



Up Etowah Creek...

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Welcome to Etowah Creek District [ECD] All Leaders Roundtable in Columbia, South Carolina. This showcase for All Leaders (including Youth Leaders for troops and Crews) is held on the 2nd Thursday of every month, starting at 7:00 p.m. We meet at Ashland Methodist Church on Ashland Rd. (off St. Andrew's Rd.). Take a minute to read this newsletter, as that will keep the number of announcements to a minimum! This newsletter is always available at Roundtable, through your Unit Commissioners and Training Team, and from your DE, Steven Sloope. Please photocopy and distribute this freely to your units and leaders. It will be available online 1 week after Roundtable (so come to RT and get it!) Call me or email me if you need additional copies or if you spot an error. Welcome!

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100 YEARS OF SCOUTING

Celebrating the Adventure ★ Continuing the Journey



Haiti Relief

A Scout is Helpful and Kind. Haiti is devastated with a powerful earthquake. How about a "Quarters Drive" in your unit to help? Or a drive for soaps and shampoos? See page 3 for ways that your Scouts can help!

Celebrating 100 Years

National Hall of Leadership Nominations closing soon!

The National Hall of Leadership is a one-time opportunity only during the 100th Anniversary to honor and recognize Scouts, leaders and any living person who has served as a Scouting volunteer for the extraordinary difference they have made in the lives of others through their leadership. Nominations submitted online for judging by February 15.



To nominate someone go online here:
<http://tinyurl.com/BSA-2010Hall-Of-Leadership>
scouting.org/100years

URGENT!

Nominations Due Jan 15 for Volunteer of the Year and District Award of Merit

*Have you honored your Unit and
Etowah Creek District volunteers?*

Online at www.etowahcreek.com or call Michael Copeland 227-5646 or e-mail chairman@etowahcreek.com

Oh, I Love A Parade!

FEBRUARY 15 IS THE IWC
SCOUTING
BIRTHDAY
PARADE!



It will start on Lady Street at 9am and end at the History of Scouting Exhibit at the State Museum. Vintage Scout Uniforms, floats, marching musicians- You Decide! Show off your Pack, Troop, or Crew for this historic event! Stay for the State of Scouting report to our civic leaders and your unit can order a nice box lunch, too! The Parade is free!

Sign up online at

WWW.INDIANWATERS.ORG

A CENTURY OF
SCOUTING IN
SOUTH CAROLINA

OPENS AT THE STATE

MUSEUM ON
JANUARY 29 - JUNE 20

Photographs and artifacts illustrate the contributions the Boy Scouts have made to South Carolina communities and the positive influence the organization has had on generations of youth in the Palmetto State over the past century. Also Camp-ins for Scouts! Check the website!

www.museum.state.sc.us



GEEKCREEK!

UP ETOWAH CREEK'S PICKS FOR TECHIES★
ELECTRONIC ENTERTAINMENT★ AND THE WEB★



GeekCreek Cool Website of the Month

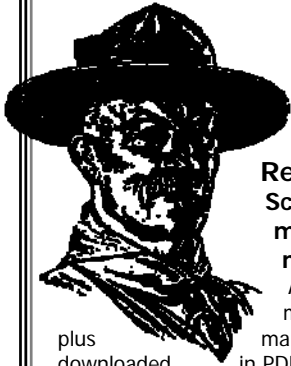
Free Bushcraft Videos

www.azbushcraft.com

Staying alive in the woods is called "Bushcraft" in Australia and England. This awesome site has videos to watch that are just brilliant! Good for all Scouts!

DAILY CUB SCOUTING NEWS AND TIPS

Did you know that there are new Cub Scout Belt Loops? Check it out on www.kismif.org



Need Resources for the BSA 100th Anniversary? Get to "The Dump"

Free Vintage Scout Books and Resources and Free Vintage Scouting Scans of books, sheet music, games books, pamphlets and more

All of the Scouting books from the UK and many from the US that printed before 1960, plus many after that. Scanned and archived to be downloaded in PDF form. All of Baden-Powell's books, plus Patrol Leader Guides, the Gilwell Series, Songs, Games, Pioneering and Lashing (all of Sweet's books are here), Woodcraft, etc. Hundreds of books, all about Scouting, mostly from England and Canada, but the skills and woodcraft are universal.

www.thedump.scoutscan.com

Going on a trip? Philmont? Seabase?

