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## Message from the Scout Executive...



## Authenticity

I recently attended a training course where a Marketing Expert conducted training on how Organizations can and should put their “Best Foot Forward.” He used words like “Brand” and “Reputation”. The speaker defined “Brand” as what an organization says about itself. He defined “Reputation” as what others say about your organization. He went on to explain that “Authenticity” occurs when “brand” and “reputation” are in line. This made perfect sense to me, but it also raised the additional question, “How does one make that happen?” Fortunately, the speaker offered 8 principles for building authenticity in an organization.

- 1) Do what is “right” regardless of the circumstances
- 2) Consistent Performance.
- 3) Credible Communication. By “credible” he meant “accurate”.
- 4) Offer Better value and exceed expectations.
- 5) Take Care of your members/customers. They should be the focus.
- 6) Innovation. Organizations should be committed to continuous improvement.
- 7) Take care of employees and volunteers.
- 8) Positive Community Impact.

Individuals could argue for hours on whether or not these 8 principles are the best ways for an organization or group to build authenticity. However, I don’t think that anyone can argue that these 8 steps are not at least a credible road map for us to follow. Scouting has been around for 103 years. If we want to insure that we are around for the next 100 years, we are going to have to make sure that we maintain “authenticity”. This is true at every level of the organization. I encourage all of us to look at our areas of responsibility and strive to practice these 8 principles. Everyone -Den Leaders, Cub Masters, Scout Masters, Venture Crew Advisors, District Committee members, Commissioners, Council Board members, District Executives, clerical staff, Scout Executives, Primary Presidents, and Young Men’s Presidents, etc - all play a key role in maintaining authenticity. Both the current generation of boys that we are serving and the future generations count on us.

Thank you for what you do! All of you are making a tremendous difference in our community. I know that we face many challenges both in scouting and in the community at large. But, kids have never needed us more. When we are faced with the challenges that will invariably present themselves remember to think **“If not me, then who? And If not now, then when?”**



## Greetings Gold Country Scouters

WOW! The summer went by so fast and fall is upon us . . . though the weather doesn't seem to agree with me.

**Thank you to ALL volunteers in Gold Country**, without your support and passion in this program we would not be where we are today. So many of you volunteer that famous "one hour a week" and then volunteer several more hours in that same week and a simple thank you just doesn't seem to be enough.

### **THANK YOU from all of your Scouts in the Gold Country District!**

**Popcorn season is off with a big bang.** Some of you have reported excellent sales at this point. And we are only one month into the sale! Please remind your Scouts to be safe out there and to use the "buddy" system when they are out in their neighborhood. Please contact the Stockton Office if any of you are in need of the take order forms (we have plenty) or if you need more popcorn please contact the Modesto Office and ask for Sara. Let's be #1 in popcorn sales again this year! Cub Scout Motto – Do your best! Boy Scout Motto – Be Prepared! Both are needed in a great popcorn sale and Gold Country has the BEST units!

**Training** – yes every Scout deserves a Trained Leader and training is in your neck of the woods. On October 26<sup>th</sup> at Temple Baptist Church in Lodi we will once again be offering training to all of the new leaders and to those who have changed positions or for those who just want more training. We have it all for you. Please sign up as early as possible and spend the morning getting trained! Your trainers look forward to seeing you there and showing you the ropes. The signup forms are on the website at [www.yosemitescouting.org](http://www.yosemitescouting.org), at either Council Office or use the one at the end of this Newsletter. See you at training!

**Eagle Scouts** – Congratulations to the newest Eagle Scouts in Gold Country (month of August)



**Recharter** time is right around the corner. Recharter is handled online and it opens in October. If you have any questions about recharter or any question at all please contact your Unit Commissioner. Bill Correll our District Commissioner is working diligently training our Unit Commissioners and looking for Unit Commissioners to help you and your unit. Remember your Unit Commissioner is there to help you and to answer any question you might have – use them!

***Once again come join the fun and adventure!***

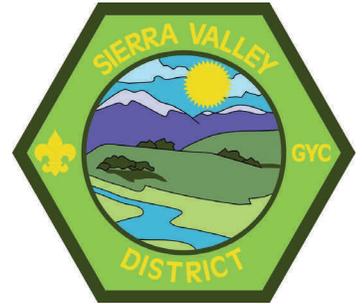
### **Council to Provide Scouting for Food Door Hangers**

(for a sneak peak at the door hanger, see image at the end of the Newsletter)

No longer will your unit have to spend hard-earned unit moneys on paper and printing to make signage for Scouting for Food! Starting this year you'll be able to order professionally done door hangers to be distributed prior to food collection day. Make sure you attend upcoming District Roundtables to mark your unit's distribution and collection territories on the provid-

## Sierra Valley Scouts and the Rim Fire

The Rim Fire affected Scouting units in Tuolumne County. Members of Pack 513, chartered by the Mother Lode Gun Club out of the Soulsbyville area, spent over a week packed and ready to leave their homes since they were right on the border of the evacuation area. Fortunately, they did not have to evacuate.



Troop 500, chartered by the Mount Calvary Lutheran Church from Mi-Wuk Village, gave service during the Rim Fire. They set up, bussed, and took down tables for two Twain Harte area fire personnel dinners. They served between 300 and 500 firefighters. Scouts and parents from the unit supplied food and drinks to firemen stationed on call in the neighborhoods on fire watch through the nights of the fire. It was an intense effort of support on the part of Troop 500.

