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CELEBRATING THE ADVENTURE
CONTINUING THE JOURNEY

Scoutmaster's Minute

The Boy Scouts of America is celebrating its 100th Anniversary next year. We have already started that celebration with the highly successful California Capitol March back in October. We look forward to more activities associated with the anniversary celebration throughout 2010. As your scoutmaster I ask that you consider being involved in as many of these activities as possible as these will be all historic events. Adventure Base 100, Scout Sunday, the Golden Empire Council Recognition Dinner, the National Jamboree, a Light Across America, a Pitch for Scouting, Scouting for Food, Get in the Game – Geocaching, and the National Hall of Leadership will all be activities helping to commemorate this historic year. Get involved because many of these events will not come our way for a long time.

Chris and I want to wish all of you the happiest of holidays and thank you for all your support.

Yours in Scouting,

Dave



Committee Chair Report By Zenaida Kamine

From the pages of the Troop Committee Handbook: “Experience has shown that troops with committees of seven or more members work more effectively and provide better troop program support.” As Troop 380’s Committee Chair I can proudly boast that we routinely have at least 25 or more members at our monthly committee meetings. But if you were to look around during the meetings you would see that more than half of those in attendance no longer have sons in the troop. Although it is a tribute to their dedication to the troop, as a parent of a current troop member, I would like to see more faces of the parents of current scouts at these meetings as well. The current members have a wealth of knowledge but no one to pass it on to. We as parents have a natural interest in our sons having a successful Scouting experience and one way to insure that happening is to become actively involved in the troop. If you have the time and are willing, there are many events that you can help with and many adults willing to teach you the ropes. I know that not all parents have the time to attend every meeting but there are other ways to be active as well: providing transportation to campouts, serving on Boards of Reviews, being a Merit Badge Counselor, or accompanying the troop on a hike or campout. You will not only insure the success of your son’s Scouting experience but also that of the other boys in the Troop. Our next Parent Committee Meeting will be on Tuesday, January 26, 2010 at 7:30p, in the building next to the church. Hope you all have a wonderful Holiday Season!



Eagle Watch

By Don Dier

Since our last Court of Honor in September, we've had one Eagle Scout Court of Honor. On November 20th, Ted Burchett was presented his Eagle Scout award. Ted became Troop 380's 109th Eagle Scout and, drum roll please, Dave Ishikawa's 100th Eagle Scout as Scoutmaster. Congratulations Ted on achieving Scouting's highest honor.

Robert Born will is rescheduling his Eagle Court of Honor, which had been planned for December 18th at Rosemont High School, where he completed his service project. Stay tuned for an announcement of a new date and location.

Greg Bringedahl completed his service project, creating a garden and walkway at the Gold River Discovery Center made entirely of native plants found around the American River Parkway.

Lawrence Goedrich will be carrying out his project soon, which is to build a decomposed granite walkway for the City of Rancho Cordova. Lawrence will be asking for help soon, so please take this opportunity to provide service to our community.

Corey Reynolds' project to construct several guitar stands for the Rosemont High School music program was approved by the troop committee in September. Corey will be asking for help on his project this month.

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 in charge of Eagle Advancement for the troop and will assist you with putting your proposal together for presentation to

the troop committee. The project can not 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.



Winter 2010 Merit Badge Program

By Bob Williamson

2009 Wrap-up and Winter 2010 Schedule

In 2009 the Troop offered merit badge sessions for: Citizenship in the Nation, Emergency Preparedness, Hiking, Public Speaking, Family Life, Camping, Pets, Basketry, Architecture, Graphic Arts, American History, Orienteering, Citizenship in the World, Personal Fitness, Computers, and Pulp & Paper. I want to thank Jimmie G., Jim B., Tonia C., LaMar M., Elizabeth R., Mark S., Joanie S. Mac W., Neil I., John T., Mike K., Eric C. and others who helped the merit badge counselors. They devoted time and effort to provide an in-troop setting to discuss the requirements and answer questions.

The Troop will be offering a new cycle with the Winter-2010 session. The following merit badges are tentatively scheduled for January 4 and February 1, February 8, and March 1, March 8, and March 15. Merit badge meetings take place at 6:30 PM on the Troop meeting nights noted.

1. Citizenship in the Community – Sheri R. - Counselor
2. Communications – LaMar M. - Counselor
3. Snow Sports – Neil I. - Counselor
4. Music – Charles P. – Counselor

Those wishing to participate in Snow Sports should already be planning to go on the family ski day.