Free audio books, ebooks, and music (Hint: search for *Earnest Thompson Seton*, *Daniel beard*, or *Baden-Powell* for books written by the founders of Scouting.)

www.gutenberg.org Project Gutenberg 128,000 audio-books and music

www.booksinmyphone.com ebooks for your phone/pda

www.learnoutloud.com free educational ebooks links

Need a Camp Song, Grace, or Game?

www.ultimatecampresource.com

(Caution, some songs and games are not suitable for all Scouts)

Free Scouting Recognition Certificates Online

www.cyberbasetradingpost.com/docs/create-a-certificate1.cfm

UPCOMING TRAININGS

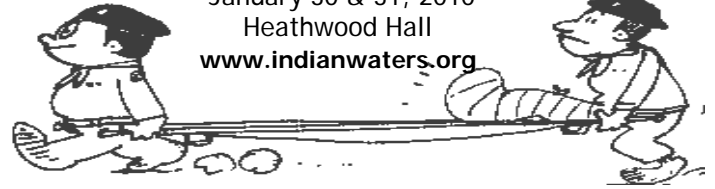
Wilderness First Aid Course

(Note- High Adventure programs requires this course!)

January 30 & 31, 2010

Heathwood Hall

www.indianwaters.org



Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster

Leader Specific Training

Saturday, March 6, 2010 at New Heights Baptist Church. Register online by March 1st - \$20 Pre-registration required- No Walk-ins

www.indianwaters.org

Course Director: Joan Janoch 345-5700



HISTORIC MERIT BADGES TO EARN tinyurl.com/historic-mb

The Historical Merit Badge Program gives you the perfect chance to organize exciting activities for your Scouts, while connecting them with the BSA's rich past. It's another example of the BSA's devotion to *Celebrating the Adventure, Continuing the Journey*.



Signaling



Tracking



Pathfinding



Carpentry

Limited Time! For 2010 only the BSA has brought back four merit badges. Go to the url to read about it in Scouting magazine online. Scouts must start and finish all requirements within the year 2010.

For more information, look for a special Web site and a printed guide by the end of the month.

That's where you'll find the complete requirements for each patch. If you are interested in becoming a counselor for one of the Merit badges please let Lorie know or contact the Scout Office.



ETOWAH CREEK DISTRICT BANQUET

MARCH 4 7PM ASHLAND UMC

Contact Michael Copeland 227-5646

chairman@etowahcreek.com

YOUR SCOUT HISTORY!

Photos, stories, and information needed about our District



From 1910 to the present. We are in need of vintage photos, meeting helps, logbooks, troop or unit newsletters or scrapbooks, or anything that fills in a piece of the puzzle for our area. Items can be scanned or photographed and returned, or archived to be used in future exhibits and displays to showcase over 100 Years of Scouting.

Items that can be loaned will be returned; items that are donated will be cleaned and cared for and are tax-deductable.

A History of each unit is requested! Let's fill in the gaps while we can! Please contact Lorie McGraw at 803-223-3893 or lmcgraw@sc.rr.com

FaceBook: tinyurl.com/FB-SC-Scout-History

For updates on the 100th Anniversary Hoopla see our Council website and the FaceBook team to help sleuth out the mysteries at tinyurl.com/IWC-BSA-at-100

Haiti Relief (cont. from Page 1)

Agencies or Non-Profits that have on-site groups or experience in Haiti (there are many, this is just a sample) :



Samaritan's Purse

www.samaritanspurse.org

Located in Boone NC with offices on the ground in Haiti they are sending planes out immediately with medical supplies and water. Monetary donations pay for food, water, medical supplies etc. immediately. They rely heavily on volunteers, and thus are able to use just about all funds for the communities that they help. They will soon be looking for disaster-related dry-goods and food soon (similar to their Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes). Watch for collection centers here in Columbia.

