

TROOP 19



**HUNTERSVILLE, NC
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**Troop 19
Beaver Tales**



CREW 19



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- OA Elections**
Jan 8
- Troop Annual BBQ**
Feb 1
- Year End Court of Honor**
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- Klondike Derby**
Feb 22 - 24
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Mar 2
- Troop Elections**
Mar 5
- Spring Fellowship**
Mar 15 - 17
- Dixie Fellowship**
April 19 - 21
- Summer Camp 2013**
Jun 16 - 22



To: National Board, Advisory Council, and our BSA family:

We are all struggling to come to grips with the tragic school shooting in Connecticut. I have the sad responsibility to report that this tragedy has also struck within the Scouting family.

We've been informed two of the young victims, 7-year-old Chase Kowalski and 6-year-old Benjamin Wheeler, were new Tiger Cub Scouts with Pack 170 in the Connecticut Yankee Council. In addition, three of the victims were siblings of other boys in Pack 170. Victoria Soto, one of the hero

Wayne Brock
Wayne Brock
CHIEF SCOUT EXECUTIVE



Former Troop 19 Assistant Scoutmaster **Bill Schwab** died in November after a lengthy battle with brain cancer. Bill served as ASM to Troop 19 for more than 6 years and is father to Troop 19 Eagle **Jim Schwab** (1998). Bill died at home with his family in hospice care on November 24. Bill's obituary is copied on page 3.

Bill was a long time supporter of Scouting and very active in OA and Scouter training. He was elected as an Honorary Troop 19 Scoutmaster in 2011.

Please join us in keeping the Schwab family in your thoughts and prayers.

teachers, was an Explorer as a youth.

Please join me in remembering these victims and families in your prayers.

We have been in touch with council leadership. The National Council is offering any support possible during this difficult time.

Working with the leadership of Pack 170, the Connecticut Yankee Council has established a memorial fund in support of the five families. If interested, donations, cards, and letters can be sent to the *Pack 170 Memorial Fund, c/o Connecticut Yankee Council, P.O. Box 32, Milford, CT 06460*

God bless everyone as we take a step back and think about the safety and well-being of our own families and loved ones in the midst of this national time of mourning.

For this edition of the newsletter, Banks' Bits have been moved to page 21

Bill Schwab



Welcome Letter to the Rising Webelos & Their Families

Dear Rising Puppy Parents:

Greetings from Troop 19! By now, your Scout should be well down the Webelos trail and perhaps even working toward the Arrow of Light. In just a few short months, it will be time to transition to a Boy Scout troop and we certainly hope you choose Troop 19. We are a very active troop and we will welcome your Scout with a lot of fanfare.

Summer Camp will be from June 16 – June 22, 2013 at Camp Grimes . We are currently collecting \$20 non refundable deposits to hold your space at Camp. Please make checks payable to Troop 19. We need this as soon as possible.

The Scoutmaster of Troop 19 is Larry Banks and you have probably seen him around if you haven't yet met him personally. There are several Assistant Scoutmasters in Troop 19 and we all have one goal in common - to provide a quality Scouting experience for your Scout.

As I mentioned, we are a very active troop and the key to ensuring that YOU know what is going on is communication. Even though our troop is truly boy-led, we still post weekly on the Troop Facebook site outlining upcoming events and activities. I will send the Weekly Post to you from Facebook, please have a Facebook Account so we can set you up for notices. We also have a **great** troop website and I encourage you to begin exploring the information posted there. The address is www.bsa19.org.

For your future planning purposes, here are the dates to begin Troop Meetings:

- Tues Feb 5 Troop Mtg 7:00 - 8:30 PM
- Tues Feb 12 Troop Mtg 7:00 - 8:30 PM
- Tues Feb 19 Troop Mtg 7:00 - 8:30 PM

During this time, the Parents can work on their Scout's Shadow Boxes.

Mon Feb 25 **Webelos Crossover**
Ceremony at the Pack Meeting
7 - 8:00 PM

- Sat Mar 2 **Mandatory Parent Mtg**
for puppies crossing over
1 - 4:00 PM
- Sat Mar 2 **Crossover Ceremony @ HPC.**
Beginning at 5:30 PM

You can find the 2012 - 13 detailed calendar on the troop website as well.