I also want to thank scout parents that expressed interest and have signed up to be a merit badge counselor for one or more badges. 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 Report By Zachary Burgess



The Patwin Chapter held elections and the following Scouts were elected to serve as officers this next year. Zachary Burgess Chief; Jamie Brown - Vice Chief Communications; Casey Reynolds - Vice Chief Program; Corey Reynolds - Vice Chief Indian Affairs; and Aaron Rush - Vice Chief Inductions. After the elections, I was selected as Vice Chief of Communications for the Amangi Nacha Lodge. As a result, I cannot continue to serve as Chapter Chief. I can still participate as an active member of the Chapter but due to my new role, I cannot be the Chief. We are electing a new Chief during our next meeting. In the meantime, we have done a lot during the last six months. We have helped out with the Ordeal Weekend at Camp

Pollock; we have attended the W3N Conclave at Coast Guard Island, the Lodge Fall Fellowship at Camp Augusta, and the annual training (Takachsin) and Lodge Dinner in Yuba City. We are now starting to prepare for the Cub Scout Pack Arrow of Light Ceremonies and Troop OA elections. We invite all Arrowmen to attend our monthly meetings. Angel Echevarria is the new Troop OA Rep.



Venturing Crew Report

By Joanie Stretar

In October, the Crew had a fundraiser at Rubio's Restaurant in Rancho Cordova and participated in the Capital March. We had another fundraiser during the month of November at WingStop restaurant, owned by Troop 380's Denise and Shawn Rollin's. On Veteran's Day, the Crew met at the Stretars' house to work on advancement and plan future activities. They worked on the backpacking and physical fitness electives. Future activities include the cycling elective, backpacking trip next summer and Sea Base in 2011.



Two crew members have earned their Outdoor Bronze awards - Greg Bringedahl and Casey Reynolds.

The final tally on the fundraisers has not been totaled. The crew raised \$109 during the Rubio's fundraiser. Thank you to all the families and friends of Crew 380 and Troop 380 for your support.

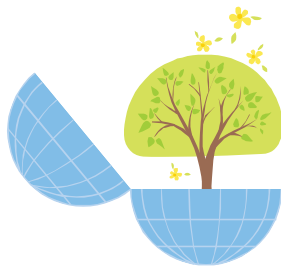
Outings and Activities - Past Events



Angel Island Campout

By Nick Ishikawa

We arrived at Sequoia Elementary at 6:30 am. We drove to Tiburon and rode the ferry at 10:00 am and saw seals and pelicans. Once we got to Angel Island the ranger took our packs to the campsite while we started our service project. We rode up to a water tower and got our tools. It took us about four hours to clean the 2,000 foot long ditch. Some people looked at the sign while others rode down to the beach. Once we got back we had dinner and went to bed. Then we woke up and had breakfast. Once we were done we headed back to the ferry. While we were waiting we did our Interfaith Service. We stopped at In-N-Out before heading to Sequoia and home.



Tree Planting Project

As a conservation project several members of the troop and a member of the Sacramento Tree Foundation meet at Sequoia Elementary School to plant trees on October 10, 2009. After receiving a lesson in how to plant the trees, the Scouts, Scouters and parents divided up to plant 7 trees between the playground and play field area. Holes were dug, trees were planted, soil berms were formed around the trees and the trees were staked and watered. Dave and his crew of Neil, Nick, Don and Jim planted the tree out in front of the multipurpose room after a little bit of extra digging. Afterwards, the group received flying disks from the Sacramento Tree Foundation. Thanks to Neil Ishikawa for organizing this event.



Pack 380 Haunted House

Led by Mark Woosley, Troop 380 hosted a haunted house for Packs 380 and 808 on October 16, 2009. The 12 Scouts in attendance wore their spookiest costumes, helped with the games and provided the scare factor for the haunted house. From the looks on the faces of the Cub scouts, their siblings and friends, it appears to have been a great success. Thanks to Mark Woosley for building the haunted house complete with scary surprises.



Bodega Bay Campout

By Neil Ishikawa

Plan "D"

Capture the flag in the sand dunes, hanging out at the beach, camping next to sorority sisters, sand trap golf, eating two inch thick burnt pancakes, flying a dozen different kites, digging holes in the sand and burying Charlie and Nick up to their necks, who now have sand rash on their back side. All this and more from our plan "D" camp ground choice.

A special thank you to Michael, Cindy, Robert, Neil and Leslie, who spent their Friday Night driving up down the Sonoma Coast looking for a campsite. With budget cuts to California Parks, reservations are not being taken now. So our group of leaders headed out early to find the troop a camp site. After searching

Bodega Dunes, Wrights Beach and Doran Beach, they found an opening down the coast at Dillon's Beach and Lawson's Landing camp ground.

