



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**LOCAL SCOUT BUILDS WOOD DUCK NESTING BOXES FOR NEWLY DEVELOPED
SC REVOLUTIONARY RIVERS PADDLING TRAIL**

FLORENCE, SC (May 14, 2014) – In preparation for the SC Revolutionary Rivers Trail, the a local Scout from Boy Scout Troop 477 constructed wood duck nesting boxes to be placed as mile markers along the newly developed trail. Charles Robert Clendenin, a junior at Wilson High School, constructed twenty wood duck nesting boxes for his 2014 Eagle Scout project.

The Florence Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) has created the **South Carolina Revolutionary Rivers** – a paddling trail that follows scenic Lynches River from Lynches River County Park to the cypress and tupelo-laden stomping grounds of Revolutionary War hero General Francis Marion.

“The Pee Dee Area is very fortunate to have many young men like Charles who dedicate themselves to achieving the rank of Eagle Scout,” stated Barry McDonald, Scout Executive/CEO

of the Pee Dee Area Council of Boy Scouts of America. “Thousands of community service hours go into Eagle Scout projects every year. Great job Charles!”

The sixty-six mile trail offers paddlers a unique experience of floating through swampland that was once traversed by Patriots engaged in guerrilla warfare against the Loyalists. The trail also features a series of short excursions and overnight rustic camping opportunities.

“The SC Revolutionary Rivers program has drawn attention of paddlers and Revolutionary War buffs, building a connection between nature and history,” notes Florence CVB Director, Holly Beaumier. “I’m excited that the paddling tour operators have also embraced this idea and have added historical information to their guided tours.”

To view a map of the SC Revolutionary Rivers paddling trail or to see a list of outfitters who can provide guided tours, please visit www.visitflo.com/screvrivers or contact the Florence Convention & Visitors Bureau at 843.664.0330.

About Florence Convention and Visitors Bureau

Florence Convention and Visitors Bureau is the official destination marketing organization for the city and county of Florence SC whose primary mission is to market and promote the Florence area as the optimal site for conventions, sports, and leisure travel. More information may be found at www.visitflo.com.

Media contact:

Holly Beaumier

Florence Convention & Visitors Bureau

Director

843.664.0330

holly.beaumier@visitflo.com