



# Up Etowah Creek...



**Etowah Creek District BSA Newsletter Vol. 2 No. 3 November 2000**

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. Please 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/eecd-1100news.htm](http://www.etowahcreek.com/rtnews/eecd-1100news.htm)

Welcome!

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## Popcorn Update!!

Congratulations to all Popcorn Selling Units! The Popcorn Sale this year has been Wonderful. Most Units exceeded their goals, allowing for funding of their program and events at an even higher level this year. All orders were turned in last week. Pickup is this Saturday (Nov. 11) at Southeastern Freight Company. Each unit has been assigned a time to work at the distribution site prior to their unit picking up popcorn. If your unit is in need of assistance, please contact Peggy Smith (755-9466) or Angela Bouknight (781-9094).



## December Cub Theme What Do You Do at Holiday Time?

Please pick up your packet of handouts

The December Theme for Cub Scouts is **What Do You Do at Holiday Time?** Carol and the gang will have great craft ideas, recipes, and more at tonight's Roundtable. Plus ideas on how to serve the less fortunate during the upcoming Holiday Season. We will discuss those and more during tonight's Roundtable.



"You've got to do your own growing, no matter how tall your grandfather was." -- Irish Proverb

## Reminder!!

December Roundtable is on  
Thursday, December 14, 2000

Please pass the word to your pack, troop and units, and remember to come!! If you haven't come to roundtable before, please come and bring a friend.

We will look at the January Theme of **"When I Grow Up"**. Learn about resources available for Job Explorations for your dens. Plus the **Big Reason** for attending in December is to join us for the hows, whys, and whasis of a **"Cub Scout Pinewood Derby"**. See the last page of the newsletter for more information on upcoming Roundtables.



## Veterans Day Observance at Crossroads Middle School

Scouts Needed!!

Attention all Scoutmasters:

If you have a scout at Crossroads Middle School, please remind them that there will be a special observance for Veteran's Day on Friday Nov. 10 as CRMS honors our Armed Forces Veterans. **All Scouts are invited** to gather at the flagpole in uniform as a special honor guard for the raising of our US Flag. The Irmo High School Air Force JROTC will present the colors. All Scouts and Scoutmasters are encouraged to attend in uniform. Be at the flagpole Friday Nov. 10 at 7:15 a.m. The practice for the ceremony will be at 7:30. The ceremony itself will be at 8:00 am.



## Scouting For Food

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## Vigil Honor Awarded

OA congratulates its members Selected for the Vigil Honor, the highest honor a youth can attain in the Order of the Arrow from Chapter 3, which serves Etowah Creek District, were Steven Galloway, Eagle Scout of Troop 302, a former Chapter Vice Chief, and Matt Baskins, Eagle Scout of Troop 333. Congratulations!



## Haunted Weekend at Camp Barstow

Over 1100 Scouts, Scouters, and Parents

attended the Council's Haunted Weekend at Camp Barstow. The editor does not have an official report, but every comment that I have heard has been Fabulous! Kudos to the organizers of a great event, held at a great camp, with great weather, serving great food, and the great bunch of Cub Scouts and parents that attended!

**We Have A New Domain Name!!**  
[www.etowahcreek.com](http://www.etowahcreek.com)  
(Opening soon!)

If at first you do succeed, try not to look astonished.

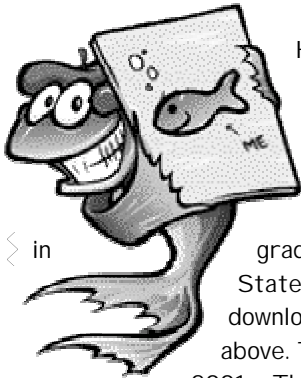


Pack 91 Webelos "The Cobras" picking up trash at Bundrick Island on Lake Murray for the statewide Beach Sweep/River sweep event.

