Winter 2001 Newsletter

Troop 19 News

Banks' Bits

Parents. This has been an extraordinary year. Troop

19 has had wonderful opportunities for excitement and fun. We have had Scouts at the National Jamboree, we celebrated the success of 4 new Eagle Scouts and we have honored 3 Scouts including new experiences with Vigil Honors within the Catawba Lodge. We now have more than 50 active Scouts within the troop and expect to grow by another dozen with the promotion of the next Webelos II class.

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Upcoming Events:

- OA Cold Weather Training - January 5
- OA Cold Weather Campout—January 25 - 27
- Klondike Training-January & February Meetings





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We have had super outings with mud at our trip to the Lost Sea. Overall the year has been a great success.

Sadly, the terror attacks of September 11, 2001 have tempered our happiness. We must all be mindful in this holiday season, that our lives Bless you and your family. and our happiness are gifts from God that we should not take for granted. During this time of remembrance and giving, let us remember

those who died as a result of the attacks and pray for those Americans involved in the hunt for those who attacked us. Let us thank God for our blessings and pray for his protection for those who risk their lives to bring justice to those who attacked us. May God Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!

Larry Banks Scoutmaster Troop 19

Order of The Arrow Awards

At the Catawba Lodge Banquet vancement of camping and on December 6, two of our troop members were awarded with honors. Lee Shelton was recognized for his hard work and dedication to the lodge with the O. A. Crenshaw Arrowman of the Year Award. The award goes each year to the youth lodge member who best exemplifies the traditions and goals of the Order of the Arrow. The Order of the Arrow is a program within the Boy Scouts that is dedicated to cheerful service and the a d-

outdoor conservation.

In addition to Lee Shelton. Troop 19's Assistant Scout- of the Arrow. master Rick Cardenas was recognized as the Jack Jolly Polaris Chapter Member of the Year. Rick serves as the Chapter adviser for the Polaris Chapter of Catawba Lodge. The Jack Jolly Award recognizes his hard work in guiding the chapter leadership through the year.

Congratulations gentlemen on recognition well deserved and for your dedicated work for the Order



NOAC 2002

The National Order of the Arrow Conference is fast approaching. The conference is held every 2 years and is a time where all lodges in the Boy Scouts of America gather for fellowship, training, competition and fun. In 2002, the conference will be held on the campus of the University of Indiana in Bloomington, IL. Catawba Lodge has begun planning for this huge event. The National OA Com-



the slots and get the deposits in, the better chance we have at getting additional slots. The cost for the conference including transportation is expected to be \$490. Initial deposits for NOAC are due at the Scout Service center by January 4. Slots are assigned on a <u>first come, first</u> <u>served</u> basis. If you want to go to this extraordinary experience, get your deposit in <u>now</u>!!

mittee has allotted Catawba Lodge slots for 14 youths and 6 adults. However, the quicker we are able to fill If you have questions, please contact Lee Shelton the 2002 NOAC Chairman of Catawba Lodge.

Year End Court of Honor

Troop 19 has scheduled our Year End Court of Honor for February 9, 2002. The event will be held at the Bradley Middle School Cafeteria beginning at 4:00 PM. This is a special night for the Troop and will allow us to recognize troop leaders and Scouts who have earned awards and ranks throughout the year. This year, the Troop Committee is working on having the banquet catered. Debbie Tart and Nina Johnson are working out the details. Information will be sent home with the boys after the holidays.

Beginning in January, Ms. Tart will be pre-selling "tickets" to the banquet at each of the troop meetings. Please note:

DINNER TICKETS MUST BE BOUGHT IN JANUARY PRIOR TO THE COURT OF HONOR.

Popcom Sales Results 2001

Karen Reavis—Popcorn Chair

Thanks to all the Scouts of Troop 19 and their parents who participated in our annual popcorn sale. We sold \$8,375 worth of popcorn! A drawing was held for those Scouts who participated in the Show and Sell. Prizes awarded included movie tickets, ball caps, towels and Scout items. The top

sellers for Troop 19 and their prizes were:

Zach Hackley - \$692 in Sales. Tyler Reavis - \$507 in Sales Derek Reavis - \$460 in Sales Mark Williams - \$452 in Sales.

As top seller, **Zach** earned a \$25 gift certificate to Bass Pro Shop. **Tyler** also earned a \$25 gift certificate to Bass Pro Shop. **Derek** earned a \$20 certificate and **Mark** won a Swiss Pocket Grip Knife.

Additional thanks goes to Bass Pro Shop, Outdoors Etc, the Scout Shop, Movies at Birkdale and Palace Movie Theater for donation items for awards to the Scouts.

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Dixie Fellowship 2002

Catawba Lodge will again send a large contingent of Arrowmen to Dixie this year. The host lodge this year is Unali Yi Lodge from Charleston, SC.