Troop 570, chartered by the Tuolumne County Sheriff's Posse, gave service at the Mother Lode Fairgrounds in Sonora. School was dismissed for the week of the biggest threat from the fire. Rescued animals such as horses and cattle were brought to the fairgrounds that week to protect them. Members of Troop 570 helped to care for the animals during their time off from school. Caring for scared animals in this situation shows Scouts in action helping others in times of need.

Congratulations to the members of Pack 513 and Troops 500 and 570 for showing Scout courage and Scout Spirit in the face of the Rim Fire disaster.

## Rio del Oro District News August 2013



### New Roundtable Night

Rio del Oro has been doing two roundtables each month, one in Turlock and one in Merced.

During the Commissioners meeting in July it was decided that if we could combine the staff of the two roundtables we can have one great Roundtable night for our leaders.

The new Roundtable night is going to be on the Second Wednesday of the month at Camp McConnell at 7:00pm. We are starting our new format in the Month of September. If you have any questions regarding this new format please email Adan Barajas at [abarajas@bsamail.org](mailto:abarajas@bsamail.org)

Thank you and hope to see you at our roundtable.

### Recharter Packet

Recharter Renewal Packets are now available for pick up if you have not received yours. If you have a unit commissioner assigned to your unit, your commissioner has your packet. If you don't know who your unit commissioner is, please email me and I can let you know who it is. I also have a lot of recharter packets in my possession and can get those to you ASAP. Please email Adan Barajas at [abarajas@bsamail.org](mailto:abarajas@bsamail.org).

# Rio del Oro District News August 2013 (cont)

## Popcorn Sales

Our Popcorn unit fundraiser is well under way. If your unit signed up to sell, **thank you!** If your unit wants to sell there is time to sign up. We still have all September and October to have a great sale. For more information please call Sara Heitz at the office 209-545-6320 or email me at [abarajas@bsamail.org](mailto:abarajas@bsamail.org).



## Rio del Oro BOY SCOUT TROOP HELPS IN RIM FIRE DISASTER RELIEF EFFORT

The Rim Fire, which by September 9th, the 24th day of the fire which had started August 17th, had already burned over 253,000 acres, primarily in eastern Tuolumne County. The fire caused thousands of residents to be temporarily evacuated, burned over a hundred structures including eleven residences, and shut down the tourist-oriented economy along Highway 120 west of Yosemite due to nearly three weeks of road closer. In all, this has been a disaster of major significance leaving many people in the vicinity of the fire in need of food, shelter, clothing and other items.

The people of Mariposa responded by donating tons of needed food, drinking water, clothing, and first aid items at two collecting points. One was at the New Life Christian Fellowship Church in Bootjack and the other was in front of the Pioneer Market in Mariposa on Friday, Saturday and Sunday of the Labor Day weekend where Boy Scout Troop 94 of Mariposa conducted a food drive.

The scouts handed out shopping lists to the people entering the market and explained that the purpose of the food drive was to help in the relief effort of the Rim Fire disaster. Many of the shoppers on their way out of the market handed the scouts bags of groceries, cases of drinking water, some paper products, baby and first aid items and more, plus over \$650 in cash donations which was not solicited. The scouts sorted the donated items, moved them over to a waiting truck and 18 foot trailer, and by Sunday afternoon had collected and loaded about a ton of food and supplies and 80 cases of drinking water which weighed about another ton.



At the conclusion of the food drive, this load was driven north Sunday evening (September 1st.) to the Amador-Tuolumne Community Action Agency Food Bank located in Jamestown. There the scouts unloaded the truck and trailer into waiting bins at the food bank. The receiving clerk at the food bank expressed his amazement to Scoutmaster Toney Gorham regarding the large quantity of donated food and items that the scouts had collected in just three days. The people of Mariposa were very generous in their assistance with this disaster relief effort, for which many people are very thankful.

## Rio del Oro Membership

September is here and most of our units are busy with recruitment nights. Are you a leader or a parent in charge of recruiting new boys to your Pack or Troop? We have supplies to make your job easier. The Greater Yosemite Council, BSA can make customized flyers and have posters available to place in schools, Neighborhood Community Boards, Starbucks Coffee Shops etc., plus yard signs, pencils and stickers. We also have a membership team who is willing to do Boy Talks at the school you are recruiting from. The recruitment supplies are for your use. Please feel free to use them as needed. For more information you can email District Executive Adan Barajas at [abarajas@bsamail.org](mailto:abarajas@bsamail.org) or Membership Chair Dena Travao at [denatravao@yahoo.com](mailto:denatravao@yahoo.com). You can also check out the [Recruiting](#) page on the website.

# Rio del Oro District News August 2013 (cont)

## Merit Badge Clinic

The Turlock LDS is Hosting a Merit Badge Clinic Saturday, September 21, 2013 from 9:00am to Noon at the LDS Church Building 4250 Geer Rd in Turlock.

**Merit Badges Offered:** Personal Fitness, Environmental Science, Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the Nation, Citizenship in the World, First Aid, Family Life, Personal Management, Automotive Maintenance, Emergency Preparedness, Communication, Aviation **Scouts will choose one merit badge to work on at the clinic.** Counselors will schedule a follow-up meeting to report on requirements that cannot be completed at the clinic.

