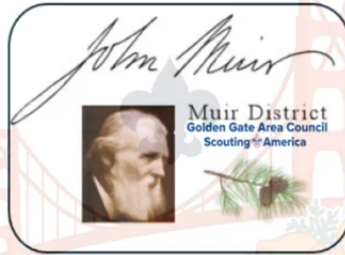


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Muir Newsletter April 2025

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April 2025 District Roundtable & Commissioners Meeting

The April 2025 Muir Roundtable and Commissioners Meeting is scheduled for *Thursday, April 3, 2025 at 7:30 PM* in-person at the Concord Veterans of Foreign

Wars (VFW) Hall, 2290 Willow Pass Rd, Concord, CA 94520. The Commissioner's meeting starts at 7:00 pm.

Topic for this April's Roundtable is:

- For Cubs: Unique overnights for next year
- For Scouts BSA: Where to go camping (non-summer camp)

If you have any questions for Roundtable, please contact Arnel Jaime - District Commissioner, arnel.scouting@gmail.com and Mark Hall - Roundtable Commissioner, scouts@halls.net.

Future District Roundtable & Commissioners Meeting Topics

Note: unless otherwise stated, the Muir Commissioners meeting will be 7:00 pm 30 minutes before the start of the monthly Roundtable. District Committee meetings will remain on the 3rd Thursday of the Month via Zoom (unless otherwise stated).

- May 2025:
 - For Cubs: Summer event plans & Summer-time Pack elective
 - For Scouts BSA: Boards of Review (excluding Eagle BOR)
 - June 2025:
 - Joint session (maybe): Succession planning
 - July 2025
 - NO ROUNDTABLE (enjoy Summer Camp and break)
 - August 2025
 - Joint session (maybe): Unit calendar planning
 - September 2025
 - For Cubs: Pack Committee training
 - For Scouts BSA: Troop Committee training
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District Commissioner's Corner

- **Adult Leader Position-Specific Training & Hazardous Weather Training**
 - See the section colored light blue below of this newsletter regarding the Hazardous Weather Training.
- **Renewal News**
 - The Council has rolled out renewals for our individual leaders for the unit and district levels. For additional information, please follow the links here:
 - Membership Renewal information – <https://ggacbsa-21688059.hs-sites.com/membership-renewal>
 - For Leaders – <http://ggacbsa-21688059.hs-sites.com/individual-membership-renewal-1>
 - For Parents – <http://ggacbsa-21688059.hs-sites.com/individual-membership-renewal-0>
- **Commissioners and District Committee Members Wanted**
 - Are you interested in doing more to provide a better program for the youth of our district? Please let me know via email at arnel.scouting@gmail.com so we can create a team that can meet this challenge.

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District Dinner Highlights

In our second year of bringing back in-person volunteer recognition events, we have exceeded expectations and more than doubled our attendees from 25 to 58 people!

The dinner recognized this year's ***District Award of Merit award recipient Nicholas Selby of Troop 370***. We also recognized the contributions of our unit leaders by presenting nine of them with the **Unit Scouter of the Year award**. Below is the list of leaders:

- Shane and Daquiri Mascitelli, Pack 262
- Joanna Vergara, Pack 317
- Dan Barrows, Pack 420
- Karl Meyer, Pack 444
- Naty Sigurani, Troop 429
- April Pizzagoni, Troop 444
- Anne Ibarra, Troop 444
- Jeff Smith, Troop 484

Attendees were treated to a tri-tip dinner and a slideshow consisting of pictures from the Muir units. Recognition was also given to our 2024 Eagle Scouts, new Order of the Arrow inductees, members of the Day Camp and Eagle Board of Review Committees, and the District Committee and Commissioner team members.

Like anything we do in Scouting, I credit the success of this evening's event to members of the team that helped make this idea become a successful reality. I would like to thank the following people/organization for all they did to make the event a great day for Scouting:

- Troop 370 Team
 - Nick Selby and Tracy Peters for providing Scouts for the opening flags and securing reservations for the room for the dinner.
 - Major Gwyn Jones and the Salvation Army Church for their support of the event.
- Troop 444 team
 - Craig Mizutani for obtaining a special City Proclamation for the District Award of Merit.
 - Courtney Mizutani and Gigi Henderson for serving food.
- Eileen Ladarre for finding the caterer and organizing the kitchen team.
- Patrick Jaime for posting the dinner reminder, printing the certificates, and editing and proofing the program script and paper programs.
- Our Scouting Professional Natalie Hannum who dropped off the cupcakes & table decorations and signing the certificates, despite not feeling well.
- Unit leaders for submitting pictures for the slideshow and Unit Scouter of the Year awardees.

