



Greater Yosemite Council, BSA

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CAMP MENSINGER HAS SUPER SUMMER!



Camp John Mensinger has been reborn this summer!

Our new-look camp has Scouts and Scouters from all over the Council excited.

Read about all of the great changes at our camp and the positive reports from campers who attended during the 2007 season.

<http://www.bsa-gyc.org/sections/Camping/mensinger/Postcampreport>

2007 TRAILS END POPCORN SALE IS UNDERWAY



Our annual Trails End Popcorn Sale enables units to fund their program for an entire year with just one fundraiser. Greater Yosemite Council makes it easy for you by providing the products, training, advertising and support. Each unit is responsible for distributing popcorn order forms to its Scouts and encouraging them to sell, sell, sell. Refer to the Kernel's Korner on the council web site for more information.

<http://www.bsa-gyc.org/sections/News/Popcorn>

MODESTO NUTS BASEBALL GAME & CAMPOUT



The Modesto Nuts and Greater Yosemite Council will host a baseball game and overnight campout on **August 4th**. The Nuts will be playing the Visalia Oaks (Arizona Diamondbacks). The cost is \$3.00 for a game ticket and \$5.00 for a food voucher which will include a hot dog, chips and a drink. For more information contact the Council Service Center.

STOCKTON PORTS BASEBALL GAME & CAMPOUT



The Stockton Ports and Greater Yosemite Council will host a baseball game and overnight campout on **Friday August 17th**. Please review the attached flyer for ticket information. Call the Stockton office at 209-472-9960 with any questions.

FALL RECRUITMENT PLANNING

Now is the time for packs, troops and crews to begin planning to recruit new youth and adults this fall. We offer tips, techniques and incentives to help make your fall recruitment events successful.

<http://www.bsa-gyc.org/sections/joinscouting/FallRecruitment>

NEW CENTENNIAL RECRUITER PATCH INCENTIVE



BSA has produced a new recruiter patch incentive to support the emphasis of youth-to-youth recruiting in Scouting. This patch is available to Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturers and Sea Scouts.

Scouts who recruit another youth from September 1 through December 31 are eligible to receive the patch.

TO RECRUIT BOY SCOUTS, YOU MUST SELL THE SIZZLE

Fall is a good time to recruit boys into Boy Scouting in conjunction with all of the Cub Scout recruitment events at schools. But Scout-age boys need more than just a flier distributed at school to be invited to join a Scout troop. Read recruitment suggestions from Joe Glasscock, associate director Boy Scout Division.

<http://www.yosemitescouting.org/files/To%20Recruit%20Boy%20Scouts.pdf>

YEAR-ROUND GUIDE TO BOY SCOUT RECRUITING

Having a year-round growth plan in place to attract new members to your Scout troop will bring energy and enthusiasm to the troop program. The most effective recruiter in Scouting is a Scout who is enthusiastic about his troop. To make recruiting a year-round plan, consider having a fall recruitment campaign within the troop.

A candidate for First Class Scout must invite a boy to attend a troop meeting or activity. Recruiter patches are available to Scouts who recruit a friend to join his troop.

<http://www.scouting.org/boyscouts/resources/18-748/recruiting.html>

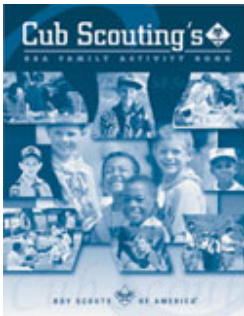
BSA ANNOUNCES 2007 SILVER BUFFALO AWARD RECIPIENTS



The Silver Buffalo Award for distinguished service to youth is awarded to individuals who give noteworthy and extraordinary service to youth. This award is Scouting's highest honor presented to a volunteer. Read about the 2007 Silver Beaver recipients.

<http://www.scouting.org/awards/silver-buffalo/index.html>

THE BSA FAMILY AWARD



The BSA Family Award program, for Cub Scout families, includes a series of activities designed to help strengthen all families. This program was designed to help families accomplish worthy goals while building and strengthening relationships among family members. Read more at

<http://www.scouting.org/cubscouts/awards/bsafamily/index.html>



SECTION W3B CONCLAVE

September 14-16
Bakersfield College

Registration for the W3b conclave is open.

Register for the conclave here: <http://www.sectionw3b.org/>

ORDER OF THE ARROW ORDEAL

Fall Ordeal Date - August 24, 25, 26

Additional information and forms are available at

www.yosemitescouting.org/sections/OrderoftheArrow

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Woodbadge for the 21st Century

September 28-30 and October 12-14 at Camp
McConnell

Visit the council web site www.yosemitescouting.org
for more information on these training courses.



Area III College of Commissioner Science

October 20 in Bakersfield

Contact your District Commissioner for more information

BSA's Online Learning Center Offers New Courses

Recently added modules: Venturing Youth Protection and Staffing the District committee.

The Online Learning Center offers Youth Protection Training, Cub Scout Leader Fast Start, Boy Scout Leader Fast Start, Venturing Advisor Fast Start, Troop Committee Challenge, Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat and Venture Crew Orientation.

DISTRICT AND UNIT NEWS WANTED

News! Send us articles and photos (.jpg format) about your district events, unit service projects and other special activities. We'll include as many as possible in upcoming issues of **eNews!** Email to RSchell@bsamail.org