Unali Yi is hosting the 50th Anni-

versary Dixie Fellowship at Camp Ho-Non-Wah. The dates for Dixie are April 26 to 28. Sign Ups will be out soon. Please plan to attend and celebrate the 50th Dixie Fellowship with Catawba Lodge.



World Jamboree 2003

The 20th World Jamboree will be in Thailand in 2003. This event is held every 4 years and gathers Scouts from all around the world in a celebration of Scouting and the World Brotherhood of Scouting.

The last World Jamboree was held in Chile in 1999. The 2003 World Jamboree will be

Philmont 2002

Interested in an adventure in the rugged mountains of New Mexico? The Boy Scouts of America have over 25,000 acres in the Sangre de Christo Mountains that we call Philmont.

Scouts who trek Philmont will backpack, rock climb, sightsee and challenge their Scouting skills in an opportunity of a lifetime.

Mecklenburg County sends a



the first for Thailand. Mecklenburg County will assist in organizing a trip for Scouts in the council who wish to attend the World Jamboree. The cost will be around \$4,100 so if you wish to go planning is critical. If you are interested in the World Jamboree contact Mr. Banks for more information

contingent each year and we are looking for any Scout who is interested in the challenge.

To be eligible to trek Philmont, the Scout must be 14 years of age and at least Star rank by January 1, 2002.

Slots for this year's trek are almost gone. If your son is interested in a Philmont adventure, please contact Mr. Banks as soon as possible .



Room In The Inn

Each year, Troop 19 participates in the Room In The Inn program with Huntersville Presbyterian. The Room In The Inn is a program that o ffers a warm shelter and basic necessities for homeless people on cold winter nights. The program offers a warm bed for one night, three meals and donated items the visitors can use.

Each Year, Troop 19 participates by cleaning, making beds and preparing the house for those visiting. In addition, we participate in collecting donated items for the homeless. Beginning with the first January meeting, we will be collecting:

Small Clothing Items - (NEW socks & underwear, new or used and CLEAN hats and gloves.) **Shoes** - Work or tennis shoes, new or used in good condition, especially men's shoes.

New or Used Winter Coats for Adults & Children - We cannot accept other clothing due to Urban Ministries Guidelines.

Toiletries - razors, toothpaste, deodorant, toothbrushes, combs, brushes, make up items (samples, nail polish, etc.) body lotion, feminine products. *We do not need bars of soap, shave cream or travel shampoo.* **Basic Supplies** - Large garbage bags, paper towels, toilet paper, Kleenex, cleaning products.

Linens - new or used twin sized sheet sets, blankets, towels and wash cloths.

Other Things - appropriate videos and books, games, magazines, playing cards, new or used duffel or gym bags.

MONEY!!! The Room In The Inn will also gladly accept money.

If you choose to donate any of these items you can send them with your son and Troop 19 will deliver them to the Room In The Inn.

Thanks in advance for your kind donations.

Eagle Ceremony—Daniel Stepp

We have rescheduled the Eagle Court of Honor for Daniel Stepp to January 6, 2002. The Court of Honor will begin at 3:00 PM and will be held at the Huntersville Methodist Church. Huntersville Methodist is located across the street from the

Klondike Training 2002

Parents, starting with our first meeting in January, we will be conducting training for the Klondike Derby. The Klondike Derby is a district wide competition held each February where young Scouts below the age of 14 test their skills in unique competitions against troops throughout Polaris District. Each troop will send at least one

HPC Scout Hut. Daniel chose to reschedule his ceremony honoring his achieving the rank of Eagle when the funeral services for Scoutmaster Banks' father where scheduled on the same day. Please make note of the new

and plan to attend and celebrate Daniel's extraordinary achievements.

REMEMBER - January 6, 2002 3:00 PM Huntersville Methodist Church

patrol to compete against other patrols in

activities that challenge their skills and their ability to work together as a unit.

With every Tuesday meeting in January and February, we review the skills the Scouts will be asked to use and we arrange patrols based on the Scouts skills and leadership abilities.

It is very important that your son

attend all the January and February meetings to work on his skills and to help build a strong team. Troop 19 has won 1st place in the Klondike for the last 4 years and we will be challenged by

every troop in the district as we try and defend our title.



OA News and Events

Again this year, Catawba Lodge is offering a single fee option for all lodge activities except Dixie. This year the fee is \$75. This includes fees for Spring and Fall Fellowship, Beaver Days and the Annual Banquet. Payment of the

Center anytime before the Spring Fellowship.

If you choose to take the all events option, please notify Russell Williams to allow him to keep accurate records on those who have paid and those who have

all events fee not. can be made

at the Scout

Fees for Dixie 2002 are not covered in the OA All Events fees. Dixie costs are separate and will be announced later this spring.



District Award of Merit

At the Annual Polaris District Banquet, December 7, the Polaris District awarded Mr. Rick Cardenas with the District Award of Merit.

