

Featured Scout.....

Nicholas Sharrett

*Interview conducted by
Troop 65 Historian Juan Cuartas*

Q: What are some of your hobbies and interests?

A: I enjoy reading quite a bit, especially fantasy novels. Right now, I'm working my way through the *Lunar Chronicles*, something a friend recommended to me. I also enjoy video games, even if I'm not particularly good at them. I dabble in cooking and baking as well.



Q: Are you involved in any clubs or activities outside of Scouting?

A: I'm a member of my high school's robotics club, but other than that, there isn't anything major.

Q: Tell me a little bit about your robotics club.

A: The club was started last year, with a team of eight. Our goal every year is to build a robot to complete a challenge specified by *First Tech Challenge*, which is the name of the competition. Last year, our robot was supposed to score balls in tubes. This year, our robot has to climb a metal structure and score game elements in different goals. It's a lot of fun, and the team really comes together over these robots. We definitely have a good time!

Q: What's your favorite camping trip that we do as a troop and why?

A: Oh, that's easy! I really love biking on the Virginia Creeper Trail. It's a very relaxing trip, just spending the day biking downhill at high speeds. I've always enjoyed it, especially that one year we stayed on a Christmas tree farm and played Capture the Flag in the trees.

Q: Do you have a favorite quote?

A: "If duct tape isn't enough, you're not using enough duct tape."

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SKI TRIP CANCELLED ... DUE TO SNOW!

How ironic?!?!

Ski Beech Trip will be rescheduled. Stay tuned for information.

A sign up will be sent out with the new dates. Please RSVP.

If new dates conflict with Scout schedules, a credit can be applied to the Scout's account or refund issued.

Please contact Roger Lux when details are released. If previously unable to attend, Scouts may register for the make-up trip.



Calendar of Events

Jan – Feb 2016

- 1.25.2016 Troop Meeting 6:45 PM
- 1.26.2016 Venture Crew Meeting 7:00 PM
- 1.28.2016 High Adventure Interest Meeting 7:00 PM
- 1.29.2016 TLT 6:30 – 9:30 PM
- 1.30.2016 Cemetery Clean up
- 2.01.2016 PLC 6:00 PM
- Troop Meeting 6:45 PM
- 2.03.2016 Venture Crew Meeting 7:00 PM
- 2.06.2016 Blue & Gold Banquet
- Crossover
- Scouting for Food
- 2.07.2016 Scout Sunday
- Scouting for Food
- 2.08.2016 Troop Meeting 6:45 PM
- 2.10.2016 Venture Crew Meeting 7:00 PM
- 2.15.2016 No Troop Meeting – President's Day
- 2.16.2016 Troop Committee Meeting 7:00-9:00 PM
- 2.17.2016 Venture Crew Meeting 7:00 PM
- 2.22.2016 Troop Meeting 6:45 PM
- 2.24.2016 Venture Crew Meeting 7:00 PM
- 2.29.2016 Troop Meeting 6:45 PM
- 3.02.2016 Venture Crew Meeting 7:00 PM

Court of Honor

February 1, 2016
6:30 PM

Please see the [Troop website](#) to RSVP
Hamburgers & Hot Dogs to be provided by the Troop.
A sign up for side dishes and dessert can be found with
the RSVP.



Important Dates

- Sat. 1/30 – 8:30 AM
Meet @ Scout Hut – distribute bags to select neighborhoods
- Sat. 2/6 – 8:00 AM – 3 PM
Official Collection Site for Scouting for Food
Collect / Sort / Store
- Sun. 2/7 – 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Collect / Sort / Store

Boy Scouts makes up
40-50% of the yearly totals
collected for
Loaves and Fishes



LOAVES & FISHES
Groceries for Neighbors in Need

2016 CAMP CARDS

Selling Camp cards is a great way for your Scout to:

1. “Earn his way to camp”
2. Learn to present and sell a product
3. **Earn 50% commission for your Scout account**
4. Set and accomplish a goal
5. Support Scouting at the local level. Proceeds from the sale of camp cards support both Belk Scout Camp and Camp Grimes along with other council activities.