On March 2, 2013, please bring the following documents to the Orientation:

- Current Health Form, parts A, B, and C, the link is below.
- Troop Handbook, can be printed from the Troop Website
- Registration Fee of \$152 made payable to Troop 19.
- Scout and Parent must attend in Class A – Khaki shirt, Green Pants, Green Belt, Green Socks. Troop Neckerchief, Slide, and Class B shirt will be provided at Crossover.

One of the most important things you can do **now** is obtain a fully completed health form, including Part B (which requires a doctor's visit) and turn it in to me. **This document will be required** upon joining the troop so taking care of that now will help your Scout be prepared for Boy Scouts. You can find the form on the website.

We look forward to your Scout's visit in February but if you have questions (and you most likely will), please feel free to send me and or Larry Banks an email.

Lawrence W. Banks, Jr.
Scoutmaster Troop 19



Bill Schwab 1951 - 2012

William Preston Schwab William Preston "Bill" Schwab, 61, of Gordonsville, passed away peacefully on Saturday, November 24, 2012, at the Hospice of the Piedmont, Hospice House.

Bill was born on March 3, 1951, in Alexandria, Virginia, to Carroll and Phyllis Schwab. He was a loving husband and father whose absence will be greatly missed.

He served in the United States Navy stationed in Adak, Alaska, and on the LPD7 during the Vietnam war. Bill was a member of Meadows Presbyterian Church. After a 25 year career with Eastman Kodak Company he joined Albemarle County Fire and Rescue and served as a firefighter medic until he retired. Bill was a long time member and Assistant Scout Master of Boy Scout Troop 19 in Charlotte, North Carolina. He earned his Wood Badge and supported his son who earned the rank of Eagle Scout. Bill enjoyed anything that took him outdoors including hiking, fishing, camping, kayaking, metal detecting and wood carving.

He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Vicki Street Schwab; his beloved son, James William Schwab and fiancé, Heather Renee Reese; and his grandchildren, Heath Riley Schwab and Gauge Davis Jenkins

of Waynesboro, Virginia; his brother, friend, Lance Alsip, of Fairfax, Virginia; his brother, Robert Adams Schwab of Dallas, Texas, and his wife Cathy, and their children, Tyler and Emily; his sister, Connie Embrey, Margie Schwab; and Robin Ruthanne Perryman, and her husband, Gary, and their children, Kathy, Danielle and Scott; his sister, Betsy Joanne Perryman, and her husband, Donald, and their children, Robert and Jonathan; both of Fairfax, Virginia; his sister, Angela Marie Seago, her husband, Mark, of Earlysville, Virginia, and their children, David and Kyle. He is also survived by a brother in-law, Bill Street and his wife, Debbie, of Springfield, Virginia, and their children Bekki and Nikki; sisters-in-law, Debbie McCaughey, her husband, Tim, of Charlottesville, Virginia, and their children, Erin and Sean, Lori Kruczek, and her husband, Steve, of Peachtree City, Georgia, and their children, Kristin and Sara, Jodi Holden and special family

A service to honor Bill will be held at the Meadows Presbyterian Church in Charlottesville, 1 p.m. Thursday, November 29, 2012.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Seminole Trail Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 7002, Charlottesville, VA 22906 or The Hospice of the Piedmont, 675 Peter Jefferson Parkway, Suite 300, Charlottesville, VA 22911.

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Operation Homefront

collected enough donations for our family of four, but we also were able to jointly support an additional family. These families stationed at Ft. Bragg will have a memorable Christmas due to our support, but we are the ones who have received by giving.

With the guidance of ASM **Michael Turner**, Crew 19 and Troop 19 is sponsoring a family through the Operation Homefront program. The program allows Scout troops to adopt a family at a local military base whose parent is currently deployed and will not be home for Christmas.

Thank you to all who participated and thank you to ASM Turner and Crew 19 for making this Operation a success.

