Troop 19 was also well represented on the Staff of Wood Badge Class SR 1037. Serving on staff were **SM Banks, ASM Craig Orr, Sam Orr, Val** and **Dan Hardisty, Ken Hilton** and **Darren Seigler**.

Join us in congratulating Eddie on his progress towards his Wood Badge ticket and beads. We also extend our thanks to the Wood Badge staff members from Troop 19. We appreciate all of their dedication and commitment to the ideals of Scouting and in being better leaders for our youth.



### Troop 19 Participants in Wood Badge SR 1037

**Back (L to R):** Craig Orr, Candidate Eddie Shaner, Larry Banks, Darren Seigler, Ken Hilton  
**Front (L to R):** Sam Orr, Val Hardisty, Dan Hardisty



## *Top Gun Report*

by: Thomas Chapman

To put Top Gun in a nutshell, it was like S.E.A.L.S. but alot more fun, alot more in depth, way more hard, but definately more smelly. Yes, smelly. (As part of the program they wouldn't let us take showers until Saturday) The basics of it were very similar, the presentations, the monkey's fists in the beginning, and the patrols.

One of the main differences was that each night we had to stay at a different campsite, hiking a small distance to get there. We had to cook our own meals and function as a real patrol which was a good learning experience in itself.

Probably the most memorable experience from this week was the realistic first aid. So the story goes like this: It was just our patrol, alone with our troop guide, back along an open trail a little ways from the shelter everyone else was. Our troop guide started acting tired, then all of the sudden he fainted. At first I panicked a little bit but I remembered I'm a boy scout, I'm prepared for these situations. We ran all the way across the field to get a stretcher, ran back, and carefully lifted him on it.

We had to carry him across the field despite his agonizing cries in pain as he claimed to have an injured knee from his fall when he had fainted. My heart was pounding because I had never been in a real situation like this. When we finally reached the shelter we set him down as he stood up, saying "I'm fine and y'all did a heck of a job." Just then I realized it was fake, all a simulation to test our training. Hence the name "realistic" first aid. He had us all bought on his act and at the end of the week our patrol awarded him the best Top Gun actor award for an outstanding impression of a real first aid victim.

Overall the week was a great experience, it was tough but I learned alot of skills to benefit the troop. It felt strange being a participant as I had been a staff member of S.E.A.L.S. so many times. I will never forget it.

A vision is - "what future success looks like!"



## **2010 Staff and Participants of Wood Badge SR 1037 Mecklenburg County Council**





**Troop 19/Crew 19 Activity Information Flyer**

Activity: Troop & Crew Family Outing - Kannapolis Intimidators Baseball Game

Date: August 10, 2010 \_\_\_\_\_

Adult(s) in charge: Bruce James / Larry Banks \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email Address: bruceLjames1@aol.com \_\_\_\_\_

Trip location: Fieldcrest Cannon Stadium, Kannapolis, N.C. \_\_\_\_\_

Drop off location and time: Game time is 7:05 p.m. Cost includes a hot dog, drink and chips for each person, so please try to arrive by 6:40 p.m. to get the most out of the game. This is an event for the whole family! \_\_\_\_\_

Pick up location and time: Games typically last 2/12 hours to 3 hours \_\_\_\_\_

Activity Cost: \$8.50 per person – includes reserved seating ticket plus a hot dog, chips and a drink ( e.g., family of four = \$34) – normal reserved ticket cost is \$8 or \$9

Parking is usually \$2 cash, per vehicle, and must be paid to the parking attendant.

Gas: N/A \_\_\_\_\_

Please also be sure to include any special information:

- Bring your old baseball glove if you think you may want to try your hand at catching a foul ball
- Attire: Regular summer clothes, sunglasses, baseball hat & sunscreen.
- The “Intimidation station” is the team’s souvenir shop located inside the stadium.
- Additional food can be purchased at the concession stands if you desire, but there are no substitutes for the food provided in our package deal.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\*The \$8.50 cost is payable in cash to Bruce James at the game, but you will need to email the number from your family who will be attending, and please arrive no later than 6:50 p.m. at the stadium gate.

## Northern Tier

*Troop 19's Danny Ryan spent party of his summer at the Northern Tier High Adventure Base in Ely, Minnesota. Danny writes of his adventures*



This summer I spent five days on the trail backpacking, canoeing, and portaging this summer. I was part of a group of scouts and dedicated adult leaders from BSA Troop 35 at Hickory Grove United Methodist Church. This group ventured north to the Charles L.

Sommers Canoe Base in Ely, Minnesota. Northern Tier is one of three BSA High Adventure Bases:

1. Northern Tier - Ely, Minnesota
2. Philmont Scout Ranch - Cimarron, New Mexico
3. SeaBase - Islamorada, Florida

Crew E062010G took a 75 mile trek that led through scenic wilderness and gave the scouts an opportunity to enjoy Mother Nature's glory and share terrific scouting fellowship. This amazing trip could be a highlight of any Scouts career.