Also a big Kudos goes out to ASM Johnny P. for arranging a cool fly over of a couple ultra light aircraft. And thank you to all the parents that drove us there and shared some hot food with us Joe, Mary, Dave, Chris, Neil, Leslie, Charles, Johnny, Michael, Cindy and Robert.

We prepared for rain, but even though it was sunny the whole weekend, we should have brought gear for snow camping. Mark Twain was not kidding when he said, "the Coldest Winter he ever witnessed was a summer in San Francisco", it applies well to early November, too.

The troop had not been to Dillon's in a few years, but maybe we should head back there soon. Especially when other Scout Troops like Troop 853 from Fairfield are there and challenge us to an awesome game of Capture the flag. But just remember the old story of Trojans bearing gifts can also apply to Boy Scouts from Fairfield.



Jamboree Troop Meeting

By Nick Goodie

On November 14, we arrived at Edward Harris Middle School for a day of fun starting at 9:00 am. We opened with flags and put everybody into their patrols. First, we talked about past Jamboree experiences. Then we broke and played a few team building games. They were tons of fun. We then got out our lunches and ate. While we ate we picked patrol names. After lunch we talked about gateway ideas. After we decided on a general idea for the gateway we ended the meeting around 2:00 pm. It was a good day.



Webelos Game Night

By Aaron Rush

Webelos Game Night was completely dedicated to the Webelos and their parents. We invited Webelos from the local packs to join us on November 16 for some fun and games. Scouts instructed the 11 Webelos in knot tying and introduced them to the games of stretcher races, Kim's Game, and Car Lot, while Dave and the adult leadership held a meeting with the parents. During the evening, we held a short troop meeting, provided a slide show of our activities and adventures showing them what Troop 380 has to offer when they bridge to Boy Scouts, and provided refreshments of punch and mostly homemade cookies.



Ted Burchett's Eagle Court

Our newest member of the Eagle's Nest made his debut on Friday night, November 20, 2009. Ted Burchett, Troop 380's 109th Eagle Scout celebrated his Eagle Court of Honor with his family, friends, 18 Scouts and family members of the troop. Ted did an amazing job of organizing and conducting the First Quick Start Tennis program in the Sacramento area in conjunction with the United States Tennis Association of Northern California. Quick Start, an introduction to tennis for youth ages 8-16 years of age, allows them to learn a new sport, have fun playing, and participate in physical activity.



Mt. St. Helena Rim of the Bay Hike

By Sameer Punia

On Saturday morning, December 5th, we all drove up to Sequoia Elementary school and met at 7. The temperature was 42 degrees. We, "we" being 13 Scouts and 9 adults, got into our cars. After about 2 hours of driving, we stopped at Calistoga, where it was still 42 degrees to stretch and go to the bathroom. We then continued and stopped at the trailhead to Mt. St. Helena. We all started hiking and went at a good pace. The 5 1/2 miles to get to the peak took us about 2 hours. At the top it was quite windy and cold.

We ate lunch and rested for 45 minutes and then went back down. The descent was much easier and took us around an hour and a half. We then piled into the cars and headed back home. The highest temperature on the trip was 59 degrees, but most of the time it was between 45 and 57 degrees. When the trees weren't blocking it, the wind was 15 - 25 mph. We decided to skip the fast food on the way back to get to Sequoia as fast as possible. Once we reached Sequoia at around 6 p.m. we were picked up by our parents and went home.



Upcoming Events



E-Waste & Christmas Tree Recycling Project

Troop 380 Scouts and parents may participate in one of our biggest fundraising events of the year. This year we have added the recycling of E-Waste. Scouts and

parents will earn Scout credits for their boys to help pay for summer camp, Jamboree, dues, or other events.

Flier/Envelope Distribution: On Saturday, December 19, 2009 we will distribute fliers and envelopes in the Rosemont and Mather neighborhoods. We will meet at the Emmanuel Baptist Church at 9:00 AM. The troop will furnish morning refreshments.

E-Waste and Christmas Tree Pick Up: On Saturday, January 2 and January 9, 2010 Scouts and parents will pick up both E-Waste and Christmas Trees. We will also provide a drop off point at Sequoia School.

Adults will be asked to handle the E-Waste. Parents with trucks or vehicles with trailers will be needed for the collection process. Please sign up at a meeting for this project. Refreshments will be served at both pick up dates.

know the other parents and adults in Troop 380. Have a wonderful Holiday Season!

We want to thank *Denise Rollins* for leading this project. Please let Denise know if you can assist with transporting Scouts on the distribution day, help provide refreshments, provide a truck or trailer, or help with collection.