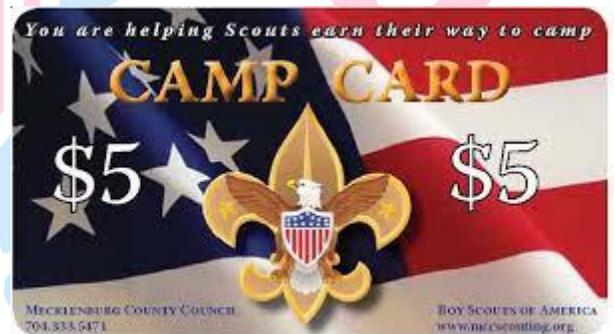
Council gives scholarships for cards sold; for every

- 100 cards - Scout gets additional \$50
- 200 cards - Scout gets additional \$100
- 300 cards - Scout gets additional \$150
- 400 cards - Scout gets additional \$200

See THEA MAYNE on Monday nights @ the Scout Hut. 704-609-2859 theamayne@aol.com

Sale starts Monday 1/25/16

All \$ and left over cards MUST be returned by 3/14/16
You will be required to sign out the cards and you will be responsible for any lost or ones returned after 3/14.



Congratulations

Jacob Pearson

**Troop 65's newest
Senior Patrol Leader**

CHRIS CHERNEWYCH

**Crew 1465's newest
Crew President**

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Q: If you could have dinner with anyone who would it be and why?

A: I'd like to have one more dinner with my grandmother. She was always the best cook, especially her macaroni and cheese and pineapple upside-down cake. I'd take the time to ask her about some of the stories from her life, and to see if she has any words of advice for life in general.

Q: What college are you going to and what do you want to major in?

A: I'm heading to Letourneau University in Texas where I plan to study Computer Science.

Q: How have you applied knowledge from Scouting into your everyday life?

A: Well, thankfully I haven't had to use first aid yet. But I have used some of the leadership skills I learned through the SEALS and NYLT - Top Gun programs. For example, I use them in Robotics Club frequently, as I am the senior member and de facto leader this year.

Q: How will you continue to use your skills?

A: Well, who can really say? The future is an unknown for all people, and I'm no different. Beyond college, my future is shrouded in mist, so I am not sure what situations will arise that require leadership skills, or even Scout skills in general. However, I am confident that I now have the tools needed to face those situations, and handle them effectively.

Q: Do you have any last words or advice you would give to the people in our troop?

A: I'm sure Scoutmaster Hawkins will laugh when he sees this, but I'd have to say that it is important to get your Eagle done ASAP. The longer you wait, the more activities that come along to take up your time. School work only gets longer and harder, and you'll likely join new extracurricular as you go through high school. If you finish off Eagle Rank soon after you get Life, you'll find things a whole lot easier.

Scout Sunday

February 7th

10:00 AM

Philadelphia
Presbyterian
Church



Full Class A uniform



Duke Encampment May 7
Camp Grimes June 26 – July 2

**Congratulations to the
following S.E.A.L.S.
graduates:**

Troop 65
Christopher Bonanni
Hunter Cowick

Crew 1465
Olivia Hawkins
Olivia Williams
Katie French



Crew 1465 Toxic Eagle Team
places **FIRST** overall at **Rendezvous**
December 12th.

Congratulations!!!

OLS Outdoor Leadership Skills Graduates

David Cote
Chris Chernewych
Terri Random



Click on the websites below for more information

[Troop 65 website](#)

[BSA](#)

[Merit Badge](#) information, worksheets & more

[Troop Track](#)



Billy Hawkins – Scoutmaster



Kurt Pearson – Committee Chair



Pam Fandel – Unit Parent Coordinator