Since 1923, Scouts have been voyaging into the great north wilderness to seek adventure. Eagles soaring overhead, walleye swimming in the depths of pristine lakes, meeting a moose on the portage trail. These are the experiences that Scouts get in Canada and the north woods of the United States. Northern Tier High Adventure Program is the ONLY BSA approved program for Scouts and Leaders adventuring into North Americas Canoe Country.

Some of the best weather, snow conditions, facilities, and terrain for cold weather camping in North America are offered through the OKPIK Adventure program at

Charles L. Sommers base in Ely, Minnesota. OKPIK provides a highly-trained staff to help you learn cold weather camping skills such as dog sledding, cross country skiing, snowshoeing, clothing and sleeping systems, snow shelter building, animal tracking, cold weather cooking, and ice fishing.

I've had the privilege to attend all three High Adventure bases during my Scouting career. I have memories that I will cherish for the remainder of my life. The possibilities are endless, the opportunities are abundant, and the memories priceless. I encourage you to pursue a trip to one of the three BSA High Adventure bases.





## 100 Things You Didn't Know About Scouting

*This article is published by the BSA and presented on their website. We have re published items 33 to 67 of the 100 things you didn't know about Scouting. The remainder will come in future newsletters.*

33. When America entered World War I in 1917, membership in the BSA outnumbered the 200,000-man U.S. Army by more than 68,000 members.
34. American passenger railroads helped boost the population at the first national Scout jamboree in 1937 - they offered fares at a special price of 1 cent per mile.
35. Wal-Mart founder Sam Walton became an Eagle Scout at age 13, businessman and philanthropist H. Ross Perot at 13, and President Gerald R. Ford at 14.
36. The first Scouts to live in the White House were the sons of 30th U.S. President Calvin Coolidge: John and Calvin Jr.
37. In the aftermath of the attacks of September 11, 2001, Scouts from New York and New Jersey helped reignite the American spirit, collecting more than 153,000 bottles of water for Ground Zero rescue workers - and placing handwritten messages of appreciation and encouragement in their hard hats.
38. The Boy Scout Memorial in Washington, D.C., marks the site of the 1937 National Scout Jamboree. One of the few D.C. memorials to commemorate a living cause, it was accepted in 1964 by Associate Supreme Court Justice Tom Clark on his 50th anniversary as an Eagle Scout.
39. More than 8 million people read *Boys' Life* each month.
40. In Scouting's first decade, dozens of composers turned out Boy Scout sheet music, including John Phillip Sousa, who wrote the "Boy Scouts of America March" in 1916.
41. More than 1.5 million pinewood derby cars are sold each year. If the cars were lined up end to end, they would stretch 166 miles.
42. At the outbreak of World War I, the Boy Scouts of America was the largest uniformed body in the United States - twice as large as the U.S. Army, nearly twice as large as the National Guard, four times larger than the U.S. Navy, and 11 times larger than the U.S. Marine Corps.
43. Each year, the BSA awards 6 million pocket certificates. If stacked on top of one another like a deck of cards, they would be as tall as the Empire State Building, the Washington Monument, both Sears Towers (now Willis Tower), and the John Hancock Conservatory combined.
44. The first African American Boy Scout troop was organized in 1911 in Elizabeth City, North Carolina.
45. The Florida National High Adventure Sea Base is one of the largest scuba-diving operations in the United States, conducting more than 25,000 individual dives annually.
46. These days, boys may earn the rank of Eagle Scout only until age 18, but until 1965, both boys and men could achieve Scouting's highest rank.
47. Of the 12 men who would eventually walk on the moon, 11 were former Scouts.
48. Rafael Petit and Juan Carmona of Caracas, Venezuela, hiked to the 1935 National Scout Jamboree, only to



find that it was canceled due to a polio outbreak. They returned for the rescheduled 1937 Jamboree - a total of 8,000 miles.

49. The only recorded Tyrannosaurus Rex footprint cast was discovered at Philmont Scout Ranch.

50. Norman Rockwell designed the first 12 Scout medals for the BSA.

51. Robert E. Peary discovered the North Pole in 1908. When his article on the adventure appeared in print in June 1914, it was not in *Harper's* or *Collier's*. Only *Boys' Life* had it.

52. In April 1937, Cubmobiles, patterned after soapbox derby racers and described as any contrivance on wheels (one, two, three, four, or more wheels) became an annual feature of Cub Scouting.

53. At his family's request, two separate honor guards of Eagle Scouts played a major role in the 2006 memorial services for President Gerald R. Ford, the first U.S. president to achieve the Eagle Scout rank as a boy.

