



# Greater Yosemite Council, BSA

## eNews!

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## words to live by

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### Helpful:

“In about the same degree that you are helpful, you will be happy.”

-Karl Reiland



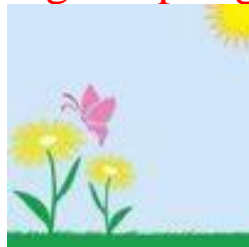
## 100 YEARS OF SCOUTING

*Celebrating the Adventure  
Continuing the Journey*

In February 2010, the Boy Scouts of America will celebrate 100 years as an organization. Founded as an outlet to prepare every eligible youth in America to become a participating citizen and leader, BSA has more than fulfilled its mission.

[View promotions and activities BSA is planning.](#)

## Scouting in Springtime!



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## CAMP MENSINGER IS TAKING SIGN UPS FOR THE 2009 SEASON

[Check out the NEW Camp Promotion Video](#)

For more information contact Robin Wilson at the Modesto Service Center (209) 545-6320

-Or-

You can use the registration form available in the [Leaders Guide](#) and send it into the Council

## CAN YOU HELP THE MENSINGER BIKING PROGRAM?



As a part of the Camp Mensinger High Adventure Program we are able to offer mountain biking. Bicycles, like cars, require maintenance on a regular basis. Listed below is a list of items needed to keep our bikes operational:

1 work stand	2 frame mounted tire pumps
1 truing stand	18 seats
1 essential tool kit	4 seat wedges
2 chain cleaners	12 26" mountain bike tires
2 multi-tool sets	24 tubes
1 floor pump	48 brake shoes
4 sets of tire levers	Chain lube
24 power links	Chain cleaner

If you or your organization is able to help with any or all of the above or you have questions please contact Bill Heneks at (209) 545-6320 or e-mail at [bill.heneks@scouting.org](mailto:bill.heneks@scouting.org)

## SIGN UP FOR NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING (NYLT)



Brownsea-National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) The course is in its third year, the staff is experienced, and there is a lot of enthusiasm from the participants with this youth leadership training. Scouting recognizes that Scoutmasters have the primary responsibility for training their youth leaders. The purpose of NYLT is not to assume that role, but rather to support it. NYLT features instruction in skills that can be used at home, at school, on the job, and, in particular, at the Scout unit level. Through activities, events, games,

and adventures, NYLT participants will work hard and play hard together as they put into action the best Scouting has to offer. **The course is limited to 48 Scouts so apply early.**

[Flyer](#)

[Youth Application](#)

[Youth-Adult Staff Application](#)

# MENSINGER ADVENTURE TROOPS NOW TAKING SIGN UPS

A Brand New Opportunity at Mensinger for youth whose units do not visit Mensinger or youth who want to visit Mensinger again.

Does your son only spend one week over the summer camping? Does his unit leader only have the time available for one week of summer camp? Does he spend the remainder of the summer sitting around doing nothing? **GIVE HIM AN ADVENTURE!**

The Adventure Troop program allows youth to attend Mensinger with a troop composed of youth from all over the council led by a Council appointed Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, and a Senior Patrol leader fresh from NYLT training.

If this is the youth's second trip to Mensinger, he will get to attend at a discounted rate!

The council wants to present the Adventure Troop to your local unit. To schedule a presentation contact your local District Executive or the gentlemen listed below.

For More information contact Mike Foster at (209) 472-9960 or Rich Good at (209) 545-6320.

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## Woodbadge 2009

Exciting Woodbadge Training provided by our council!  
Happening **April 24-26, 2009 and May 8-10, 2009.**

[Sign up before all spots are taken!](#)



Become the best leader you can be with this terrific training opportunity.

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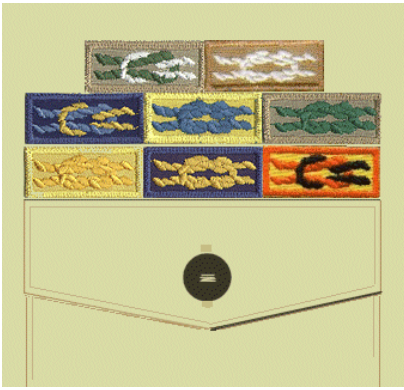
## NEW TRAINING COURSE FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

“This is Scouting” training replaces “New Leader Essentials”

This new training is now available in the E-Learning Center on [MyScouting.org](http://MyScouting.org)

Keep all your leaders up to date with the most current training.





## ATTENTION ALL INDIVIDUALS WORKING ON RECOGNITION KNOTS!

As of August 2007 the Leadership Training Recognition applications (for award knots) has been UPDATED.

Starting immediately please make sure the new applications are used because the requirements may have changed on them.

On the application in the lower right hand corner it will read, "2007 Printing". Applications prior to 2006 are no longer accepted.

Inform all leaders or individuals working on or planning to work on an award knot.

For any questions or more information contact Barbara Evers at the Modesto Service Center at (209) 545-6320.

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## NORTHERN TIER NATIONAL HIGH ADVENTURE 2009 CANOE TRIP DATES AVAILABLE

Northern Tier is the BSA's premiere wilderness canoe camping high adventure program. We feature canoe trips in the north woods of Minnesota, northwest Ontario, and northeast Manitoba.