Lastly, I want to thank everyone who attended, especially our special guests Al Kappadahl (past Council Commissioner), Stuart Mahler (Council Exploring Chair and past District Commissioner), and Stan Jungenberg (past District Chair). I would like to use this momentum and build on growing our district so we can provide the Scouting program to more youth!

A video of the event with additional photos are posted on our [Muir District Facebook group](#).

Yours in Scouting,

Arnel Jaime

Muir District Commissioner

Golden Gate Area Council

Phone: (925) 451-0330

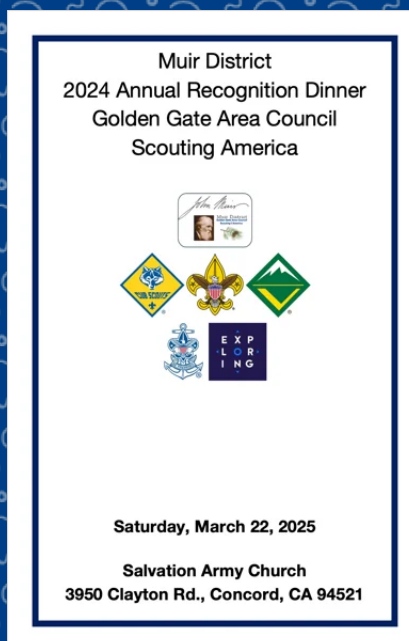
Email: arnel.scouting@gmail.com

Web: [Golden Gate Area Council](#)



SPECIAL RECOGNITION of Scouts, Scouters & Volunteers **– 2024 Muir District Annual Recognition Dinner**

On Saturday, March 22, 2025, the Muir District hosted its Annual Recognition Dinner. The awards that were presented include: District Award of Merit, Unit Scouter of the Year Award, District Commissioner Corps & District Committee recognitions, and other volunteer recognitions.







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Golden Gate Area Council



**Congratulations to Muir District Communications Chair
Patrick Jaime for being recognized with the 2024 NES
Outstanding Eagle Scout Award (NOESA) at the March 1,**

2025 GGAC Volunteer Celebration!

See Patrick's award biography here: <https://blog.goldengatescouting.org/2025-volunteer-celebration-program/> Based on available records, Patrick joins Jack Borde, Guy Swanger, Craig Mizutani, and Council President Tom Weibert as NOESA recipients from the Muir District.

The NESAs Outstanding Eagle Scout Award is granted by the local council's NESAs committee to honor Eagle Scouts who have demonstrated service at the local, state, or regional levels. These honorees inspire others through their actions and have dedicated their lives to their profession, and interests, in and outside of Scouting.

The Outstanding Eagle Scout Award was implemented in 2010 in conjunction with the Boy Scout of America's 100th anniversary. The local council in the territory of the Eagle Scout's primary residence has responsibility for nominations.







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Join Us for the GGAC Membership Meeting
Saturday, March 29, 2025 | 10:00am - Noon
Council Service Center, Pleasanton

[Event Registration](#)

(Excerpt from GGAC Membership email sent on March 14, 2025)

"Greetings Scouter,

Please join us for this **GGAC Membership Meeting**—a crucial gathering focused on growing and strengthening our Scouting community! Your involvement is essential to ensuring a thriving Scouting community. Don't miss this opportunity to collaborate, share ideas, and gain valuable insights!

