

# The Eagle

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## Scoutmaster's Minute

Being part of Troop 380 is a special experience. As a Boy Scout Troop we do many things other troops do not get to participate in during the course of a Scout's tenure in the program. As a troop we have been to eight different summer camps, Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico, World Jamborees in England, Thailand, Chile, Korea, Canada, and Holland, Northern Tier in Minnesota and Canada, on the cover of Boy's Life Magazine, hosted the Kwahadi Dancers, and much, much more. We are able to do these things because of the wonderful volunteers we have in our Troop 380 family. I encourage you to become involved in this family and be part of this special experience. Help our Scouts have experiences that they will get in few other places.

Yours in Scouting,

Dave

## Committee Chair Report

By Zenaida Kamine

As Troop 380's Committee Chair, I would like to take this time to welcome all our new Scouts and their parents to our wonderful Troop. As you will see in this edition of the Eagle, there are many opportunities for both Scouts and parents to participate. We at Troop 380 are very lucky to have these many opportunities but they would not happen if not for the dedication of the many adults in this Troop. As a committee member there are many ways to help out in the troop: from volunteering at the many events, serving on Boards of Review before the Monday night meetings, driving to or from a campout or hike, using your knowledge to be a merit badge counselor, or even chairing one of the many events put on by the Troop. By becoming an active Troop Committee member, you will help to enrich not only your own son's life but also the lives of the other boys in the Troop. I would like to take this time to invite

all the parents to become Committee members and to attend the monthly Committee meeting held on the last Tuesday of each month in the building adjacent to the church at 7:30pm.

During the committee meetings you are able to get valuable information on all upcoming events and fundraisers as well as getting the chance to meet the other great parents and members of Troop 380. It is also a great way to put a face to the names of people your son talks about after the Monday night Troop meetings. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, hope to see you all there and again, Welcome to Troop 380!



## Eagle Watch

By Don Dier

Since our last Court of Honor in December, we've had two Scouts attain Eagle rank, Scouting's highest honor. Corey Reynolds became Troop 380's 112<sup>th</sup> Eagle and Garrett Marengo became Eagle #113. Congratulations Corey and Garrett! They are both planning for their Eagle Courts of Honor. As soon as dates are pinned down, announcements will be made.

Robert Born has rescheduled his Eagle Court of Honor for September 27th at Rosemont High School, where he completed his service project. Look for invitations this summer.

Greg Bringedahl has completed his Eagle Scout application and is awaiting his Board of Review, which should be scheduled very soon. The Eagle Scout Board of Review is organized by the advancement chairman of the Rio del Oro District and is comprised of adults not associated with Troop 380.

Lawrence Goedrich is putting the finishing touches on his service project, which is to build a decomposed granite walkway at city hall for the City of Rancho Cordova to allow people safe access to White Rock Road. Lawrence will be completing this Eagle Scout application soon, since his 18<sup>th</sup> birthday is creeping up in early May.

Alistair Fortson is finalizing his Eagle Scout application and will have likely submitted it by the time you read this. If so, he will be having his Eagle Scout Board of Review very soon. His Service Project was building and finishing 18 four-foot long benches for use by his school, Country Day School. Alistair reports that the benches have been used many times already and the school is very appreciative of this most useful project.

If you are a Life Scout, or a Star Scout nearing the Life rank, please start thinking about a plan to attain your Eagle rank. It's never too soon. Because an Eagle Scout Service Project must be approved by the Scoutmaster, troop committee and the Rio del Oro District before it can be carried out, there is quite a bit of lead time involved. You should allow at least three months from project concept to final approval before the project can be carried out. After the project is completed, another month should be planned for completion of the service project workbook and application.

If you are thinking about an Eagle Scout Service Project, please talk to Don Dier about your ideas. He's the troop's advisor for Eagle Advancement and will assist you with putting your proposal together for presentation to the troop committee. The project cannot be carried out without Scoutmaster, committee and district approval. If you don't have any ideas for a project, Don can help with that too. There are many good Eagle project ideas waiting to happen.

## Centennial Silver Dollars



This year the United States Mint will issue **2010 Boy Scouts of America Centennial Silver Dollars** in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the organization. The coins are currently scheduled for release on March 23, 2010.

The coins are struck in a composition of 90% silver and 10% copper. Each coin has a weight of 26.73 grams and a diameter of 1.5 inches. The coins will be minted in proof and uncirculated versions with a maximum mintage of 350,000 coins.

The word "uncirculated" means the coin has not been in circulation, however "ordinary" uncirculated coins often

have bag marks, edge knocks and other small scuffs and imperfections. Uncirculated "specimen" coins issued specially for collectors (such as these BSA coins) are more carefully produced and handled, so they are better than ordinary coins mass produced for circulation, but may still have some small imperfections.

A "proof" coin's background parts have a highly polished mirror finish, and the raised parts of the design have a matt or frosted finish, giving a higher level of contrast between the two. This is achieved by sand-blasting the die, the hardened steel punch with which the blank coins are struck, to give a matt finish, followed by giving the raised parts of the die a highly polished surface, usually by polishing them with diamond powder. The coin blanks themselves are produced to a higher quality of finish before striking. Proof coins are usually double struck at lower striking speeds, to give a higher and sharper definition. They are produced on a special machine, and may be hand, rather than mechanically fed into and extracted from the coining press. They are individually inspected, and packaged.