54. A young George Herman "Babe" Ruth was a Tenderfoot Scout in Troop 23, promising to do a Good Turn daily.

55. The BSA sells almost 1 million neckerchiefs each year. If laid out flat, they would cover 120 football fields, or 124 acres.

56. In 1927, the BSA created Honorary Scouts to distinguish "American citizens whose achievements in outdoor activity, exploration, and worthwhile adventure are of such an exceptional character as to capture the imagination of boys." Among the Honorary Scouts were Orville Wright and Charles Lindbergh.

57. In 1981, real Life Scout Harrison Ford made film history, playing fictional Life Scout Indiana Jones in the first of four adventure films.

58. Of 121 merit badges, the one earned most by Scouts across the country is First Aid; more than 84,419 Scouts earned the badge in 2008.

59. The BSA is eco-friendly! In addition to publishing the first "green" *Boy Scout Handbook* in 2009, BSA magazines *Boys' Life* and *Scouting* have been certified by the Sustainable Forestry Initiative.

60. A Boy Scout was selected to read Abraham Lincoln's address at the 50th anniversary commemoration of the Battle of Gettysburg in 1913, one of among several national notices the BSA received that year.

61. Home to the world's largest collection of Norman Rockwell paintings, the National Scouting Museum in Irving, Texas, is 53,000 square feet—it would take some 3.2 million merit badges to fully cover the museum's floor.

62. When Orville Wright wrote how he and his brother Wilbur got to Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, for the first engine-powered airplane flight, only *Boys' Life* printed "How I Learned to Fly."

63. Nearly 1.2 million volunteers donate an average of 20 hours per month to the BSA, which totals 288 million hours of time during one year. Independent Sector projects the average value of volunteer time to be \$20.25 an hour. Given this hourly rate, the approximate value of the time given by Boy Scout volunteers is more than \$5.8 billion annually.

64. A project for Cub Scouts and their parents, pinewood derby cars made since 1954 could form a line stretching from Los Angeles to the island of Tahiti in the Polynesian Islands—a total of more than 5,500 miles.

65. If a Boy Scout attends his weekly patrol and troop meetings, participates in a monthly weekend troop outing, and attends long-term summer camp with his troop, he will have spent as much time with Scouting in a year as he spends in the classroom.

66. The *Boy Scout Handbook* has had Braille editions for many years; merit badge pamphlets have been recorded on cassette tapes for the blind; and closed-caption training videos have been produced for those who are deaf.

67. Former Sea Scout Paul Siple coined the term *wind chill*. He experienced the phenomenon firsthand when he accompanied Commander Richard E. Byrd on an 18-month voyage to Antarctica.

# S.E.A.L.S.

Adult staff members from Troop 19 were:

**Michael Turner-ASM**  
**Mark Chapman-ASM**  
**Darren Seigler-ASM**  
**Larry Banks Adviser**

S.E.A.L.S. is a Council Wide training opportunity designed for SCOUTS EXCITED ABOUT LEADERSHIP SKILLS. A S.E.A.L.S. participant learns about Scout Spirit and becomes versed in skits and songs appropriate for their troop events. At the end of the class, he comes away with a "contract" indicating how he intends to use these new skills to help his patrol and troop.

Thanks to all the staff for their help and good luck to all the S.E.A.L.S. trained Scouts

Attending S.E.A.L.S. as candidates from Troop 19 were:

**TJ Butner**  
**Dylan Scheck**  
**Jordan Hardesty**  
**Brock Wesolek**  
**Kristopher Harris-Pitton**

Serving as youth staff from Troop 19

**Scott Sokley**  
**Justin Austenfeld**  
**Thomas Chapman**



## *Wesley King Recognition*

ious accomplishment that is highly revered in our society. I am still reminded of the hard work that was required to attain this rank, and encourage everyone of our Troop members to strive to attain this lofty achievement.

*Troop 19's Wesley King was recently recognized by US Representative Sue Myrick as one of the Eagle Scouts and Gold Award Girl Scouts from Mecklenburg County. Wesley writes of this experience.*

On June 27<sup>th</sup> I was invited to attend a special ceremony that recognized the Boy and Girl Scouts that earned Eagle Scout and the Gold Award. Congresswoman Sue Myrick presented those of us that attained these ranks with a Special Congressional certificate congratulating us on our achievement. To me, the ceremony was not only gratifying, but also humbling to see that the rank of Eagle is still a very prestig-



# OA News and Notes

## Beaver Weekend & Ordeal

Beaver Weekend was held May 14 - 16 to prepare Camp Grimes for the start of Summer Camp. Troop 19 Scouts did a great job helping place tents and cleaning camp sites. Special thanks to all the leaders and Scouts who assisted in getting everything ready for Troop 19 Summer camp.