Troop 19 stepped up and beyond this year in their support for our adopted military family. We not only



OPERATION HOMEFRONT

2012 District Awards Banquet

On Thursday December 6, Troop and Crew 19 were proud to again join with the Hornets Nest District in the annual Banquet. The banquet celebrates the year of Scouting in our district and Mecklenburg County Council. The banquet is also the chance for the district to recognize outstanding Scouts and Leaders for the efforts in 2012.

The following Troop and Crew 19 Scouts and Leaders were recognized by the district:

Golden Nest Awards

Troop 19 - Reid Wood

Crew 19 - Dawn Perrott

Venturing Leader of the Year

Dawn Perrott - Crew 19



Venturing Crew Leader of the Year & Golden Nest Recipient Dawn Perrott with Troop 19 Golden Nest Recipient Reid Wood at the 2012 Hornets Nest District Awards Banquet

Also, Troop 19 Assistant Scoutmaster **Dave Ruggles** was recognized for his contributions to Scouting with the District Award of Merit.

Congratulations to all Troop 19 leaders and award winners on another great Scouting year!

Troop 19 would like to recognize ASM **Dave Ruggles** as the newest recipient of the District Award of Merit for Hornets Nest District. Michael received his recognition at the 2012 Hornets Nest Annual Banquet.

Hornets Nest District Award of Merit

The District Award of Merit is awarded annually by the District to deserving Scouters that have given outstanding service to the District. This award is the highest award that a Scouter can receive on the district level.

Dave has been very active in the troop since he and his sons joined in 2004. Dave is the father of Troop 19 Eagle **Brendan Ruggles** (2010) and has been involved with Wood Badge training and

staff, S.E.A.L.S., summer camp and the Order of the Arrow



Please join us in congratulating Dave on his recognition and thank him for all his service to Scouting

**2012 District Award of Merit Winner
Dave Ruggles with his wife Alison and Scoutmaster Banks
at the Hornets Nest District Awards Banquet.**



Troop 19 Eagle's Aerie

A new Troop 19 Scout has joined the Eagle's Aerie. Earning his Eagle award after his Eagle Board of Review was **Theodore Quentin Davis Jahns** earned his Eagle on November 12, 2012.

Christian becomes the 98th Eagle for Troop 19 since 1938 and the 85th for Scoutmaster Larry Banks since 1988. Teddy's Eagle Court of Honor has not been set as of the date of this newsletter. Please look for announcements from the troop on his ceremonies. Please join us in congratulating Teddy on a job well done!



Scoutmaster Banks and our newest Eagle Scout - Teddy Jahns

2012 Order of The Arrow Banquet



On December 7, 2012, Arrowmen and guests joined together at Belk Scout Camp to celebrate another successful year of cheerful service.

As part of the program, the following recognitions were presented:

O. A. Crenshaw Arrowman of the Year
Rick Williams - Troop 19

The OA Crenshaw Arrowman of the Year recognized a youth and adult member for outstanding service and devotion to the lodge and Scouting by an individual Arrowman in Catawba Lodge.

Founders Award
Rick Cardenas - Troop 19

The Founder's Award is the highest recognition a



Founders Award Recipient Rick Cardenas and OA Crenshaw Award Recipient Rick Williams at the 2012 OA Banquet

local lodge can bestow upon a member. It is recognition of years of dedicated service to Scouting, the Order of the Arrow and the ideals of the Scouting programs.

Please join us in congratulating Arrowmen Cardenas and Williams for the recognition and their devotion and service to Scouting and the Order of the Arrow.

By Zachary Jewell

A couple weeks ago I went to SEALS. It was a super fun campout. I was able to meet new people, learn new skills, and I didn't have to cook.

You get put into a patrol with no one from your Troop and you have to be with them for two days. Your Troop



S.E.A.L.S. 2012 Graduates

Zachary Jewell & Nicholas Kinkaid

S.E.A.L.S. 2012

Guide is an older scout that has gone through SEALS, Top Gun, or both. Your Troop Guide cooks all your meals and all you have to do is eat it.