For more information Please contact Matt Falke at [matt@agproduciton.com](mailto:matt@agproduciton.com) or 209-541-5453.

## Family Camp

Cub Family Camping takes place October 18-20 at Camp McConnell. This year's "Under the Harvest Moon" Family Camp is a perfect opportunity for your new boys that joined the pack to attend this event with his whole family and not wait till the spring to have their first outdoor experience. For more information see the Registration Form at the end of this Newsletter.

## Scouting for Food

Scouting for Food is quickly approaching us. November is the month that most units do Scouting for Food. At our October Roundtable we will have bags, flyers and door hangers, and will assign territories to those units that live in a city where multiple units meet. For more information Please Contact Ryan Cromar at [ryan.cromar@gmail.com](mailto:ryan.cromar@gmail.com).

Note: this year the Council will be providing all units with door hangers to be distributed prior to collection day -- see the sneak peak at the end of the Newsletter.

## Training Dates

All the forms for these training dates are on our website attached to each activity on the calendar or you can use those provided at the end of the Newsletter.

1. [Intro to Outdoor Leader Skills - Session 1: 9/19/2013](#)
2. [Intro to Outdoor Leader Skills - Session 2: 9/27/2013 - 9/28/2013](#)
3. [HAT: Basic Winter Awareness: 10/11/2013 - 10/12/2013](#)
4. [Leader Specific Training Day - LODI: 10/26/2013](#)

## Camp Minkalo History and Project

Camp Minkalo is in the El Dorado National Forrest, and it is located on the east side of Silver Lake off of Highway 88 near Kit Carson. The actual camp is located at the end of Kit Carson Road on the backside of Silver Lake at an altitude of about 7300 feet. The property had been a Council summer camp until the early 1990's when the lack of potable water caused the camp to be unusable.

Our Council was the last organization to hold a special use permit on this property, though not the first. Because we were the last holder of the permit, we are obligated by law to return the property to its original "state." There were 4 buildings remaining on the property that had to be torn down and hauled away. The Forrest Service has accepted the Council's plan to remove at least one building per year over a four-year period.

The weekend of October 7-9, 2011, was our first work weekend at Camp Minkalo. We were able to remove most of the one two-story building on that weekend. However, a portion of the debris was covered by snow and we were not able to remove all of it at that time. On the weekend on September 7-9, 2012, we were able to finish the debris removal of the two story building, and to begin working on another building. Our goal for 2013 is to remove the remaining 2 1/2 buildings and finish the project in full.

That's where YOU come in! The Council needs volunteers who are willing to work to go up on the weekend of September 27 - 29, 2013, along with folks who can provide vehicles, dump trailers, or other types of construction equipment that can aide with the demolition and removal of the camp buildings. The road into camp is very narrow, and therefore, too small for a large tri-axle. We will need to use pickup trucks and dump trailers to haul the wood and other debris out to the highway to dump it into a larger disposal trailer. If you are able to assist with the donation of the use of a truck, skid steer, dump trailer, or other piece of equipment, please contact Rich McCartney at the Council office. His e-mail is [rmccartn@bsamail.org](mailto:rmccartn@bsamail.org) and his cell phone number is (209) 552-9749.

The Council will provide all meals at no cost to the participants as well as reserve camping sites at Silver Lake Campground – East (Amador Ranger District, Eldorado National Forest). This event will run from Friday evening through Sunday morning. A participation form is available at the end of the Newsletter -- please submit this form to the Council office no later than Monday afternoon, September 23rd, so we may adequately prepare for meals.

The location is beautiful. The camping will be great. If we have a large group, many hands will make lighter work. Our Goal is to have at least 50 volunteers which will allow us to have three separate crews. This will allow a crew to work on each of the remaining buildings as well as a few folks to drive and assist at the dumpsters. We could finish this project a year early with enough helping hands. This is a great opportunity to show cheerful service and have a good time too. We hope to see many of you at this event!

## Cub Family Camping October 18-20



**Under The Harvest Moon**

At



**CAMP MCCONNELL**



*There's still space available and time to register!*

*Registration form can be found at the end of the Newsletter.*

# Training Resources

Jay Herbrand, Greater Yosemite Council Training Chair



It is critical that all direct contact leaders get trained in their registered position. It has been shown to make units stronger both in their program but also their membership and finances. Knowing the resources available is a major part of this effort. Training gives the leader many resources that they may not know are available to them. It also teaches them the program that works for today's youth.

Fall is a strong training season and I encourage everyone to check out some of these resources for training.

The Greater Yosemite Calendar is a great place to start. Did you know there is an online version as well as the paper version? The Council has just put out a 17-month calendar that goes through 2014. Because this is a long time and as you know there are always changes, you should check out the online version and the listing of upcoming trainings.

Another Great resource is MyScouting (<http://myscouting.scouting.org>). It has training available online as well as tools that will let you check to see what training you have. Once you sign on to MyScouting just click on "training validation" and follow the instructions.

National BSA is also rolling out new tools with a new database for all of our records. This is a huge project. As functions and tools become available they are placing them on Myscouting tools (which is available from a link on the my scouting homepage. Your same username and password works on this site also. Please check out what is available to you on this constantly improving website. If you find a discrepancy in your records please call and let the Council know.