Is your pack or troop doing something for the community that you'd like to brag about? Submit all news and kudos to Lorie McGraw at [llmcgraw@worldnet.att.net](mailto:llmcgraw@worldnet.att.net) or mail them to **Up Etowah Creek** 500 Shadowbrook Dr. Columbia SC 29210

## Internet Sites of the Month All Scouts:

### Wildlife Forever Art Contest



<http://www.statefishart.com/>  
Hey Kids! Sharpen your pencils and clean your paintbrushes! It's time for the 2001 State-Fish Art Contest!

The *Wildlife Forever* State-Fish Art Contest is open to all students grades 4 through 12 living in the United States. For more information and to download an entry form, visit the website above. The contest deadline is March 31, 2001. The South Carolina State Fish is the Striped Bass. Go to this link to learn more about it.

<http://www.statefishart.com/states/southeast/sc.htm>

### Cub Scouts: Crafty Cubs



<http://www.kinderart.com>

This website has a lot of activities for Cub Scouts. The home page right now has crafts for Thanksgiving and Christmas, plus lots of other sections linked on the homepage.

### Boy Scouts: Bugle Boys

<http://www2.acc.af.mil/music//ceremonial/>  
Need some ceremonial music for your troop? Here is a site that has a lot of ceremonial music for use by Scouts. "To The Colors", which is used for both flag raising and lowering, marches, and much more is available here.

## "No-Name Powwow" Coming to Midlands

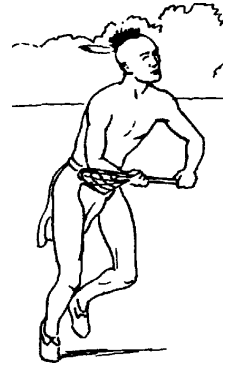
Columbia's Annual Native American Cultural Festival is coming. This event is fun for all, featuring all day dancing, drumming, arts, crafts, and Native American foods.

November 17, 18, 19 at the Jamil Temple located at 206 Jamil Road (between St. Andrews Road and Piney Grove Rd.) Fri 4-9 Sat 10-9 Sun 1-6. Come see the Grand Entries of all dancers and

participants Friday at 6, Saturday at 1 and 6, and Sunday at 1. This year's festival features the Iron Mountain Dancers, Storytelling by Ramona Moore Big Eagle, Traditional Youth Dance Troupes, Hoop Dancer Katrina Bigmountain, and will showcase the Iroquois Smoke Dance, Fish and War Dances, and the Catawba Eagle Dance. The Mississippi Band of Choctaw will be special guests. Many of our local Order of the Arrow Scouts will be dancing at this event.

The Public is Welcome to attend. Take your Scout troop, den, or family. Donations: adults \$5, children 6-12 \$3 Children 5 and under, elders free!

<http://www.angelfire.com/sc/americanindiancenter/powwow.html>



There's only one thing wrong with Boy Scouts...there aren't enough of 'em. ----Will Rogers



**Thank you to  
Pack 331  
for the Roundtable food  
last month.  
It was Delicious!**



## OA Officers Elected

Tschitanek Woakus Chapter of the Order of the Arrow has elected new officers for the year 2001. Greg

Hunt, Eagle Scout of Troop 95, was elected Chapter Chief. Philip Copeland of Troop 576 was elected Chapter Vice Chief, and Brian Gardner Troop 326 was elected Chapter Secretary. Chief Greg Hunt can be contacted at 781-9369

Procrastination - I'll deal with it sooner or later.

## Easy camp out meals

### Dutch Oven Pizza

[http://www.nay.org/dutch\\_o.htm](http://www.nay.org/dutch_o.htm). Any pizza recipe will work fine. Just spread the dough in an oiled oven, rolling the edges up the side a bit. Spread pizza or spaghetti sauce (you can buy it in squirt bottles which work very well on campouts). Sprinkle with desired toppings and cheese (precook and drain bacon and sausage).



Place most of the heat on top, about 15 briquettes on top of a 12" oven and 8 underneath. Like most Dutch oven cooking, peeking is allowed, even encouraged. The pizza is done when the crust is golden brown and the cheese is melted.