Bowling Night

Troop 380 parents and Scouts are invited to participate in Bowling Night on Monday, December 28, 2009, at Strikes Bowling Center, in Elk Grove. We will meet at 5:30 PM at the Laguna Blvd location. The cost for this event is \$5.00 if scouts participate in the Christmas Tree/E-Waste flier distribution on December 19th. The cost for the event for adults and those who do not assist with the flier distribution is \$13.00. The cost includes bowling, shoe rental, two slices of pizza, and soda, plus you'll have a great time. Please pay in advance at the Court of Honor or at the meeting on December 21st. Remember you do not have to be a good bowler to participate. We will have a bowling clinic at the meeting on the 21st. Please wear your red T-shirts for this event. We will take a Troop 380 Family Photo.



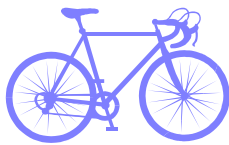
White Elephant Party By Zenaida Kamine

Every year the adults of Troop 380 are invited to our annual White Elephant Party where we gather for great food, drinks and company and to exchange White Elephant gifts. This year the much awaited event will be held on Saturday, January 2nd, at the home of Neil and Leslie Ishikawa, parents of Nick Ishikawa. Some of the Troop's White Elephant gifts have been around for many years and are sure to be around for many more. So don't forget: Saturday, Jan. 2nd at 7:00pm, bring a dish to share and a White Elephant gift for each person attending. The Troop Committee will provide the drinks and utensils. This is an adult only event, so no children please. Maps will be available tonight as well as at the Troop Meetings. This is sure to be an event to remember and is an excellent time to get to



Webelos Open House

On Monday, January 11, 2010, Troop 380 will welcome the Webelos from nearby Cub Scout Packs. *Patrick Boles, Michael Kuykendall, and Angel Echevarria* are planning a fun-filled evening for the potential new members. Please see these guys if you would like to help out with Webelos Open House.



Bike and Order of the Ice Cube

Troop 380's annual Bike and Ice Camp Out will be on the weekend of January 16-17, 2010. *Floyd Brown* will be organizing this trip with the help of *Joey Schiele*. Scouts and adults will bike from Sequoia School to Mississippi Bar at Lake Natoma, near Folsom. Scouts and parents can have their bicycles inspected on Monday, January 4, 2010, at the meeting. Please be aware if you think your tires may need replacing you should bring the items for repair. The REI mechanics are working as volunteers and will not have all parts necessary to replace your parts. Mechanics from REI will be on hand to check out your bicycles and helmets. All Scouts and riders (including adults) must wear a helmet on this trip. During the camp out volunteers may attempt to earn the Order of the Ice Cube by jumping into the cool waters of Lake Natoma. This tradition began years ago as part of a lesson in hypothermia awareness. Cost of the trip is \$12.00. Permission slips are available on the Troop website (t380.org). Cooking will be commissary style.



Adventure Base 100 is an interactive exhibit being created by the Boy Scouts of America. This 10,000 square foot exhibit will visit 40 cities throughout the United States during the 100th Anniversary Year of the Boy Scouts of America. AB 100 will begin its journey at the Rose Bowl Parade on New Year's Day and complete its trip at the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade in New York City. Sacramento has been selected as one of only three cities to host this special exhibit in the state of California. AB100 will visit Sacramento on January 21, 22, 23, and 24, 2010, as part of the International Sportsmen's Exposition at Cal Expo. AB 100 will feature an IMAX type virtual screen, blue screen, mini ropes course and zip line, and the National Scouting Museum exhibit.

Dave Ishikawa is in charge of the visit by AB100 and is looking for volunteers to work at Cal Expo. Adults and Scouts are required to wear a uniform and must commit to work a 4-½ hour shift. Please contact Dave if you are interested in being part of this historic event. Volunteers will gain free admission to the International Sportsmen's Exposition.



University of Scouting By Erik Carlson

The Golden Empire Council annually sponsors a dynamic training opportunity for all levels of Scouters called University of Scouting. This year UOS will be held on Saturday, January 23, 2010, at Natomas High School in Sacramento (Natomas). The day will start at 8:00 AM and end at 4:00 PM. This all day training event is for all adults who wish to increase their knowledge about the scouting programs. The fee for this event is \$20.00 if you register before January 15, 2010. New to this year's training are Leader Specific and Leave No Trace Troop Trainer will be offered for the first time. Many Troop 380 adult leaders will be attending or presenting at University of Scouting. Dave encourages all parents to attend this worthwhile weekend training. Please go to the Golden Empire

Council website for more information at www.gec-bsa.org. Please see Erik Carlson, Chris, or Dave if you have any questions.