During June Ordeal weekend, five of our Scouts completed their ordeal for the Order of the Arrow and join Catawba Lodge as Troop 19 newest Arrowmen. Congratulations to:

- Dillon Sellie**
- Harrison Green**
- Zach Shaner**
- Kevin Thomas**
- Matt Fox**

Troop 19 had one Arrowman seal their membership to the Order of the Arrow and Catawba Lodge by completing his Brotherhood requirements during the Beaver Weekend. Completing his Brotherhood tasks was:

**Evan Napier**

Troop 19 Scouts also had two Arrowman seal their membership to the Order of the Arrow and Catawba Lodge

by completing his Brotherhood requirements during the June ordeal weekend. Completing their Brotherhood tasks were:

**Thomas Chapman**  
**Troy Daniel**

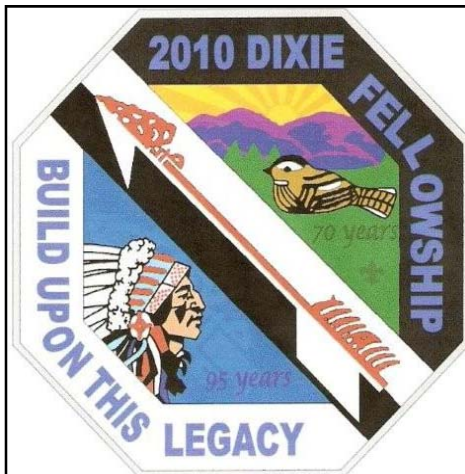
Please join Troop 19 in congratulating all of these Scouts on their achievements and dedication to ideals of Scouting and the Order of the Arrow.

Finally, two of Troop 19's OA members completed their requirements for Brotherhood and sealed their membership in the lodge during Summer Camp at Camp Grimes. Sealing their membership this summer were:

**Jesse McDonnell**  
**Justin Austinfeld**

## Dixie 2010

The 2010 Dixie Fellowship was April 23 - 25 at Camp Old Indian in South Carolina. Activities included fire building, a 5k run, tug-o-war, and of course, the totem pole carving and dance teams to watch. This year's Troop 19 sent 8 attendees. Attending Dixie for the Troop were:



**Catawba Lodge's 1st Place Entry for Totem Pole Carving at Dixie 2010**



Thanks to **Sam Orr** who served as Catawba Lodge's Dixie 2010 Chairman for the great job he did in organizing Catawba Lodge's participation and adventure at Camp Old Indian for Dixie 2010.

## *2010 Davidson Day Graduation*

Troop 19 Eagle Scout **Wesley King ('10)** graduated from Davidson Day School in June. Wesley was recognized as Salutatorian for the graduating Class of 2010. Wesley is the son of Kevin & Sharon King and has served as Troop 19 Sr. Patrol Leader. Wesley will be attending NC State in the fall to study Nuclear Engineering. Congratulations, Wesley!

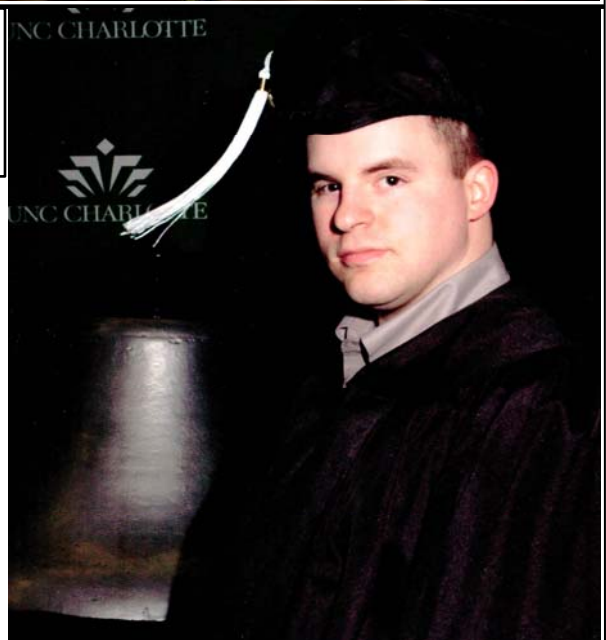


## *Troop 19 Eagle Update*

Troop 19 is proud to recognize one of our Eagle Scouts upon his graduation from college this May. Eagle Scout **William S. (Scott) Hunnicutt III ('01)**, son of Bill and Nancy Hunnicutt completed his requirements for his degree at the University of North Carolina Charlotte. Scott was awarded a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree with a Photography concentration at the May 15 graduation ceremony.