You can also make individual-sized pizzas with the rolls you buy in the refrigerator case. Roll out each biscuit to about 6" in diameter, then apply sauce and toppings. You can get 2 or three in one 12" oven.

### Dutch Oven Parmesan Potatoes

Preheat Dutch Oven.

Wash well about 5 pounds of small red potatoes, about the same size. Do not peel. Cut in half and set aside. Melt one-half stick (2 ounces) of butter in the oven. Cover bottom of Dutch oven with Parmesan cheese, around 1/16" thick.

Put potatoes in bottom, cut side down. Split coals 75% on top, 25% underneath. Cook for about 20 minutes, until potatoes are soft. You want the cheese to form a brown crust, but not burn. The crust should stick to the potatoes when you take them out.

## Your Son Deserves a Trained Leader!!

Attend Scout Leader Basic Trainings, Youth Protection, and Roundtable whenever you can, and get your son's leaders to attend, too!

## Webelos to Scout Transition



Are you a parent of a Webelos and not sure what to ask of the troops that you visit? Is your den only visiting one troop because you are not aware of any others in the area? Help is on the way. A new flyer called "Webelos to Scout Transition: A Guide for Parents and Leaders" will be mailed to all 5<sup>th</sup> grade Webelos and their parents. Included will be a Troop Contact List for troops in Lexington School Districts 2 and 5. Please call 750-0626 and ask Lorie McGraw to provide a copy to you if you have not received one by Nov.14. Copies will also be available at Roundtable, at the Scout Shop, and on the Web at [www.etowahcreek.com](http://www.etowahcreek.com) or email at [llmcgraw@worldnet.att.net](mailto:llmcgraw@worldnet.att.net).

"The one thing that doesn't abide by majority rule is a person's conscience." -- Harper Lee

## Have you viewed the BSA Fast Start Tape?

Check with your Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Unit Commissioner, or call the Scout Office today for a copy for your Unit. Additional Copies are available at Roundtable.

Fast Start Training is also available online at <http://www.bsa.scouting.org/cubscouts/faststart/>

**My son's Scout Leaders are trained.  
Are yours?**

## Announcing our new Cub Roundtable Commissioner Carol Caulk



Our past Cub RT Commissioner, Lorie McGraw, passes the podium to Carol Caulk as she takes over the reins for Cub Scout Roundtable. Time and health constraints made Lorie regretfully step back a little from her Cub Scouting duties, and Carol has graciously volunteered to finish out the year. Please help Carol by volunteering and getting all of your unit adults to attend Roundtable. Carol needs you to participate by sharing a game, food, a craft, or other good things with the folks that come each month. She can be reached at 926-8717.

**Thanks to Lorie and Welcome to Carol!**

## Important and Interesting Dates

### November 2000

- 9 Roundtable (Ashland UMC)
- 10-12 Freedom Celebration  
Airshow (Owens Field)
- 11 Popcorn Pickup
- 17 No Name Powwow (Jamil Temple)
- 30 Popcorn Prize Pickup

### December 2000

- 14 Roundtable
- 25-28 Scout Shop Closed

### January 2001

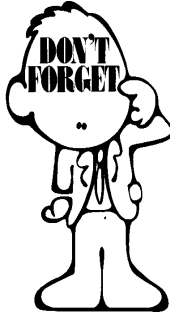
- 12 Roundtable with Youth Protection
- 20 University of Scouting (a great training opportunity!)