All the Troop Guides do games and presentations to teach you leadership. There is some note taking but it is completely worth it. I give it Five Stars, Two Thumbs up, and I highly recommend it.

You are required to do a contract which you have a time limit to complete, this was my favorite part, I am getting to implement the skills I learned in my We-belos 2 Den and am guiding them into becoming a Patrol, we chose our Patrol and are now the Lightning Bolts.

I am really glad I was able to attend.



S.E.A.L.S. 2012 Staff from Troop 19 - Front row Ricky Williams, Thomas Chapman - Sr. Patrol Leader, Nick Zanzot, back Row - Larry Banks, ASM Darrin Siegler, ASM Dave Ruggles, and ASM Barry Douthitt

Troop 19 News & Notes



Journey to Excellence Unit Award

“Scouting’s Journey to Excellence” is the BSA’s new council performance recognition program designed to encourage and reward success and measure the performance of our units, districts, and councils. It is replacing the Centennial Quality Awards Program as a means of encouraging excellence in providing a quality program at all levels of the BSA. Troop 19 has earned the 2012 Unit Award in the inaugural year of the Journey to Excellence Program.

Summer Camp Staff 2013

Scouts who are interested in working on staff at Camp Grimes this summer need to contact **Scoutmaster Banks**. Positions are available and the experiences are tremendous.

2013 Re-charter

The Troop will be completing their re-charter requirements in January 2012. The fee for all Scouts is \$125.00 if paid by check or \$130.00 if paid by PayPal through the troop website. Re-charter fees are due in January. If you have any questions please contact **Kevin King**, Troop 19 Re-charter Coordinator/Troop Treasurer.

Presbyterian Award of Excellence

Troop 19 has been awarded the Presbyterian Award of Excellence for the 9th year in a row.

The award is given to recognize out-

standing Boy Scout Troops and Venturing Crews that are chartered to Presbyterian congregations and have met the criteria established by the National Association of Presbyterian Scouters including



- having earned the BSA Quality Unit Award
- participating in the Presbyterian congregation’s Scout Sunday observance
- providing regular worship opportunities on Sundays when the Troop is on camping trips and other outings.

Congratulations to all who help to make Troop 19 successful and in helping our Scouts remain true to the Scout Law - A Scout is Reverent.

Troop Popcorn Sales

Troop 19 would like to extend our thanks to Fundraising Chair **Wayne Merson** for all his hard work in planning and running a very successful popcorn drive this year. The results this year really exceeded our goals and Wayne’s hard work has paid off very well indeed for the troop. Thanks Wayne.

Klondike Derby Training

Troop 19 Scouts who have not turned 14 by March 1, 2013 will be participating in the annual Klondike Derby. Training for the derby begins in January and continues through February. The Derby is February 22 - 24 at Camp Grimes. **ASM Ken Key** will be coordinating Klondike derby for the Troop.

Make sure your son makes all the meetings in January and February.

Webelos II Visits

Webelos II scouts from Pack 19 will be visiting the Troop during February. Webelos will attend meetings and meet the Scouts prior to their crossover from the Pack to the troop. In March Webelos visit February 5, 12 and 19. Let’s make them welcome!



Merit Badge Workshop

A special thank you goes out to **Val** and **Dan Hardesty** for planning and executing an outstanding Merit Badge Workshop on December 8. Scouts had a chance to earn two merit badges each including the three Citizenship badges required for Eagle rank. Thanks to great organization and planning, the workshop went off without a hitch. Thanks Val and Dan!



Webelos II Leaders

If you are planning to join the Troop as Assistant Scoutmasters or join the Troop Committee please contact **SM Larry Banks** or **TCC Eddie Shaner** to discuss training requirements before you join the troop. Mecklenburg County Council offers several position specific training classes this spring that will allow all rising leaders to be fully trained before joining the troop.

