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# Troop 19 Beaver Tales



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Dear Troop 19 Family,

It's nearly summer time again. We are near the end of school and summer camp is around the corner. We also have NOAC coming and our Super Trip to Fort Bragg. We have two of our Eagle Scouts Elliot Madre and Daniel Williams graduating from North Mecklenburg High School and headed to college. This time of year is full of challenges for activities, school and Scouting.

I would like to send a big thank you to all the Scouting

family who donated to the James E. West Award for me and in memory of my father at the year end court of honor. The honor truly confirms for me the values of being with the Troop 19 Scouting family.

Parents, we still need members on the Troop Committee. Please consider joining and participating in your son's Scouting experience. Call Jeanie Hackley and lend your assistance to the troop.

Have a safe and happy summer!!

Yours in Scouting, Larry Banks, Scoutmaster Troop 19

Upcoming Events:
Merit Badge Weekend

April 19 - 21

Dixie Fellowship

April 26 - 28

Beaver Days/1st Ordeal

May 17 - 19

Summer Camp

June 16 - 22

NOAC

July 27 - Aug 2

#### Troop 19 Super Trip - 2002 Fort Bragg

Super Trip 2002 was an extraordinary experience at Fort Bragg, NC. The troop arrived at the base Friday April 4 and spending the holiday weekend rock climbing, camping and hiking throughout the base. We

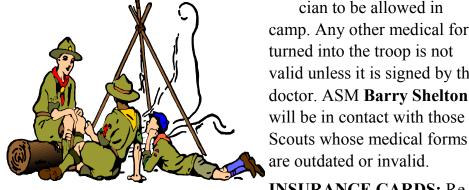
would like to thanks ASM Carl Hackley for arranging the trip this year and to extend a truly hearty thank you to our host and guide at Fort Bragg, Earl Faircloth.



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## Summer Camp 2002 Reminder

Troop 19 will be attending Summer Camp this year at Camp Grimes. We will be attending camp June 16 - 22. Final payments are all due to Dottie Johnson. If there are any questions about joining us for summer camp, please call ASM James Readies at



(704) 793 - 9533. As we prepare for camp, a few reminders....

**SCOUTS** - Remember to sign up for merit badges. Summer Camp is an excellent opportunity to earn badges for outdoor skills and crafts. A full list of available badges is available in your summer camp packet. Remember, all 2nd year campers must take the Environmental Science Merit Badge.

**PUPPY PARENTS:** You must have a current

medical form that is filled out and signed by a physician to be allowed in camp. Any other medical form turned into the troop is not valid unless it is signed by the doctor. ASM Barry Shelton will be in contact with those

#### **INSURANCE CARDS: Re-**

member too, that if you have changed insurance since the last medical form was completed, Troop 19 will need a copy of your new insurance card for our summer camp records.

**ADULT LEADERS:** Leaders are also required to have current medical forms on file. Leaders under 40 years of age need a new physical form every 3 years. Leaders 40 years of age and older require a new medical form on file every year.

#### Troop 19 Wins Klondike Derby 2002

For the 5th year in a row, Troop 19 has placed 1st Our winning patrols and their leaders were: in the annual Polaris District Klondike Derby. The Klondike is a weekend long competition between representative patrols from troops all over northern Mecklenburg County Council. Troop 19 sent 3 patrols to compete against 24 other patrols in this test



of scouting skills and teamwork for scouts 13 years of age and younger. Troop 19 patrols won 1st Place. 3rd Place and 4th Place in the competition that was held Feb 22—24.

1st Place - Panther Patrol -

Cameron Shelton - Patrol Leader

3rd Place - Flaming Arrow Patrol -

**Nick King -** Patrol Leader

4th Place - Falcon Patrol -

Tyler Reavis - Patrol Leader

Congratulations on another outstanding effort!!

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## Quality Unit 2002

Troop 19 has once again qualified for the Quality Unit Award. The recognition patches are now available from Scoutmaster Banks and should be placed immediately on your uniforms. Remember, only the most recent recognition patch is allowed on your uniform.

Troop 19 has won this recognition for 14 consecutive years. The award is given to Scout troops that

meet the criteria set forth in the program. These criteria include:

> Using the Patrol Method Positive Growth in the Unit 2 Deep Fully Trained Leadership Conduct Junior Leadership Training 90% of the Troop Advance in Rank Yearly

Thanks to everyone for their hard work and determination. Troop 19 is very proud of your efforts.

## Merit Badge Weekend

Troop 19 will gather for our annual Spring Merit Badge weekend, April 19—21 at Camp Grimes. The workshop this year will offer three merit badges.