### February 2001

- (Nominations for District Awards Due this month)
- 3 and 10 Scouting For Food
- 17 Expo Ticket kickoff

### March 2001

- 10 District Banquet 6:30 at Ashland



"Be such a man, and live such a life, that if every man were such as you, and every life a life like yours, this earth would be God's Paradise."  
-- Phillips Brooks

## Fun For Scouts: Huge, Free Air Show this weekend in Columbia



There is a FREE airshow celebrating WWII and Veteran's Day at Owens Field. On November 10-12, 2000, Owens Army Airfield of WWII distinction will transport thousands of visitors back in time as WWII aircraft, vehicles, and living historians join together to recreate the sights, sounds, and feelings of a WWII functional airfield. Plus on Sat. and Sunday members of the Army Golden Knights will parachute onto the airfield in dramatic fashion followed by a recreation of the opening scene from TV's "MASH", complete with "Klinger" and "Hot Lips". There will be a reenactment of the Vietnam era where the Army Air Cavalry will insert troops into a "hot LZ" under the support of "Huey" and "Cobra" helicopter gunships.

### Free for the kids:

- \*\* Free Airplane rides (~30 minutes long in private planes) over Columbia through the Young Eagles program
- \*\* Obstacle course manned by a large contingent of Marines. All kids that go through it successfully (and the Marines will make sure that all are successful) get a set of dogtags.
- \*\* All events at Owens Field are free to the public (donations accepted), including the combat scenes, flyovers and formations, and parachute show.
- \*\* Special Matinee of the *Road to Victory Show* are available \$5 for students on Friday Nov. 10 only.



Schedule starts Fri. at 9am, goes through Sunday at 4:00. For a schedule and more information go to <http://www.celebratefreedomfoundation.org/index2.html> or call 788-6837. Check it out.

## Breakfast Recipe

### Eggs McSanchez in a Ziploc Bag

- 2 eggs
- Bacon bits or crumbled bacon
- Onion flakes
- Flour tortillas
- 1 slice cheese or shredded cheese
- Salsa sauce
- 1-quart Ziploc freezer bag
- In the freezer bag place the eggs - minus the shells.



Add the bacon, salsa, and onion. Add a little water or milk - 1/8 cup or 2 TBS. Zip up tight removing most of the air, and mix the eggs and ingredients by fingering vigorously. Scramble in the bag. Place the bag in a boiling pot of water and cook until done. Remove from the pot. (If no leaks use the water for hot chocolate or cleanup.) Scoop the eggs on the flour tortillas and add some cheese, fold and eat. Makes fillings for about 2 tortillas.

Cooking time is not too critical since the bags are sealed. So the scouts have time to clean out their tents and pack up while waiting. Moist ingredients take longer to cook, (open bag and let some of the moisture out, return to pot). Do not use the slide-lock bags, as they will leak. Use Freezer bags only and a large enough pot that the bags cannot touch the edge of the hot metal pot.

(From the Philmont Country Cookbook)

He who laughs last thinks slowest

# Coming Up at Etowah Creek District Cub Scout Roundtable 2000-2001

## December Roundtable

December 14, 2000 **January Theme "When I Grow Up"**. Learn about resources available for Job Explorations for your dens. If you know of anyone that would be willing to come talk to Cub Dens about his/her occupation, please bring that information with you to share. But the **Big Reason** for coming this month is to join us for the hows, whys, and whatsis of a **"Cub Scout Pinewood Derby"**: How to make them, race them, and everybody have fun". Bring your favorite cars to share and look at some really far-out designs. Learn racing games to keep all of those Cubs and siblings involved between heats. Special Prizes for participants. [Webelos: Fitness and Readyman]

## January Roundtable

January 11, 2001 **February Theme: "Passports to Other Lands"**. Spend your time with the boys as they learn about Far-Away places. The Midlands has many resources for putting an International Flavor to your den meetings this month. Come learn what resources are in our area to make your den meetings memorable and fun! Also get some ideas for Blue and Gold Banquets! Bring some ideas and props to share. Come early for Youth Protection Training (6:30) [Webelos: Scholar, Engineer, Crossover Ceremonies]

## February Roundtable

February 8, 2001 **March Theme: "Man's Best Friend"** Man's best friend isn't always a dog! When Scouts learn to take care of animals, it leads to a lifetime of kindness to the creatures in our world. Come join us as we explore how to involve the boys in your den with animal care (including mammals, reptiles, birds, and insects), including how to keep small wild animals for a short time. Animal related crafts and games will also be presented. [Webelos: Athlete and Engineer]