With these resources you should have an easier time at finding training and also getting trained for your currently registered position.

## Commissioner Corner

Some parents and unit leaders have heard the term Commissioner and wondered what that means in the context of Scouting. Or, they have met a person who refers to themselves as Commissioner and he or she is not exactly sure what that means. So, we thought that a definition and instruction might be helpful.

First, Commissioners are district and council leaders who help Scout units succeed. They coach and consult with adult leaders of Cub Scout packs, Boy Scout troops, and Venturing crews. Commissioners help maintain the standards of the Boy Scouts of America.

Unit Commissioners focus on the following four primary areas:

1. **Supporting unit growth in the Journey to Excellence (JTE) criteria:** JTE measures performance characteristics that unlock the door to a successful unit. Commissioners should analyze the unit's program and identify JTE areas where help is needed to move the unit to a higher level of JTE success.
2. **Linking district committee resources to the unit:** Commissioners should support the district committee's delivery of a "catalog of services" to support the specific JTE elements needed for a particular unit's health and success.
3. **Visiting units and logging the visits into the Unit Visit Tracking System (UVTS):** Commissioners' core task remains visiting the unit. UVTS input feeds critical information to the district committee to help link resources to the unit.
4. **Supporting on-time charter renewal:** The commissioner's focus is the retention of the unit, though they should be especially mindful of supporting new youth membership efforts as they move more toward a volunteer-led, professionally-guided approach to increasing membership.

If you are a unit leader and you have not yet met your unit commissioner or you are not sure who that person is, please contact your District Commissioner or District Executive so that we can help make that acquaintance. Likewise, if you are a parent or veteran unit leader and you think that you would like to serve in this critical role for your own unit or another unit, please contact your district commissioner or District Executive and let them know about your interest. We are looking for good people who care about making units successful. No prior experience is required.



# Eagles Nest

Congratulations to our newest eagle scouts in the month of August.

As of August 31, the Greater Yosemite Council, BSA has 92 Eagle Scouts for 2013.

Eagle Scout Name	Unit	District	Date
Joshua James Burch	Troop 194	Sierra Valley	August 5, 2013
Andrew Richard Bishop	Troop 43	Sierra Valley	August 7, 2013
Daniel Lucas Reed	Troop 7	Sierra Valley	August 20, 2013
Sean Robert Estes	Troop 82	Rio del Oro	August 21, 2013

## Letter from our Eagle Alumni Dan Machado

*I recently sat on an Eagle Board of Review. When I shook the hand of the newest Eagle Scout in the nation I remarked that although a future Court of Honor may be fun the Board of Review is the more significant event. This young man summited Scouting that evening but he now assumed the mantle of Eagle Scout and that means duty, honor and fidelity. Helping other young men progress up the trail will now be a responsibility that comes with the Badge of Eagle.*

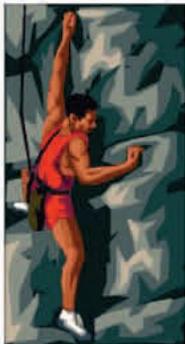
*The Greater Yosemite Council has a band of Eagle Scout brothers that are dedicated to upholding the honor of the Eagle Scout Badge. If you are an Eagle Scout and would like to be a part of the Yosemite Eagle Scout Alumni we would be honored to have you join. There are no dues but we encourage duty to God, community and others.*

Contact **Dan Machado** at [dfmachado@ps1la.com](mailto:dfmachado@ps1la.com) or phone 209 840 2246. [www.eaglescoutbadge.com](http://www.eaglescoutbadge.com)

Venturing Open House

AN INVITATION

Open to all Venturing age youth (13- 18 year olds)!  
Young men and Young ladies!!



Date: Saturday, Sep. 21  
Time: 10 am to 2 pm  
Location: GYC Scout Center  
4031 Technology Dr., Modesto

Please email for more information  
and to RSVP....

Cindy Vander Ploeg

[Jstpchy007@comcast.net](mailto:Jstpchy007@comcast.net)

"Come have some fun, and Learn about all of the Adventure in Venturing"

# Snake Bite Poster Available

The American Association of Poison Control Centers would like to offer its new poster on snake bite safety to Scouts and Scouters free of charge. A proof of the poster can be found below. The poster features information about what to do, and what not to do, in the event of a snake bite as well as information on how to identify venomous snakes. It also features a map of the United States that shows where venomous snakes live and information about the poison help line.

The poster is 18 inches by 24 inches in size. If you would like to order posters, please email [posters@aapcc.org](mailto:posters@aapcc.org) with the number of posters you would like and your mailing information.

In the spirit of KNOW risk vs. NO risk, we can all take a tip from the Boy Scout Handbook: *“Being able to identify venomous snakes is a good first step toward staying safe where they live. If you leave snakes alone, they are likely to avoid you, too. Use a hiking stick to poke among stones and brush ahead of you when you walk through areas where snakes are common. Be careful where you put your hands as you collect firewood or climb over rocks and logs.”* page 142

## WATCH OUT *for* SNAKES!

*If a SNAKE BITES you:*

■ Remain calm & call the Poison Help line immediately.  
**1-800-222-1222**

■ Immobilize the bitten limb or body part at or slightly below heart level.