Scott is a graduate of Hopewell High and became an Eagle for Troop 19 on June 4, 2001. Scott was recognized by the Troop as Scout of the Year in 2001 and had served as Troop 19's Senior Patrol Leader in 2000.

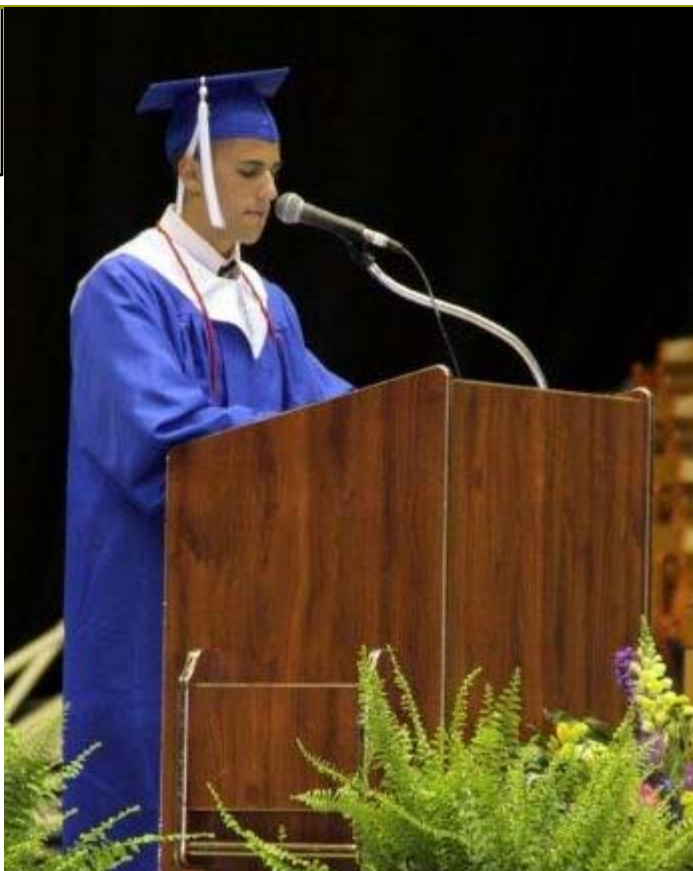
Please join us in congratulating Scott on his recent success.



**2010 UNCC graduate Scott Hunnicutt**

## 2010 North Mecklenburg Graduates

*Photos of Troop 19 Scout s who graduated from North Mecklenburg High School at their Graduation ceremonies June 15. Congratulations to all Troop 19 2010 graduates*



**Above:** Troop 19 Eagle Scout **Nicholas Carpets** gives his speech as Salutatorian of North Mecklenburg Class of 2010

**Below:** **Patrick Buffum** accepts his diploma from North Mecklenburg Principal Joey Burch. **Lower right:** **Jonathan Pugliese** shows off his hard earned diploma



## *Troop 19 2010- 11 Calendar*

### July 2010

Jul 26 - Aug 4 100th Anniversary National Jamboree  
- Fort AP Hill, Virginia

### August 2010

Aug 10 Kannapolis Intimidators Baseball  
Aug 20 - 22 Third Ordeal OA members only  
Aug 25 CMS Back to School  
Aug 27 - 29 Troop Camping - Climbing Trip  
Aug 31 Troop Returns

### September 2010

Sep 7 Troop Elections  
Sep 9 Hornets Nest Roundtable  
Sep 14 Troop Committee  
Sep 17 - 19 Hornets Nest Sr. Camporee  
Sep 21 Troop Boards of Review  
Sep 21 Deadline OA Fall Fellowship  
Sep 22 Schwatu Chapter Mtg - OA members only  
Sep 26 Troop Creek Walk  
Sep 28 PLC - 6:30 PM  
Sep 28 TLD - 7:00 PM

### October 2010

Oct 1 Popcorn Show and Sell  
Oct 1 - 3 Fall Fellowship - Camp Belk  
OA Members only  
Oct 5 End of Summer Court of Honor  
Oct 12 Troop Committee  
Oct 14 Hornets Nest Roundtable  
Oct 19 Troop Boards of Review  
Oct 22 - 24 Troop Camping - Beach Trip  
Oct 22 - 24 Puppies Base Camp  
Oct 26 PLC - 7:00 PM  
Oct 26 ASM Meeting  
Oct 27 Schwatu Chapter Mtg - OA members only  
Oct 28 - 29 Basic Leadership Training - SM/ASM  
Oct 29 CMS Closed

### November 2010

Nov 4 Basic Leadership Training  
Nov 6 Veterans' Day Parade  
Nov 9 Troop Committee  
Nov 9 Popcorn Take Orders Due  
Nov 11 Hornets Nest Roundtable  
Nov 11 VETERANS' DAY  
Nov 11 CMS Closed