## March Roundtable

March 8, 2001 **April Theme: "Save it for Us"**. Most boys have advanced in rank, so it is time to get them outdoors! Develop an appreciation for the environment through recycling and environmental awareness, plus earn the World Conservation Award. Resources for environmental games, speakers, and fun abound in the Midlands. Come let us share some of the secrets with you for your den. [Webelos: Sportsman Family Member]

## April Roundtable

April 19, 200 **May Theme: "Happy Trails"** What a great time of year for looking at the forest! Take your den for a hike and learn about nature. Also Forestry games, ideas and crafts. Special section on ceremonies and graduations. [Webelos: Outdoorsman, Handyman] **\*\*Come early for Cub Pack Administration Encore for all new Cub Masters, Committee persons and Charter Reps. (6:30) [Webelos: Outdoorsman Handyman Boy Scout Skills for Webelos]**

## May Roundtable

May 11, 2000 **June Theme: "Wet and Wild"** [Webelos: Traveler, Artist] **BLAST OFF** the summer with lots of ideas for your Summer Pack activities. Water Safety, Day camp Preview, How to Camp with Cubs, Nature Crafts and Games, and much more. [Webelos: Traveler Artist]

# Scouting For Food: LET'S THINK BIG

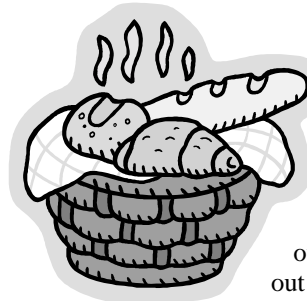
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## Scouting is Helping.

Last year we considered the importance of participating in this Drive as an integral part of the Scouting Program.

This year consider the importance of helping more of the hungry in our community. Boys who handed out 10 bags last year could increase to



50 bags this year.

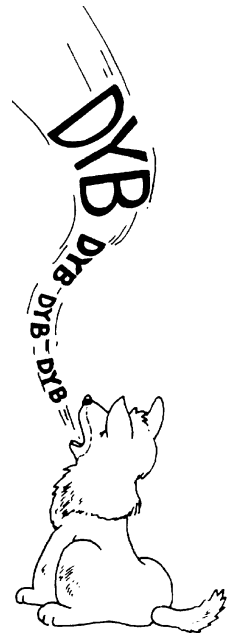
## LET'S THINK BIG.

If a unit covered 100 houses last year, cover 600 or a 1000 this year. It is not necessary for a boy to live in a neighborhood for the Scout unit to collect food from that neighborhood community. Cub dens and Scout patrols conceivably could cover all of Columbia and the surrounding areas. Last year many large neighborhoods were not able to help because no unit put out bags or collected bags from them.

**Listen for the number of food drives that are conducted in November and December and then factor in empty pantry shelves by February and you may begin to understand the real need in our community which IS NOT BEING MET BY ANY OTHER FOOD DRIVE AT THIS TIME OF THE YEAR.** We in Scouting have a chance to do something really meaningful. Let's work together and **LET'S THINK BIG.**

**Contact Joan Janoch (345-5700) to sign up. The Land Rush will be at the January Roundtable.**

(Are Your Scouts Helpful?)



## From the Editor's Knapsack

This was sent to me over e-mail. It is rather long, but important. Please take care this holiday season, and all year long. We teach our Scouts Safety and to Be Prepared. Let's practice what we teach. **Lorie McGraw, Editor and Webmaster**

### I WANT TO TELL YOU LIES

I want to tell that little boy his Mom will be just fine  
I want to tell that dad we got his daughter out in time  
I want to tell that wife her husband will be home tonight  
I don't want to tell it like it is, I want to tell them lies

You didn't put their seat belts on, you feel you killed your kids  
I want to say you didn't ... but in a way, you did  
You pound your fists into my chest, you're hurting so inside  
I want to say you'll be ok, I want to tell you lies