■ Note the time the bite happened.

■ Remove all tight clothing or jewelry.

■ Wash the bite area with soap and water if it does not cause delay.

■ Get to a hospital as quickly as possible, preferably by ambulance.

*Do*

■ Don't try to capture or kill the snake, but try to remember its color and shape so you can describe it, which will help in your treatment. If you can do so safely and without delay, take a photo.

■ Don't use a tourniquet.

■ Don't use any form of suction.

■ Don't cut the wound.

■ Don't apply heat, cold, electricity or any substances to the bite.

■ Don't drink caffeine or alcohol or take any drugs.

*Don't*

### IS IT Venomous?

**COPPERHEAD, COTTONMOUTH AND RATTLESNAKES**

ELLIPTICAL PUPILS

FANGS

TRIANGULAR HEAD

**CORAL SNAKE**

RED AND BLACK BANDS DIVIDED BY A NARROW, YELLOW BAND

There are various types of these snakes in different regions of the United States. While their general features are the same, there are some minor differences in appearance.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 1-800-222-1222**

### Symptoms and Signs of a SNAKE BITE:

- Intense pain spreading out from the bite
- A scratch or puncture(s) from fangs
- Progressive swelling and bruising where bitten
- Sweating
- Weakness
- Nausea and vomiting
- Muscle twitching
- Metallic taste in mouth
- Light-headedness or loss of consciousness

■ COPPERHEAD SNAKE ■ COTTONMOUTH SNAKE ■ CORAL SNAKE ■ RATTLESNAKE

Support for the development of the national curriculum provided by BTG

Want more info?

SCAN THIS:

Program the Poison Help number into your phone

SCAN THIS:



Greater Yosemite Council, BSA  
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Training Conference 2013  
Basic Leader Training  
Leader Specific Training

“GOLD COUNTRY DISTRICT”

Saturday October 26, 2013  
Temple Baptist Church  
801 S Lower Sacramento Rd in Lodi

This Training is for Pack & Troop Leaders  
Packs: All Den Leaders, Assistant Den Leaders, Cubmasters,  
Assistant Cubmasters, Pack Committee  
Troops: Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, Troop Committee Members  
Crew: Venturing Leaders, Advisors and Crew Committee

“Cost of training is only \$6.00 and lunch is included”

Mail to: GYC Stockton Office TRAINING CONFERENCE 1545 St. Marks Plaza #7 Stockton, CA 95207	Date received _____ Receipt # _____ Check # _____
<b>Yes! I want to attend the Training Conference Saturday October 26, 2013</b>	
Enclosed is my check for \$6! (\$10 after Oct. 24 ) ( Make checks payable to : Greater Yosemite Council )	
Name _____ UNIT: <b>PACK TROOP CREW</b> # _____ ( circle one )	
Position _____	
Address _____ Phone _____	
City _____ Zip Code _____ E-mail _____	
<b>Also register me for the following Leader Specific Training Course: (Please select only one session)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tiger Den Leader ( 8:30 AM to 11:15 AM ) <input type="checkbox"/> Cub Den Leader ( 8:30 AM to 11:15 AM ) <input type="checkbox"/> Webelos Den Leader ( 8:30 to 11:15 ) <input type="checkbox"/> Cubmaster ( 8:30 AM to 11:15 AM ) <input type="checkbox"/> Pack Committee ( 8:30 AM to 11:15 AM ) <input type="checkbox"/> Troop Committee (8:30 to 11:15 AM) <input type="checkbox"/> Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters ( 8:30 AM to 3:15 PM) <input type="checkbox"/> Venture Leader Specific ( 8:30 AM to 2:15 PM)	
( Please, one person per form )	
Contact: Robin Wilson 209-566-7720 <a href="mailto:rwilson@bsamail.org">rwilson@bsamail.org</a> or Jay Herbrand 209-349-8547 <a href="mailto:jayherb@aol.com">jayherb@aol.com</a>	
EVENT # 900017	

FRONT

BeAScout.org

**SCOUTING FOR FOOD**  
November 16, 2013



**Prepared. For Life.™**

**Boy Scouts of America  
Annual Food Collection for  
Local Food Banks and Charities**

Please place nonperishable goods in a recycled bag or box, attach this door-hanger, and place it outside in view of the street by **9:00 a.m.**

**Saturday, November 16, 2013.**

Please, no glass containers or perishable foods.

**Sponsored by:**



BACK

BeAScout.org

**Suggested Foods:**



**Canned Goods** (Tuna or Chicken, Fruit, Vegetables, Soups or Chili, Spaghetti or Ravioli), **Peanut Butter**, Cereal or Pop Tarts, Pancake or Muffin Mixes, Crackers or Cookies, Instant Soup, Rice or Beans, Pasta, Powdered Juice or Milk, Dried Fruits, Snack Bars

**Any other nonperishable food item.  
Please do not include frozen foods.**

**No open containers!  
No glass containers!**



**Prepared. For Life.™**





# Cub Family Camping October 18-20



## Under The Harvest Moon



At



CAMP McCONNELL

### Activities for the weekend

- Shooting Sports
- Climbing Wall
- Sports & Games
- Swimming
- Friday Night Movie with Popcorn
- Saturday Night Harvest Party & Bonfire

### Registration Information

- Camp all weekend, one night, or just come for the day.
- Cost \$10.00 per person, \$50.00 max per family. Children under 5 are free.
- Check-In starts at 4:00pm on Friday Night and 8:00-9:00 am on Saturday

For map/directions visit [www.yosemitescouting.org](http://www.yosemitescouting.org), click on "Camp McConnell" under "Camping" and click on the [Map to Camp McConnell](#)

### Family / Pack Registration

Pack # \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

# Cub Scouts \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

# Adults \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

# Siblings \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle:    **Full Weekend**                      **Friday & Saturday**                      **Saturday Only**

### Contact Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Send Payment to: Greater Yosemite Council Attention: Cub Camping 4031 Technology Dr. Modesto, CA 95356.