Nov 12 - 14 Outdoor Leadership Skills Training  
Nov 12 - 14 S.E.A.L.S. Training  
Nov 16 Troop Boards of Review  
Nov 16 OA Annual Banquet Deadline  
OA members only  
Nov 17 Schwatu Chapter Mtg - OA members  
Only  
Nov 19 - 21 Troop Camping - Virginia Creeper  
Trail  
Nov 20 Popcorn Take Order Distribution  
Nov 21 Troop Pick Up Popcorn after Camping  
Nov 23 PLC - 7:00 PM  
Nov 23 ASM Meeting  
Nov 25 THANKSGIVING  
Nov 25 - 26 CMS Closed  
Nov 30 Troop Fun Night

### December 2010

Dec 3 OA Annual Banquet - OA members  
only  
Dec 7 Troop Committee  
Dec 7 Service Project @ The Oaks  
Dec 7 Last Troop Meeting of 2010  
Dec 18 Merit Badge Workshop  
Dec 22 - 31 CMS Winter Break  
Dec 24 Service Project @ HPC  
Dec 25 CHRISTMAS  
Dec 31 New Years' Eve

### January 2011

Jan 1 NEW YEARS DAY  
Jan 4 Troop 19 Returns  
Jan 4 OA Elections  
Jan 4 Klondike Training Begins  
Jan 8 OA Cold Weather Training  
Jan 11 Troop Committee  
Jan 11 CPR Training  
Jan 13 Hornets Nest Roundtable  
Jan 17 MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY  
Jan 18 Troop Boards of Review  
Jan 21 CMS Closed  
Jan 21 - 23 Sr. Scout Backpacking - Stone Mtn  
Jan 26 Schwatu Chapter Mtg - OA members  
only

### February 2011

Feb 1 Webelos II Visit

## *2010 - 11 Calendar Cont.*

Feb 3	Scouting for Food Bag Distribution	Apr 26	PLC - 7:00 PM
Feb 4	Troop BBQ	Apr 26	ASM Meeting
Feb 5	Scouting for Food - Northstone	Apr 27	Schwatu Chapter Mtg - OA members only
Feb 8	Troop Committee		
Feb 8	Sr. Scout Merit Badge begins	Apr 28	Mecklenburg County Council Recognition Dinner
Feb 10	Hornets Nest Roundtable		
Feb 12	Troop 19 Year End Court of Honor		
Feb 13	Scout Sunday		<b>May 2011</b>
Feb 15	Troop Boards of Review	May 8	Mother's Day
Feb 18	CMS Closed	May 10	Troop Committee
Feb 22	PLC - 7:00 PM	May 12	Hornets Nest Roundtable
Feb 22	ASM Meeting	May 14	Spring Leadership Training
Feb 23	Schwatu Chapter Mtg - OA members only	May 17	Troop Boards of Review
Feb 24	Eagle Scout Recognition Dinner	May 17	Beaver Days Deadline - All Scouts
Feb 25 - 27	Hornets Nest Klondike Derby	May 20 - 22	Beaver Weekend @ Camp Grimes
Feb 28	Pack 19 Crossover	May 20 - 22	Puppy Backpacking Trip
		May 24	Deadline 2nd Ordeal - OA members only
	<b>March 2011</b>	May 24	Troop 19 Ice Cream Social
Mar 1	Troop Elections	May 26	Schwatu Chapter Mtg - OA members only
Mar 5	Basic Leadership Training		
Mar 5	Scouts in Action	May 30	MEMORIAL DAY
Mar 5	Webelos II Crossover	May 30	Service Day @ Bridal
Mar 8	Troop Committee	May 31	PLC - 7:00 PM
Mar 8	Deadline Spring Fellowship	May 31	ASM Meeting
Mar 10	Hornets Nest Roundtable		
Mar 11 - 13	Outdoor Leadership Skills Training		<b>June 2011</b>
Mar 11 - 13	S.E.A.L.S. Training	Jun 3	June Ordeal @ Belk - OA members only
Mar 15	Troop Boards of Review	Jun 6	Summer Camp Swim test
Mar 18 - 20	OA Spring Fellowship - OA members only	Jun 7	Annual Planning Conference - Adult leaders only
Mar 22	PLC - 7:00 PM	Jun 9	Hornets Nest Roundtable
Mar 22	ASM Meeting	Jun 19 - 25	Summer Camp Session I
Mar 29	Troop Fun Night	Jun 19	Father's Day
Mar 30	Schwatu Chapter Mtg - OA members only		
	<b>April 2011</b>	Jul 1 - 5	<b>July 2011</b>
Apr 1	CMS Closed	Jul 14	Troop 19 Super Trip - Washington DC
Apr 1 - 3	Merit Badge Workshop Campout	Jul 28 - 30	Hornets Nest Roundtable
Apr 7	Hornets Nest Roundtable		Wood Badge Session I
Apr 12	Troop Committee	Aug 11	
Apr 15 - 17	DIXIE FELLOWSHIP @ Camp Daniel Boone - OA members only	Aug 17	<b>August 2011</b>
Apr 18 - 22	CMS Spring Break	Aug 18 - 20	Hornets Nest Roundtable
Apr 19	NO Scouts	Aug 26 - 28	Deadline 3rd Ordeal - OA members only
Apr 24	EASTER		Wood Badge Session II
			3rd Ordeal @ Camp Belk - OA members only