Scout Sunday

The Boy Scouts of America observes Scout Sunday on the first Sunday of February. On Sunday, February 7, 2010, we will celebrate Scout Sunday by attending services at the Emmanuel Baptist Church, our Troop sponsor. Troop 380 members are encouraged to attend services on this day as a way of showing support for the church. Emmanuel Baptist Church has provided a meeting place for a minimal cost for years. We will also make a special presentation to the church. Scouts will be asked to attend in uniform along with parents. This is an optional activity, but Dave Ishikawa and Zenaida Kamine would like as many to attend as possible. Troop 380 is also considering providing a luncheon for the congregation. Please see Zenaida or Dave if you wish to assist with this event.



Golden Empire Council Recognition Dinner

The Golden Empire Council's Annual Recognition Dinner will be at California State University, Sacramento on Saturday, February 20, 2010. Each year the council presents the coveted Silver Beaver Award, which is the highest honor that can be presented to a volunteer by the council. This year's dinner will be a celebration of the 100 years of Scouting. This promises to be a wonderful event and an opportunity to wish the Boy Scouts of America a big Happy Birthday. *Chris Ishikawa* is the chairperson for the dinner. Troop 380 has been represented well during the years with many Silver Beaver recipients. See Chris if you would like to help with the dinner or attend this festive occasion.



Snow Camp Out

Our annual trip to the Sierra Nevada's during snow season will take place on February 27-28, 2010.

During the meetings in January and February, *Mike Kuykendall* and the leadership will help prepare the troop for an overnight camp out in the snow. Lessons in winter camping, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, and cold weather survival will all be topics covered in the next few months. Save the date, camping in the snow is a hot event!



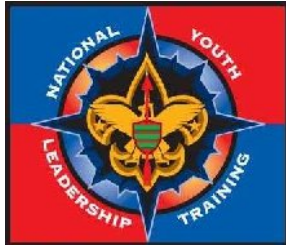
Skills Camp Out

Troop 380's newest Scouts will be invited to attend the Skills Camp Out on March 20-21, 2010, at a location to be announced. **Mike Kuykendall** will be organizing our current Scouts to help our new Scouts feel welcome and how they can be successful in the program. Mike will be asking for adult and Scout volunteers to help staff this event. It is essential we make a good impression on our newest members. The staff for the Skills Camp Out will report on Friday evening, March 19th to prepare for the weekend. Please see Mike if you want to help out with this great event.



Scout Expo 2010

We will return to Beale Air Force Base for the biggest event in Golden Empire Council history, Scout Expo 2010. The dates for Scout Expo are April 30-May 2, 2010. Like in 2007, Scout Expo will feature events for Cub Scouts, Webelos, Boy Scouts, Venturing, and Leaders. The Staff for Scout Expo 2010 is already hard at work planning an awesome event for Scouts and Leaders. Stay tuned for more information about Scout Expo 2010 – Save the Date!



NYLT – National Youth Leadership Training

By Erik Carlson

Each year the Golden Empire Council conducts the National Youth Leader Training Course. This year the course will be conducted over two weekends, May 14-16 and May 21-23, 2010. This course is offered to scouts who want to learn more about leadership skills and hope to someday be part of the troop leadership. The troop provides a half scholarship to those attending this training 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.

Fun in the Sun at Camp Royaneh!

Troop 380 will return to their favorite Scout camp, Camp Royaneh, for the summer of 2010. Camp Royaneh is owned and operated by the San Francisco Bay Area Council and is located near the Russian River and the Pacific Ocean. We have to adjust our visit to the week of July 4-10, 2010. Troop 380 normally visits camp during the week before the July 4th weekend, but since the National Jamboree Camp Out is scheduled for the weekend before we had to change sessions. Fees for camp this year is \$345.00. Don't forget if you stay up to date on your payments you will receive a free Troop 380 special edition T-shirt before attending camp. Camp Royaneh features a beautiful COPE course, horseback riding, pool, a Mountain Man area, field sports, and a great nature program. We are requesting a \$45.00 deposit to hold your spot. We will be hosting a short summer camp meeting on Monday, January 18, 2010 at 7:00 PM. Scouts are required to have an annual medical examination beginning in 2010. This is a new requirement of the BSA. Please see *Dave Ishikawa* if you are interested in attending summer camp.

A Year of Celebration Award

Neil Ishikawa is now keeping track of A Year of Celebration Award. Scouts can earn this colorful

patch and ribbons by completing requirements in each of the categories representing the five pillars of Scouting. As Scouts earn the ribbons they will be presented at the troop meetings and/or Court of Honors. Scouts and adult leaders may earn this award between now and December 31, 2010. The requirements are listed below. Please see Neil if you have any questions about this 100th Anniversary Award.