Event Code: 900915



# Boy Scout Leader 3-in-1 Training

*This Leader Specific Training along with sessions 1 and 2 of Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills is available to Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, and Interested Adults.*

## Boy Scout Leader Specific Session

**Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 4300 Dale Rd. Modesto, 95356**  
Pelandale exit off Hwy 99 and go East to Dale Rd. Turn North on Dale. LDS Church on right side.  
Pre-Opening 8:30 am \* Training from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

## Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Session 1

**Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm**

**Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 4300 Dale Rd. Modesto, 95356**  
Pelandale exit off Hwy 99 and go East to Dale Rd. Turn North on Dale. LDS Church on right side.

## Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Session 2

**Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**Camp McConnell Livingston, Ca.**

From Hwy 99 take Winton Pkwy turn east to the bottom of the overpass, right at the stop sign going under the railroad. Turn left at the stop sign (Livingston Cressey Rd) Camp is 2.5 miles on left side just past the curve sign.

Start 7 pm Friday and depart 6:30 pm Saturday

**Registration Fee for all 3 Sessions is \$25.00**

*Late Registration Fee after September 9, 2013 is \$30.00*

Please complete the registration form below and remit with fee to  
**Greater Yosemite Council, 4031 Technology Dr., Modesto, CA 95356.**

Please "PASS THE WORD" to other Scouting leaders. We don't want anyone to miss out on the fun!

Please wear your Scouting uniform, if available.

For more information call: Paul "Opie" Waddell 209-527-0329 or e-mail: [opiejude@sbcglobal.net](mailto:opiejude@sbcglobal.net)

Keep top section for your records.

Scout Leader 3-in-1 Training, September 2013

(Please print)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ City & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Unit / Leadership Position \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle payment type/amt: \$25.00 / \$30.00 Cash / Check / Unit Account
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Mail to:  
Greater Yosemite Council  
4031 Technology Dr  
Modesto, CA 95356

Date Received: _____ <b>Training Code: 900021</b>
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# HIGH ADVENTURE TEAM BASIC WINTER AWARENESS COURSE

October 11-12, 2013 - INDOOR Session - 7:00-10:00 PM Friday & 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Saturday

This Indoor Training Session Covers:

- Winter Transportation \* Clothing \* Layering \* Head and Footwear
- Food \* Energy \* Dehydration \* Health \* Safety \* Hypothermia
- Tents \* Sleeping Arrangements \* Vapor Barriers \* Snow Caves
- Stoves \* Snow Kitchens \* Campfires \* Permits \* Personal & Group Equipment
- Snowshoes \* Winter LNT



**LOCATION:** Modesto Scout Service Center, 4031 Technology Drive, Modesto, CA 95356

**Cost \$15.00, if enrolled by 10/4/2013, \$20 after 10/4 and at the door.**

**How to Get There:** Take Hwy 99 NORTH from MODESTO or SOUTH from MANTECA to the HWY 219 SALIDA EXIT EAST. Go EAST on HWY. 219 (which is also Kiernan Road) past the signal at Sisk Rd. 1/3 miles (look for **CHP** building on the south side of highway at Stoddard Rd.) TURN RIGHT on **Stoddard Rd.**, turn right on **Technology Drive**, and turn right into **Scout Service Center** parking lot.

Be sure to have tire chains, winterized vehicle, and warm coat with you for this indoor session, in-preparation for outdoor session.

**Bring camping gear so you can camp out over night on back lawn of Service Center if you wish.**

**ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT:**

**James Jones 209-329-5018, [feral2to4@sbcglobal.net](mailto:feral2to4@sbcglobal.net)**

**Greater Yosemite Council 209-545-6320**

Complete and remit bottom portion by October 4<sup>th</sup>. Please include \$15.00 course fee, \$20.00 after October 4<sup>th</sup>

### High Adventure Team Winter Awareness Registration

Make checks payable to and return completed bottom portion with payment to:

**Greater Yosemite Council, 4031 Technology Drive, Modesto, CA 95356**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit & Leadership position: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Payment Amt / Type: \$15.00 / \$20.00 Cash / Check# \_\_\_\_\_ / CC



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# “Every Cub Scout Deserves A Trained Den Chief”

## Den Chief Training

### Monday, October 7, 2013

Come learn the skills needed to help out a Cub Scout Den!  
This is for Youth that are of Boy Scout, Varsity or Venturing Age

**Greater Yosemite Council Office**  
4031 Technology Drive  
Modesto, CA 95356

**TRAINING: 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.**  
Cost is only \$10.00

Fee Includes Den Chief Book, handouts and Trained Patch

Please complete the \* Pre Registration form below by October 2 along with your participation fee of \$10.00 and return it to the Greater Yosemite Council, 4031 Technology Dr., Modesto, CA 95356.  
Persons registering after October 2 are not guaranteed materials the day of training

Please “**PASS THE WORD**” to other Scouting leaders and interested Scouts. We don’t want anyone to miss out on the fun!

