Adventure Troop Registration

The Adventure Starts at

CAMP JOHN MENSINGER

*"It makes me crazy to think that he will sit there half the summer and play video games!" (*Ann Endsley, Parent of a scout). Many parents these days have this same concern! Scouting is now offering part of the solution! Since every Scout already goes to camp for a week each summer with his troop, the Greater Yosemite Council is offering the second week (and third and fourth and fifth…) of camp at a greatly reduced rate: 2nd week, $200.00, 3rd week on, only $150.00.

We are forming **Adventure Troops** made up of individual Scouts. These troops will be led by two experienced Scouters. Scouts participating with an Adventure Troop will have the opportunity to work on advancement, merits badges, and learn outdoor skills. The 'second' week of camp will put them ahead on the Scouting trail to Eagle – not to mention giving them the opportunity to practice and master self-reliance and leadership skills. And best of all, you will know that your Scout is in the great outdoors experiencing life 'hands-on', getting exercise in the fresh mountain air, and not sitting in front of the television!

Why Join the Adventure Troop . . .

…maybe your troop is only planning on *one* week of camp?! Your Scout can go to as many weeks of camp as he wants (his Scout leaders don't have to take additional time off - leadership is handled entirely by the Adventure Troop program).

…maybe your troop always goes to the same camp every year?! The Adventure Troop gives new camping experiences without derailing his troop's current plans.

…maybe you cannot afford the camp your Scout's unit is attending? Camp John Mensinger is priced as much as $100 less than most camps in California… including the big 3, Chawanakee, Royaneh, and Wente! If your son simply cannot bear the thought of camping without his buddies, have him bring them along. They can all sign up for the same week!

Adventure Troop Leadership

Adventure Troops will be led by experienced Scouters – mostly former Scoutmasters. There is one adult Scout leader for every 10 Adventure Troop Scouts with a minimum of two leaders. Additional youth leaders will be added for every 10 additional Adventure Troop Scout campers. If your son has attended NYLT he may be eligible to serve as one of these youth leaders. Contact the Modesto Service Center.

What Does the Adventure Troop Do At Camp?

All of the great activities Camp Mensinger offers are available to your Scout. If he is a newer Scout and seeking his First Class rank advancements he could enroll in the Woodsman Program and its Trail to First Class plan. He could take any of the more than 40+ merit badges offered during the camp week, including nine Eagle required badges, in our unique Vertical Scheduling program. If he is 14 or older he could participate in our week-long High Adventure Program. During his free time he can visit the shooting ranges and let some arrows fly, or visit our pool and cool off; maybe he will stop by the lake and go canoeing. Or just check out the forest or explore the old logging camp grounds. The possibilities are endless!

What is Vertical Programming?

Camp Mensinger is unique in that we offer merit badge classes, taught in a half-day, one-day, or two day vertical programming. This schedule will allow scouts to earn a variety of merit badges during their week in camp.

How to sign up

Complete this form and return to the council service center with the required deposit. Medical Forms, maps to camp, camp programs and advancement opportunities in the Leader's Guide can be found on the Greater Yosemite Scouting Website:

www.yosemitescouting.org

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Session Preference:

1. June 15-21 _____ 2. (LDS) June 22-28 _____

3. June 29-July 5 _____ 4. July 6-12_____

5. (LDS) July 13-19 _____

Payment Schedule

Regular Camp Fee: $320 Early Bird/ Gold Unit Fee: $300
Adult Fee: $150

$20 Per Scout deposit due March 1, 2014
$140 Per Scout payment due April 1, 2014
$140 Per Scout Balance due May 1, 2014 **(Final Rosters Due)**

***All fees must be paid in full by May 1, 2014 to receive Early Bird / Gold Unit Incentive & all fees are non-refundable.**

My troop is attending Camp Mensinger during week _____

Name_____

Address_____

City/State_____Zip Code_____

Home Phone_____

Cell Phone_____

Email_____

Troop Number_____

Parent/Guardian Name_____