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SUMMER CAMP IN NORTH CAROLINA

Our adventure-based summer camp was a half-dozen summer camps in one. We all did some hiking, but different people went on a half-dozen or more different hikes. We all did some watercraft activities, but on three different types of watercraft on three different rivers. We all worked on service projects, but there were a half-dozen different projects. We had patrol-choice activities, and we had individual-choice activities. Two things all 42 Scouts and 14 adults could say, though, were that we stayed busy and we had a great time!



After driving to Wytheville, Virginia, Saturday, June 19, and staying overnight in the community room of a church there, we arrived at the Arthur Morgan School grounds near Burnsville, NC, after lunch on Sunday. Our various



summer camps began with hikes from our lunch spot to the school grounds. The younger

patrols hiked about two miles past a waterfall. The other patrols took a longer route along a stream, while the Leaders – well, no-one really knows how the Leaders made the trip, including the Leaders.

We spent Monday in camp, touring the school grounds, building the rope merry-go-round, working on service projects, and preparing for the out-of-camp adventures for the next couple days.

The crux of the camp came on Tuesday and Wednesday, when patrols were to find

their own adventures out of camp. The Lumberjacks, Stingrayz, and Vipers took an overnight canoe trip on the French Broad River. The Thunderdragons hiked on Roan Mountain and toured the Cherokee Indian Reservation. The Flaming Icecubes went tubing on the Toe River, and the Leaders and Pirates went whitewater rafting on the Nolichucky River and rock climbing.

Thursday was a busy day: There were service projects clearing out road erosion gutters, splitting firewood, injecting mushroom spores, and removing invasive plant species; there was the patrol-built raft race; and there was the Iron Chef cooking competition. The Stingrayz took home all prizes.

Friday was set aside for individual-choice activities. Again there was tubing on the Toe and hiking in the Smokies. One group hiked to the top of Mount Mitchell, the highest point east of the Mississippi. Once there, they climbed the spiral staircase to the observation deck, from which they could see dozens of





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trees in the fog.

Saturday we packed up and headed back north, stopping overnight in Marietta and visiting the wetlands where the

EAGLE SCHOLARSHIP

At the Eagle Court of Honor held at St. Paul's on July 14, 2004, former Troop 22 Scoutmaster John Guerra announced his creation of a trust that would award \$1000 to every Troop 22 Scout that earned Eagle rank, beginning with the five Scouts being honored that evening and continuing in perpetuity. While the scholarship was expected to be applied toward the costs of college, the only requirement for accepting the award was that the Eagles would, sometime in the future, themselves be adult Scout leaders.

Mr. Guerra, 77, was Ari Klein's immediate predecessor as Scoutmaster of Troop 22. Originally from Wilkes-Barre, PA, where he earned his Eagle badge in the 1940s, he took over Troop 22 in the early 1980s when fewer than the eight registered scouts met at Fairmount Presbyterian Church. By the time he left in 1988, the Troop had grown to over 35 boys, had graduated 5 Eagles, and had swept Klondike at least twice.

Always interested in sailing, he left Troop 22 to start a Sea Scout ship in 1988 here in Cleveland, where he was Skipper (the Sea Scout equivalent of Scoutmaster) of a 29 ft. sailboat. He continues being active with the Sea Scouts, currently serving as Commodore in the Northeast Pennsylvania Council of Sea Scouts, the council that includes his old hometown of Wilkes-Barre.

Mr. Guerra says his main goal in setting up the Troop 22 Eagle endowment is to impress on the boys their responsibility to give back to Scouting as adults what they got out of it as boys, and to ensure that boy scouts in the future will have quality adult leaders.

WELCOME!

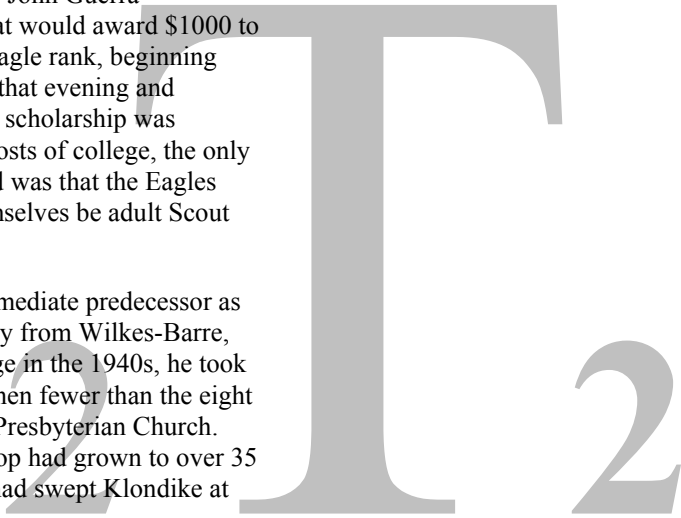
New faces in Troop 22 belong to Eric Brock, Dexter Dorsey, and Chris Lariviere. They will be joining the Vipers.

VIPERS GO BIKING

In August the Vipers went on a biking campout to Kelley's Island. Six Scouts and three adults camped at East Harbor

Spring Break Mini-High Adventure had done a service project.

on the mainland and ferried their bikes to the island for a day of cycling and beachcombing, planned and arranged by Vipers Patrol Leader Max Sgro.



Troop 22 Calendar

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Campouts	
Rafting on the Yough	Sept. 10-12
Backpacking, Minister Creek	Oct. 8-10
?? Mystery ?? campout	Nov. 12-14
Klondike Prep, Camp Butler	Dec. 10-12
Troop Meetings	
Permission slip and money due for rafting trip	Aug. 30
No meeting	Sept. 6
Court of Honor	
Patrol Leaders' Roundtable	Sept. 27
Patrol Leaders' Roundtable	Oct. 4, 6:15
Permission slip and money due for Minister Creek backpacker	Oct. 4
Patrol Leaders' Roundtable	Nov. 1, 6:15
Special Events	
Webelos Woods, Lakeview Cem.	Oct. 8-10
Bulb Sale Fundraiser	Oct. 23
Yard Charge	Nov. 6







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ACHIEVEMENTS

-  Earning **Scout** rank were Samuel Hatcher and Joe Quandt of the Flaming Icecubes, and Viper Ricky Urminski.
-  Earning **Tenderfoot** were Thunderdragons Oliver Cushing, Ben Nieswander, and James Porter.
-  Earning **Second Class** were Drew Donley of the Pirates, and Stingrayz Don Daley and Ryan Stewart.
-  Justin Mauter of the Stingrayz earned **First Class**.
-  Stingrayz Patrol Leader Hunter Vasse-Hansel earned **Star** rank.
-  Leader Kevin Coburn earned **Life** rank.
-  David Carlson, Graham Eckert, Spencer Kohan, Myles Murray, and Neil Schaner earned their **Eagle** ranks.

LOOKING FOR DEN CHIEFS

Anyone interested in being a Den Chief and working with Cub Scouts should talk to Mr. Myrick or Mr. Hoban.