

TROOP 19



Troop 19 News

Banks' Bits

On September 11, 2001 the country suffered a loss that we can never easily replace. The one positive from all this was the love for our country that showed through during and after the destruction. I am saddened by the thought that it took a tragedy

like this for it to show. Remember, we live in the greatest country in the world. Always show your patriotism. To all those who have been touched by the tragedy, directly or indirectly, we offer our prayers and thoughts. Remember too, you do not have to pray only when an act of terrorism occurs, take

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time to pray with your

children. Show them what our country is and how it was founded.

In this time and at all other times, may God bless you all. And may God Bless the USA!!

Larry Banks

Scoutmaster Troop 19

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Catawba Lodge Vigil Honorees

Troop 19 would like to recognize three of our Troop members who have been honored by the Catawba Lodge with the Vigil Honor.

The Vigil Honor is the highest level of membership an Arrowman can achieve. The Vigil Honor is not gained through longevity or attendance. The award is granted to those Brothers who have exhibited commitment to the ideals of the Order of the Arrow and have demonstrated outstanding service to the lodge itself. Members must achieve maintain Brotherhood status for a

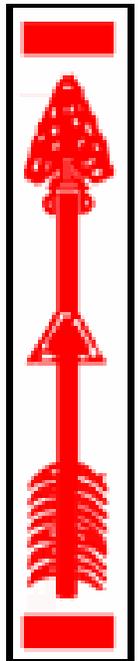
minimum of 2 years before being considered for the honor.

In September, at the 50th Anniversary Celebration of Catawba Lodge during Fall Fellowship, Lee Shelton and Brandon Johnson were elected as youth members. Pam Campbell was selected as an Adult honoree.

During the vigil ceremonies, Lee Shelton was given the Vigil Name *Abowoapew Aschowin*, Strong Swimmer. Brandon Johnson was des-

ignated as *Allohum Asin*, Showman and Pam Campbell was named *Klamachpin Sisi'lija*, Quiet Buffalo.

Let's congratulate these Troop 19 honorees for their outstanding achievement and dedication to Scouting and the Order of the Arrow.



Upcoming Events:

- Merit Badge Workshop October 13
- Popcorn Sales Begin - October 20
- OA Annual Banquet - December 5
- OA Cold Weather Training - January 5
- OA Cold Weather Campout—January 25 - 27

Catawba Lodge Officers

At the Fall Fellowship held at Camp Clear Creek this September, three Troop 19 scouts were elected to offices in the lodge or the Polaris Chapter.

Troop 19's Kevin Dills was elected by the Lodge as Lodge Secretary surrendering his previous position as Chapter Chief of Polaris Chapter. Polaris Chapter will have two Troop 19 Scouts serving as officers. Tyler Reavis was selected by the Chapter as Chapter Secretary. El-



liot Madre was selected as Chapter Vice Chief of Inductions. Congratulations to these Scouts.

We also want to take time to recognize Kevin Dills and Lee Shelton for their service to Catawba Lodge in the past year. Lee served honorably as Lodge Vice Chief of Inductions for Catawba Lodge. Kevin served faithfully as the Polaris Chapter Chief.

Thanks Lee and Kevin for a job well done. And

Summer Fundraiser

Troop 19 would like to send another rousing thank you to our new fund raising chairwoman, **Patty Kitchen**. With our second fundraiser in September, we were able to raise \$ 750 toward the troop's annual requirements.

Ms. Kitchen again coordinated a car wash for the troop at the Bi Lo in Huntersville. With the assistance of troop leaders and scouts, the effort was a success for the troop and help cut into the annual requirement of \$ 5,000.

More fundraisers are planned for the spring. Please contact Ms. Kitchen or Scoutmaster **Larry Banks** if you wish to make a donation or if you want to help with the fund raising projects.

"TROOP 19 has raised nearly \$1,800 toward our annual requirement of \$5,000."

Popcorn Sales 2001

Karen Reavis—Popcorn Chair & Sell.

It is time for our annual troop popcorn sale. The committee is busy getting organized for the sale and we are looking to have record sales this year. This is one of our biggest fundraisers for the year and all Scouts need to participate.

Please note that we are only doing Show & Sell in one neighborhood this year rather than at the various stores we have done in the past. We need as many Scouts as possible to sign up for Show & Sell. We

We also need parents who can drive the Scouts around the neighborhood. There will be a parent volunteer sign up sheet available at the Oct 2 & Oct 9 Scout meetings.