During the meeting, we'll dive into the **GGAC Membership Growth Plan** and explore actionable steps to drive membership success. Key topics include:

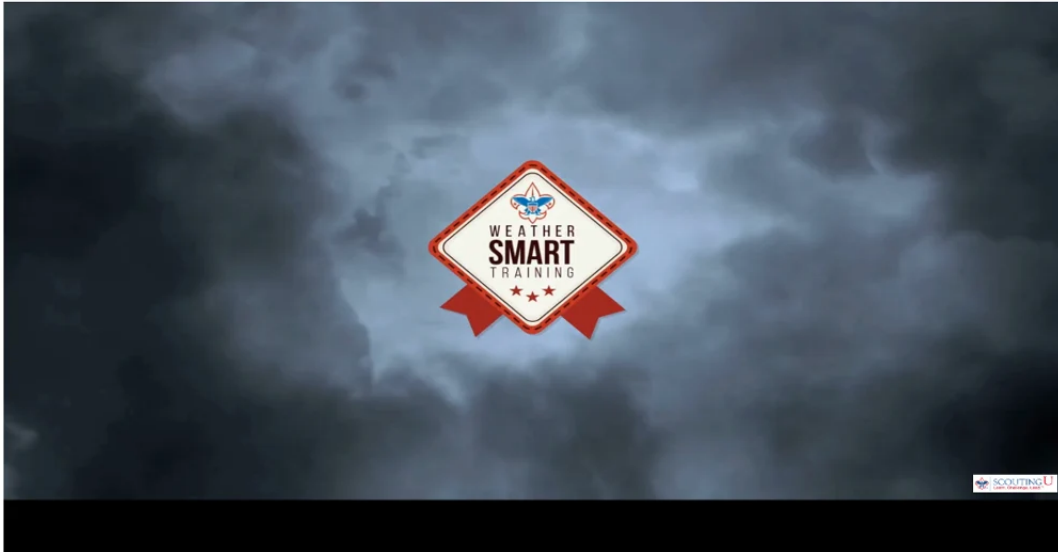
◆ Spring & Fall Roundups

- ◆ Scout Talks & Sign-Up Nights
- ◆ Building New Cub Scout Packs
- ◆ Strengthening School Relationships
- ◆ The Roles of district professionals & volunteer teams

Looking forward to seeing you there! And, share this invitation with other members of your Unit who you believe would be beneficial contributors to the plan."

This was announced on 3/24/2025.

Muir District is offering In-Person Hazardous Weather Training on May 1, 2025 District Roundtable (location TBA)



Muir District is offering

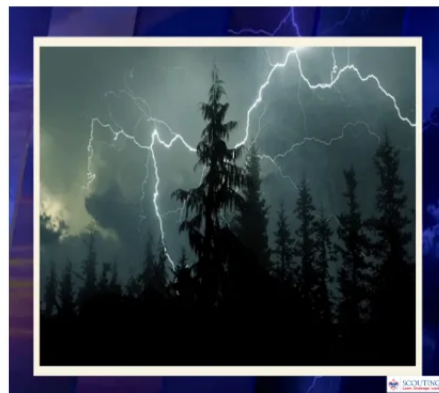
IN PERSON Hazardous Weather training

We will review the material and be able to share our personal experiences with hazardous weather. We will be holding this at the Muir District Roundtable on May 1, (location to be determined).

Scouting happens outdoors. Just as for First Aid, we need to stay current on all the latest recommendations when it comes to Hazardous Weather when we are outside. Recognizing this need, Scouting America has added Hazardous Weather training to our regular training requirements along with YPT.



QR code for the Muir District Facebook page. You can find our Muir District upcoming events on this page.



Reminder: Effective December 3, 2024, all direct contact leaders are required to complete Hazardous Weather Training. A notification will go out to each affected member from Scouting U. Here's who is a "direct contact" leader:

- Cub Scouts – Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmaster, Den Leader, Assistant Den Leader, Tiger Den Leader, Webelos Den Leader, and Assistant Webelos Den Leader
- Scouts BSA – Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster
- Venturing – Advisor and Associate Advisor

- Sea Scouting – Skipper, Mate
 - Exploring – Advisor and Associate Advisor
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This was updated on 12/05/2024.

MANY Scouting America TRAININGS ARE MOSTLY ONLINE



Position Specific Training and Hazardous Weather Training (online).

Dates

Hazardous Weather Training is available at any time online as part of the Training section of [My.Scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org). If you've never visited this site before, you'll need to click the "create account" button and then follow the instructions; have your Scouting America membership ID number handy.