The District Award of Merit is given to those Scouters who have



Parents, we are closing in on recharter time again. Time for everyone in the troop to register and pay your dues.

offered extraor-

dinary service to Scouting on the district level. The Award of Merit is the highest honor the Scouting District can bestow on a Scouter and marks the district's recognition of those whose service to Scouting and Boy Scouts is exemplary.

Congratulations Rick on an award well deserved. Thank you, too, for your outstanding dedication and service to Troop 19, Polaris District and Boy Scouts.

Ms. Dottie Johnson will be coordinating money collection and turning the money in to the Council. It is very important

that all money be turned in on time. Please be alert for notices from Ms. Johnson and send your payment in on time.

Congratulations and Thanks!!!

Congratulations to Assistant Scoutmaster Dave Beaumont for completing his Scoutmaster appreciated. Basics Training Course.

came out and spread mulch at Huntersville Presbyterian

Church parking lot. This was a huge task and your help was truly

Thanks to those Scouts who came for credit to-Thanks to all those Scouts who and assisted at The Oaks. A job well done and well appreciated.

Remember to turn in your service hours to Mr. Readis ward your service beads.



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2001 - 2002 Scouting Year		Mar 28—Apr 8 CMS Spring Break	
	JANUARY 2002	March 31	EASTER
January 5	OA Cold Weather Training		APRIL
January 8	OA Elections	Apr 1—5	Super Trip @ Fort Bragg
January 8	Klondike Training Begins	April 9	Parent Committee Meeting
January 12	Senior Scout Trip	Apr 12—14	Wood Badge Weekend I
January 15	Klondike Training	Apr 19—21	Merit Badge Weekend @
January 15	Parent Committee Meeting	77pi 10—21	Camp Grimes
January 22	Klondike Training	Apr 19—21	Puppies/Webelos Campout
Jan 25 - 27	Cold Weather Camp Out	April 26 - 28	DIXIE FELLOWSHIP @
January 29	PLC—7:00 PM		Camp Ho Non Wah
January 29	ASM Meeting after PLC	April 30	PLC
January 29	Klondike Training	ΜΑΥ	
	FEBRUARY	May 3 - 5	Wood Badge Weekend II
February 2	Scouting for Food	May 3 - 5	New Scouts Camp Out @
February 5	Klondike Training		South Mountain
February 9	Year End Court of Honor	May 14	Parent Committee Meeting
February 10	Scout Sunday @ HPC	May 17—19	Beaver Weekend @ Grimes
February 12	Klondike Training	May 28	PLC-7:00 PM
February 12	Parent Committee Meeting	May 28	ASM Meeting after PLC
February 19	Klondike Training		
Feb 22 - 24	Klondike Derby @ Grimes	lune 1	
Feb 22—24	Sr. Scout Backpacking Trip	June 4	Creek Walk—6:30 PM
February 26	PLC	June 4	Last Day of School @ CMS
	MARCH	Jun 9—15	
March 5		Jun 16—22	SUMMER CAMP
March 9	Troop Elections		JULY
March 9	Puppy Orientation Meeting @ HPC		NO JULY MEETINGS
March 9	Car Wash Fundraiser	Jul 27 - Aug 2 NOAC—Indiana University	
March 12	Parent Committee Meeting		
Mar 15—17	Spring Fellowship @ Grimes		
March 23	Spring Court of Honor &		
	Webelos Graduation		
March 23	Troop TLD		

Catawba Lodge Calendar 2001-2002

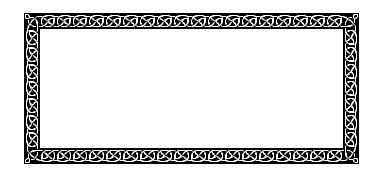
	January 2002	March 6	Executive Committee Meeting	
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January 5	OA Cold Weather Training		Amril	
January 8	Troop 19 OA Elections	April 3 Exec	April April 3 Executive Committee Meeting	
Jan 25—27	OA Cold Weather Campout	Apr 26—28	OA Dixie Fellowship - Camp Ho Non Wah	
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February 6	Executive Committee Meeting		Мау	
		May 1	Executive Committee Meeting	
	March	May 17-19	Beaver Days/1st Ordeal	
		June		
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		July 3	Executive Committee Meeting	
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Summer Camp 2002

Summer Camp will be the week of June 16 - 22. The cost this year will be \$160 for Scouts in Mecklenburg County Council. If you are planning to go to camp, your \$10 deposit should already be with Dottie Johnson. We will have 3 payments for summer camp. A schedule will be announced in January. Popcorn Bucks can be applied to the cost of summer camp.

For Rising Webelos II from Pack 19, please check with your parents about summer camp. You need to bring the \$10 deposit to your Scout Leader so we can register you with the troop.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL SCOUTS MUST HAVE A PHYSICAL BEFORE CAMP. PLEASE SCHED-ULE YOUR PHYSICAL WITH YOUR DOCTOR AND HAVE THEM USE THE OFFICIAL BOY SCOUT FORM. THE FORMS MUST BE TURNED IN BEFORE SUMMER CAMP.