WE NEED EVERYONE'S HELP TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESS.

Call Karen Reavis (704) 875-9870 or Tina Ragland (704) 892-6663 if you have questions or can help.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- Oct 2 & 9 Sign Up for Show & Sell
- Oct 9 Popcorn Price Sheets & packets distributed.
- Oct 20 Popcorn Sales Begin
- DO NOT SELL BEFORE THIS DATE**
- Oct 20 & 27 Show & Sell
- Nov 6 Popcorn Order forms & prize forms due
- Dec 1 & 2 Popcorn Pickup

Summer Camp 2002

Troop 19 will send our Scouts to Summer Camp this year at Camp Grimes. The dates for Summer Camp are June 16 - 22.

Please mark your calendars and plan for your son to attend. Summer Camp is very important to

your son's advancement within the troop and is an excellent way for him to develop skills and a sense of responsibility. Look for further updates on costs and important meetings for parents in future newsletters.

Summer Camp offers all Scouts a chance to enjoy a week of camping and a chance to earn ranks and merit badges that interest them. Let's get everyone to camp this year.

Troop 19 Trip Departures

Parents, We are reminding everyone of our change in departure times on troop outings.

The troop cannot continue to wait on Scouts who are late to the bus lot. In the past, we have been delayed by more than 1 hour from our scheduled departure time

waiting on Scouts who are delayed. Loading gear and checking the Scouts in for the trip should take no more than 30 minutes if all parents arrive at the scheduled time.

REMEMBER, THE TROOP WILL LEAVE 30 MINUTES

AFTER THE SCHEDULED MEETING TIME.

If we are scheduled to meet at 5:00 PM, we will leave at 5:30 PM. We will not be waiting for late arrivals. If you are going to go on the trip, **PLEASE BE ON TIME.**

Philmont 2002

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

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

To be eligible to trek Philmont, the Scout must

be 14 years of age and at least Star rank by January 1, 2002.

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

If you are interested, contact Mr. Banks for more information and a schedule of activities for those planning a Philmont trek.



Merit Badges

Our Scouts have been asking, "How do I earn a merit badge?". This information is in the Troop Handbook every new Scout was given when he joined the troop. But to summarize, First, Choose a merit badge that interests you.

Second, contact Mr. Brad Clark and determine whether we have a Merit Badge Counselor approved by the council to teach the badge.

If not, and you know someone who might teach the badge, get with Mr. Clark and get them approved by the council.

Third, choose a buddy to take the badge with you. We always use the buddy system, even for merit badges.

Fourth, read the merit badge book.

Check with the Troop Librarian to see if there is one in the library. If not, the council office sells all the merit badge books.

Lastly, complete the requirements with the guidance of your counselor. Remember, the counselor will help you choose the options within the merit badge and detail for you what they expect from you.

Then LEARN!!!

Thanks to the Naskos

Troop 19 would like to extend our thanks to the Nasko family for the gift of the new flag pole stand and topper. The Naskos presented the gift to the troop during Trevor Nasko's Eagle Ceremony and Court of Honor on August 16. The gift was made in honor of Trevor Nasko achieving his Eagle Award.

Thank you Tom and Donna Nasko.

Senior Camporee 2001

The sixth annual Senior Camporee was held at Camp Grimes for Scouts 14 to 18 years of age. The event, held each September, challenges the older Scouts with tasks and skill tests as they compete against teams from across

the council. This year, Troop 19 senior Scouts placed 2nd, only 4 points out of First Place. The team showed outstanding leadership on the compass course, scoring 30 of 31 points. The Troop 19 team consisted of:

Lee Shelton - PL

- Kevin Dills
- Chris Chelko
- Scott Hunnicutt
- Trevor Kitchen
- Kyle Kitchen
- Elliot Madre
- Jonathon Ryczek

Great job Scouts!!!

Troop 19 Trailer

Parents, we are still in need of donations to help pay to decal the trailer with the troop numbers and logo. The cost will be about \$1,000 and we are asking for donations from the troop parents to help cover the costs.

We need donations because we do not use general Troop funds for these projects. Fundraisers that the Scouts participate in generate monies for use by the troop that directly benefit the Scouts (things like camping equipment, badges, awards, etc.).

We ask that you consider assisting us in covering the cost for this work on the trailer. Make checks payable to Troop 19 and send to **Keith Cross**.

All donations are tax deductible. Thanks in advance for your consideration.

Popcorn Money

This year, the troop has decided to make a change in the way we use the money we earn from popcorn sales. In the past, the money was pooled and used to offset the cost of the Super Trip each year.

This year we are going to a system where each Scout will earn a percentage of his sales. The money he earns will be used to help offset the costs of any of the following four items:

- Super Trip
- Summer Camp

Recharter
Senior Scout
Trip.

For example, if your son sells \$500 in popcorn, the troop will receive a percentage of the total sale. The troop committee will assign portion of that percentage to your son in Troop 19 Bucks. These Troop 19 bucks can be redeemed with the troop to pay for any or all of the four major ticket items that the Scouts have each year. If your son sells enough popcorn, he can possibly pay for all of these items from his Troop 19 Bucks. If your son sells only a small amount, his Troop 19 Bucks can be used to reduce the costs

for any of the four items. So we encourage every Scout to sell popcorn and earn Troop 19 Bucks!!

Please note, the Troop 19 Bucks can only be used for these four ticket items. The Scout will be responsible for the Troop 19 Bucks issued to him. There are no replacements. He can use the funds anytime from December 2001 until December 2002. After December 2002, the Troop 19 Bucks will expire and will not be accepted.

If you have any questions about the new program, contact your

Bike Trip Changes !!!!

We have had to change the dates for the annual bike trip. ***The new dates are November 16—18.*** We had to make the change when the trails we wanted were not available to us.

Parents, remember that this year we are going to a new location for the bike trip.

WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO RENT BIKES ON THE TRAIL. ALL SCOUTS ATTENDING THE TRIP MUST BRING THEIR OWN

BIKE OR RENT ONE LOCALLY TO TAKE ON THE TRIP.

Again, there will be no place to rent bikes on the trail You must bring your own bike.

Troop Uniforms

Troop 19 takes great pride in proper wearing of the Scout uniforms. Adult leaders are required to wear the full uniform as an example for the Scouts.

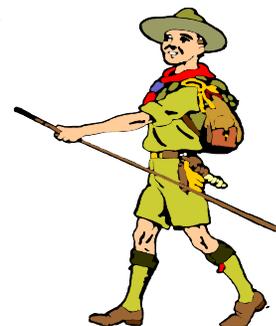
Parents, it is important that you and your son take time to look over his uniform and update it. Your son should make

sure that he has his current rank badge displayed, the current Quality Troop patch and his correct office or position patch.

Scouts are expected to wear Scout pants, Scout socks, the red Troop 19 tee shirt and his Troop 19 hat at all meetings. If the Troop is in Class A uniform, your son is required to have his Scout shirt and nametag and the shirt tucked in to

his pants. A Scout belt is required for all uniforms. The belt can be the standard BSA web belt or a BSA or OA leather belt with BSA or OA buckle.

Take pride in your uniform and wear it properly.



Recognition

Scouters Training Award:

Ozzie Holshouser and **James Readies** have completed the requirements for the Scouters Training Award. They were presented their certificates and Mmedals at the Troop 19 End of Summer Court of Honor. The Scouters Training Award recognizes adult leaders who have completed specific training

courses and have dedicated themselves to leadership for the Scouts.

New Assistant Scoutmasters:

Troop 19 would also like to welcome our newest Assistant Scoutmaster to the ranks. New Eagle Scouts, Trevor Nasko and Daniel Stepp have both reached 18 years of age and have aged out. They will continue to assist the troop with their leadership as Assistant Scout-

masters. Welcome to the Adult Leadership Corps.



Welcome Rising Webelos !!!

New Puppy Parents, Troop 19 is looking forward to having all of you as new members of our Troop 19 family. We have several important dates for you as you and your son begin to transition from Pack 19 to Troop 19. We have opportunities for all parents to join the troop as committee members and merit badge counselors. Please take note of these important dates:

- Nov 12 Equipment Night
- Jan 8 - 22 Webelos @ Troop 19 Meetings- Tuesdays 7 - 8:30 PM
- Mar 9 Parent Orientation 9 - 12 Noon
- Mar 23 Webelos Crossover
- Apr 19 - 21 Webelos I Camping Trip @ Camp Grimes w/ Puppies

Required Attendance



If you have any questions, please call Mr. Banks @ 822- 1835 or Bob Marum @ 875-1079.

World Jamboree 2003

The World Jamboree for 2003 has been scheduled for Thailand. 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.