Since the US Mint has a flat shipping charge per order, I will be putting in an order for several coins. If you would like to order one, please sign up by tonight, since the order will be going in tomorrow morning. The uncirculated coin is \$34.00 and the proof coin is \$40.00. You can pay on delivery. The US Mint gives \$10.00 from each coin sold to the BSA. I have the recent Lincoln proof silver dollar on display at the sign-up sheet so you can see what it will look like.

Don Dier



## Spring 2010 Merit Badge Program

By Bob Williamson

### Winter 2010 Wrap-up and Spring 2010 Schedule

The winter 2010 merit badge sessions are winding up. Thank you to Sheri, LaMar, Neil, and Charles for being available as merit badge counselors at the 6 merit badge meetings during the last three months.

**ADULTS/MOTHERS/FATHERS** - We need new counselors! Merit badge counselors that participate at our troop meetings are adults that have volunteered to help the Scouts in a very direct manner. We especially need counselors for the Eagle required merit badges. Please see if there is an area where you have an interest and willingness to help out.

The Troop will be offering a new cycle of badges for the Spring-2010 session. The following merit badges are tentatively scheduled for April 4 and 19, May 3 and 17, and June 7 and 21. Merit badge meetings take place at 6:30 PM on the Troop meeting nights noted.

1. First Aid – Mac W. (maybe) - Counselor
2. Emergency Preparation – Sherri B. - Counselor
3. Pioneering – Mark S. - Counselor
4. Indian Lore– Cindy F. – Counselor

Emergency Preparation Badge takes on particular significance in light of the recent news images from Haiti and Chile. Helping your family to be prepared for a regional disaster event maybe one of the very best things a Scout can do.

With many counselors we can offer a varied and enriching program to all of the Scouts. Please see me to discuss how you might help the Scouts in this area.



## Order of the Arrow Patwin Chapter Report

Jamie Brown, Vice Chief of Administration

The Patwin chapter has been very busy over the past few months. Recently, we have conducted six Arrow of Light ceremonies and seven troop elections for Order of the Arrow candidates. These have required learning and memorizing scripts and would not have been possible without the motivation and dedication of our members. Zachary Burgess and Jimmie Garcia also represented our chapter at the University of Scouting. In addition, numerous members from our chapter assisted at the Golden Empire Council Recognition Dinner. We have also been planning for the Callout Ceremony which will be performed at Scout Expo. Our chapter is also responsible for leading the Camp Winton ordeal over the weekend of June 11 to June 13. Our chapter has participated in numerous events over the past few months that have been both fun for the participants and beneficial to those we have assisted as well as proudly showing why the Order of the Arrow is also known as the brotherhood of cheerful service. We encourage all members, especially chapter officers, to attend our next chapter meeting on the second Thursday of April to learn how they can fulfill their obligation by becoming active in our chapter.



## Troop Pictures

Troop 380 maintains a comprehensive collection of pictures from each of our events and activities. They can all be found on our website at <http://t380.org>. Because picture file sizes have grown as technology improves, the files posted on the website are reduced to conserve storage space on the server. They're still plenty large enough to make up to 8x10 prints. However, we do make available DVDs of all the years' pictures at full image size. This year we've had to use two DVDs due to both increasing picture file sizes and all the activities our troop participates in. The set of two DVDs costs \$5.00.

We encourage members of Troop 380 to take pictures at events. When you do, ask me for a thumb drive to copy the pictures onto. I'm the conduit for getting pictures posted on the website. As such, I'll make some decisions about which pictures are posted. This isn't intended to stifle anyone's creativity, but is merely intended to minimize the number of random trees, clouds and blurry/repeated pictures. I do ask that you do some editing yourself before giving me the pictures. Simple things such as deleting blurry/repeated/underexposed/overexposed pictures and rotating them if needed will make the task of getting them on the website a lot easier (at least for me).

The Picture Guy

Don Dier

## Troop Website

Have you visited the troop website at <http://t380.org>? If you haven't, you're missing out on what is probably one of the premier troop websites on the Internet. (Modesty is not one of our traits in Troop 380). If you have, then you know you can find just about anything you want to know about the troop there.

Check out all the features the website has to offer:

The **Home** page contains Dave's blogs, a listing of site updates and past issues of The Eagle newsletter.

The **Calendar** is updated continuously. If you have any changes or additions, let Dave or the webmaster know.

The **Photos** page we are especially proud of. It contains all the troop's digital photos back to 2000. The photos, which are not protected so you can copy them, can be viewed in three levels of resolution, from thumbnail to full-sized.

The **Scouts and Scouters** pages attempt to have current information on members and leaders. We've added all the Merit Badge counselors in Troop 380 in addition to a phone list.

The **Forms** page has a blank permission slip along with permission slips for upcoming activities ready for download.

Finally, **Venture Crew 380** has a tab which opens into additional tabs featuring their calendar, photos and members.

By the way, the webmaster is Duane Dier, Troop 380's 54<sup>th</sup> Eagle Scout. Duane is an engineer working in the satellite division of The Boeing Company and lives in Redondo Beach. He wanted to continue supporting the troop and felt developing and maintaining the new website was a great way to do so from many miles away. Ah, the wonders of technology. His address, which can be found at the bottom of each web page, is [webmaster@t380.org](mailto:webmaster@t380.org).

A website is only useful if the information is current and accurate. Several leaders attempt to keep it updated. If you see an error, missing or outdated information, or want to comment on any aspect of the site, please send Dave and Duane a short note.