## *Camp Grimes ATV Program 2010*

*Troop 19 had several Scouts participate in the 2010 Camp Grimes ATV program. The course was designed to teach Scouts ATV driving skills and safety in a week long course. Troop 19 Scout Teddy Johns writes of his experiences.*

Day one: So there we were Bradley McDonnell, Taylor Turner and I, riding in the shuttle bus that was taking us to the other side of camp to where a small practice course was set up for the ATV class.

When we arrived, we met our instructor. After that we got the paper work out of the way and became familiar with the ATV's we would be riding all week. We started out with some basic turns and riding maneuvers on the practice course for about half an hour then started the book work. That was about all we did on the first day.

On the second day we started with more book work try-

ing to get most of it out of the way so we would have more riding time. That day on the ATV's, we worked on sharper turns such as the u turn and the figure eight. The figure eight was a tricky one because there were eight of us doing it at the same time - so you had to watch what you and other riders were doing at all times.

On day three we finished the rest of the book in less than half an hour. After that we went to the practice track and did a few warm up laps and quick turns around the cones. That day's riding lesson was quick stops, swerves, and traversing hills. We all did pretty well on both and had lots of fun. Then we took our first mini trail ride.

On the last two days we went trail riding the whole time. On the trail ride we used all the skills we learned throughout the first few days and applied them. During the ride we went to places within Camp Grimes I had never been before or even heard of. Overall, the course was a ton of fun and I highly recommend to any Scout



## *Opening Campfire at Camp Grimes June 2010*





# Summer Camp Attendees 2010

## Scouts

Justin Austenfeld  
 Drew Banks  
 Blaine Baylor  
 Matt Belter  
 Jack Buffum  
 TJ Butner  
 Cameron Callahan  
 Banks Campbell  
 Thomas Chapman  
 Bryce Clegg  
 Justin Cook  
 Matthew Dahlem  
 Troy Daniel  
 Ben Decker  
 Tyler Ebersold  
 Dylan Fox  
 Hayden Fox  
 Jacob Goodman  
 Harrison Green  
 Jordan Hardesty

Kristopher Pitton  
 Jacob Hege  
 Luke Jahns  
 Teddy Jahns  
 George James  
 Lucas James  
 Hayden Jones  
 Hunter Jones  
 Tyler Key  
 Alex Kuhn  
 Anthony Lorenzo  
 Harrison Lowe  
 Michael Lutz  
 Stephen Martin  
 Bradley McDonnell  
 Jesse McDonnell  
 Matthew Mikuleza  
 Evan Napier  
 Will Napier  
 Sam Orr

Josh Pitts  
 Logan Rees  
 Logan Reese  
 Dylan Scheck  
 Dillon Sellie  
 Timothy Shaner  
 Zachary Shaner  
 Morgan Shaw  
 Christian Smith  
 Wesley Smith  
 Josh Spencer  
 Luke Stasky  
 Thomas Stephenson  
 William Stephenson  
 Nicholas Tennant  
 Taylor Turner  
 Nik Westhofen  
 Ricky Williams  
 Dante Ybarra  
 Nicholas Zanzot

## Adults

Don Almond  
 Larry Banks (full week)  
 Mark Chapman (full week)  
 Matt Fox (full week)  
 Michael Hartje (full week)  
 Ken Jahns  
 Bruce James (full week)  
 Ken Key (full week)  
 Juan Lorenzo  
 Craig Orr  
 Rodney Scheck  
 Darren Seigler (full week)  
 Michael Turner



## TROOP 19 SUMMER CAMP 2010

**HONOR UNIT****WEEK 1 SUMMER CAMP****OA BROTHERHOOD**

JESSE McDonnell

JUSTIN AUSTENFELD

**SCOUT OF THE WEEK**

SAM ORR

**MERIT BADGES EARNED**

135 BADGES

**MILE SWIM**

MATT BELTER

ALEX KUHN

HARRISON GREEN

**SUMMER CAMP STAFF**

DANNY RYAN

Summer Camp was another outstanding event this year. The spirit of the troop was extraordinary and the Scouts showed superior spirit and enthusiasm the entire week.