#### Shotgun

#### **Archery**

Troop 19 would like to welcome two new members to our family. Joining us are

Life Scout Mike Stokely and rising Webelos II Scout Brian Lowe.

#### New Scouts

Mike is a senior at North Mecklenburg High and is joining us from Troop 10. We

would like to also welcome Brian and his parents, Rick and Sarah, who join the Troop 19 family from Pack 19.

#### **Orienteering**

only for Scouts with 3 years of the outing, contact ASM Brad service or more. Be certain to obtain a merit badge book for the badge you want to earn, read it and prepare any pre req-

uisites **before** the workshop.

Shotgun Merit Badge is offered If you have any questions about **Clark** at (704) 948 - 1606

All Scouts planning to at-Order tend the 2002 Dixie Fellowof the ship will meet at 1:30 PM on April 26 at Huntersville **Arrow** Presbyterian. The bus will leave promptly after all News Scouts arrive. Please pack all gear in duffle bags.



Congratulations to Lee Shelton of Troop 19. Lee was elected to serve as Vice Chief of Programs for Catawba Lodge at the March Executive Board Meeting.

All Lodge Brothers who earned their Ordeal membership at 1st or 2nd Ordeal in 2001 are now eligible to seal their membership in the lodge by earning their Brotherhood membership at the Beaver Days in May. Beaver Days will be held at Camp Grimes May 17 - 19. Please contact Troop OA Representative, Luke Augsberger to sign up.

## OA Recognition

Congratulations to Troop 19's newest initiates to the Catawba Lodge of the Order of the Arrow. The Order of the Arrow is a program within the Boy Scouts of America that recognizes those Scouts who exhibit the ideals of Scouting in their daily lives and are committed to expanding their roles in Scouting to include service, promoting camping and conservation of natural resources. Catawba Lodge was founded within Mecklenburg County Council in 1951. Joining our long list of Brothers within the lodge as Ordeal Candidates are:

#### **Colter McDermott Nick King**

**David Remick** Cameron Shelton

**Tucker Horne** Gregory Ryczek

Eric Melton Chad Holshouser

Larry Zaino



Troop 19 would also like to recognize and congratulate those Ordeal members who have sealed their membership within the lodge with their Brotherhood. These Scouts earned their Brotherhood membership at the Catawba Lodge Spring Fellowship in March. Our newest Brotherhood members are:

**Russell Williams** 

**Zach Hackley** 

**Thomas Ragland** 

**Nick Reid** 



<u>PARENTS:</u> If you are interested in purchasing a Life Membership for your son in the Catawba Lodge, please contact Scoutmaster Larry Banks.

#### **MOTHERS RIBBONS**

#### MOTHERS:

We have been asked about when you should wear your Mother's Ribbons. Mother's Ribbons should be worn at the following events: Troop Courts of Honor Scout Sunday Eagle Ceremonies Mother's ribbons provide an opportunity for mothers to display the BSA pins acknowledging their son's achievements. Take pride of your son's hard work and wear your ribbons with honor.



## Eagle's Aerie Updates

**Eagle Scout Daniel** State to study Turf Manage-Williams will be graduat-ment.

ing from North Mecklenburg this spring. Daniel has chosen to attend North Carolina



**Eagle Scout Elliot Madre** will also graduate from North Mecklenburg this spring and attend North Carolina

State. Elliot will study Computer Sciences at NCSU.

In October 2001, **Eagle Scout Josh Stapinski** graduated from the US Coast Guard Academy.

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#### Dottie Johnson - Thank You

Troop 19 would like to recognize and thank Ms. Dottie Johnson for her assistance through the years. Dottie is retiring as Recharter, Summer Camp and Troop Uniform Monetary Coordinator.

Dottie has served the troop for more than 6 years in this capacity and is moving on to pursue other interests. We would like to many years for us. offer our sincerest thanks to Dottie for all her years of assistance and commitment to the

troop.

We would also like to welcome Ms. Kathy Dills will be assuming those responsibilities that Dottie has carried out for so

Thanks again Dottie and thank you Cathy for your willingness to step in to help the troop.

## Troop 19 - 50th Anniversary

In 2005, Troop 19 will celebrate its 50th year of continuous service and participation. The troop was originally founded in 1938 at Huntersville Presbyterian Church and remained active until 1953.

In 1955, the troop was re-chartered at Huntersville Presbyterian and has been an active part of Mecklenburg County Council since that time.

As part of the preparation for the 50th Anniver-

sary, Troop 19 will be issuing an annual commemorative collectable. This year we will issue

the 50th Anniversary neckerchief. The neckerchiefs will become part of the formal Class A uniforms beginning with summer camp. The neckerchiefs can be ordered with the enclosed order form for \$10.00.