You left chemicals within his reach and now it's in his eyes  
I want to say your son will see, not tell you he'll be blind  
You ask me if he'll be OK, with pleading in your eyes  
I want to say that yes he will, I want to tell you lies

I can see you're crying as your life goes up in smoke  
If you'd maintained that smoke alarm, your children may have woke  
Don't grab my arm and ask me if your family is alive  
Don't make me tell you they're all dead, I want to tell you lies

I want to say she'll be ok, you didn't take her life  
I hear you say you love her and you'd never hurt your wife  
You thought you didn't drink too much, you thought that you could drive  
I don't want to say how wrong you were, I want to tell you lies

You only left her for a moment, it happens all the time  
How could she have fell from there? You thought she couldn't climb  
I want to say her neck's not broke, that she will be just fine  
I don't want to say she's paralyzed, I want to tell you lies

I want to tell this teen his buddies didn't die in vain  
Because he thought that it'd be cool to try to beat that train  
I don't want to tell him this will haunt him all his life  
I want to say that he'll forget, I want to tell him lies

You left the cabinet open and your daughter found the gun  
Now you want me to undo the damage that's been done  
You tell me she's your only child, you say she's only five  
I don't want to say she won't see six, I want to tell you lies

He fell into the pool when you just went to grab the phone  
It was only for a second that you left him there alone  
If you let the damn phone ring perhaps your boy would be alive  
But I don't want to tell you that, I want to tell you lies

The fact that you were speeding caused that car to overturn  
And we couldn't get them out of there before the whole thing burned  
Did they suffer? Yes, they suffered, as they slowly burned alive  
But I don't want to say those words, I want to tell you lies

But I have to tell it like it is, until my shift is through  
And then the real lies begin, when I come home to you,  
You ask me how my day was, and I say it was just fine  
I hope you understand, sometimes, I have to tell you lies

~ Kal The Rebel ~

Dedicated to all the Police Officers, Firefighters, EMTs, Paramedics, Emergency Flight Crews and all civil servants who deal with the tragedies of life and death. The saddest of all are those that involve children and could have been prevented. So wear your seat belts. Keep poisons, flammables, fireworks, etc. out of reach of children. Keep your smoke alarm in operating order, if you don't have one, get one. Never, ever drive if you've been drinking or get in a car with someone who has. Never leave your toddler unattended. Teens, be responsible drivers, obey all traffic lights, posted limits, warnings and signals at RR crossings. Keep your guns locked out of reach and buy a trigger guard. Am I preaching? Am I nagging? I guess I am just telling it like it is.... Or I could just tell you lies.-- KtR

## Commissioner's Corner

### *Report Card on the Ethics of American Youth.*

I got this report recently and I thought that it was interesting. The Josephson Institute For Ethics released the preliminary findings of its survey, entitled "Report Card on the Ethics of American Youth." The results of this survey point to what the institute calls "shocking levels of moral illiteracy" among American kids.

- They report that ninety-two percent of kids surveyed admitted to lying to their parents, and seventy-eight percent admitted lying to a teacher. (A Scout is Trustworthy)
- Seventy percent said that they had cheated on a test, and half of them said that they had done so more than once. One quarter of those surveyed said that they would lie to get a job. (A Scout is Trustworthy)
- And one in six said that they had gone to school while drunk -- not hung over, mind you, but drunk -- at least once in the previous year. (Physically strong, mentally awake, morally straight)

An editorial in the Atlanta Constitution summarized the findings as follows: "America's next generation [believes that] it's perfectly acceptable to lie and cheat at home and in the world." This is true despite the fact that three quarters of all the states now mandate that students be taught about "values" like honesty, trustworthiness, respect for others, and the like.

We need Scouting More Than Ever! Ask a boy to join Scouting today! It is not too late!  
Cheers, see you next month at Roundtable, and Bring A Friend!

