



AWESOME A'S

Carolina Conference Adventurer Newsletter

February 2010

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Adventurer Leaders:

I trust that all of you are surviving the many storms that have repeatedly hit the Carolinas in the last few weeks. Some of you have plowed ahead with your programming despite the snow and inconvenience. Check out the Boone report of 24 inches of snow. Tryon Adventurers held their worship service on schedule with the Pastor and deacons shoveling snow so everyone could get in the parking lot and into the sanctuary. What a great spirit!

All clubs are in the preparation for Adventurer Fun Day at Nosoca Pines Ranch, April 11, 2010. This is a one day event this year focusing on *Diving In with Jesus*. There will be **no Saturday night program**. I know that I'm repeating last month's announcement, but I'm trying to avoid any confusion about our plans for this year. Those clubs that are 3 hours travel away or more can stay over night, but there will be no programming for the children. You are on your own. Sunday, we'll have a one hour extension, lasting till 3:00 p.m. so that the riding of the horses and the hayride can be included. A schedule of the day will be available to you next month.

The theme song for Fun Day is *Dive* which challenges us to dive in, go deep, and experience the rush and flow of the current in the healing waters. You may access a recording of this song by clicking on this link <http://www.mediafire.com/?trvjkj1o3yu>.

Thank you for your faithfulness in sending in your monthly reports about your clubs activities. They have been very inspiring. I noticed that a number of clubs have worked on their Prayer Award this month. Put that award to good practice and pray for favorable weather during Fun Day at Nosoca. God has never failed us.

I want to congratulate and spotlight **a new club at Mt. Pisgah Academy Church**, which just received their new uniforms the day of their inspection. They were excited and so was I as they went through their very first inspection. What an awesome beginning in Adventurer ministry.

Next month you will receive the investiture schedule for April through June.

I am looking forward to seeing you at inspection and Fun Day.

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Stanley Knight".

Stanley Knight
Carolina Adventurer Director

ADVENTURER CALENDAR 2010

January 10	Council Meeting
February 6-7	Annual Ski Trip- Catalooche Ski Area
April 11	Fun Day - Nosoca Pines Ranch (Sunday Only)
May 30- June 5	Camp Meeting- Lake Junalaska Assembly
June 5	Awards Ceremony
July 30- August 1	Master Guide Basic Training- Nosoca Pines Ranch
August 27-29	Leadership Convention- Nosoca Pines Ranch

ITEMS OF IMPORTANCE

FIELD TRIPS/ACTIVITIES-

Just a reminder that ALL Adventurer field trips/activities need to be Church Board approved in order to be covered by insurance.

FUN DAY-

Fun Day will be a **Sunday only** event on April 11th. Please see Award requirements, and visit link to the song "Dive" <http://www.mediafire.com/?trvjkj1o3yu>.

REPORT DEADLINES-

Please make every effort to **get your monthly reports in to our office by the 7th of each month**. It is especially important for clubs who are working towards "Club of the Year" to get your reports in on time.

REPORTS ONLINE-

The online report is up. You can enter your Awesome A's news at the bottom of the report.

MONTHLY REPORTS

<u>CLUB</u>	<u>January</u>
Anderson	
Arden	X
Beaufort	
Biscoe Spanish	X
Boone	X
Charleston	
Charleston Spanish	
Charlotte Sharon	X
Charlotte University City	
Columbia First	X
Durham Spanish	X
Elizabethtown	
Fayetteville	X
Fletcher	
Greenville North	X
Greenville South	
Hickory	
Hickory Spanish	X
High Point	
Hilton Head Spanish	X
Jacksonville	X
Kernersville	X
Lincolnton Spanish	
Lumberton	X
Monroe Spanish	
Morganton	
Mt. Pisgah	X
Raleigh Spanish	
Raleigh Umoja	X
Rockingham Spanish	X
Spartanburg	X
Statesville	X*
Summerville	
Tryon	X
Upward	X
Westminster	X
Winston Salem	
Winston Salem Spanish	X

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CLUB NEWS

Biscoe Spanish- The Biscoe club has been working on our class work along with doing games and activities so we may learn more about Jesus. During January we exchanged our meals so that kids could learn to share with others less fortunate what they have.

Boone- We had a great time rolling in 24 inches of snow up here in the mountains along with making snow men and snow angels.

Charleston Spanish- Hello to all the Adventurer clubs and a Happy New Year! We've had a good start. We are ready to learn and discover a lot of new things. During this month, we did can collecting to help out the Haiti people. We also went with our kids to the fire department museum where we learned about safety.