American Red Cross www.redcross.org

Already on the ground in Haiti, they are sending in aid workers, supplies, and medicines around the clock. Please donate to this worthy partner of the BSA. They know how to handle Disaster Aid. You can text "Haiti" to 90999 and \$10 will be charged to your phone bill (regular text messaging fees apply), or write a check or collect cash and drop it by their office.

DoctorsWithoutBorders.org

Donations are badly needed, as this agency of volunteer physicians has been hard hit by the 7.0 quake, losing their 3 hospitals and most of their medical equipment on the ground- more is being sent in, but they need our help.

Please Come to the

February 11 Roundtable

- 🌟 Events and Programs Updates for 2009-2010
- 🌟 Scouting's Birthday Month! BSA@100 Celebration
- 🌟 Plus Scouting surprises, fun, and more!

Reminders and Announcements

See the Council website for details

www.indianwaters.org



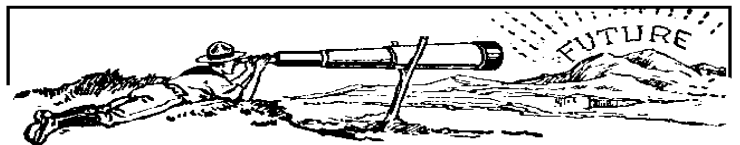
SC is the new Scouting Community Social Network

For Scouts and Scouters, run by and propelled by Scouts and Scouters

www.scouting.org/myscouting

Check it out!

You can start your own group if you do not see one that serves your needs. Explore the site as much as possible to see how others are using it, and be sure to invite your Scouting friends to join the community. Enjoy the community! See the May 2009 of UEC for more details or just go to the site and log in.



Calendar Highlights

Not all dates are on this calendar, please check the etowahcreek.com website and indianwaters.com for updates and corrections. Also come to Roundtable each month and get the updated events calendar. Remember - you can attend any training in **any district anywhere**

{tc "2008 Reservation Application"}Dates to Remember!

January

- 🌟 14 Roundtable and Scouting For Food Landrush
- 🌟 15 District Nominations Due for Volunteers of the Year
- 🌟 23 University of Scouting at USC
- 🌟 29 State Museum Scouting Exhibit opens (closes in June)
- 🌟 30-31st Wilderness First Aid (WFA) Course

February

- 🌟 6 and 13 Scouting for Food
- 🌟 **8 Happy Birthday BSA!!!** Wear your Uniform today!
- 🌟 11 All Scout Leaders Roundtable 7PM AUMC
- 🌟 15 **Scout Parade** and Council-wide Celebrations!!
- 🌟 21 International Scouting Founder's Day
- 🌟 25 Council Recognition Banquet 6:30 PM Embassy Suites

March

- 🌟 4 Etowah Creek District Banquet AUMC
- 🌟 6 SM Specific Training
- 🌟 11 All Scout Leader Roundtable 7PM AUMC
- 🌟 13-14 OA Fellowship Camp Barstow
- 🌟 27 Merit Badge University

April

- 🌟 Cub Scout Shooting Sports training TBA
- 🌟 8 All Scout Leader Roundtable 7PM AUMC

May

- 🌟 13 - Program Preview and kickoff
- 🌟 Camping opportunities at www.indianwaters.org

June

- 🌟 14-18 "Scouting Through the Decades!" Day Camp! Cornerstone Presbyterian

If you have an item for the newsletter, please submit it by the second Monday of the month to newsletter@etowahcreek.com

New! Centennial Edition of the Boy Scout Handbook

The Centennial Edition (12th) of the Boy Scout Handbook is available in the Scout Shop. It features a mixture of parts of many of the early hand books with a 21st century flair. The handbook features chapters on Leadership and Leave No Trace, which both are firsts. iPhone/iPod apps available from imusic.com



Having trouble logging into MyScouting?