Location

There is no physical location as the course is only offered online through the Training section of [My.Scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org).

Cost

There is no fee to complete Hazardous Weather Training.

Registration

You do not have to pre-register for Hazardous Weather Training. Simply log in to [My.Scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org) and visit the Training section to take the course.

Renewal

All direct contact leaders must renew this training every two years.

Scout leaders. To be registered as TRAINED in your role, you need to complete the following courses:

- Basic Position-Specific Training
- Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- Hazardous Weather
- Youth Protection Training

Basic position-specific leader training is for:

- Cub Scouting (Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmaster, Den Leader, Assistant Den Leader)
- Scouts BSA (Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster)
- Venturing (Crew Advisor and Associate Advisor)
- Sea Scouts (all Adult Leaders)
- Exploring (Advisor and Associate Advisor)

This was announced on 10/24/2024.

GGAC Adventure Pass for Cub Scouts & Scouts BSA **(both flyers below)**

Get ready for a year of fun, learning, and unforgettable adventures with the brand-new **Adventure Pass Program** from GGAC - the Golden Gate Area Council, Scouting America. Whether you're a current Scout or looking to join, this all-inclusive program is your gateway to the ultimate Scouting experience at an unbeatable value! The Youth Adventure Pass offers incredible benefits for individual Scouts while the Family Adventure Pass is perfect for families with multiple Scouts.

Why Choose the Adventure Pass?

With the Adventure Pass, you and your family gain access to a year of exciting Scouting activities, leadership development, and outdoor adventures, all while supporting the mission of the Boy Scouts of America.

Passes are valid for 12 months from the date of registration or renewal, so you can start your adventure anytime!

Don't miss out on this opportunity to make the most of your Scouting journey. Sign up for the Adventure Pass today and embark on a path filled with learning, friendship, and fun. Adventure awaits!

- Cub Scouts – <https://ggacbsa-21688059.hs-sites.com/cub-scout-adventure-pass-2024>
- Scouts BSA – <https://ggacbsa-21688059.hs-sites.com/scout-adventure-pass-2024-0>



Introducing the Adventure Pass for Cub Scouts

We're thrilled to announce the launch of the brand-new Adventure Pass Program from the Golden Gate Area Council - Scouting America! Designed to provide incredible value and unforgettable experiences, the Adventure Pass is your ticket to a year filled with excitement, learning, and outdoor adventures. Choose the plan that best suits your needs and get ready to make memories that will last a lifetime!

The Cub Scout Adventure Pass . . .

is perfect for individual youth members looking to maximize their Scouting experience. With access to special discounts, event credits, and exclusive savings, this pass ensures you get the most out of your Scouting journey.

The Cub Scout Family Adventure Pass . . .

offers unbeatable value for families with multiple youth members. Enjoy all the benefits of the individual pass but for all the kids in your family, and with no limits on the number of youth included! This is the ultimate way to bring your whole family together for a year of adventures, community service, and fun in the great outdoors.

Why Choose the Adventure Pass Program?

With the Adventure Pass, you're not just signing up for a membership; you're investing in a year packed with enriching activities, leadership opportunities, and the chance to create lifelong friendships. From day camps to council events, this pass opens the door to a world of exploration and growth for our Scouts and their families.

Ready to embark on this adventure?

Enroll in the Adventure Pass Program today and make the most of what Scouting has to offer.

All passes are valid for 12 months upon becoming a registered Scout or renewing registration.

Adventure Awaits — Don't Miss Out!

Scan QR Code to
Choose Your Package



Cub Scout Adventure Pass

Per Youth
\$475/year or 12 monthly payments of \$40

- \$85 Scouting America Membership
- \$68 Council Program fee
- \$15 Scout Life
- \$200 Friends of Scouting
- \$100 towards Day Camp
- \$50 Discount for a District or Council Event
- 10% off at Council Trading Post

\$1,000 Total Value

Cub Scout Family Adventure Pass

Youth Family Members (max 2 youth)
\$749/year or 12 monthly payments of \$63

- \$85 Scouting America Membership
- \$68 Council Program fee
- \$15 Scout Life
- \$200 Friends of Scouting
- \$100 towards Day Camp
- \$50 Discount for a District or Council Event
- 10% off at Council Trading Post



Introducing the Adventure Pass for Scouts BSA

Get ready for a year of fun, learning, and unforgettable adventures with the brand-new Adventure Pass Program from GGAC - the Golden Gate Area Council, Scouting America. Whether you're a current Scout or looking to join, this all-inclusive program is your gateway to the ultimate Scouting experience at an unbeatable value! The Youth Adventure Pass offers incredible benefits for individual Scouts while the Family Adventure Pass is perfect for families with multiple Scouts.