Opportunity for a wilderness canoeing trek is still available for the 2009 summer season. Although summer is still months away, time to plan your summer activities is now! *You too* can have an adventure this year.

Northern Tier offers 6 to 10 day canoe trips with a full outfitting package that includes canoes, paddles, pfd, tents, food, emergency radio/satellite phone and other camping gear. A trained staff member also accompanies the crew for the entire trek to advise crew members on canoe skills, use of the gear, wilderness safety, and Leave No Trace principals. According to Andre Nguyen, who attended in 2008, "You finish the trip a lot stronger than how you started it, and that's one of the best feelings in the world."

In 2008, our crews reported a great summer of fishing. The lakes are teeming with walleye, pike, small mouth bass, and lake trout. Many of our crews schedule a day to explore a remote lake and devote it to catching the trophy fish of the summer. You may also encounter moose, bear, deer, beaver, fox, otter, and bald eagles in this pristine wilderness. Curtis Swisher says it best, "The natural beauty of the north woods lake country cannot be described. It must be experienced."

Register today for this summer's adventure by calling: (218) 365-4811

For more information about Northern Tier visit our website at [www.ntier.org](http://www.ntier.org).

We will see you this summer in the north woods.



# 2010 Jamboree

The 2010 National Scout Jamboree will mark the 100th anniversary of Boy Scouts of America. It will be held July 26th to August 4th, 2010 in Caroline County, Virginia.

Greater Yosemite Council plans to send a contingent of six troops to the National Jamboree. This will allow 216 boys and 24 adult leaders the opportunity to experience the event of a lifetime!

**There are still 100+ openings!**

Jamboree participants will tour many historic sites before and after the Jamboree. Scouts will leave Modesto July 20th and return August 7th, 2010. (Dates approximate pending final tour plans.)



[Click Here for More Information!](#)

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## OA NEWS AND EVENTS



## TOLOMA LODGE 64



### OA Spring Ordeal

- May 29<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> at Camp John Mensinger

### National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC)

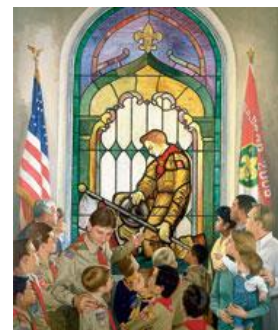
- August 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009, at Indiana University. [Flyer](#)

[For more Order of the Arrow Information, Check out the OA section of the Greater Yosemite Council Web Site.](#)

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## MEMORIALS RECEIVED 2009

Rex & Donna Anderson for Ernie Gemperle.  
Clara Sakai for Jeffrey Kim.  
Ruby Montgomery for Jeffrey Kim.  
C. J. Crane for Jeffrey Kim.  
Janet I. Holden for Jeffrey Kim.



## TOUR PERMITS CAN BE SUBMITTED ONLINE AND APPROVED ONLINE



Tour Permits are now able to be submitted online! For processing a tour permit, please log on to [www.myscouting.org](http://www.myscouting.org). The first tour permit you fill out will take a few minutes to fill in the necessary information. However, after you have saved the necessary information it will be saved for further tour permits.

[Tour Permit Instructions](#)

[MyScouting Tour Permit Information](#)

**Note: To complete a Tour Permit, one registered adult leader must have completed Hazardous Weather Training.**

Note: accident insurance is provided by Greater Yosemite Council for all currently chartered units and registered youth.

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## CALIFORNIA CAPITAL MARCH!

Saturday October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Join Scouts from around California for a march from Raley Field to the California State Capitol to kick off Scouting's 100th anniversary celebrations and deliver the California Scout Report to Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger.

[Flyer](#)



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## DOWN AND DERBY DVDS FOR SALE

A Scouters Dream DVD on sale at your local council offices for only \$12  
Makes a great gift!

For more information contact either the Modesto Service Center at 209-545-6320 or the Stockton Service Center at 209-472-6690

[Down and Derby Official Website](#)



From the [IMDB site](#) for Down and Derby:

"Down and Derby is a family comedy about a small town Pinewood Derby competition that transforms an average group of dads into an awkward bunch of competitors. On the outside, Phil Davis is the typical dad and friendly neighbor. On the inside, he is unresolved and at a breaking point with his childhood rival, Ace Montana. Desperate for the elusive first place, Phil sees his son's Pinewood Derby race as a breakthrough opportunity to beat Ace, who also has a Cub Scout son. Surrounded by more overzealous dads in the same cul-de-sac, they all disregard the event's ideals and completely take over the design, planning and construction of the cars. In the crazed world of derby fever, the kids are lucky if they get to pick the paint color or attach a decal. Hilarity builds as the dads teeter on the edge of insanity and resort to backstabbing, cover-ups and sabotage. Wives, families and jobs are ignored with extreme consequences. The farce reaches comical and outrageous levels when in the end, the young scouts prevail in a surprise twist, reminding us to never take ourselves too seriously or underestimate what kids can do."

# News!

## DISTRICT AND UNIT NEWS WANTED

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 [mfoster@bsamail.org](mailto:mfoster@bsamail.org).

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### PICTURES FROM AROUND THE COUNCIL:

Some pictures from Troop 81 in Patterson from a canoe trip at Los Banos Reservoir







We close with some photos from Pack 461 from Weston Ranch and their snow trip to Leland Snow Park.



