

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

<http://home.att.net/~llmcgraw/etowah/rtnews/eed-0900news.htm>

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October Cub Theme Our Gifts and Talents

Please pick up your packet of handouts

Your smile when you speak to Scout may be the only kindness he finds today. Thus, the more difficult the Scout, the more necessary the smile. -unknown

Working With Scouts With disAbilities (WWSWd)

<http://www.boyscouts-marin.org/wwswd>

Scouting is open to all boys, regardless of ability. If you are a youth with a disAbility; or a Scout leader looking for guidance; or a parent, teacher, mentor, or medical professional of a youth with a disAbility this site is for you. Take up the challenges, thrills, and experiences of Scouting - for Scouting is welcoming.

The WWSWd Website provides the guidance and support for those with disAbilities who wish to be part of the World-wide Scouting movement and enjoy the challenges, adventure, camaraderie, personal growth and independence that Scouting fosters.

Log in. Seek answers. Pose questions. Look for resources. Gain from the experience and insights of others. If WWSWd doesn't meet your needs tell us how to do our best.

If you have local information concerning WWSWd, please contact Lorie McGraw llmcgraw@worldnet.att.net or 750-0626



Reminder!! October Roundtable is on Thursday October 12, 2000

Please pass the word to your pack, troop and units, and remember to come!!



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

Internet Site of the Month

Cubs: Baloo's Bugle is a monthly Cub Scout Roundtable that is presented online at <http://usscouts.org/bbugle/>

It has all the fix'ns for a great program: songs, skits, stunts, slides, advancement, Den meeting ideas, and Tiger activities

Boy Scouts: Have you bookmarked MeritBadge.com? This site has all Merit Badge information, including the latest updates. But what many folks do not know is that this site also has workbooks and guides for most of the Merit Badges. Plus dedicated links for fulfilling the requirements. Go there today! <http://www.meritbadge.com>



District Camporee Nov. 3-5th

Boy Scouts, mark your calendars and call Mike

Copeland at 749-0887. Location TBA.

Give a man a fish and he eats today. Teach him how to fish and you get rid of him for the whole weekend.



Cub Leader Basic Training

Are you a new leader Cub Scouting? Do you need to get the information to run a healthy and fun den meeting? Get that neat "Trained" patch to wear on your uniform. You need Cub Leader Basic Training (CLBT). Come to one of the training sessions below:

Session 1 Sat. Sept. 30 8:00 am –2:30 pm AUMC \$5

Session 2: Part A Tues. Oct. 10 and Part B Tuesday Oct. 17 7:00 pm until 10:00 pm. (You must attend both A & B to qualify as trained) \$5 For more information call Joan Janoch at 345-5700



Cub Leader Outdoor Training How to Camp in the Woods 101

This is basic Camper skills for all Cub leaders. Camp safely, learn by doing, and get lots of information to take home. This one-day training is the most fun that you can have and walk away with a Trained Patch. Earn the Blue Woggle and have fun. Tents, hiking, nature, fire building, knots, first-aid, and cooking, plus more.

Sat. Nov. 4, 8:30 to 4:30 Pre-registration required. \$12.00 fee includes hot Camp-Cooking style lunch, a huge notebook of resources and skills, and a blue woggle to wear on your uniform. For more information call Joan Janoch at 345-5700

Boy Scout Leader Basic Training

**Oct 5, 13-15, 2000
Camp Barstow**



Also known as SM Fundamentals, this training is not just for Scoutmasters. **Everyone who is involved with a troop should take this course.** That includes parents of boys who are just crossing over, troop committee members, unit commissioners, and anyone who took it

more than 5 or 6 years ago. This course will teach you the ins and outs of a Troop, Scouting Skills such as knots, ropework, cooking and camping, plus Patrol games and leadership skills, how to get those boys moving and working together, and how to make them into men. It is fun, informative, and necessary for a safe and full scouting experience. Cost is \$25, which includes all program material plus food for 5 meals. **Insist that the adults that are influencing your boys are recently trained (within the past 5 years).**

Register Now! Call the Scout Office at 750-9868

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

Legends of the Roundtable



Congratulations to all of the leaders and scouts who attended the Cub Scout Day Camp this year. Planning is underway for next year's camp, with the theme "2001: A Space Odyssey". Be sure to come to Roundtable to get the latest information on all events in Etowah Creek District!

"Hold a true friend with both your hands."
-- Nigerian Proverb

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/>

Take your Scouts!

National Hunting and Fishing Day Event Planned near Columbia

Want to learn more about outdoor skills and activities including archery, canoeing, wildlife-cooking, duck-calling, hiking, bird-watching and wildlife photography without having to invest a penny? You can try these and other activities free of charge on National Hunting and Fishing Day on **September 23**.

Sponsored by the state DNR and SC Wildlife Federation, this major event will take place from **eight am to five pm at the DNR's Cohen Campbell Fish Hatchery**, located at 1528 Fish Hatchery Road in West Columbia. Similar events are planned in other states on the same day. The event will offer hands-on outdoor learning opportunities for every age group, outdoor-oriented people and urbanites alike.