### Venturing Crew Report

The crew has been working on their bicycling requirement. We need to change the date of our rafting

trip. We are looking at the weekend of June 19/20 for our next campout and rafting trip. We will camp on Saturday and raft on Sunday.

The crew is planning to attend Scout Expo as a unit and will be camping in the same area as the other Venturing Crews. Our future activities include finishing the bicycling elective, a backpacking trip next summer and going to Sea Base in 2011.



## Celebrating 100 Years - A Year of Celebration

For 100 years, the Boy Scouts of America has created a strong foundation of leadership, service, and community for millions of America's youth. Through "*A Year of Celebration, A Century of Making a Difference*" we will demonstrate the incredible impact of a century of living the Scout Law.

Program participants will earn recognition for making a difference in their communities due to their dedication to five of Scouting's core values: Leadership, Character, Community Service, Achievement, and the Outdoors. Through that commitment, participants can earn each of five award ribbons to display from our 100th Anniversary commemorative patch.

For more info go to <http://scouting.org/100years/100years/ayeurofcelebration.aspx>



## Outings and Activities – Past Events



### GO GREEN with Boy Scouts

By Denise Rollins

We incorporated a new fund raiser this year with X-mas tree collection: E-Waste recycling.

We joined with CEAR and had a donation station for e-waste at Sequoia School. On Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> we collected and people dropped off their e-waste. It was a terrific turn out. We collected 9,400 lbs of e-waste.

The collection bin was full. We raised \$885.00. There were over 70 parents and Scouts that participated, thank you all.

I'd also like to thank Ramonah Raye for providing the



most classiest set up for breakfast I think we have ever had, and Laura Chang for providing a delicious breakfast the following Saturday.



## Bowling Night

On December 27<sup>th</sup>, the troop met at Strikes Bowling Center in Elk Grove for Bowling Night. Over 70 people showed up to play and the troop used 12 lanes. We met at 5:30 p.m. and started bowling at 6:00 p.m. We bowled about 2 games and had pizza, cupcakes and drinks. We were done by about 7:30 p.m. and we all went home.



## White Elephant Party

By Neil Ishikawa

First I want to thank everyone who attended the party this year. It was our first party in our new house and it really has made it feel like home after that. It was a great time to hang out with all the parents and not have to yell, "Walk, Scout!" every five minutes. There were almost fifty parents there this year, our most in a long time so it made for a great party. Tons of Christmas spirit was shared by all, with wonderful gifts being shared. From artsy lighting decoration to golden works of modern art. I already have my eyes open for next year's party gift and really plan on finding something special to share. I hope everyone can make it next year as I am sure it will be a great party.



## Webelos Open House

By Angel Echevarria

The Webelos Open House was held at the church on January 11. The troop was asked to be there at 6:00 to 6:30 pm. There were displays set up in the chapel and

the Cub Scouts were greeted by greeters and shown some new knots. The meeting started at 7:00, and we carried on with flags and upcoming events like a regular meeting. We then showed a slide show of our previous campouts to the Webelos and their parents, and afterwards, the parents were sent into the chapel to discuss details while the Webelos stayed with us to do the program. We had 6 different stations for the Webelos to check out. There were 4 groups of Cub Scouts, each led by a leader. We did rotations every 10 minutes or so. The six areas were first aid, uniform, Dutch-oven cooking, car lot, gear and knots. After we finished with program, we had all of the Scouts go and get a quick bite to eat then we circled up. By now, the parents were coming back from the chapel. We did a closing circle like we would in a regular meeting, thanked the Webelos for coming, sang Scout Vespers, and cleaned up and went home around 8:45 p.m.



## Bike and Ice Campout

By Joey Schiele, January 27, 2010

The Bike and Ice campout was on January 16<sup>th</sup>. Because of a slight chance of rain the trip was changed to a day campout. There were about 15-16 people who went on this trip. We met at the school around 8:30 a.m. We checked to make sure all of our gear was ready and headed out for Natomas Lake around 9 a.m. It was about a 16 mile bike ride there, and took us about 3 hours to complete the 16 miles. When we got there, we broke out lunch. Maryann was there with hot chocolate and cup of noodles. After a pleasant rest, we started the long trip back. We got back at around 4:00 p.m.

Mathew Brown and Ted Dang, a Webelos Scout father, both earned the Order of the Ice Cube.



## Adventure Base 100

The Boy Scouts of America brought Adventure Base 100 to Sacramento's International Sportsmen's Exposition at Cal Expo on January 21-24, 2010. AB100 featured the Boy Scout's Traveling Museum, a ropes course, the Go Dome, and a High Adventure Photo Booth. During its four-day run over 12,000 visitors came to see the 10,000 square foot exhibit to celebrate Scouting's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Many of Troop 380's Scouts were featured in the news and you can even catch a glimpse of them on the videos on Boy Scout You Tube. Adventure Base 100 started its journey at the Rose Parade on New Year's Day and will travel to forty U.S. cities during this anniversary year. We were very fortunate to play host to this awesome exhibit here in the Golden Empire Council. Dave Ishikawa was the exhibit coordinator and wanted to thank the many volunteers and Scouts that helped to work at Adventure Base 100.



### University of Scouting

By Erik Carlson

On Saturday, January 23, 2010 our council held its annual University of Scouting at Natomas High School in Sacramento. This training was for all levels of the Scouting program from Cub Scouts to Venture Crew leaders and youths. Other highlights for the day include a Midway full of displays, activities, and a great Scout store to purchase items you need to be a successful leader. Thank you to the 380 adults and youth who attended either teaching or participating in the all day event.