Boy Scout Requirements

LEADERSHIP

1. Identify someone from your Scouting experience you think is a good leader. Ask them what makes them an effective leader and then talk to your parent or Scoutmaster about what makes a good leader. Write 200 words on the leader you chose and share with your troop leader.
2. Teach a Scout a rank requirement and help them to a successful completion.
3. Serve in a troop or team leadership position for three months.
4. Serve as a youth staff member for a unit, district, or council event or camp.
5. Serve as a den chief for a Cub Scout or Webelos den for three months.

ACHIEVEMENT

1. Talk to a family member or family friend who used to be in Scouting or a Scout leader and ask about their favorite Scouting achievements. Write 200 words and share with your troop leader or parent OR fill out your family's Scouting Family

Tree at www.Scouting.org/100years.

2. Advance to Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life, or Eagle rank, or earn two merit badges.
3. Earn the religious emblem for your faith.
4. Attend 90 percent of your troop or team meetings for three consecutive months.
5. Earn one of the following awards: BSA Lifeguard, Mile Swim, BSA Emergency Preparedness Award, or BSA Physical Fitness Award.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

1. Participate in Scouting for Food or another food drive by spending at least one hour placing bags, collecting bags, distributing food, or spreading the word about food collection.
2. Volunteer to plant trees or landscape an area around a church, synagogue, or other place of worship or a not-for-profit organization that is not the Boy Scouts of America.
3. Provide two hours of service in a group community service project approved by your Scout leader.
4. Recruit one new boy or adult leader into Boy Scouts or Varsity Scouts.
5. Provide two hours of volunteer service at a hospital, senior citizen or veteran's facility, or another facility approved by your Scout leader.

CHARACTER

1. Participate in a flag ceremony, in uniform, for a non-Scouts organization.
2. Earn one of the Citizenship merit badges.
3. Present a written record of your daily Good Turns for a period of 30 consecutive days, verified by your parent, guardian, or Scout leader.
4. Provide two hours of assistance at an activity conducted by a Cub Scout pack, another troop or team, or other youth-serving organization approved by your Scout leader.
5. Conduct a family project (such as the examples found in the Family Life merit badge pamphlet) approved by your Scout leader.

OUTDOORS

1. Earn Hiking, Camping, Backpacking, Canoeing or Wilderness Survival merit badges.
2. Attend a Scout overnight campout and practice the principles of Leave No Trace.
3. Attend a full session of council summer camp, participate in a council or national High Adventure program, or earn the "50 Miler Award."
4. Participate for at least two hours in an outdoor conservation project approved by your Scout leader.

5. Participate in a Scout backpacking trip separate from requirement No. 2.

Adult Leader Requirements

LEADERSHIP

1. Help organize a new unit.
2. Compile a list of all adult and/or alumni e-mail addresses in your unit, get their permission, and submit the list to your local council Scout service center so Scouting communication can be improved.
3. Actively support a unit in at least two activities related to the BSA 100th Anniversary.
4. Recruit a new adult volunteer, or find a Scouting alumnus, who registers with the BSA.
5. Help any registered youth with their Year of Celebration Leadership award.

ACHIEVEMENT

1. Actively serve on one advancement review for any Scouting program or participate in any rank advancement award ceremony.
2. Earn any BSA training award, BSA Emergency Preparedness Award, or BSA Physical Fitness Award.
3. Help any youth member with advancement toward rank.
4. Be a registered member of a Centennial Quality Unit.
5. Help any youth member earn any 100th Anniversary *Year of Celebration* award.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

1. Be an active participant in Scouting For Food or another food drive or help with a Salvation Army service project.
2. Be an active participant in the Nothing But Nets project found on the national 100th Anniversary Web site.
3. Be an active participant in a Take Pride in America project or a project benefiting the National Parks Stewardship Awards program.
4. Be an active participant in an American Red Cross or a Habitat for Humanity project.
5. Be an active participant in any unit's service project.

CHARACTER

1. Work with any youth so he achieves a religious emblem.
2. Do a Good Turn for seven consecutive days.
3. Participate in a discussion on good character at a unit meeting.
4. Help any youth member achieve his Year of Celebration Character patch.
5. Learn about and participate in a flag retirement ceremony.

OUTDOORS

1. Participate in a unit, district, or council outdoor event.
2. Assist a unit in an outdoor conservation project.
3. Attend camp with a unit (Cub Scout day camp, summer camp, Venturer camp, etc.).
4. Attend a professional (major or minor league) baseball game, or another public event, in uniform with a unit.
5. Visit the “Get in the Game Geocaching” page on the 100th Anniversary Web site www.Scouting.org/100years and participate in a BSA 100th Anniversary geocaching activity.



Letter Writing Campaign For Soldiers and Veterans

Editor’s Note: Information in this article was taken from the Celebrate Scouting Stamp website.