Last World Jamboree was held in Chile in 1999. The 2003 World

Jamboree will be 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.



Awards and Advancements

The following ranks and awards were given to Troop 19 Scouts since our last newsletter:

Advancements

Eagle Scouts

Joshua William Johnson - Aug. 14, 2001

Daniel Michael Stepp - August 14, 2001

Bronze Palm

Scott Hunnicutt

Life Scout

Trevor Hehn

Star Scout

Tyler Reavis

Nicholas King

The Following Scouts earned Merit Badges since the last newsletter:

Russell Williams

Climbing, Motor Boating, Radio, Railroad, Electricity

Water Skiing, Citizenship in the Community

Small Boat Sailing, Rowing, Archery

Jonathan Cannito

Swimming, Leatherwork

J P Dasher

Leatherwork, Railroad

Tyler Reavis

Wood Carving, Coin Collecting, Rowing

Small Boat Sailing

Scott Tart

Law

Eric Melton

Water Skiing

Justin Cross

Auto Mechanics, Motor Boating, Personal Fitness,

Indian Lore, Leatherwork, Lifesaving

Kevin Dills

Computers, Railroad, Archaeology, Metal Work

Geology, Indian Lore

Kyle Kitchen

Electricity, Radio, Railroad, Textiles

Trevor Kitchen

Electricity, Radio, Railroad, Textiles

Scott Marum

Electricity, Radio, Railroad, Textiles

Cameron Shelton

Nature, Indian Lore, Archery, Small Boat Sailing

Lee Shelton

Medicine, Railroad

Scott Hunnicutt

Wilderness Survival

David Beddingfield

Sports, Swimming, Leatherwork

Billy Blakely

Leatherwork, Sports, Swimming

Zach Capets

Leatherwork, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness

Swimming

Allen Clark

Water Skiing, Climbing

Seth Cross

Sports, Leatherwork, Swimming

Shawn Freeman

Sports, Leatherwork, Swimming

Zach Hackley

Small Boat Sailing, Rowing

Josh Hedrick

Sports, Leatherwork, Swimming

Jerrod Sherrill

Sports, Environmental Science

Ryan Smith

Archery

Alex Young

Sports, Swimming, Basketball

Jacob Young

Swimming, Camping, Climbing

Larry Zaino

Sports, Environmental Science, Swimming, Camping

Scholarship, Archery

Chad Holshouser

Climbing, Environmental Science, Archery

Tucker Horne

Archery

Nicholas King

Camping, Climbing, Swimming

Thomas Lawson

Archery

David Lucas

Shotgun, Environmental Science

Thomas Ragland

Small Boat Sailing, Rowing, Genealogy

Derek Reavis

Sports, Swimming, Leatherwork

Nick Reid

Metal Work, Weather, Pottery, Archery,

Soil & Water Conservation, Genealogy

David Remick

Shotgun, Rifle, Metal Work, Wilderness Survival

Outstanding work Scouts!!! Congratulations on all your hard earned rewards.

Troop Calendar—2001—2002 Scouting Year

	OCTOBER	December 5	OA Annual Banquet @ University UMC
October 2	Popcorn Show & Sell Signup	December 6	Polaris District Banquet @ Paw Creek
Oct 6—7	Father & Son Campout @ Lost Sea, TN	December 8	Puppy 1st Aid Day
October 9	Popcorn Show & Sell Signup	December 11	Christmas Party
October 9	Parent Committee Meeting	Last Troop Meeting until January 2002	
October 13	Merit Badge Workshop	December 18	PLC
October 20	Popcorn Sales Begin plus Show & Sell	December 25	CHRISTMAS
October 23	PLC—7:00 PM	JANUARY 2002	
October 23	ASM Meeting after PLC		
October 27	Show & Sell Popcorn	January 5	OA Cold Weather Training
October 30	Troop Fun Night	January 8	OA Elections
		January 8	Klondike Training Begins
	NOVEMBER	January 12	Senior Scout Trip
		January 15	Klondike Training
November 10	Council Training Courses	January 15	Parent Committee Meeting
November 13	Parent Committee Meeting	January 22	Klondike Training
Nov 16—18	Troop Campout—Bike Trip	January 21	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Nov 16—18	1st Weekend Outdoor Training Class	Jan 25 - 27	Cold Weather Camp Out
November 22	THANKSGIVING DAY	January 29	PLC—7:00 PM
November 27	PLC	January 29	ASM Meeting after PLC
		January 29	Klondike Training
	DECEMBER	FEBRUARY	
December 1	Salisbury Trail	February 2	Scouting for Food
December 4	Service Project @ The Oaks	February 5	Klondike Training