The event will feature wildlife art and taxidermy, hunter education and outdoor skills enhancement for camping. Other planned activities and demonstrations include target- and skeet-shooting, a BB-gun range for the kids, introductory fishing seminars, fly-fishing, cast-netting, a kids' casting contest, kayaking, demonstrations of muzzleloaders and black-powder firearms, fly-tying, fish-handling, -cleaning and cooking, a marine touch tank and fish-hatchery tours, as well as Boykin spaniel and other retriever demonstrations.

For more information on National Hunting and Fishing Day, contact DNR at (803) 734-4133, or the SC Wildlife Federation at (803) 256-0670. Details are also available on the web at

<http://www.dnr.state.sc.us> or <http://www.scwf.org>

"True friendship is like sound health; the value of it is seldom known until it be lost".

-- Winnie the Pooh

information or ideas, please call Ed. Helms at 7724260 or <Eshelms@mindspring.com>

A Scout Is Helpful!



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!

Important and Interesting Dates

September 2000

14 Roundtable Ashland United Methodist Church (AUMC)

30 Cub Leader Basic AUMC 345-5700

30 Den Chief Training 345-5700

October 2000

5, 13-15 Boy Scout Leader Basic (SMF)

(Webelos leaders, take note!) register at Scout office

12 Roundtable

21 Cuboree Crooked Creek Park Chapin All Day

28-29 Haunted Weekend at Camp Barstow

November 2000

3-5 Etowah Creek District Camporee

4 Cub Leader Outdoor Training "Camping 101"

9 Roundtable AUMC

Abuse and Sexual Molestation in Scouts Programs? Fight Back! YPT to be offered in November

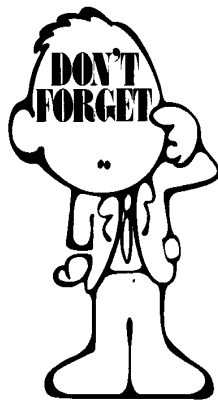
In November we will be offering **Protection Training (YPT)** for parents (not just leaders) before monthly Roundtable (Nov. 9 at Ashland).

just don't have the time attend."

Protection Training is only 60-minutes, or less time than 1 football game or 2 shows of Oprah. If you don't know what policy is, how can you make that your den or pack is

following it? Thanks to Youth Protection training and the policies that BSA has enacted, our sons are safer in Scouting than they are in just about any other venue for youth. You will come away with a better understanding on how to protect your scouts, yourself, and your pack. The bottom line is this: The most important way that you can be sure that your den and pack are following current policy, and therefore *doing your best* to protect your son from abuse and molestation, is to make sure that you and your unit's parents are trained in *current* Youth Protection.

All Training is done at Ashland United Methodist Church
For additional information, call Joan Janoch at 345-5700



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Troop 91 needs your help!

Troop 91 of Seven Oaks Presbyterian Church will be celebrating it's 600th month of Charter In February, 2001. That is **50 years** of being known as Troop 91. **They need your help** in locating T-91 Alumni and also in finding out the history of the troop. 50 years ago this area was farmland and waaaay out in the country. If you have any



Some Old news that you still might need:

Guide to Safe Scouting is Online!

<http://www.bsa.scouting.org/pubs/gss/toc.html>

Cub Scout Fast Start

<http://www.bsa.scouting.org/cubscouts/faststart/>

South Carolina Place Names are "classified" in more than 40 ways by going to

<http://sciway.net/ccr/placenames.html>.

This Newsletter is Online at

<http://home.att.net/~llmcgaw/etowah/rtnews/ecd->

0900news.htm



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

October Roundtable

Thursday October 12, 2000. Join us as we “**Turn on the Power**”, the November Theme. Find out what resources are available to you for Conserving Our Resources. There are many places to take your dens, and many resource people available to come to your den with cool stuff to do. There will be a special section on Neckerchief slides to make with your den. [Webelos : Craftsman and Scientist: SPECIAL! Webelos to Boy Scout Transition, Preview of Outdoor Skills Training]

November Roundtable

November 9, 2000 December Theme “What Do You Do at Holiday Time” .

This is one of the most popular of all of the Roundtables. Bring a craft to share, and come see the All-New Crafting Displays, Learn How-to-teach-crafts, Recycling crafts, etc. *Take home plenty of ideas and free crafting supplies.* [Webelos: Craftsman and Scientist: Webelos to Boy Scout Transition and Crossover Ceremonies]. Come early for Youth Protection Training (6:30)



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 Cubmasters, 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]

Commissioner’s Corner

Welcome back to another exciting year of Scouting!

This year we have new leaders, new boys, new goals, and our wonderful Scouting Program. We have weathered a lot over the years, but the Boy Scouts of America still works. Please take a moment to thank the volunteers around you that help make this program work. If it wasn’t for us, there would be no Boy Scouts.

So let folks know what we do for Scouting! Send in a picture and a small article to the Irmo News or the State newspaper. Let people know what we do and why we do it. Then get outside with your boys and have some FUN. Because that is what Scouting is supposed to be. Get them having fun, and the values and citizenship will fall in line.

Cheers, and see you next month at Roundtable, and Bring A Friend!

Lorie McGraw, Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner