

# BOY SCOUT TROOP 888

# NEWSLETTER

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## "Scout Day" at Broadway at the Beach

In addition to the North Myrtle Beach Creek Sweep and "Scouting For Food," November 11 was also "Scout Day" at Broadway at the Beach. As the feature attraction for the event, our troop was asked if we would build a monkey bridge. To comply, four members of the Pioneering Merit Badge class met in front of Broadway at the Beach's Welcome Center that morning, and fulfilling part of the merit badge's requirements, put up our troop's 11th Double A-Frame Monkey Bridge. With only the smallest amount of assistance from Assistant Scoutmaster, Tony Speedling, a former



District Executive Jeff Lewis spots Tiger Cubs and Cub Scouts from Pack 804 as they cross our monkey bridge at Broadway at the Beach.

## Our District Executives

Chicora District has two District Executives. Jeff Lewis, who works in our area and was a Scout in North Myrtle Beach as a kid, attended our recent Court of Honor on December 11. One of the jobs of a District Executive is to serve as the link between the Pee Dee Area Council and individual Scout units (like our troop).

Recently, Mr. Lester got a call from Wendell Hemingway, the district's other executive, to inform him about a meeting in Florence of the Council Committee for the Improvement of Camp Coker. Mr. Lester now is part of that special committee.

District Executive Wendell Hemingway encourages young Scouts as they cross. Below: Will, Theodore, Dominick and Brandon building the bridge in the A.M.



Troop 888 recipient of Pioneering Merit Badge, Will Hall, Dominick Bezmen, Theodore Fontana, and Brandon Sipes followed written

plans, and completed all the construction themselves. Throughout the afternoon, about 150 Scouts and visitors crossed the bridge as part of the "Scout Day" festivities.

Quoting Star Scout, Will Hall, "The hardest part about putting up the bridge was the constant pressure on my hands to make sure the lashings were tight on the A-Frames. That's what's so important when it comes to making the project strong. But, it was fun."



Flanking Mr. Lester at the Council Camporee is Wendell Hemingway, executive for the west side of Horry County, and our own Jeff Lewis, executive for the east side of Horry County.