### Rosemont Community Association Meeting - Citizenship in the Community

What would bring a handful of Scouts in uniform out on a cold and rainy night? A chance to work on a merit badge and to provide the Color Guard and lead the Pledge of Allegiance for the Rosemont Community Association meeting held in the Rosemont High School library on February 4, 2010. Attending the meeting were Angel E., Aaron R., Daniel R., Tyler S., and Alex M., assistant Scoutmaster Sheri Rush and Lynn Gage

as one of the requirements for the Citizenship in the Community merit badge.

Among the topics covered at the meeting were the RCA membership drive, crime in the community, and the RCA annual picnic and celebration. But the issue creating the most discussion was the problem of loitering teens at TS Market and Little Caesar's Pizza each day after school. A couple of our Scouts who attend Rosemont High were able to voice their opinion on the matter.

Although a decision wasn't made the Scouts were able to participate in an important community event and witness democracy in action. In addition, by conducting the flag ceremony for a non-Scout organization, the Scouts were also able to complete the first requirement for the "Character" ribbon on the *Year of Celebration Award*. Not too bad for one night's work. At the end of the meeting the Scouts withdrew the colors and helped restore the library to its normal appearance before heading home.



### Scout Sunday

In celebration of Scout Sunday on February 7, 2010, the troop attended the 11:00 a.m. service at Emmanuel Baptist Church, our Troop sponsor and meeting place. Forty-four family members and Scouts attended to show support for the church. Dave Ishikawa made a special presentation to the church on behalf of Troop 380. Afterwards we were invited to attend a potluck lunch with the members of the congregation.



### Golden Empire Council Recognition Dinner - "A Year of Celebration"

Many Thanks to all in our Troop who stepped up once again and helped with the dinner. This years' dinner was held in the Ballroom at Sac State. Jim Terry, the Asst. Chief Scout Executive was our guest speaker and the Drum and Fife Corps were a great addition. Our adults and OA members helped with setting up, manning the parking lot, giving direction and of course the clean-up. It was a great evening with attendance of approximately 350. **THANK YOU, TO ALL THOSE WHO HELPED!**



## Snow Camp Out

### Cancelled due to snow storm

Our annual trip to the Sierra Nevada was cancelled due to an impending snowstorm. Following the *BSA Safe Scouting Guidelines*, the adult leadership made the decision to cancel the camp out due to the threat of possible severe weather, erring on the side of caution.

## Pack 380 Bridging

By Brett Allred

On February 12, Pack 380 held their bridging ceremony. Most of the people attending showed up at about 6:00 p.m. and the dining started about 6:30 p.m. We ate for an hour and then the pack meeting started. There were 4 people representing the troop and 2 representing the Order of the Arrow. The Black Pirates were the den bridging. We had 6 Webelos bridge to the troop. We left at 8:30 p.m.

## Pack 16 Bridging

By Zack Burgess

On February 25, Bob Williamson, Sheri Rush, Aaron R., and myself, went to the city of Wilton and attended the Pack 16 Blue and Gold dinner. After the dinner Pack 16 held their bridging ceremony. We did a bridging ceremony where we got 2 new Scouts. There was even a baby goat. The baby goat, or kid, was used in the bridging ceremony for one Webelos Scout to 4H. Thanks to Bob for arranging the bridging and Sheri, Aaron and Zack for volunteering to attend.

## Pack 383 Bridging

By William Ruygt

On February 27 we had 3 Webelos bridge to our troop from Pack 383 during their Blue and gold ceremony. They are Michael Taylor, Ethan Dang and Anthony Traversi. Kelson and I were there as Order of the

Arrow members and to help with their Arrow of Light ceremony. Michael Kuykendall did a great job with the bridging ceremony and the following Scouts from the troop were there Adam, Connor, Kelson and I. The adults from the troop were our Scoutmaster Dave, and assistant Scoutmasters Erik, Michael, Don, Elizabeth, Josh, Patrick, and Gary. After the ceremony they had a nice lunch and cake. Everyone had a great time. Welcome to our new Troop 380 Scouts from Pack 383.



## Skills Camp Out

Troop 380 held their traditional Skills Camp Out on March 20-21, 2010, at Camp Pollock. Assistant Scoutmaster Mike Kuykendall organized the event with our current Scouts reporting on Friday night. On Saturday morning they welcomed our newest troop members as they arrived and began to show our new Scouts how to be successful in the program. Other adult leaders helping with the event were Erik Carlson, Dave Ishikawa, Neil Ishikawa, Josh Kuykendall, Johnie Pennington, Charles Potter, Sheri Rush and Mark Woosley. Thanks Mike for putting on a great event.

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## Upcoming Events

### Family Ski and Snowboard Day

The Family Ski and Snowboard day has been rescheduled to Sunday, March 28, 2010, at Boreal Ski Resort. Scouts and their families can ski, snowboard, or go tubing at Boreal Ski Resort at Donner Summit. Group prices are available. Please see Jon Traum if you have any questions.

### Aquatics Day

By Floyd Brown

If your son's Spring break from school is the week of March 30<sup>th</sup>, the troop has a great activity to start off the week.