Why Choose the Adventure Pass?

With the Adventure Pass, you and your family gain access to a year of exciting Scouting activities, leadership development, and outdoor adventures, all while supporting the mission of the Boy Scouts of America.

Passes are valid for 12 months from the date of registration or renewal, so you can start your adventure anytime! Don't miss out on this opportunity to make the most of your Scouting journey. Sign up for the Adventure Pass today and embark on a path filled with learning, friendship, and fun. Adventure awaits!

Ready to embark on this adventure?

Enroll in the Adventure Pass Program today and make the most of what Scouting has to offer!

All passes are valid for 12 months upon becoming a registered Scout or renewing registration.

Adventure Awaits — Don't Miss Out!

Scouts BSA Adventure Pass

Per Youth

\$795/year or 12 monthly payments of \$66

- ♦ **\$85 Scouting America Membership** | Enjoy the full benefits of being a Scout with national and council resources.
- ♦ **\$68 Council Program Fee** | Supports high-quality programs and local Scouting activities.
- ♦ **\$15 Scout Life** | Stay updated with the latest Scouting news, tips, and stories.
- ♦ **\$200 Friends of Scouting** | Help support local Scouting programs and initiatives.
- ♦ **\$375 towards GGAC Summer Camp or NYLT** | Attend your favorite GGAC Summer Camp or the National Youth Leadership Training course to develop new skills and make lifelong memories.
- ♦ **\$50 Discount for a District or Council Event** | Save on local Scouting events throughout the year.
- ♦ **10% off at Council Trading Post** | Get all your Scouting gear with an exclusive discount.

\$1,000 Total Value

Scan QR code to
Choose Your Package



Scouts BSA Family Adventure Pass

Youth Family Members (max 2 youth)

\$1249/year or 12 monthly payments of \$104

- ♦ **\$85 Scouting America Membership** | Comprehensive membership for each registered Scout in your family.
- ♦ **\$68 Council Program Fee** | Keep your family engaged with top-tier local Scouting programs.
- ♦ **\$15 Scout Life** | A subscription for each family member to stay in the Scouting loop.
- ♦ **\$200 Friends of Scouting** | A shared contribution to bolster local Scouting efforts.
- ♦ **\$375 towards GGAC Summer Camp or NYLT** | Use this credit for any of your family members to attend camps or leadership training.
- ♦ **\$50 Discount for a District or Council Event** | Enjoy family savings on all eligible events.
- ♦ **10% off at Council Trading Post** | Gear up your whole family with an exclusive discount.

This was updated on 8/24/2024.



**GOLDEN GATE AREA COUNCIL
SCOUTING AMERICA**

UPDATED: Mandated Reporter Training & Live Scan background check information on the Council website (click button or web link below).

If you have completed the *January 2023 or later version of the mandated reporter training*, you no longer need to take it again ("one and done"; does not expire). Also, we no longer need to use the California Scouting website to upload the certificate as the Council receives the certificates from the new [website](https://ggacbsa.org/youth%20protection/).

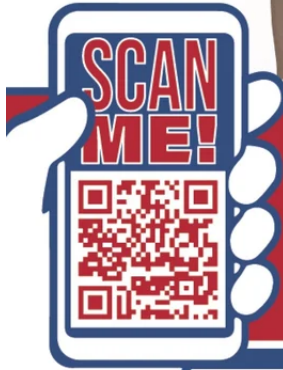
<https://ggacbsa.org/youth%20protection/>

AB 506 & Live Scan Information

Scouting Recruitment Postcard

Please share this recruitment postcard with QR code to all Packs & Troops; courtesy of our District Executive Natalie Hannum.

JOIN SCOUTING



You can also text **"JOIN"** to 855.912.1408

OR YOU CAN GO TO [GOLDENGATESCOUTING.ORG](https://goldengatescouting.org)

This was updated on 6/22/2024.



Muir Packs and Troops Photo Submissions

Greetings all Muir Packs & Troops! The Muir District wants to recognize and promote you and the activities you do via this FB group. If you are a member of this FB group, please post photos of your Pack/Troop participating in Scouting activities and include a brief article. I will limit these posts to once a week with exceptions for special events (Blue & Gold, Scout Sunday, Summer Camp, etc.).

As always, please adhere to Scouting America's YPT policies including not tagging/writing the names of Scouts under age 18, make sure to get consent from the parents/guardians of Scouts before posting photos, and ensure the photos are

Scouting appropriate.

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Muir Scouts in Action or Scouting Activities Submissions

At the same time, if you have any pictures or videos of Muir District Scouts in Action (service projects, heroism, etc.) or Scouting Activities (Scouting America derbies, training, blue and gold, court of honor, etc.) please email them to patrickj0208@yahoo.com and include a copy of the Medical Record ([Part A](#)) release for each Scout so that they can be recognized/featured in the District Newsletters!

We also accept any submissions of notable Scouting-related recognitions, awards, or news of Scouts/Scouters.

This was updated on 3/24/2025.



Calling all Muir Eagle Scouts to join the GGAC Eagles Nest!

The GGAC Eagles Nest is an Eagle Scout community that launched on June 4, 2023 and since then, we are already 800+ members strong. This network of Eagle Scouts provides an opportunity for you to connect, learn, and grow alongside like-minded individuals who share your passion for Scouting. Now is the perfect time to join *and it's free*.

Earning the Eagle Scout award is a significant accomplishment that demonstrates exceptional leadership, character, and service to others. If you have earned this prestigious rank and are looking for ways to connect with other Eagle Scouts, consider joining the Golden Gate Area Council's Eagles Nest. This group is open to all Eagle Scouts who reside, work, are registered, or were once members of the [GGAC or any of its legacy councils](#). Celebrate your achievement by joining the Eagle's Nest today and connecting with a community of fellow Eagle Scouts.

As a member of the Eagles Nest, you'll gain access to various benefits and perks

designed exclusively for Eagle Scouts. Here are a few highlights:

- **Stay Informed:** Receive timely emails with Eagle Scout-specific updates, news, and events.
- **Connections:** Connect with fellow Eagle Scouts through gatherings and events created for networking and fellowship.
- **Get Eagle Gear:** Enjoy early access to GGAC Eagle Scout & Eagles Nest gear to display your achievement proudly. This includes: GGAC NESA Council Shoulder Patches, Eagle Scout challenge coins, lapel pins, and more.
- **Showcase Your Success:** Add your photo to our [Digital Eagle Scout Wall](#) and place a marker on our [Eagle Scout Project Map](#).

[Click Here to Join the Eagles Nest Today!](#)

Feel free to contact me for any Eagles Nest-related inquiries!

Once an Eagle, Always an Eagle

Patrick Jaime

*Council NESA Committee | Muir District Eagles Nest Ambassador
Golden Gate Area Council*

Phone: (925) 451-0330

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Web: [GGAC Eagles Nest](#)



This was updated on 2/24/2025.



Scouts BSA Troop social media content & resources

Not sure if you are aware but National has an active Scouts BSA Facebook page with all sort of content and resources for Troops. These posts cover content from camping, advancement, program, training, and more based on real time updates. Latest updates include: Scouts BSA clothing guidelines, Spring Recruitment kickoff, and updated Eagle Scout letters of reference guidance.

Check it out below and like/follow if you haven't already!
<https://www.facebook.com/officialscoutsbsa>.

This was announced on 2/24/2025.



[Rank Application](#)

[Letters of Reference Guidance](#)

New Eagle Scout Rank Application and Updated Letters of Reference Guidance

A new Eagle Scout Rank Application is available, reflecting recent changes regarding references in the Guide to Advancement.

https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-728_WB_fillable.pdf.