# Camp Grimes 2010 Summer Camp Awards & Recognitions

**SUMMER CAMP SPECIAL THANKS:**

Thanks to those serving on Camp Staff for the service and hard work.

Thanks to ASM Ken Key for planning and coordinating the Summer Camp for the Troop.

Thanks to SPL Sam Orr who served as youth leader and spirit master for the Troop throughout summer camp.

Thanks to all the leaders who came out and spent time at Summer Camp with the Troop.

## Summer Camp 2010

*Senior Patrol Leader Sam Orr led Troop 19 to Summer camp this June. Sam writes of the Troop's experiences and spirit at Camp Grimes*

Who! Summer Camp this year was awesome. I wanted to say thanks to Mr. Key and commend him on a great job this week at summer camp. This year, everyone did great in spirit as we represented the 100th anniversary of Scouting in America. Congratulations to the Spirit of Grimes winners you guys helped a lot but everyone truly contributed! I hope that everyone had a great time I know I did!

So just like every year, we woke up bright and early on Sunday morning to be at Huntersville Elementary School at 9 AM! Super Early! After loading gear and the worship service (Harrison did a great job) we were on our way. We reached Camp Grimes about two hours later at immediately started to prepare for the week. Everyone seemed to scatter and pick their favorite tent. That night we ate our first "Summer Camp Dinner", as you can imagine - it was delicious! That night, Camp Grimes staff officially started the week with an opening campfire that consisted of a bunch of silly skits.

Monday was the first real day and everyone made their way to merit badge classes. Each day there were 7 merit badge sessions full of scouts, Tenderfoots to Eagles. Troop 19 always tried to do something special each night

and on Monday we had pizza! After some tasty grub everyone headed to bed. Tuesday and Wednesday and Thursday followed. It was amazing how fast the days seemed to go by! Each day we wore a certain spirit item to show our 100th anniversary spirit. We wore American-flag bandanas and star sunglasses. We carried around little American flags and wore bright yellow spirit laces in our shoes. At night we had ice cream and watched "Follow Me Boys". On Wednesday night some Scouts went to the "Open Mica Night" talent show, with ice cream provided by the OA. Friday night was here soon enough and the Troop took off shouting and chanting to the closing campfire. At the campfire, we watched a lot more silly skits and gave a lot of spirit. However in the end, Troop 447 won the spirit stick. Great Job guys in 447 and in 19!

Troop 19's campfire event was a flag retirement ceremony that went great! Thank you to Mr. Orr and the Scouts that helped out. Then came the OA call out and that pretty much wrapped up Camp Grimes Summer Camp 2010. The troop headed back to the campsite and a few scouts received some spirit awards and then it was time to "hit the hay"!

We awoke on Saturday morning to a breakfast of pop tarts and milk- you can't go wrong with that! After some policing of the campsite we boarded the bus and took the short trip home.

Well that's it! Once again, I hope everyone had a great time and plans to attend next year! Great job 19!

God Bless, Sam Orr



# Top Gun 2010

*Troop 19 Scout Luke Jahns recently completed the July Top Gun training course in for future leaders. Top Gun is an intensive course for Scouts who want to become effective leaders in their Troops. Luke writes below about his experiences at the Top Gun course.*

## My Top Gun Experience...by Luke Jahns

On the week of July 5<sup>th</sup> of this year I went through a course at Camp Grimes called NYLT or Top Gun leadership training. The course teaches scouts leadership skills by setting up scenarios and showing us how to deal with them. We were given techniques and then were expected to use them in our patrols and in the training exercises.

At first I felt uneasy being in a patrol of scouts I didn't know, but as the week went on we all got to know each other. We backpacked to a different part of the camp each night and used teamwork to get tents pitched and

dinner prepared. Most of the day was spent listening to presentations that were good. There was plenty to learn if you were willing to listen. I even took notes, which surprised my parents.

My favorite part of the training was the activity challenges. In the pioneering challenge, we had to design, build and perfect a swing-using lashing and long poles. Our swing didn't break like some of the other patrols' did. We argued a little every once in a while, but mostly we got along.

My least favorite part of the week was when the GPS we were using led us to the wrong campsite. It was a hot day and everyone was frustrated because we knew where we had to go but the GPS said otherwise. I will admit, I was missing home for the first few days, but after that I got into it. By the time Saturday night came, I realized what a good time I had. I'll never forget the experience. I hope to use what I learned at Top Gun in my future responsibilities in Troop 19.

Top Gun 2010 (L to R):  
Luke Jahns, Thomas Chapman, ASM Turner, SM Banks, Tim Nye



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**Huntersville Presbyterian Church**  
**Huntersville, NC 28078**

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