How about a day at the CSUS Aquatic Center to learn canoe and kayak paddling and then go out on Lake Natomas to demonstrate what has been learned. We will meet at 8:30 AM on March 29, 2010, at the Aquatic Center, located at Hazel Ave and Nimbus Dam and end the day about 2:00. Please have swimsuit, towel, water bottle, sunscreen (yes it will be sunny, but water won't be warm), and finally a lunch along with the required CSUS Permission slip (the troop permission slip is also required). A few of the CSUS Permission Slips will be at the meeting, if not they are available online at [www.sacstateaquaticcenter.com](http://www.sacstateaquaticcenter.com).

The scout should be comfortable in cold water over their head (they will have a life jacket on) and be physically able to paddle for several hours.

Cost will be \$20. The trip will be cancelled if that darn rain reappears.

## Spring Cleaning

Our March 29<sup>th</sup> Troop Meeting will be held at Dave and Chris Ishikawa's House at 5:00 PM. We will be doing our spring cleaning of the trailers and sheds. We will provide hot dogs and drinks for everyone participating. Please dress in clothes appropriate for clean up. We will finish at approximately 7:30 PM. All participants are asked to sign up at the Court of Honor or email Dave (sm-380@comcast.net) by March 25<sup>th</sup> so we know how much food to purchase.

## Northern California Jamboree

Troop 380 will participate in the Northern California Jamboree to be held at the Alameda County Fair Grounds on April 16-18, 2010. This mega Scout event will be another of the many 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations to be sponsored by the BSA. Over 9 Northern California Councils will be participating in the huge event. With over 15,000 Scouts and Leaders, this event promises to be a spectacular event. Unfortunately signups for the event have already closed, so we are not accepting any more permission slips.



## "Scouting, 100 Years and Beyond," - Scout Expo 2010

The biggest event in Golden Empire Council history will be happening on April 30-May 2, 2010, at Beale Air Force Base. "Scouting, 100 Years and Beyond"

will be the Golden Empire Council's closest experience to a National Jamboree. Sub Camps, Flight Line Exhibits, Fly Overs, Action Alley, Community Showcase, Arena Show, Interfaith Services, and much more will bring Scouts and leaders from all over the Golden Empire Council. We estimate 8,000 Cubs, Webelos, Scouts, Venturers, and leaders will be present. Also on tap will be the Order of the Arrow Call Out ceremonies on Friday evening. Please sign up as soon as possible so you do not miss out on this event. The deadline for Troop registration is March 22<sup>nd</sup>, the night of our Court of Honor. The fee for the weekend is \$20.00 which includes food. Participants will receive a patch and Scout Expo t-shirt. Late registration will be accepted until April 5<sup>th</sup>, but the fee goes up to \$30.00 (paid after March 22<sup>nd</sup>). Mike Kuykendall will be Scoutmaster for this event. Don't miss this great event.

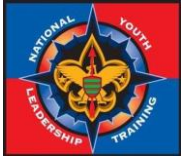
**Scout Expo Staff:** By the way, we are looking for adults to help out at Expo. You can be part of the staff by registering on-line. The fee is \$20.00 and \$17.50 for staff feeding. Please see Bob Williamson (Sub Camp SR-71), Chris Ishikawa (Administration), Ralph Merrill (Merit Badges), Johnie Pennington (Sub Camp Operations), Mac and Tonia Cameron (Trading Post), Ken Allred (Arena Show), or Dave Ishikawa (Scout Expo Chairman) if you would like to be on staff.



## Rio Del Oro District Dinner

Each year the Rio Del Oro District recognizes its volunteers at the Annual Rio Del Oro District Recognition Dinner. This year the dinner will be held at the Rancho Cordova Elk's Lodge off Sunrise Blvd, on Saturday, May 8, 2010, at 6:00 PM. The highlight of the evening will be the presentation of awards. Each unit will be allowed to honor a Scouter with the Unit Spark Plug Award for service to his or her unit. We will be selecting our Spark Plugs at the next Troop Parent Meeting on Tuesday, March 30, 2010. Also presented at the dinner will be the Phil Boelhoffer Scoutmaster Award. Phil was an outstanding Scoutmaster in our district for many years and we will honor a Scouter in his name with this annual award. The highest award presented at the district level, the District Award of Merit or what is popularly known as the Silver Bear will be presented at the dinner. Recipients of this award must be nominated by a fellow Scouter and selected by a committee of past Silver Bears. Nomination forms for the Phil Boelhoffer Scoutmaster Award and the Silver Bear Award are available on the RDO District Website. The Spark Plug Award recipients will be nominated by our

Troop Committee at our next meeting. With the realignment of the districts in our council this may be the last Rio Del Oro District Dinner. Cost for dinner is \$15.00. Please let Chris Ishikawa know if you plan on attending and we will put in a group reservation. Plan on attending this special evening and help us honor our great volunteers.



## **NYLT – National Youth Leadership Training**

By Erik Carlson

Each year the Golden Empire Council conducts the National Youth Leader Training Course. This year the council will have 2 courses, first one will be conducted over two weekends, May 14-16 and May 21-23, 2010 and the second is the week long course in July 5-10, 2010. This course is offered to Scouts who want to learn more about leadership skills and someday be part of the troop leadership. This year the troop will allow 4 Scouts to go and there will be an application process for the boys to apply. The troop provides a half scholarship to those attending this training course the May course. NYLT is an outstanding leadership course and is highly recommended for Scouts who want to be successful leaders in Scouting. For further information please see Erik Carlson. Good luck to all of our participants.