The Scouts BSA Advancement committee has created two documents to assist Councils and Eagle Scout candidates in updating their policies for Eagle Scout letters of reference. <https://www.scouting.org/program-updates/guidance-for-updating-council-policies-on-eagle-scout-letters-of-reference/>

Please share to all your volunteers in your Troops.

GGAC Eagle Rank Process

Attention Muir Eagle Coaches and Scouts working on Eagle Scout: Eagle Scout Rank applications are sent to Golden Gate Area Council for approval signature by Nicole Ruvalcaba. Nicole's email is nicole.ruvalcaba@scouting.org.

If you have any Life Scouts who are nearing age 18, please have them visit the link here: [Eagle Rank Extension - Guide & Form](#).

Muir District Website (subdomain of Council Website)

Reminder: we have a [website for our District!](#) Please go and check it out! Currently, the Zoom information for both the District Roundtable and the Commissioner & Committee Meetings are posted on the Home page. Advancement information such as the Life to Eagle Process, Guide to Advancement, and Virtual Advancement is available. There are Unit contacts which redirects to beascout.org.

<https://muir.goldengatescouting.org>

Wek-Wek Village, Order of the Arrow web page

We also have a web page linked to the Muir website for the Wek-Wek Village, Order of the Arrow! It is located under the "OA tab at top in the Menu bar or you may go to: <https://muir.goldengatescouting.org/wek-wek-village/>. That web page will have recent announcements, upcoming meetings/events, Village leadership roster, and a link to their Facebook page.

If you have any feedback on what we should have on our District website or OA web page, please let Patrick Jaime, District Communications Chair know at: patrickj0208@yahoo.com!



WEK-WEK VILLAGE

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Next Wek-Wek Village Meeting will be April 2025.

An email and post on our Facebook page (link below) will be sent out soon so please be on the lookout for more information including where, what time, and the sign-up link (if applicable).

Location: TBA

Don't forget to like/follow us on Facebook!
<https://www.facebook.com/WekWek.Village>

District Committee Positions

Calling all adults over 21 years of age! If you are interested in or would like to learn more on how you can help Scouting in our area, contact our District Commissioner Arnel Jaime at arnel.scouting@gmail.com.



Muir District News

Want to get some late breaking Scouting news or post an event? Then join our Muir District Facebook Group page. Follow the link below, answer a quick question regarding your Scouting experience, and you will gain access to the group page. Don't forget to share this with members of your Pack or Troop!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/325497627480390/>

Council News

Check out the Council website for the latest Council news, and updates:

<https://goldengatescouting.org>.

If you are not receiving the Council eNews, you may subscribe here:

<https://share.hsforms.com/1SAx-4jdpRreiwThejz8U7Qcwum3>



Pleasant Hill Scout Shop Information

The Scout Shop in Pleasant Hill is open and waiting for you to come purchase all your supplies! 508 Contra Costa Blvd. Suite K2, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523. Please visit [GGAC Scout Shop](#) for information before you go. Store hours (including lunch break), available items, how to order ahead, and other useful tips are there.



Powerful Cub Scout leader resources

A lot of useful content is being posted on Scoutingwire at: <https://scoutingwire.org>.

From giving your new Den Leader instant meeting plans: <https://scoutingwire.org/this-new-video-series-delivers-the-ultimate-den-leader-experience/>.

To a host of other ideas like leading Zoom meeting for Cub Scouts, Virtual fall recruiting (including the use of digital applications and payment), and BeAScout tips, <https://scoutingwire.org/marketing-and-membership-hub/>.

GGAC Leave No Trace Courses 2025

Registration is now open for both the Spring and Fall 2025 GGAC Leave No Trace Level 1 Instructor Training and Leave No Trace Skills Course.

In addition, for the first time since 2010 we have a Level 2 (Master Educator) course available in northern CA. See the brochure below (tri-fold flyer). Greater Yosemite Council is hosting the Leave No Trace Level 2 Instructor course in August 2025 (see attached flyer). It is preferable to have your Level 1 before taking Level 2; so if interested, you could take the Level 1 on May 17-18 at Camp Herms and then the Level 2 course August 25-29, 2025 at Camp McDonnell (Livingston is halfway between Turlock and Modesto).