OA News & Notes

Elected were

- Thomas Chapman**
Sehwatu Chapter Chief
- Ricky Williams**
Dance Team Chairman
- Nicholas Zanzot**
Webmaster
- Danny Ryan**
Memorabilia Chairman



OA Elections



The troop returns to regular meetings on January 3. The January 8 meeting will be devoted to elections for candidates to the Order of the Arrow. To be eligible for election into the OA, Scouts must be 1st Class Rank and meet the camping requirements listed in the Troop Handbook. Scouts must be attendance to vote or be elected to the OA. The Order of the Arrow is the service arm of the Boy Scouts of America. OA lodges are dedicated to service, outdoor skills and camping.

2012 Sehwatu Chapter Elections

At the Fall Fellowship in September, the Sehwatu Chapter of Catawba Lodge held elections for officers. Several Troop 19 Scouts were chosen to serve as officers in Sehwatu Chapter.

Dixie Fellowship 2103

The Dixie Fellowship is scheduled for April 19-21, 2013 at Camp Ho Non Wah Sponsored by Coastal Carolina Council. in Charleston, SC.

Reserve your spot early, as we only have 110 slots for the lodge. The cost includes Dixie delegate shirt, delegate patch, meals and participation pin. Also included is the Catawba Lodge flap, lodge patch and lodge Dixie t-shirt.



Sehwatu Chapter Officers from Troop 19
From Left: Ricky Williams, Thomas Chapman,
Nicholas Zanzot, Danny Ryan

Summer Camp 2013

Summer Camp is just around the corner and Troop 19 will be headed to Camp Grimes this summer.

Camp dates are set for June 16 - 22, 2012. **ASM Reid Wood** will be in charge of organizing camp this year.

All Troop 19 Scouts and Rising Pup-pies need to place a **\$20.00 non re-fundable deposit** with the Troop to reserve your spot at camp.

Deposits are due by the first meet-ing in January.

Total cost for camp this year is \$250. Some Senior Scout activities will have added costs.

We will have more on these costs later this spring. The council fee for summer camp is \$240.00 plus the troop fee of \$10.00 which adds up to \$250.00.

The \$20 deposit will hold your spot and is non refundable. Please turn in all payments - **checks only; payable to Troop 19** - to Mr. Wood. Payment in full will be due no later than April 16.



A payment plan is availa-ble as follows:

- a. February 12th - \$75
- b. March 12th - \$75
- c. April 16th - \$80



DIXIE FELLOWSHIP 2013
April 19-21, 2013
Camp Ho Non Wah, Coastal Carolina Council

Arrowman,

This year, the Dixie Fellowship will be held at Camp Ho Non Wah, in Charleston, SC. Reserve your spot early, as we only have 110 slots for the lodge. The cost includes Dixie delegate shirt, Dixie delegate patch, meals and participation pin. Also included is the Catawba Lodge flap, Dixie Patch and Catawba Lodge Dixie t-shirt. PLUS, this year, if you provide all needed items PRIOR to deadline, you will receive a free GOLDEN ARROW! (& may purchase up to 3 more for \$3 each)



Our Catawba theme is **Hatfields vs. McCoys!** Be sure to bring your bib-overalls and your straw hat. We'll provide the Bubba Teeth! And if you have an angle on a flatbed trailer, let me know. **BUS RIDERS** – Cost is \$25 and we will have a "south Charlotte" pick up, near Carowinds.

Cost \$50.00 per delegate

BSA Annual Health & Medical Record parts A & C are required; a doctor's exam is not required. **If your BSA Health and Medical record are not included with your pre-order form you will be placed on waiting list until I receive your medical record.**

Name _____ Youth/Adult _____
 Address _____ Phone number _____
 City _____ T-shirt size AS AM AL XL 2XL 3XL
 Unit # _____ Chapter _____ (circle size)
 Email address _____ BUS? (yes / maybe)