## **Wood Badge Training**

**For information regarding this training course in May, 2010, at Camp Lassen, please see assistant Scoutmaster Gary Lentsch.**

## **Mothers: Raft the River with Your Scout!**

By Sherri Brown

Continue to celebrate Mother's Day a week later by joining us on an exclusive mother and son rafting trip on the lower American River on Sunday, May 16. We will be renting rafts and floating with the current from Sunrise Boulevard to River Bend Park. The meeting time will be approximately 9:30 a.m., and the trip will end between 2 and 6 p.m., depending on water flow and the pace the group wants to set.

The river is smooth flowing and only has one true Class I rapid about half way down the run, at San Juan Rapids. These rapids are exciting yet navigable by even the novice rafter. This run is not a thrill ride; it's

an easy float on which you can enjoy sunning and swimming one of the clearest rivers in the west! The most excitement will probably be from boys with water blasters!

Participants should bring:

- lunch and drinks in a small cooler or insulated lunch bag (no glass containers)
- sunscreen
- sunglasses
- shoes or sandals that can get wet, will stay on and have a bit of traction

Life jackets will be provided, but you may use your own if you'd like. They must be worn at all times when on the river.

We need to book the rafts early, so sign-ups will begin in late March. For more information, contact Sherri Brown at 205-5184 or sherribro3@pacbell.net.



## **High Sierra Shootout**

By Erik Carlson

Don't miss out on a great fundraiser that steps back in time to the Wild West era with the High Sierra Shootout. It will take place on May 27-30, 2010. I'm looking Scouts and families that would like to earn money for their Scout accounts. We will be cooking for the participants of the Shootout all 4 days. The boys will assist in the opening Flag Ceremony, gathering recyclable, cleaning the closed ranges of all trash and shell casing, and refilling ice chests of water bottles. If you are available to help out any or all days of the Shootout please contact Erik Carlson at 502-2942 or email at cubmasterp808@yahoo.com.

## **Fair Oaks Cemetery Service Project**

By Elizabeth Ruygt

Memorial Day Weekend Troop 380 will be doing their annual service project at the historical Fair Oaks Cemetery on Olive Street in Fair Oaks. On the morning of Saturday May 29 when the cemetery holds its Memorial Day Service the Scouts will help out by directing traffic and handing out programs. After the memorial service the troop will help take down the chairs and awnings. In the afternoon we will return to the cemetery to take down the Avenue of Flags. Early Monday morning, May 31, we return to the cemetery to put up the Avenue of Flags, returning in the

afternoon to take down the flags. This is a popular service project that the boys enjoy because of the interesting headstones, and the beautiful rolling hills. There are four time slots Scouts and parents can sign up for. If you would like more information about this project please speak to Elizabeth Ruygt.



## Rio Del Oro's Twilight Camp

By Erik Carlson

It's that time of year again. We are looking for help with Rio Del Oro's Twilight Camp which is Thursday and Friday evening and all day Saturday, June 10 – 12. We need adults to run activities and help with other jobs, Scouts are also needed to be Den Chiefs for the Cub Scout dens. This year Twilight Camp is being held at Mather Elementary School, 4370 School Street, Mather CA 95655. This year's "Cub Scout Sport: All American" theme promises to be lots of fun learning about different sport belt loops for three memorable days. If you can help for either one or all three days, please call Camp Director Dennis Reed at 203-5718 or email [marion\\_reed@att.net](mailto:marion_reed@att.net) or Program Director Brian Danzl 826-1470 or email [Parax97@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Parax97@sbcglobal.net).

## Englebright Canoe/Backpack Campout

The weekend of June 11-13, 2010, the troop will be camping at Englebright Lake. Upon arrival, the Scouts will either backpack or canoe into our unique campsite. The next morning we will take a hike across the longest covered bridge in California and along the lakeshore. Bring your fishing pole. On Sunday the Scouts will hike or canoe out. For further information, please see Joe Reynolds.



## Golf Night

Please join Troop 380 for Golf night on Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010. It will be at Bradshaw Ranch Golf Course. It will start at 5:00 p.m. There will be an award for the closest to the hole, most accurate drive, best putting score, and lowest team scores. Hotdogs, chips, and sodas will be served afterwards. You will receive a special token if you attend.

## Summer Camp 2010: Camp Royaneh

We are heading for Camp Royaneh on July 4-10, 2010. Camp Royaneh is one of Troop 380's favorite

destinations for summer camp. Royaneh is owned and operated by the San Francisco Bay Area Council and is located close to the sleepy little town of Cazadero, close to the Russian River and the California Coast. Featuring horseback riding, archery, rifle shooting, mountain man area, swimming pool, handicraft area, first year camper program (Baden-Powell), Scoutcraft, shotgun shooting, and nature programs the camp provides something for everyone. If you want to go to camp \$340 is due this evening at the Court of Honor. New members must submit a \$150.00 deposit as soon as possible. New Scouts must complete payments by May 17, 2010. Please see Dave Ishikawa if you would like to make a request for a Campership. Don't forget that summer camp is one of the most important experiences of the year for Scouts. Please see Dave if you have any questions.



## 2010 National Jamboree

Troop 380 has 17 Scouts and 3 adults heading to Virginia in July. Johnie Pennington is the Contingent Leader, Chris Ishikawa – Scoutmaster, and Zachary Kamine – Asst. Scoutmaster. Our plane takes off July 22 heading to Washington, D.C. where we tour for a couple of days, then go to Williamsburg, Busch Gardens and then off to the Jamboree. There we'll spend 10 days with just a few of our 45,000 friends. I'm sure this will be a great adventure for us all!

## 22<sup>nd</sup> World Jamboree – Sweden

Be a part of Simply Scouting, the 2011 World Scout Jamboree on the fields of Rinkaby, not far from the town of Kristianstad, in the province of Skåne, southern Sweden. Hosted by The Swedish Guide and Scout Council, the 22<sup>nd</sup> World Scout Jamboree will run from July 27-August 7, 2011. The purpose of the event is to bring together Boy Scouts, Venturers, leaders, and staff to share international friendship and adventure for personal growth and development.

The upcoming World Scout Jamboree in Rinkaby, Sweden, promises to be one of the best ever. With 40,000 Scouts expected to attend from six continents and more than 114 countries, it's going to be a world-class event, one you can be a part of if you start planning now.

At Rinkaby, you will get to live and learn with fellow Scouts and leaders from around the world. You'll be housed in tents along with the BSA contingent, but

you'll soon venture out to mingle with tens of thousands for two weeks of activities and adventure. That's right, a world fellowship exercise on an enormous scale!

Please see Dave Ishikawa or Chris Ishikawa for more details. The approximate cost for the World Jamboree is \$3,500 to participate in the Boy Scouts of America contingent to the Jamboree. This cost includes air, ground transportation, Jamboree fees, and meals. The next World Jamboree will be held in Japan in 2015.

## **22<sup>nd</sup> World Jamboree – Sweden for Adults and Scouts**

Chris Ishikawa is putting together a group tour that will visit the World Jamboree in Sweden (see above article) and tour parts of Europe. Parents, friends, and Scouts wishing to participate in the tour in 2011 should contact Chris as soon as possible. The tour cost will be similar to the contingent fee for the Scouts, which includes air transportation, accommodations, two meals per day, all admission fees to historical areas, ground transportation and tour guides will be with us constantly. This will be a great experience and a chance to see Sweden, Denmark, Germany, and France.

## **Summer 2011, 2012, and Beyond**

Troop 380 has always prided itself in its long range planning. Already planned for the summer of 2011 is the 22<sup>nd</sup> World Jamboree in Sweden. We also are looking at Camp Chawanakee for our destination for summer camp in 2011 and possibly also Camp Winton as a second camp.

In 2012 we will return to Camp Royaneh, but also plan a trip to Camp Buffalo Bill Cody at the East Gate of Yellowstone National Park. The trip will also include a visit to Yellowstone, Grand Tetons, and Jackson Hole, Wyoming. This will be a road tour and summer camp trip wrapped into one. Look for more details in the near future.

In 2013 the National Jamboree will return with a new location. The Jamboree will move to the New River Gorge in West Virginia. The BSA is spending \$300,000 to develop this property. Participants must be at least 12 years old and under the age of 18 years old at the time of the Jamboree.

Troop 380 will also be planning new adventures to both Philmont and Northern Tier High Adventure

Bases in the coming years. Crew 380 is working on a trip to the Florida Sea Base in 2011. Look for more adventures by Troop 380 in the years to come.



## **Celebrate Scouting Stamp**

This summer the United States Postal Service will release the new Celebrate Scouting Stamp to coincide with the National Jamboree. In recognition of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, the new stamp pays tribute not only to the first Boy Scouts but also recognizes that today's Scouts are continuing Scouting's traditions and creating new ones.

For more information go to

<http://ww2.scouting.org/100years/100years/100YearsStamp.aspx>

At the website you will find a downloadable copy of the Celebrate Scouting stamp design from the United States Postal Service and a coordinating letterhead design to personalize your letters.

Also available at the website is information on the Boy Scouts of America's Letter Writing Campaign for Soldiers and Veterans. This is a way to remind our troops and our veterans how much we appreciate and value their service. By participating in the letter writing campaign to our veterans and the men and women of the U.S. Armed Forces serving overseas, you can continue the BSA's long standing tradition of service and good turns.

## **Fundraising**

Just one of our many services: providing Scouts a way to earn money for their Scout accounts. We just closed the See's Easter Candy sale, so we won't have See's until the winter sale. We have World's Finest Chocolate – you check out a box of 50 bar variety box; each bar sells for \$1.00, you turn in the \$50 and \$25 goes in your Scout account. This a very easy sell, everyone likes chocolate.

In the fall we will have our Magazine sales, this is another large moneymaker for our Scouts, and everyone reads magazines. Another opportunity Christmas Tree Recycling and don't forget POPCORN!