At this time of year it is especially nice to remember the members of our military serving our country

overseas. To this end the Boy Scouts of America has launched a special letter writing campaign to our veterans and the men and women of the U.S. Armed Forces serving overseas.

“Scouts, BSA staff, volunteers — or anyone who'd like to join our effort — are invited to explore the following website:

<http://ww2.scouting.org/100years/100years/100YearsStamp.aspx> . There is an array of tools to help you develop a thoughtful letter or care package that reminds our troops how much we appreciate and value their service.”

Additionally you will find a downloadable copy of the Celebrate Scouting stamp design from the United States Postal Service, the stamp goes on sale next summer, along with a letterhead design to personalize your letters.

Fundraising

Troop 380 has always provided opportunities for scouts and adult leaders to earn credits that can be used for future events and/or pay annual dues.

For more information on fund raising please check the front table during troop meetings.



Yours in Scouting



Troop 380 Calendar of Events

December 2009

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| 19 | E-Waste/Christmas Tree Recycling Flier/Envelope Distribution | Church | 9:00 AM |
| 20 | Flier Distribution Alternate Date and Make Up | TBA | 12:00 Noon |
| 21 | Merit Badges | Church | 6:30 PM |
| 21 | Troop Meeting | Church | 7:00 PM |
| 28 | Bowling Night | Strikes-Elk Grove | 5:30 PM |

January 2010

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| 2 | E-Waste/Christmas Tree Pick Up | Sequoia | 9:00 AM |
| 2 | White Elephant Party for Troop Parents | Ishikawa's House | 7:00 PM |
| 4 | New Merit Badges Begin | Church | 6:30 PM |
| 4 | Troop Meeting, Bike Checks | Church | 7:00 PM |
| 9 | E-Waste/Christmas Tree Pick Up | Sequoia | 9:00 AM |
| 10 | Jamboree Troop 646 Meeting | TBA | 1:00 PM |
| 11 | Webelos Open House | Church | 6:45 PM |
| 14 | Patwin Chapter Order of the Arrow Meeting | LDS Church | 6:30 PM |
| 14 | Rio Del Oro District Roundtable | LDS Church | 7:30 PM |
| 16-17 | Bike and Order of the Ice Cube Camp Out | Lake Natomas | |
| 18 | Pre Summer Camp Meeting | Church | 7:00 PM |
| 21-24 | Adventure Base 100 (International Sportsmen's Exposition) | Cal Expo | TBA |
| 23 | University of Scouting | Natomas H.S. | 8:00 AM |
| 25 | Patrol Leaders' Council | Church | 6:30 PM |
| 25 | Troop Meeting – Guest Speaker: Eagle Jason Porto-Thru Hiker | Church | 7:00 PM |
| 26 | Troop Parent Meeting | Church | 7:30 PM |

February 2010

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| 1 | Merit Badges | Church | 6:30 PM |
| 1 | Troop Meeting | Church | 7:00 PM |
| 6 | National Jamboree Troop 646 Meeting | TBA | 9:00 AM |
| 7 | Scout Sunday–Please attend church at Emmanuel Baptist Church | Church | 9:00 AM |
| 8 | Troop 100 th Anniversary of the BSA Celebration | TBA | 6:30 PM |
| 11 | Patwin Chapter Order of the Arrow Meeting | Cordova LDS Church | 6:30 PM |
| 11 | Rio Del Oro District Roundtable | Cordova LDS Church | 7:30 PM |
| 16 | Pack 808 Bridging Ceremony | Mather Elementary | TBA |
| 19 | Pack 380 Bridging Ceremony | Sequoia School | TBA |
| 20 | Golden Empire Council Recognition Dinner | CSUS Student Union | 5:45 PM |
| 22 | Patrol Leaders' Council | Church | 6:30 PM |
| 22 | Troop Meeting | Church | 7:00 PM |
| 23 | Troop Parent Meeting | Church | 7:30 PM |
| 27-28 | Snow Camp Out | TBA | |

March 2010

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| 1 | Merit Badges | Church | 6:30 PM |
| 1 | Troop Meeting | Church | 7:00 PM |
| 8 | Merit Badges | Church | 6:30 PM |
| 8 | Troop Meeting | Church | 7:00 PM |
| 11 | Patwin Chapter Order of the Arrow Meeting | Cordova LDS Church | 6:30 PM |
| 11 | Rio Del Oro District Roundtable | Cordova LDS Church | 7:30 PM |
| 13 | National Jamboree Troop 646 Meeting | TBA | 9:00 AM |
| 15 | Merit Badges | Church | 6:30 PM |
| 15 | Troop Meeting | Church | 7:00 PM |
| 19-21 | Skills Camp Out | TBA | |
| 22 | Spring Court of Honor | Church | 6:30 PM |
| 27-28 | Pre Jamboree Camp Out | Camp Pollock | |
| 29 | Patrol Leaders' Council Meeting | Church | 6:30 PM |
| 29 | Troop Meeting | Church | 7:00 PM |
| 30 | Troop Parent Meeting | Church | 7:30 PM |