**Please wear your Scouting uniform, if available.**

For more information call: Jay Herbrand 209-349-8547 or Jayherb@aol.com



----- CLIP AND MAIL THE BOTTOM PORTION OF THIS FORM -----

### Den Chief Training: October 7, 2013

	Den Chief Training: \$10.00
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(Please print.)

Name	Address	City & Zip
Phone Number	Unit # and Scoutmaster/Coach/Advisor	E-Mail Address
Signature		

Please circle payment type	Mail to: Greater Yosemite Council	Date Received: _____
Cash/Check/Charge/Unit Account	4031 Technology Drive, Modesto, CA 95356	Training Code: <b>900023</b>

Fax to 209-545-6321 or email to [Barbara.evers@scouting.org](mailto:Barbara.evers@scouting.org) (Attn: Barbara Evers) and call to make payment



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# Wilderness First Aid Course

## October 4-6, 2013

*This course is offered to Venturing Crew members (Ranger Award Requirement) and Adult Leaders.*

*This course is required for leaders planning any High Adventure outings lasting more than 72 hours in length.*

Course Cost: \$70 per person

Certification: 2 years

Class Time: 16—20 hours

Start Time: 9am both Sat & Sun

(Saturday check-in at 8am)

Location: Woodward Reservoir



Meyer CPR  
& First Aid

There may be a camping fee for the location — participants will be informed of this as the date nears.

- Friday night camping available.
- Bathroom/shower facility available.
- Plan on all of your own meals for the days and nights that you will be there.

For registration/questions contact:

Steve Macedo (209)896-6510 [smacedo771@gmail.com](mailto:smacedo771@gmail.com)

or Brandy Meyer (209)988-6166

If registering by mail send this portion to **WFA Training ATTN: Brandy Meyer PO Box 2254, Ceres, 95307**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Type/# \_\_\_\_\_ Scouting Position \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Payment: check# \_\_\_\_\_ / Cash / CC# \_\_\_\_\_ exp date \_\_\_\_\_



# Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews (ILSC)

**When:** November 23, 2013 at **University of Scouting**

**Where:** Church of Jesus Christ of LDS  
4300 Dale Rd., Modesto

**Check in:** 8:15 am to 8:45 am

**Training:** 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

**Who:** Any Venturing Crew youth interested  
in Venturing Leadership skills, FUN and Games!!

**Cost:** \$15 (cost will cover materials, trained patch and lunch). **Register by November 15. Cost will go up to \$20 after November 15.**

Have FUN, play games and

get.....



**Info:** Contact Cindy Vander Ploeg  
[jstpchy007@comcast.net](mailto:jstpchy007@comcast.net) or 209-814-4778

*This training is required for the Venturing Silver Award and will provide a basis for Venturing leaders to put on their own ILSC courses. ILSC is a pre-requisite to Kodiak Leadership training, National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) and National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE).*

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## Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews (ILSC), Saturday, November 23, 2013

- Please make your check payable to Greater Yosemite Council
- Place the following accounting # in the memo section of your check:  
**Event # 900942**
- Cost for training is only \$15.00 if registered by November 15 (\$20 after)
- Fill the form out and send your completed form with payment to the following address:

**Boy Scouts of America  
Greater Yosemite Council – ILSC Training  
4031 Technology Drive, Modesto CA 95356**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit type: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit #: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Event # 900942

# Camp Minkalo Weekend

## September 27, 28 & 29, 2013

This is a Service Event for our Council.

All Meals will be provided at **no cost** to all Pre-Registration participants by Sep 23, 2013.  
Indicate meals for which you will be in attendance.

Friday Cracker Barrel  Saturday Breakfast  Saturday Lunch  Saturday Dinner  Sunday Breakfast

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Unit \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate how you can assist at Camp Minkalo:

Pick Up Truck  Utility Trailer  Loading/Unloading Debris  Support Crew  
 Other (Describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Make sure you have work clothes, work gloves, sturdy shoes and water bottle(s).

## Minor Consent Form

Greater Yosemite Council, Boy Scouts of America, Authorization and Consent to Treat a Minor  
*Pursuant to California Civil Code Section 24.8 & Section 12552*

Name of Minor \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned does authorize the Greater Yosemite Council or registered adult leader in charge, as agent for the undersigned to consent to x-ray examination, anesthetic, medical, dental or surgical diagnosis or treatment and hospital care for the above minor which is deemed advisable by and be rendered under the general or special supervision of any physician or surgeon, dentist licensed under the Dental Practice Act, whether such diagnosis or treatment is tendered at the office of said physician orthodontist, at a hospital, Boy Scout Camp, or elsewhere. This authorization will remain effective while minor is in route to or from, or involved or participating, in any Boy Scout Camp, Boy Scout program or activity, including CAMPING, HIKING & SWIMMING, of the Greater Yosemite Council, Boy Scouts of America or unless revoked in writing by the undersigned or delivered to the aforesaid agent.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT OR GUARDIAN PRINT NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT OR GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

Primary Insurance Carrier: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy Number \_\_\_\_\_

In the event of an Emergency call: \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME Contact PHONE

## AN INVITATION

Open to all Venturing age youth (13- 18 year olds)!  
Young men and Young ladies!!