Last June MyScouting changed the requirements for the log-on names from e-mail addresses to non-e-mail addresses. If you can't log in for training, Events registration, etc. contact the BSA's national service desk at 1-800-627-3025 or send an e-mail to myscouting@scouting.org

INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES IN SCOUTING

WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE SWEDEN 2011

www.scouting.org/worldjamboree
Staff or Participant

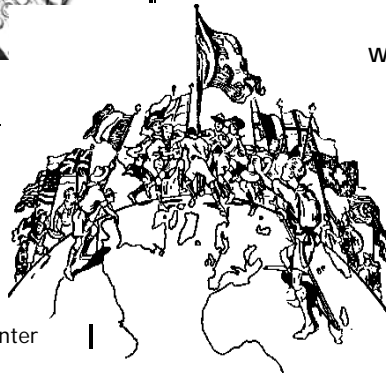
Summer Camp Staff in Switzerland

KANDERSTEG

INTERNATIONAL SCOUT

Centre is a World Center for year-round Scouting.

Ages 18-26 may be on staff.
www.kisc.ch



Oops! Not Trained? No Tour Permit For You!

As of January 1, 2009 Tour Permits will be issued only if new training standards are met. "Planning and Preparing for Hazardous Weather" is now required for all Tour Permits plus current Youth Protection Training as registered with the Council. The new courses are at the Online Learning Center



olc.scouting.org
Remember! Don't wait until the last minute! Tour Permits must be submitted 2 weeks in advance.

File Your Tour Permit Online!

See the Council Website www.indianwaters.org

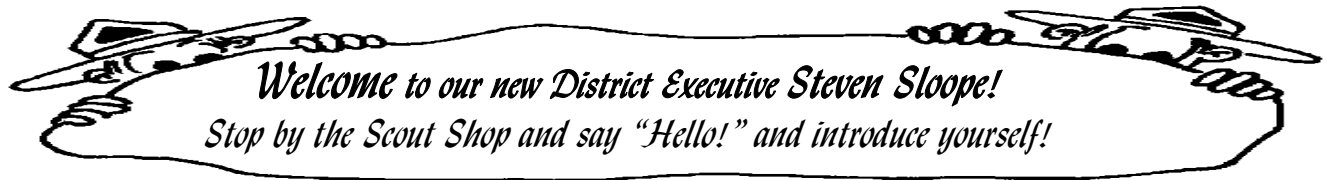
TRAINING ALERT

The new online training course "This is Scouting" has replaced New Leader Essentials for Cub Scout Leaders and it is on the Online Learning Center at scouting.org

New Scout Stuff at the Scout Shop and Scoutstuff.org

Do you have Webelos that have earned ALL of the badges? Check the official BSA Supply store at www.scoutstuff.org for the Super Achiever Badge and more! Get them at the Scout Shop or have Miss Velda order them for you!

Check out the 100th year Anniversary items at our Scout Shop!!!



Welcome to our new District Executive Steven Sloop!
Stop by the Scout Shop and say "Hello!" and introduce yourself!



Etowah Creek District

Eagle Class of 2009



Jan 2009	Matthew Michael Barnes 312 Sam Frick 410	June 2009	Jacob McCall 411 J. T. Helms 91	Oct 2009	Hunter McGahee 411 Mason Cannon 312
Feb 2009	Douglas Ray Edmonsun, Jr 413 Clyde Fallaw IV "Chip" 15 John Harmon Clamp 410 Kevin C Kennedy 312	Aug 2009	Adam Bouknight 815 Trevor Berry 330 Jacob Mayberry 576 Jordan Pinsor 577 Chase Dowse 577 Kyle Summer 312		Charles Wagers 411 Jesse Richards 312 Jared Ott 413 William Wagers 411
March 2009	Michael C. Lever 521 Austin Lockwood 577	Sept. 2009	Zachary Poston 95 Thomas Forth 95 Quashawn Felder 330 Caleb Reynolds 312	Nov. 2009	Joseph "Andrew" Vinson 410 Judson Neff 95 Stuart D. Nates 91 Garth Hill 815 Eric Bringley 95
April 2009	Kyle Bedenbaugh 312 James R. Kent III 95 Nathan Hopfensperger 95		Benjamin Robert Gustafson 95 Jesse L. McCallister 48	Dec 2009	Greg Harmon 312 Nick Klein 95
May 2009	TJ Buck 870 Michael Husmann 95				