Charlotte Sharon- January found the Wings completing the "Being Happy is Fun" Award. Due to scheduling conflict, we had only one meeting in January.

Charlotte University City- The Month of January was spent learning about home and abroad. Our first meeting of the year, we spent taking common household items and turning them into treasure in our "Home Craft" Award. At one station we learned how to make airplanes out of Styrofoam produce trays, bendable straws, and rubber bands. They could even fly well too. At another station, we used a household item that people would normally equate with eating – pasta. We took the pasta and glued them onto a cardboard circle, painted it, and made them into a photo frames. At the third station, we took a "crash course" in sewing and made rice-stuffed puppets using a single hand glove. We gave it buttons for eyes, a pom-pom for a nose, and some yarn for hair. That's what we call recycling those mismatched gloves you find laying around the house! For our second meeting in January we took a figurative trip around the world in our "Speeches of Other Countries" Award. We visited South Korea where we saw the beautiful clothes they wear, tasted some of the yummy food they eat, and how they show respect for their elders. Next we went to Brazil where we learned how they speak Portuguese, also eat yummy food, and participated in a fun cultural dance. Lastly we visited El Salvador and admired some of the handmade purses and boxes, enjoyed some homemade plantain, and learned a song in Spanish. We came away a little better-rounded!

Columbia First- January was a busy month for us. We had our inspection on the 20th. Our kids did very well and had fun working on our "Lego" Award. They learned all about Lego's and got to build a Lego house. We held our Adventurer Sabbath on January 23rd and it was wonderful. We had a few Adventurers play the piano and take up the offering.

Durham Spanish- On the 16th we had our Adventurer Sabbath with Nicole having the Sabbath School meditation. The Eager Beavers sang, and memorized memory verses. The Little Lambs memorized Psalms 23rd. It was a really nice Sabbath.

Fayetteville- Hello fellow Adventurers! We are doing great. This month we completed awards, class work, survived sleet and freeze, and are still going strong. May the Lord continue to bless all our efforts!

Greenville North- This month, the Little Lambs had a class on ABC's (Florida). They read a fun book about the alphabet. Then they made an "alphabet snake". The children got to practice writing their letters and putting them in the right order to make the snake. Eager Beavers did the Bible Stories Florida Chip. Their favorite part was dressing up and acting out Bible stories. They also did the Florida Music Chip, with a Kindermusik teacher teaching the class. The 1st-4th graders spent two days doing the My Picture Book Award. We used subjects that fulfilled their class work requirements for making books. The first meeting,

they set up "scenes" and took pictures, and the second meeting, they made scrapbooks with the pictures they'd taken. It's a very busy bunch of kids.

Hickory Spanish- In January we worked hard to prepare for our Inspection. We have also begun to get ready for Fun Day. We had three meetings this month and the kids have been learning more and more about God. We keep working on our books and have also had some days in which we simply have field day.

Jacksonville- We spent this month working on the "Heaven and Pearly Gate" Honors, while also getting ready for our inspection, and our induction. Unfortunately because of the weather our inspection was postponed but we eagerly await showing what we have learned this year. We have spent a lot of time on drill and learning about our final destination HEAVEN!!!! We included two Eager Beavers and two Adventurers into our fold this month, all in all a blessed time!

Kernersville- In January, Adventurers, Eager Beavers and our only Little Lamb worked on class work and practiced for Adventurer Sabbath. Adventurer Sabbath was a great day when all but one member was present to greet and hand out bulletins at the door, lead the praise music, have prayer, read the scripture reading, take up the offering and sing special music. The church service for the day was special as well. It was directed to children and was about nature and how we can learn about God through nature. Karen Finch with Creature Teacher, Inc. brought some unique animals to show and tell about. Seeing and hearing about the animals will help us to complete our "Wild Animal" Award. One of our Sunbeams was baptized at Christmas time, Alyssa Sampson. She was wearing her baptismal pin on her sash for Adventurer Sabbath. We gave up our meeting room to be used for a dormitory for a week, for the Family Promise Ministry. This is a ministry where parents and children who don't have homes can come and stay in our church for a week. We're glad we can do this because this is what Jesus would have done when He walked among men and what Adventurers do as well.

Lumberton- The Adventurers had a very busy month working on awards and class work. We are still playing catch up for our new members. They are beginning to learn their left from their right when it comes to marching. They are trying very hard to be good Adventurers for God.

Mt. Pisgah- We had two meetings this month during which we worked hard on our class work. We assigned and distributed uniforms, and also had inspection. The Adventurers were very excited about their uniforms and demonstrating their new learned skills to Pastor Stanley at inspection.