Date: Saturday, Sep. 21  
Time: 10 am to 2 pm  
Location: GYC Scout Center  
4031 Technology Dr., Modesto

Please email for more information  
and to RSVP....

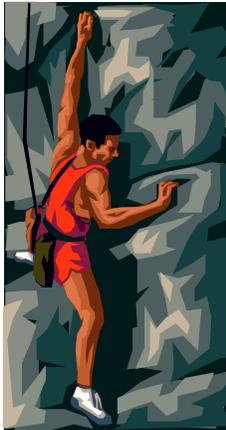
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# WATCH OUT *for* SNAKES!

## If a SNAKE BITES you:

- Remain calm & call the Poison Help line immediately.

**1-800-222-1222**

- Immobilize the bitten limb or body part at or slightly below heart level.
- Note the time the bite happened.
- Remove all tight clothing or jewelry.
- Wash the bite area with soap and water if it does not cause delay.
- Get to a hospital as quickly as possible, preferably by ambulance.

*Do*

- Don't try to capture or kill the snake, but try to remember its color and shape so you can describe it, which will help in your treatment. If you can do so safely and without delay, take a photo.

- Don't use a tourniquet.

- Don't use any form of suction.

- Don't cut the wound.

- Don't apply heat, cold, electricity or any substances to the bite.

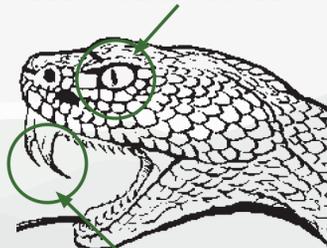
- Don't drink caffeine or alcohol or take any drugs.

*Don't*

## IS IT *Venomous?*

### COPPERHEAD, COTTONMOUTH AND RATTLESNAKES

ELLIPTICAL PUPILS



FANGS



TRIANGULAR HEAD

### CORAL SNAKE

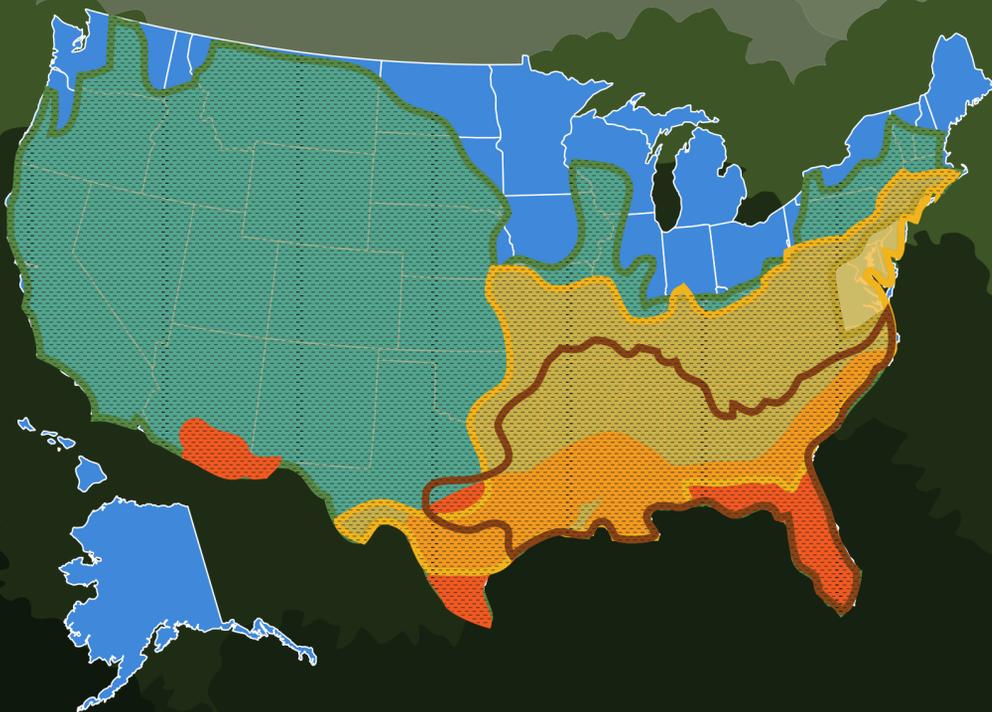
ROUNDED HEAD

RED AND BLACK BANDS DIVIDED BY A NARROW, YELLOW BAND



There are various types of these snakes in different regions of the United States. While their general features are the same, there are some minor differences in appearance.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 1-800-222-1222**



■ COPPERHEAD SNAKE ■ COTTONMOUTH SNAKE ■ CORAL SNAKE ■ RATTLESNAKE

## Symptoms and Signs of a SNAKE BITE:

- Intense pain spreading out from the bite
- A scratch or puncture(s) from fangs
- Progressive swelling and bruising where bitten
- Sweating
- Weakness
- Nausea and vomiting
- Muscle twitching
- Metallic taste in mouth
- Light-headedness or loss of consciousness



Want more info?

SCAN THIS:



Program the Poison Help number into your phone

SCAN THIS:

