



Up Etowah Creek...



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Welcome to Etowah Creek District [ECD] Cub Scout Leader and Boy Scout Leader Roundtable in Columbia, South Carolina. This showcase for Leaders 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 of St. Andrew's Rd.) Be sure to pick up a copy of Smoke Signals (our Council newspaper) and a packet of handouts. Take a minute to read this newsletter, as that will keep the number of announcements to a minimum! This newsletter is also available online at www.etowahcreek.com/rtnews/may03news.pdf
Welcome! Lorie McGraw 750-0626 lmcgraw@sc.rr.com

Boy Scout Roundtable Etowah Creek Boy Scout Roundtable

Vicki Wheatley, Roundtable Commissioner

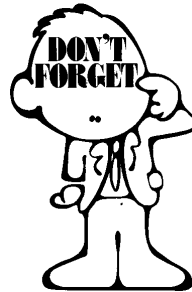
What a first year as commissioner! Thanks to all who have participated, there wouldn't be a Roundtable without **YOU**. We discussed and learned about everything in Scouting from "Where to go Camping" to "Junior Leader Training" to "Eagle Scout Board of Reviews and Project". We had attendance from a low of 7 participants to a high of 64 (thanks to Youth Protection Training).

I have received some suggestions for programs for next year, example: Scoutmaster Conference and Board of Reviews. If you have any program ideas that you would like to see developed, please contact me by phone at 345-5093 or e-mail at Palwheat@msn.com

Being in any new role, and following the lengthy term of a very good leader (thank you George) takes planning and time to be successful. This was a totally new experience for me, and I thank all of you for understanding and "bearing" with me. My staff was small this year, because of my own choosing and reasoning—I wasn't sure of my responsibility, much less, responsibilities of a staff—so thank you Palmer Wheatley and John M. Graham.

As Scouting "winds down" for the summer break, please be safe. We look forward to seeing each of you back on August 14th for the "kick-off" to an exciting year in Scouting.

If you have an item for the newsletter, please submit it by the second Monday of the month



District Banquet

Reservation deadline
extended to
Tuesday May 13 at 7 pm

Get your reservation in
NOW!

Come celebrate our Volunteers on Sat. May 17.
Sign up at the Scout Office

A Scout Is Thrifty ... and
Loves the Outdoors!

The entire South Carolina State Park system is yours to enjoy with a State Park Passport. These passports are a great way to experience all the beauty of our state. The cost is only \$50.00 and entitles the owners to free and unlimited entry into all South Carolina State Parks that charge an entrance fee.

The hangtag pass is valid for one year from the date of purchase and can be transferred from one vehicle to another. Purchase a Park Passport by visiting a state park office. To charge via Visa or MasterCard call 888-88-PARKS. You can also mail a check to: SC State Parks 1205 Pendleton Street Columbia, SC 29201.
Passenger Vehicles that seat 16 or more are not eligible for a Park Passport.

For more information on SC State Parks, go to <http://www.discoverouthcarolina.com/stateparks>

Do you want up-to-the-minute information about Scouting Programs here in Etowah Creek, nationally, and internationally?

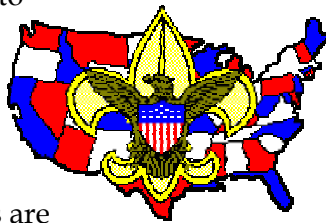
Email lmcgraw@sc.rr.com
and she will add you to the

Etowah Creek Email List.

And don't forget to check out the Etowah Creek
Webpage at www.etowahcreek.com

Summer Camp Resources

With Camp Barstow closed to Summer Camp this year and possibly next year, many troops are still looking for summer camp opportunities near our council. While many camps are filled, others still have space for your troop or crew. There were openings available at some of the following camps at publication time.



In addition, it is not too early to think about making reservations for 2004. Most camps allow pre-registration starting in January for the coming summer. The following list is far from complete but the camps are located in the Carolinas. If you wish to find out about other Camps please use the following web sites to find more information.

<http://scoutcamp.org>

This link shows not only summer camps but also primitive and wilderness camps as well. At this site you will find both Scout owned and non Scout-owned camps. This is a great resource to find alternate camping spots.

www.scouters.com/compass/Where_To_Go/BSA_Camps

This site is for BSA Camps only. Here you will find contact information for Scouts Camps all over the United States.

East Carolina Council NC

Bonner Scout Reservation
<http://www.campbonner.org/>

Blue Ridge Mountains Council NC

Blue Ridge Mountains Reservation www.bsa-brmc.org/

Occoneechee Council NC

Camp Durant
www.campdurant.com/Camping/camping.html

Old Hickory Council NC

Raven Knob www.ravenknob.com/

Old North State Council NC

Cherokee Scout Reservation
www.bsaonsc.org/cherokeescoutreservation.htm

Daniel Boone Council NC

Camp Daniel Boone www.danielboonecouncil.org/

Palmetto Area Council NC

Camp Bob Hardin
www.palmetto-bsa.org/camp/cbh/default.htm

Piedmont Council NC

Camp Bud Schiele 704-864-2694

Mecklenburg County Council NC

Camp Grimes www.campgrimes.org

Central North Carolina Council NC

Camp John J. Barnhard
www.centralncbsa.com/Camp%20Barnhardt.htm

Cape Fear Council NC

Camp Lawrence Bowers www.capefearcouncilbsa.org

Coastal Carolina Council SC

Camp Ho Non Wah
<http://coastalcarolinabsa.org/camping/hononwah.htm>

Coastal Carolina Council SC

Camp Moultrie
<http://coastalcarolinabsa.org/camping/moultrie.htm>

Blue Ridge Council SC

Camp Old Indian www.blueridgecouncil.org/coi.htm

Etowah Creek Cub Scout Day Camp

ALL ABOARD!!!

June 23-27th 5:00 -- 9:00 pm

Union United Methodist Church

7582 Woodrow St. in Irmo

Program Directors -

Janice and Gary Loppe
750-1743

Director - Lucius Gray
345-0939

Register Today! Spaces
are filling fast!

www.etowahcreek.com/daycamp.htm



*If you can smile when things go wrong, you
have someone in mind to blame.*

Learn how to create wildlife habitat in your community!

Saturday, May 17th - Rawlinson Road Elementary, Rock Hill
Topics Covered Include: Basics of a Wildlife Habitat, Steps to Creating a Schoolyard Habitat(r), Building a Carolina Fence Garden, A Tour of A Certified Wildlife Habitat, Protecting Reptiles & Amphibians on your school grounds, Using Habitat Gardens in the Curriculum, Finding Resources & Funding in Your Community

Details: South Carolina Wildlife Federation

Cost: \$10 per person

Time: 9:00am until 4:00pm

Space is Limited, so Register Early!! Email sara@scwf.org for details.