## Troop 380 Activity Calendar

Mar. 26-27	Pre Jamboree Camp Out	Camp Pollock	Chris Ishikawa
Mar. 28	Family Ski and Snowboard Day	Boreal Ski Resort	Jon Traum
Mar. 29	Aquatics Day	CSU Aquatics Center	Floyd Brown
Mar. 29	Troop Spring Cleaning 5:00 PM	Ishikawa's House	Dave Ishikawa
Mar. 29	Patrol Leaders' Council 7:30 PM	Ishikawa's House	Jamie B. /Dave
Mar. 30	Troop Parent Meeting 7:30 PM	Church	Zenaida Kamine
Apr. 5	Merit Badges	Church	Bob Williamson
Apr. 5	Troop Meeting	Church	Jamie B. /Dave
Apr. 6	GEC Eagle Dinner	Radisson Hotel	Dave Ishikawa
Apr. 8	RDO Roundtable	Cordova LDS Church	Chris Ishikawa
Apr. 9	Scout Expo Planning Meeting	Camp Pollock	Dave Ishikawa
Apr. 11	Jamboree Troop Meeting	TBA	Chris Ishikawa
Apr. 12	Troop Meeting	Church	Jamie B. /Dave
Apr. 16-18	Northern California Jamboree	Alameda Fair Grounds	
Apr. 19	Troop Meeting	Church	Jamie B. /Dave
Apr. 24	Beale Field Trip	Beale AFB	Bob Williamson
Apr. 26	Patrol Leaders' Council 6:30 PM	Church	Jamie B. /Dave
Apr. 26	Troop Meeting	Church	Jamie B. /Dave
Apr. 27	Troop Parent Meeting 7:30 PM	Church	Zenaida Kamine
Apr 30-May2	Scout Expo	Beale AFB	Mike Kuykendall
May 3	Troop Meeting	Church	Jamie B. /Dave
May 8	RDO District Dinner	Cordova Elk's Lodge	Chris Ishikawa
May 10	Troop Meeting	Church	Jamie B. /Dave
May 13	RDO Roundtable	Cordova LDS Church	Chris Ishikawa
May 16	Scout and Mom Raft Trip	American River	Sherri Brown
May 17	Summer Camp Fees Due-\$340.00	Church	Becky Mesker
May 17	Troop Meeting	Church	Jamie B. /Dave
May 22	Jamboree Troop San Francisco Trip	San Francisco	Chris Ishikawa
May 24	Patrol Leaders' Council 6:30 PM	Church	Jamie B. /Dave
May 24	Troop Meeting	Church	Jamie B. /Dave
May 24	Summer Camp Meeting 7:30 PM	Church	Dave Ishikawa
May 27-29	High Sierra Shoot Out –Fundraiser	TBA	Erik Carlson
May 29/31	Fair Oaks Cemetery Project	Fair Oaks Cemetery	Elizabeth Ruygt
June 7	Troop Meeting	Church	Jamie B. /Dave
June 10	RDO Roundtable	Cordova LDS Church	Chris Ishikawa
June 11-13	Canoe/Backpack Trip	Lake Engelbright	Joe Reynolds

June 14	Summer Court of Honor	Church	
July 4-10	Camp Royaneh	Camp Royaneh	Dave Ishikawa
July 22-Aug 4	National Jamboree	Caroline County Virginia	

Merit Badges and New Scout Advancement begin at 6:30 Pm

Troop Meetings begin at 7:00 PM

Roundtables begin at 7:30 PM

Troop Parent Meetings begin at 7:30 PM

OA Chapter Meetings begin at 6:30 PM and meet the same night/location as Roundtable.

## Advancement

By Floyd Brown and Gary Lentsch

Wow what a fall for advancement! Since the last court of honor the Scouts in the troop earned 29 merit badges and 15 rank advancements as well as 2 special awards. Congratulations to everyone for all the hard work.

Scout Name	Award Type	Award Name	Date Earned
ALLRED, BRYCE	Rank:	Scout	03/08/10
BOLES, ADAM	Merit Badge:	Music	03/08/10
	Rank:	1st Class	01/04/10
BRINGEDAHL, GREG	Merit Badge:	Communications*	02/01/10
		Personal Management*	01/04/10
BROWN, MATTHEW	Merit Badge:	Music	03/15/10
CHANG, IAN	Merit Badge:	Music	03/08/10
COLLIER, KYLE	Rank:	Scout	01/04/10
ECHEVARRIA, ANGEL	Merit Badge:	Pets	01/18/10
EVANS, ANDREW	Rank:	Scout	03/08/10
FITZSIMMONS, DAKOTA	Merit Badge:	Citizenship In the Community*	03/15/10
FLORES, ANDREW	Rank:	Scout	08/31/09 P
HEISER, DYLAN	Rank:	Star	05/11/09 P
		Life	03/15/10
KAMINE, JOSH	Merit Badge:	Citizenship In the Community*	03/15/10
		Family Life*	02/08/10
LACY, DYLAN	Rank:	2nd Class	07/25/09 P
MARENGO, GARRETT	Rank:	Eagle	02/05/10

Scout Name	Award Type	Award Name	Date Earned
MOORE, PHILIP	Rank:	Scout	02/22/10
PATTERSON, ALEC	Rank:	Scout	03/15/10
PERRY-REED, JOSHUA	Rank:	Scout	03/08/10
POTTER, CHARLIE	Rank:	Life	03/01/10
POTTER, GEORGE	Rank:	2nd Class	12/21/09
PUNIA, SAMEER	Merit Badge:	Family Life*	12/30/09
		Music	03/15/10
	Special Awards:	Den Chief Service	02/06/10
REYNOLDS, CASEY	Merit Badge:	Environmental Science*	03/01/10
		Music	02/08/10
	Special Awards:	World Conservation	03/01/10
REYNOLDS, COREY	Merit Badge:	Communications*	12/11/09
	Rank:	Eagle	01/02/10
RUSH, AARON	Merit Badge :	Personal Fitness*	02/22/10
RUYGT, WILLIAM	Merit Badge:	Environmental Science*	03/13/10
		Scholarship	02/22/10
		Theater	02/22/10
	Special Awards:	World Conservation	03/13/10
SMITH, RYAN	Merit Badge:	Architecture	02/22/10
TRIMM, ALEXANDER	Merit Badge:	Family Life*	01/08/10
		Music	03/08/10
	Rank:	Life	03/01/10
WENTWORTH, BRENDEN	Rank:	Scout	03/08/10

\*Denotes Eagle Required Badge

P – Award was previously reported to council but has not yet been presented / recognized.