February 9	Year End Court of Honor		Camp Grimes
February 10	Scout Sunday @ HPC	Apr 19—21	Puppies/Webelos Campout
February 12	Klondike Training	April 26 - 28	DIXIE FELLOWSHIP @ Camp Bert Adams
February 12	Parent Committee Meeting		
February 18	PRESIDENTS DAY	April 30	PLC
February 19	Klondike Training		
Feb 22 - 24	Klondike Derby @ Grimes		MAY
Feb 22—24	Sr. Scout Backpacking Trip		
February 26	PLC	May 3 - 5	Woodbadge Weekend II
		May 3 - 5	New Scouts Camp Out @ South Mountain
	MARCH		
		May 14	Parent Committee Meeting
March 5	Troop Elections	May 17—19	Beaver Weekend @ Grimes
March 9	Puppy Orientation Meeting @ HPC	May 28	PLC—7:00 PM
		May 28	ASM Meeting after PLC
March 9	Car Wash Fundraiser		
March 12	Parent Committee Meeting		JUNE
Mar 15—17	Spring Fellowship @ Grimes		
March 23	Spring Court of Honor & Webelos Graduation	June 4	Creek Walk—6:30 PM
		June 4	Last Day of School—CMS
March 23	Troop TLD	Jun 9—15	JLT
March 26	PLC—7:00 PM	Jun 16—22	SUMMER CAMP
March 26	ASM Meeting after PLC		
Mar 28—Apr 8	CMS Spring Break		JULY
March 31	EASTER		
			NO JULY MEETINGS
	APRIL	Jul 27 - Aug 2	NOAC—Indiana University
Apr 1—5	Super Trip @ Fort Bragg		
April 9	Parent Committee Meeting		
Apr 12—14	Woodbadge Weekend I		
Apr 19—21	Merit Badge Weekend @		

Catawba Lodge Calendar 2001-2002

October

October 3 Executive Committee Meeting

November

November 7 Executive Committee Meeting

December

December 5 Annual Banquet

January 2002

January 2 Executive Committee Meeting

January 5 OA Cold Weather Training

January 8 Troop 19 OA Elections

Jan 25—27 OA Cold Weather Campout

February

February 6 Executive Committee Meeting

March

March 6 Executive Committee Meeting

Mar 15-17 OA Spring Fellowship

April

April 3 Executive Committee Meeting

Apr 26—28 OA Dixie Fellowship -
Camp Bert Adams

May

May 1 Executive Committee Meeting

May 17-19 Beaver Days/1st Ordeal

June

June 5 Executive Committee Meeting

July

July 3 Executive Committee Meeting

Jul 27—Aug 2 NOAC @ Indiana
University, Bloomington



**We are proud of our
Eagles and it shows**

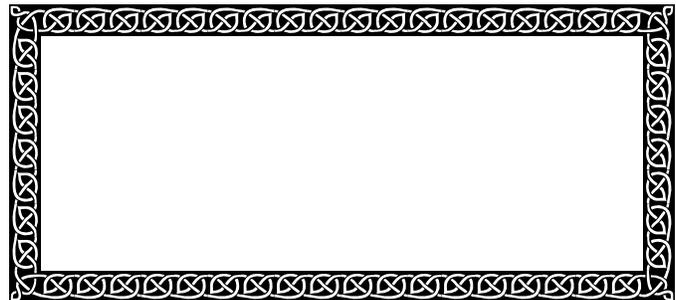
Congratulations New Eagle Scouts

*Joshua William Johnson—August 14,
2001*

Daniel Michael Stepp— August 14,

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Troop Activities via E Mail

Do you want to get information on upcoming Troop 19 activities via e mail? Are you never certain that your son has given you the latest details on upcoming trips? Solve both issues with an email from the troop on activities that have been planned for the coming weeks.

Jan Vest is building a data base of Troop 19 e mail addresses in order to send regular updates on troop activities to subscribers. If you are interested in receiving an e mail notice of upcoming events, send an e mail to Jan Vest at **vest@infi.net** and subscribe to her update service. Service will begin as soon as Jan builds the data base and logs all the e mail addresses.

