



Greater Yosemite Council, BSA

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ANNUAL DISTINGUISHED CITIZENS DINNER HONORS THE BERRYHILL FAMILY



The Greater Yosemite Council is pleased to honor the Clare and Maryellen Berryhill family as our 2007 Distinguished Citizens. Join us on Wednesday, October 24th, 5:30 PM at the Doubletree Hotel's Grand Ballroom in Modesto. To RSVP or obtain more information telephone Robin at the Council Service Center.

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.



Be sure to approach your sponsoring organization as well as service clubs, VFW and American Legion. These groups will gladly purchase popcorn to be sent to our military troops.

Refer to the [Kernel's Korner](#) on the council web site for more information.

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FALL RECRUITMENT PLANNING

All packs, troops, teams, crews, posts and ships are currently recruiting new youth and adults. Each new youth comes with adults. Be sure to register those adult partners and give them a job with your unit! We offer tips, techniques and incentives to help make your fall recruitment events successful. [\[More\]](#)

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](#)

SOCCER AND SCOUTING CAMP WILL INCLUDE TRADITIONAL UNITS

The council is hosting its first annual Soccer and Scouting Camp on October 27th. The purpose of this camp is to introduce our Soccer and Scouting youth to an outdoor experience and traditional Scouting. Families from Merced, Atwater, Turlock, Riverbank, Modesto and Stockton will be in attendance



Your pack is invited to join us at Camp McConnell. We ask that you provide a Cub Scout activity for all participants and use this opportunity to recruit the Soccer and Scouting boys into your unit.

Activities will begin at 10:00 AM on October 27th. Lunch will be served.

For more information and to RSVP, contact Luis Jimenez at 545-6320

STOCKTON RECORD PUBLISHES SOCCER AND SCOUTING ARTICLE

The Stockton Record recently published an article about our Soccer and Scouting program at Harney Lane Migrant Camp. View the article at:

http://www.recordnet.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20070910/A_NEWS/709100319/-1/A_NEWS09

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. [\[More\]](#)



ROAD TO EAGLE SEMINAR

October 5th, 7:00 PM
Council Service Center
For all Star & Life Scouts, their parents and unit leaders

[Flier](#)

LEARN ABOUT WATER QUALITY MONITORING



October 13th in Snelling

The East Merced Resource Conservation District is offering a presentation on the Merced River and water quality. There will be hands-on learning stations for Scouts.

[Flier](#)

50TH JAMBOREE ON THE AIR (JOTA)



October 20th in Turlock

Communicate with Scouts around the world! All Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturers and their leaders are invited to participate as a group or individually. Sponsored by the Turlock Amateur Radio Club.

[Flier](#)

ORDER OF THE ARROW FALL FELLOWSHIP



Fall Fellowship is Oct 19 and 20 at Camp McConnell

<http://www.yosemitescouting.org/sections/OrderoftheArrow>

49ER DISTRICT CUB SCOUT SHOOTING SPORTS DAY

October 27, 8AM – 4 PM

McFarland Ranch, 8899 Orr Rd. in Galt

Open to all Cub Scouts. Learn BB gun and archery safety, earn belt loops and sports pins.

Contact your District Executive for more information.

STOCKTON TROOP PARTICIPATES IN COASTAL CLEANUP

Troop 148, Stockton, got down and dirty with community service by participating in the Coastal and Inland Waterway Clean-up. On Saturday, September 15, 2007, a group of 10 scouts, leaders, friends & family helped to clean-up the San Joaquin River. Teri Finklea brought along three young men from the "Youth Build" program. They were a big help.



The weather was perfect and the work was strenuous. The Scouts had a great time, treating the venture as a treasure hunt. The favorite item was a greasy old engine block. After they hauled it up the embankment with ropes, they were ready to build a car. It was a good day for scouting. This brings Troop 148's "Good Turn for America" community service hours to well over 150 for the year!

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Cub Scout Leader Training

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](#)

Area III College of Commissioner Science



October 20 in Bakersfield

Our Council Commissioner is offering a scholarship to cover the registration fee. This scholarship is available to the first 10 commissioners to register.

[Registration Form](#)

[Class Schedule](#)

Backpack Awareness and Leave No Trace



This training offers certification in high adventure leadership to adult and junior leaders.

Indoor Session: October 26 & 27

Outdoor Session: November 9 & 10 or November 10 & 11

[Flier/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 for more information on these training courses.

GOLD DUST SCOUT SHOP NEWS

Cub Scout Switchbacks are now in stock and available for purchase
The 2007 Fall Catalog is now available.

Recruitment party paper products in the Cub Scout logo are available.