April 30-May2 Scout Expo

Beale Air Force Base

July 4-10 Summer Camp

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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, BRETT | Merit Badge : | Emergency Preparedness* | 10/27/09 |
| | Rank: | Life | 11/09/09 |
| ALVARADO, CHRISTIAN | Merit Badge : | Architecture | 11/23/09 |
| | | Citizenship in the World* | 11/30/09 |
| | Special Awards : | World Conservation | 11/30/09 |
| BOLES, ADAM | Rank : | 2nd Class | 10/12/09 |
| BROWN, MATTHEW | Rank : | 1st Class | 12/07/09 |
| BURGESS, ZACHARY | Merit Badge : | Pets | 10/12/09 |
| CHANG, IAN | Merit Badge : | Computers | 11/30/09 |
| | | Orienteering | 11/30/09 |
| | Rank : | 1st Class | 12/07/09 |
| ECHEVARRIA, ANGEL | Merit Badge : | Computers | 11/08/09 |
| FITZSIMMONS, DAKOTA | Merit Badge : | Graphic Arts | 12/07/09 |
| FLORES, ANDREW | Rank : | Scout | 08/31/09 P |
| FRENKLAK, EVAN | Merit Badge : | Architecture | 11/23/09 |
| GOODIE, GERRY | Merit Badge : | Citizenship in the Community* | 10/26/09 |
| | | Citizenship in the World* | 10/26/09 |
| | Rank : | Life | 12/07/09 |
| HEISER, DYLAN | Merit Badge : | Citizenship in the Community* | 10/26/09 |
| | | Citizenship in the World* | 10/26/09 |
| | | Computers | 11/02/09 |
| | Rank : | Star | 05/11/09 P |
| KAMINE, JOSH | Merit Badge : | Computers | 11/30/09 |
| LACY, DYLAN | Rank : | 2nd Class | 07/25/09 P |
| LEE, ALEX | Rank : | 1st Class | 01/26/09 P |
| | | Star | 09/14/09 P |
| LENTSCH, KELSON | Merit Badge : | Citizenship in the Community* | 10/10/09 |
| MARENGO, GARRETT | Merit Badge : | Environmental Science* | 11/02/09 |
| McPIKE, LIAM | Rank : | Tenderfoot | 03/16/09 P |
| | | 2nd Class | 10/26/09 |
| MELLERSKI, ALEXANDER | Merit Badge : | Golf | 11/30/09 |
| | Rank : | Star | 11/02/09 |
| POTTER, CHARLIE | Merit Badge : | Camping* | 08/07/09 P |
| | | Family Life* | 10/19/09 |
| PUNIA, SAMEER | Merit Badge : | Computers | 11/08/09 |
| REYNOLDS, CASEY | Merit Badge : | Archery | 09/16/09 |
| ROOTS, TREMAINE | Rank : | Tenderfoot | 11/02/09 |
| RUSH, AARON | Merit Badge : | Citizenship in the World* | 11/23/09 |
| | Special Awards : | World Conservation | 11/23/09 |
| RUYGT, WILLIAM | Merit Badge : | Architecture | 11/23/09 |
| SCRUGGS, SAM | Merit Badge : | Citizenship in the World* | 12/07/09 |
| SMITH, RYAN | Merit Badge : | Computers | 11/02/09 |
| TRIMM, ALEXANDER | Merit Badge : | Computers | 12/07/09 |

*Denotes Eagle Required Badge

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

29 Merit Badges and 14 Rank Badges

| Merit Badges | | Rank Badges | |
|--------------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| Merit Badge | Number Earned | Rank Badge | Number Earned |
| Architecture | 3 | Scout | 1 |
| Archery | 1 | Tenderfoot | 2 |
| Camping* | 1 | 2nd Class | 3 |
| Cit In Community* | 3 | 1st Class | 3 |
| Citizenship in the World | 5 | Star | 3 |
| Computers | 7 | Life | 2 |
| Emergency Prep* | 1 | Eagle | 0 (+2 'P') |
| Environmental Science* | 1 | | |
| Family Life* | 1 | | |
| Golf | 1 | | |
| Graphic Arts | 1 | | |
| Orienteering | 1 | | |
| Pets | 1 | | |
| World Conservation | 2 | | |

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