Troop 19 is also in the beginning stages of planning its 50th Anniversary celebration. If you are interested in joining the celebration committee, please call Jennie Hackley.

## Troop 19 Elections

Troop 19 would like to recognize and congratulate our newest Troop leaders for the Spring 2002 elections.

Chris Chelko - Senior Patrol Leader

Trevor Hehn - Assistant Senior Patrol Leaser

**Tyler Reavis** - Assistant Senior Patrol Leader

Russell Williams - Assistant Senior Patrol Leader

Luke Augsberger - Troop OA Representative

Josh Hedrick - Chaplain Aide

Ben Beaumont - Librarian

Nick Reid - Troop Musician

**Kyle Kitchen** - Bugler

Nick King - Cobra Patrol leader

**Alex Young** - Falcon Patrol Leader

**Derek Reavis** - Flaming Arrow Patrol Leader

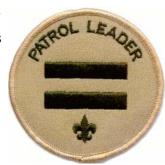
Chad Holshouser - Shark Patrol Leader

Larry Zaino - Viking Patrol Leader

Troop 19 would also like to recognize our newest Junior Assistant Scoutmasters:

> Lee Shelton **Justin Cross Scott Marum**

Congratulations to all Scouts and good luck !!!!



## Welcome Graduating Webelos Joining Troop 19 as the newest members of the Viking Patrol are:

Troop 19 would like to welcome our newest puppies. The newest members of Troop 19 graduated from Pack 19 on March 23 at Ramah Presbyterian Church. The new Scouts will become members of Troop 19's Cobra and Viking Patrols.

Star Scout Nick King will serve as Patrol Leader of the Cobra Patrol. 1st Class Scout Larry Zaino will serve as Patrol Leader of the Viking Patrol. ASM **Bob Marum** will serve as 1st Year Scout Program Coordinator with ASM **James Redies** serving as Patrol Asst. Scoutmaster of the Viking Patrol and ASM Carl Hackley serving as the Patrol Asst. Scoutmaster of the Cobra Patrol. Assisting the new Scouts will be Jr. Assistant Scoutmasters, Kyle Kitchen and Elliott Madre in the Cobra Patrol and Scott Marum in the Viking Patrol.

Joining Troop 19 as the newest members of the Cobra Patrol are:

> Eric Altamura Jake Augsberger **Jacob Elder** Phillip Fredricks **Corey Gudger** Lance Sellie Matt Vice Ben Watkins

**Dalton Basinger** Corey Dalton Alex D'Amour Nathan Dove Josh Doyle Brian Giarratano **Rvan Haskins Brent Irvin Kyle Smith** 

Welcome to Troop 19 and we look forward to having you in the Cobra and Viking Patrols.

Also joining the Troop from Pack 19 are 8 new adult leaders. Coming on board with Troop 19 are:

> **Dave Beaumont** Ronnie Young **Brad Vice Bobby Gudger** Don Almond **Bob Sellie** Rick Lowe Tom Woodward



We want to thank the our leaders for your willingness to donate your time to Troop 19's Scouting program.

#### Troop Calendar - 2001 - 2002 Scouting Year

APRIL		May 14	Parent Committee Meeting
		May 17—19 Beaver Weekend @ Camp Grimes	
Apr 1—5	Super Trip @ Fort Bragg	May 28	PLC—7:00 PM
April 9	Parent Committee Meeting	•	
Apr 12—14	Wood Badge Weekend I	May 28	ASM Meeting after PLC
Apr 19—21	Merit Badge Weekend @	JUNE	
	Camp Grimes	June 4	Creek Walk—6:30 PM
Apr 19—21	Puppies/Webelos Campout	June 4	Last Day of School @ CMS
April 26 - 28	DIXIE FELLOWSHIP @	Jun 9—15	JLT
	Camp Ho Non Wah	Jun 16—22	SUMMER CAMP
April 30	PLC		
	B. # A. \$ 7		JULY
	MAY	NO JULY MEETINGS	
May 3 - 5	Wood Badge Weekend II	Jul 27 - Aug 2	NOAC—Indiana University
May 3 - 5	New Scouts Camp Out @		
	South Mountain		

#### Catawba Lodge Calendar 2001-2002

#### **April**

April 3 Executive Committee Meeting

Apr 26—28 OA Dixie Fellowship -

Camp Ho Non Wah

#### 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

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## Religious Awards - Ad Atari Dei

At the February 2002 Court of Honor, Troop 19 recognized five Scouts for having earned the Ad Atari Dei Award. The Ad Atari Dei Award is given to Scouts of the Roman Catholic faith who have completed the assigned tasks that help them examine their faith and their beliefs. Once the tasks are complete, the Scouts make a commitment and renew their devotion to their faith.