Please direct any questions to GGAC Outdoor Ethics Advocate, Lillian Remer at (202) 834-4199 or remer@astound.net.

[LNT Spring 2025](#)

[LNT Fall 2025](#)

[LNT Level 2 @ GYC](#)



**Leave No Trace Level 1 Instructor
or
Leave No Trace Skills Course
May 17-18, 2025
Camp Herms, El Cerrito**

We are offering a dual track course in order to comply with recent changes from Leave No Trace.

1. Registered Scouts or Scouters (age 18 and over) may take the Level 1 (formerly Trainer) course leading to certification as a Level 1 Leave No Trace Instructor
2. Registered Scouts (at least First Class and age 14) and Scouters may take the Leave No Trace Skills course (Certificate of Completion by Leave no Trace).

Level 1 Instructor certification will require up to 2 hours of work and preparation of a presentation prior to the weekend of outdoor training at Camp Herms.

Participants should already be familiar with the seven principles of Leave No Trace. The Skills course is highly recommended for Scouts who wish to hold the *Outdoor Ethics Guide* position of responsibility.



Registration is available on line at <https://www.scoutingevent.com/023-LNTTSpring2025>.

Cost \$40 (\$45 after 4/25/25). Registration closes 5/10/25.

Questions regarding the course may be directed to Lillian Remer at remer@astound.net



**Leave No Trace Level 1 Instructor
or
Leave No Trace Skills Course
October 11-12, 2025
Rancho Los Mochos, Livermore, Ca**

We are offering a dual track course in order to comply with recent changes from Leave No Trace.

1. Registered Scouters (age 18 and over) may take the Level 1 (formerly Trainer) course leading to certification as a Level 1 Leave No Trace Instructor.
2. Registered Scouts (at least First Class and age 14) and Scouters may take the Leave No Trace Skills course (Certificate of Completion by Leave no Trace)

Level 1 Instructor certification will require up to 2 hours of work and preparation of a presentation prior to the weekend of outdoor training at Rancho Los Mochos.

Participants should already be familiar with the seven principles of Leave No Trace. The Skills course is highly recommended for Scouts who wish to hold the *Outdoor Ethics Guide* position of responsibility.

Questions regarding the course may be directed to Lillian Remer at remer@astound.net

Registration for the October courses is available on line at <https://scoutingevent.com/023-LNTTFall2025>

Course Details, Trek and Non-Trek

Monday, August 25th to

Friday, August 29th, 2025

Course Fee \$295.00

All meals during the course and necessary course materials are provided as part of the registration fee. A one-year membership with Leave No Trace is also included. Transportation to and from Camp McConnell is not included in the fee.

- Scouting America Annual Health and Medical Record, Parts A, B, and C, will be required to attend the course.
- Show proof of current Youth Protection Training and Hazardous Weather .
- Agree to the Greater Yosemite Council High Adventure Team Code of Conduct at registration.

The course is open to registered Scouting America members who are at least 18 years of age by the start of the course.

To register for the course, go to: <https://www.yosemitescouting.org/registration/register.aspx>

For more information, contact

- Mary Ann Bloom (Non-Trek)
thsteacher@aol.com
(209) 604-8674
- James Jones (Trek)
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The Leave No Trace Seven Principles

1. Plan Ahead and Prepare
2. Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
3. Dispose of Waste Properly
4. Leave What You Find
5. Minimize Campfire Impacts
6. Respect Wildlife
7. Be Considerate of Others

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GGAC Process for the Citizenship in Society Merit Badge

Updated information here: <https://ggacbsa.org/citizenship%20in%20society/>

All Scoutmasters and Committee Chairs received an email from May or June 2022 from the Council Advancement Committee with information about the Citizenship in Society Merit Badge.

The Scoutmaster should:

- Review the Citizenship in Society requirements.
- Review the Scout's record of completed merit badges.
- Discuss cohort participation with Scout and parent. Determine readiness.
- Complete the on-line form to submit a virtual blue card: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSca_YGcCVSBSxU-XIKSNhcmrZjr12UkrajEIWcAcy2CSuRKcw/viewform
- Ensure the parent is connected to Scout in Scoutbook as all communication and Merit Badge sign-offs will occur through Scoutbook.

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