Raleigh Umoja- Umoja Adventurer's club has been blessed abundantly and we thank our Heavenly Father for seeing us another month. I always remind the Adventurer's to be thankful of everything everyday. I remember in one of our meetings as we were doing our devotion about God taking care of us everyday, one of the adventurer asked "what about the children in Haiti why didn't God take care of them?" At first I did not know what to say but opened the book of Matthew 24:7 where Jesus spoke about the last days events and stated "earthquakes shall appear in diverse places". I told them that it could be here or it could be anywhere. It's just because it's the last days like Jesus had predicted. We worked on several awards, and met twice on Sundays while we prepared for our inspection.

Rockingham Spanish- Due to bad weather, we had to cancel the 4 meetings we had planned for the month of January. We had a dinner get together where we played games along with the parents, and gave out good behavior incentives to the Pathfinders.

Spartanburg- Spartanburg has jumped right in with both feet in this new year. We started the year off with doing the Prayer Award and have been writing in our prayer journals each week that we made. We have also been taking turns praying at the club meetings to accomplish our requirements for the award. We also completed the Shape Award and had fun learning all the shapes that God created in nature. We

made some really cute Furry Faith Friends made out of egg cartons and yarn and gave them to our friends at the Windsor House when we visited them in January. We had our inspection on the 27th and boy did the kids look great in their uniforms. Mr. Knight did our inspection and we were thrilled to receive an Awesome for our score. Mr. Knight happened to come on birthday night and got in on the birthday goodies that were handed out at the end of our meeting. One Eager Beaver even shared his cookie with Mr. Knight. Our Eager Beavers have been busy also and have been working on their shape chip.

Tryon- The Adventurers have been busy with class work. The Little Lambs and the Helping Hands both explored good health habits from exercise to hand washing. Dixie and Bethany Painter carefully instructed the Busy Bees how to be well mannered. From phones to doors, those kids will never be the same again after that fun session. Our Pastor reviewed our tithe envelopes with the Builders. It was precious to see how they budgeted their generous offerings. Yahaira has been teaching the Eager Beavers as well as the Little Lambs about shapes. Wanangwa and the Sunbeams worked on their story boards so they can share their faith. So much knowledge and so many laughs.

Upward- We have completed 95% of the class work and have now started working on awards that none of us have earned before. We had to cancel one meeting in January because of illness but everyone has recovered.

Westminster- Our club really enjoyed the "Prayer", "Prayer Warrior", and the "Armor of God" Awards. The three awards go along with each other perfectly. I found armor of God ideas on-line. We also traced one of the children on a large piece of paper, cut out the shape and taped the shield, belt...etc on the form. (It's hanging in our fellowship hall!) We all enjoyed our prayer walk in the dark and since the children have adult prayer partners they all had someone special to pray for. We're planning our prayer breakfast for the last Sabbath in February.

CERTIFICATE OF OPERATION

The following clubs have not turned in all of the paperwork necessary to obtain the *Certificate of Operation*:

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| Charleston Spn | Lincolnton Spn |
| Charlotte Spn | Monroe Spn |
| High Point | Winston Salem |

Inspection Schedule

Dec 20	Durham Spn	Feb 13	Statesville
Jan 6	Arden	Feb 17	Morganton
Jan 13	Fayetteville	Feb 21	Raleigh Spanish
Jan 16	Kernersville	Feb 24	Charlotte Sharon
Jan 20	Columbia	Feb 27	Biscoe Spanish
Jan 20	University City	Feb 27	Raleigh Umoja
Jan 20	Anderson	Feb 28	Rockingham Spn
Jan 25	Mt. Pisgah	Feb 28	Hickory Spanish
Jan 27	Spartanburg	Mar 3	Upward
Jan 31	Jacksonville	Mar 10	Tryon
Feb 1	Summerville	Apr 3	Hilton Head Spanish
Feb 3	Charleston	Apr 17	Boone
Feb 6	Greenville North	Apr 20	Westminster
Feb 10	Fletcher	Apr 25	Winston Salem Spn

FUN DAY AWARD REQUIREMENTS:

1. Bible Verse: Ezekiel 47:9
2. Song: "Dive" – CD's will be sent out in February.
3. Trip to Aquarium or video
4. Name 10 bodies of water
5 biblical and 5 local (state)
5. Interview someone whose profession deals with water.
(Swimming instructor, divers, marine biologist, etc.)
6. Participate in games (Fun Day)
7. Complete craft (Fun Day)
8. Make a costume- anything with water
9. Make a club banner
10. Look up 5 Bible stories dealing with water and read them.

*Recommend video – Planet Earth – Undersea