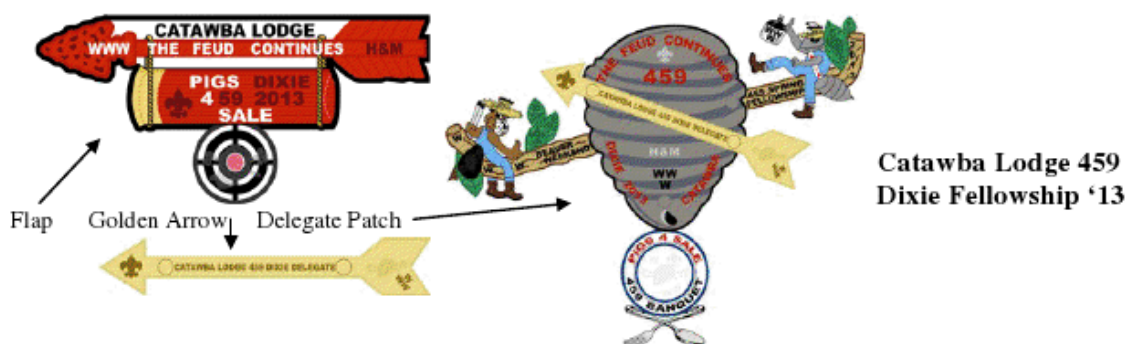
Send the following:

- Sign-up sheet
- Preorder form
- Annual Health and Medical record parts A & C
- Check made payable to: **Catawba Lodge**
- **Due by January 12, 2013**



Payments will not be accepted at the Scout office!!!

Send to Dixie Advisor
 Scott Whitlock
 4633 Meadowridge Dr.
 Charlotte, NC 28226



DIXIE FELLOWSHIP MEMORABILIA HOST LODGE PRE-ORDER FORM

Item	Qty	Size	Price	Total
Delegate Patch		-----	\$6.00	
Ghost Patch		-----	\$6.00	
Back Patch		-----	\$16.00	
Chenille		-----	\$25.00	
Coffee Mug		-----	\$10.00	
Hat		-----	\$18.00	
Neckerchief		-----	\$17.00	
Neckerchief Slide		-----	\$10.00	
Bolo-Tie		-----	\$15.00	
T-shirt (S-XL) [in addition to delegate shirt]			\$17.00	
T-shirt (2XL-3XL) [in addition to delegate shirt]			\$19.00	
Coin		-----	\$9.00	
Decal		-----	\$5.00	

**CATAWBA LODGE Memorabilia
Preorder form**

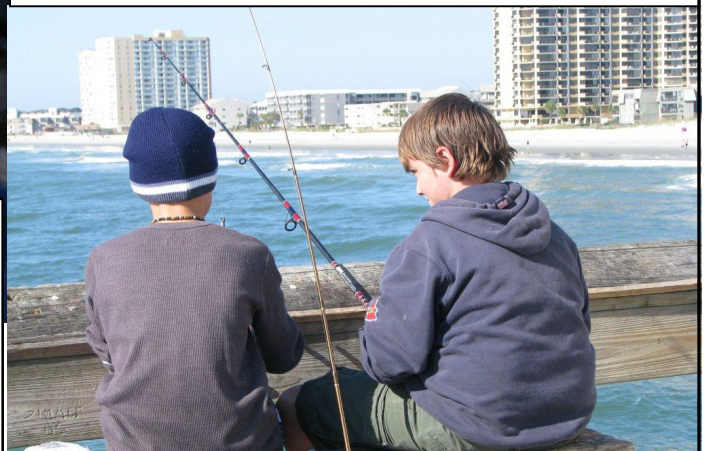
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Lodge Patch		-----	\$4.00	
Lodge Flaps		-----	\$5.00	
T-shirt (M-3X) [in addition to delegate shirt]			\$15.00	

Delegate fee \$50.00__
 Dixie Memorabilia _____
 Catawba Lodge Memorabilia _____
 Total Payment \$_____

I always feel so bloated after swimming
in salt water!



This is NOT a negotiation! I am NOT having
you over for dinner - You ARE dinner!



I tell you they named it wrong. It should be
WAITING - not Fishing!

Troop 19
Fishing at Myrtle
Beach



Dude! We rock these hats! We are SO getting
those Chocolate Frosted!



**Brigitte Perrot reels in her first fish -
EVER! - at Apache Pier in Myrtle
Beach**



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