



Greater Yosemite Council, BSA

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## **DISTINGUISHED CITIZENS DINNER HONORS ROBERT AND DIANNE WHEELER**



The Greater Yosemite Council is pleased to honor Robert and Dianne Wheeler as our Stockton 2007 Distinguished Citizens.

Join us on Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 PM at Hutchins Street Square in Lodi. To RSVP or obtain more information telephone Robin at the Council Service Center.

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## **2008 BOY SCOUT CAMP PLANNING**

As your troop plans for its long-term summer camp experience next summer, we encourage you to support your council's camp. Our "new" Camp Mensinger offers many new physical improvements and a superb staff. Mike Rich is continuing as Camp Director and is already planning an expanded program. Contact the Council Service Center for more information.

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## **COUNCIL HOSTS FIRST ANNUAL SOCCER CAMPOREE**



Greater Yosemite Council held its first annual Soccer Camporee on October 27th at Camp McConnell. The camporee was designed to introduce our Soccer and Scouting youth to traditional Cub Scouting. Cub Scout packs were invited to participate, provide an activity, and recruit our soccer youth into their program. Approximately 90 Soccer and Scouting youth plus their parents and siblings attended. Activities included fishing, archery, BB gun shooting, stomp bottle rockets, crafts, wood projects and frisbee golf.

View photos of this great event in the council website's [Photo Album](#) .

## SCOUTING FOR FOOD DRIVE

More than 8,000 Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts representing 500 units in our council will perform a good turn for the hungry this month. During our annual Scouting for Food Good Turn, Scouts will canvas neighborhoods, collect bags filled with canned goods, and deliver them to local food banks. Scouts collected 50 tons of food during the 2006 Scouting for Food drive.



Be sure to report your unit's service hours to [Good Turn for America](#).

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## IT'S TIME TO DELIVER YOUR 2007 TRAILS END POPCORN



The council's popcorn order has been submitted to Trails End. We express our thanks to all units, youth participants and their families for your great salesmanship. Our annual popcorn sale benefits every participating unit and the council. Over 70% of the proceeds stays local.

### **Important dates to remember:**

Product pickup / Prize orders due November 17<sup>th</sup>

Money and returns due December 7<sup>th</sup>

Reporting the \$1000 (K-Klub) to \$2500 and up sellers is the responsibility of the unit. Send copies of their order forms to Bill Heneks, at the Modesto Council Service Center. Make sure the Scout's name, address and phone number are clearly enclosed with the copies so we can contact him.

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

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### **Lodge Leadership Development Training**

November 3, 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Council Service Center

[Registration Form](#)

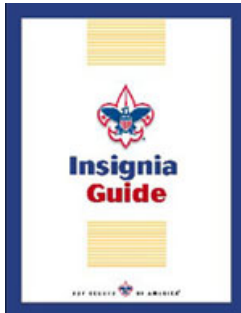
### **2007 Recognition Dinner**

November 3, 5:30 PM

[Registration Form](#)

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## **BSA INSIGNIA GUIDE NOW ONLINE**



The Boy Scouts of America has always been a uniformed body. Its uniforms help to create a sense of belonging. They symbolize character development, citizenship training, and personal fitness. Wearing a uniform gives youth and adult members a sense of identification and commitment.

This [insignia guide](#) presents detailed information to enable youth and adult members to wear the correct complete uniform on all suitable occasions.

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## **TOUR PERMITS COMING SOON ON THE WEB**

Coming soon, an online method for approving national and council tour permits! This system is entirely electronic, allowing you to create and obtain approval quickly.

Adult leaders can enter all the information for the tour, and BSA rules specific to tour permits will be applied. Once the tour permit has passed the rules as outlined in the Guide to Safe Scouting, the tour permit will be submitted.

Driver information for transportation and adult leadership qualifications will be stored in the system database, making the entry of future tour permit applications quicker and easier.

Online tour permits should be available in mid-November. Watch for updates on the council web site.

## REGISTRATION PROCEDURES FOR YOUTH AND LEADERS



With fall recruitment underway our Council Registrar requests that all adult leaders review BSA's membership requirements and application procedures.

All youth and adult applications must be filled out completely, including required signatures, to be processed. Incomplete applications will be returned to the unit.

[Registering Members and Leaders](#)

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### UNIT MONEY EARNING APPLICATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR FUNDRAISERS

A unit must submit a Unit Money Earning Application to the council prior to their fundraiser. The application is available from the Council Service Center and needs to be submitted to the District Executive at least two weeks in advance of the fundraiser.

Whenever your unit is planning a money-earning project, be sure to consult the BSA's "[10 Guides to Unit Money Earning Projects](#)" as your guide. It will be helpful to you as you fill out the application. If your answer is yes to all the questions in this document, it is likely the project conforms to Scouting's standards and will be approved. For more information consult your District Executive. The application is available at <http://www.scouting.org/forms/34427.pdf>

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## NATIONAL LOGO CONTEST



In honor of BSA's 100th Anniversary, we want to create a memorable logo that captures the true spirit of Scouting... and, we are calling on Scouts all across the country to help us in the effort! We have launched a national contest to inspire creative thinking and engage Scouts at every level. Every registered Scout is eligible. Entries are due by Nov. 30, 2007. [\[More\]](#)

# TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

## Cub Scout Leader Training

### Modesto

Saturday, November 3

8:00 AM - Noon

LDS Church, corner of Orangeburg and College

[Flier/Registration Form](#)



## Fall Training Conference in Stockton

New Leader Essentials, Leader Specific Training for Cub Scout and Boy Scout leaders and Junior Leader Training

Saturday, November 3

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM (Scoutmaster Training until 6:00 PM and Junior Leader Training until 4:00 PM)

LDS Church, 8806 Don Ave.

[Flier/Registration Form](#)

## University of Scouting and Cub Scout Pow Wow

**A full day of training for Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity and Venturing adult leaders.**

**Den Chief Training will also be offered for Boy Scouts**

Saturday, December 1

8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

LDS Northland Building (Manteca Stake Center) in Manteca

[Registration Form](#)

## 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.

Visit the council web site [www.yosemitescouting.org](http://www.yosemitescouting.org) for more information on these training courses.

## GOLD DUST SCOUT SHOP NEWS

### Safety Recall

### Cub Scout Immediate Recognition Kit Totem Badge



The surface paint on the Badge contains lead which exceeds the federal lead paint standard. Remove the totem from children's clothing and put it in a safe place.

Exchange badges at the Gold Dust Scout Shop beginning December 1, 2007 and enter a chance to win one of three Mongoose BMX bikes.

For additional information call Kahoot at: (888) 800-4717 or visit [www.kahoot.com](http://www.kahoot.com)

The Gold Dust Scout Shop has new items arriving regularly. Stop by and see our new inventory.