Those Scouts earning the Ad Atari Dei were:

**Russell Williams** 

**Trevor Hehn** 

Larry Zaino

Jacob Young

**Chris Chelko** 

Congratulations Scouts!!

There are separate awards available to Scouts of all faiths and can be earned with the help of your family religious institution. If your son is interested in earning the religious award for your faith, please contact **Stu Williams** for information.

The Catholic Camporee was held in March 2002 at Camp Ravens Knob. Attending The Catholic Camporee for Troop 19 were:

**Daniel Williams** 

**Russell Williams** 

Eric Massa

**Stu Williams** was awarded the Bronze Pelican at the Camporee. Congratulations, Stu.

## Puppy Class of 2001

Troop 19 would like to recognize the graduating class of 1st year Scouts from 2001. ASM Bob Marum's Puppies have all earned their 1st Class rank within the first year of joining our program. These Scouts have moved up and are now part of the regular patrols within Troop 19. Their efforts and enthusiasm will be greatly appreciated within their new patrols.

Earning their 1st Class Award within their first

#### year were:

Billy Blakely Josh Hedrick Alex Young Shawn Freeman Derek Reavis Mark Williams Zach Capets Seth Cross

Congratulations Scouts and thank you for all your hard work.

#### Uniform Closet

**PARENTS:** The Troop 19 Uniform Closet is in need of more uniforms. The uniform closet is in the troop quartermaster's hut and is used to help others reduce the cost of new uniforms. Whenever your son out grows his uniform, please donate for your growing Scout, che first. We have good used unwelcome to take and outfit the rising cost of uniforms.

those in good condition to the closet so other parents can keep the cost of Scouting reasonable. Conversely, when you need to get a new uniform for your growing Scout, check the uniform closet first. We have good used uniforms that you are welcome to take and outfit your son and reduce the rising cost of uniforms.

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## Congratulations New Eagle Justin Harris Cross - January 9, 2002

#### Fundraising 2002 Updates

#### Hot Dog Fundraiser

Troop 19 will be holding a fundraising dinner on Tuesday, May 14 at Huntersville Presbyterian Church. The time will be from 6:00 - 7:30 PM. All families are invited to come out and help support the troop by purchasing a dinner. The troop meeting will be held as usual beginning at 7:00 PM that evening. The parent committee meeting is also scheduled for that night and all parents attending the dinner are invited to stay and participate in the parent committee meeting.

Additionally, we are planning to host a second hot dog dinner on Tuesday June 11 at Huntersville Presbyterian from 6:00 - 7:30 PM. Again, all families are invited to purchase a dinner and stay afterwards to attend the troop and parent committee

meetings as outlined above. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend these important fundraising

functions.

We also want to recognize the Scouts who participated in the Tupperware fundraiser. Special recognition is for those Scouts who sold the most items. **Trevor Kitchen** sold \$482 of products and earned the 1st Prize of \$100. **Trevor Hehn** sold \$228 in Tupperware and earned the 2nd Prize of \$50. Third Prize of \$25 was won by **Jonathan Ryczek** who sold \$208 of products. Thank you Scouts for a sincere effort to assist the troop.

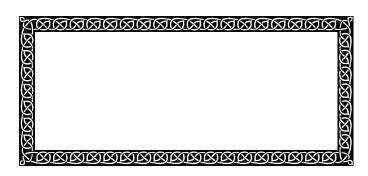
The next fundraiser will be a car wash on May 4th. Particulars will be handed out to the troop at the April 23 Scout meeting with follow up calls by Patrol Leaders.

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#### **A Scout Prayer**

Great Master of all good Scouts, we pray...

That Thou will make us Trustworthy, for there are those who trust us.

Make us Loyal, For through loyalty we reach our highest ideals.

Teach us to be Helpful - through helpfulness we forget ourselves.

Make us Friendly - there are so many who need friends.

Train us in Courtesy, for courtesy is the carpet on life's floor.

Make us Kind - the fields and woods are full of Thy creatures.

Insist upon our Obedience, for success comes only to him who first learns to obey.

Make us Cheerful, for cheerfulness is the green grass near the pebbles in the road.

Train us in Thrift, for thrifty habits enable us to be generous to those in need.

May we be Brave - brave in the darkness and brave in the light; but save us from becoming fakers of bravery.

Help us be Clean - in thought, in speech, and in deed; and may we remember that our bodies are Thy holy temples.

Above all, Father, help us to be Reverent - not only towards Thee, but towards all things that Thou hast made.

We ask Thy guidance in all these things and may we never forget the Promise to which all Scouts are pledged.