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Important Changes to the Boy Scouts of America's Youth Protection Training Policies

Youth safety is the No. 1 concern of the BSA.

To increase awareness of this societal problem and to create even greater barriers to abuse than already exist today in Scouting, the Boy Scouts of America is implementing several important changes to further enhance its Youth Protection policies:

Effective June 1, 2010:

- Youth Protection Training is required for all registered volunteers.
- New leaders are required to take Youth Protection Training before they submit their application for registration. The certificate of completion

for this training must be submitted at the time application is made and before volunteer service with youth begins.

- Youth Protection Training must be taken every two years. If a volunteer's Youth Protection Training record is not current at the time of recharter, the volunteer will not be reregistered.

To ensure these policies are fully implemented, please take the following steps:

- If you have not taken Youth Protection Training within the past two years, please log on to MyScouting.org and take the



training. Be sure to have your member ID number. The number can be found on your Boy Scouts of America membership card.

- If you do not know your member ID number, contact your unit leader or committee chairman. Your council can also assist you.

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All training courses for Cub Scout Leaders are now available online!

In addition to the opportunity for online training, all four Cub Scout leader courses are supported by a printed syllabus, some with a DVD, to assist council and district training teams in conducting instructor-led experi-

ences. The catalog number for this resource is 34875.

For questions or concerns regarding MyScouting accounts, send an email to the National Service Desk at: MyScouting@scouting.org. All



issues will be addressed as soon as possible in order to get users online and fully trained!

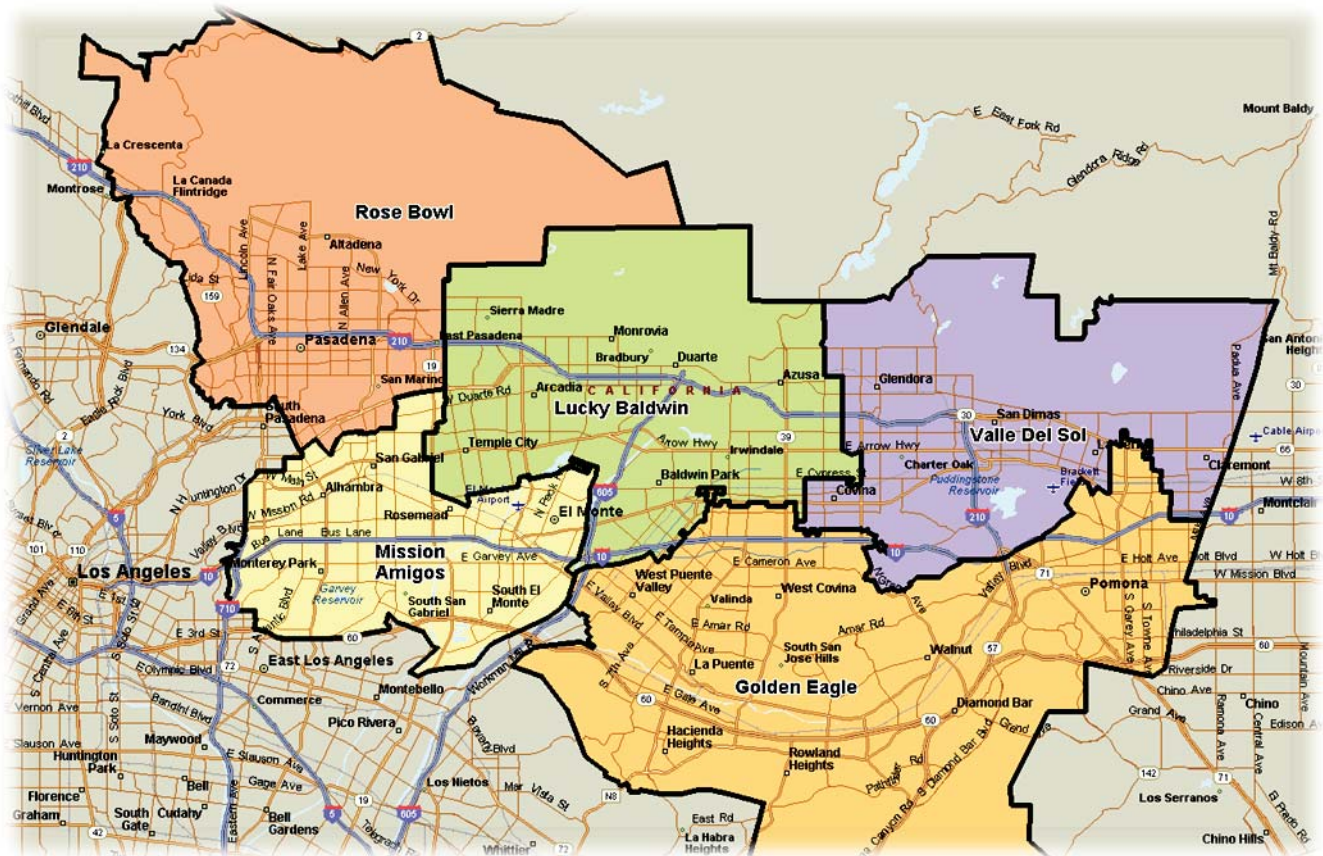
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THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL

The San Gabriel Valley Council is divided into administrative areas known as “districts” and “divisions.” Districts serve chartered organizations that have packs, troops, teams, and crews. To determine which district serves your unit, refer to the list below of communities within the Council. In some areas, the elementary school district rather than the community may determine your district. Divisions serve chartered organizations that have Explorer posts and Learning for Life groups. To determine which division serves your group, refer to the list below of communities within the Council.

TRADITIONAL DISTRICTS

- **ROSE BOWL** serves Altadena, La Canada Flintridge, Pasadena, East Pasadena and San Marino
- **MISSION AMIGOS** serves Alhambra, Monterey Park, San Gabriel, South San Gabriel, Rosemead, El Monte, and South El Monte
- **LUCKY BALDWIN** serves Arcadia, Monrovia, Sierra Madre, Temple City, Duarte, Bradbury, Azusa, Baldwin Park, and Irwindale
- **VALLE DEL SOL** serves Glendora, Covina, La Verne, San Dimas, Claremont, and Charter Oaks
- **GOLDEN EAGLE** serves Rowland Heights, West Covina, La Puente, Hacienda Heights, City of Industry, Diamond Bar, Pomona, Walnut and Valinda
- **LEARNING FOR LIFE** serves the entire San Gabriel Valley through Exploring career development, along with offering in school and other outreach programs.



Council Commissioner Message



An effective commissioner plays many roles: Unit friend and doctor, BSA representative, teacher, and counselor to leaders. In effect, the role of the commissioner is to help the unit leaders develop a quality unit. The elements of the Quality Unit Award program measure how well your unit delivers the scouting program: Trained leaders, youth recruitment, retention, advancement, activities, and parents and adults to assisting unit leaders.

The Quality Unit assessment begins in October and includes submission of unit rechartering documents before December 1st. The commissioner's involvement in this process will greatly aid unit leaders and

ultimately improve the scouting program in that unit. Interestingly, the Quality Unit assessment form asks how often the commissioner visited the unit during the past year. That's a powerful endorsement of the importance of commissioners in developing quality units!

Trained leaders provide quality programs, and the focus is on Youth Protection Training for every registered adult. During 2011, unit leaders need to complete basic leader training courses. Better trained leaders will help the unit recruitment program, and new youth bring new adults to assist. Altogether, a growing unit is more exciting, and scouts crave excitement! Speaking

of excitement, Quality Units may qualify for a free or discounted weekend at Camp Trask or Holcomb Valley Scout Reservation.

And that's the scouting life cycle: Commissioners help unit leaders develop quality programs that attract more youth and grow units to make scouting even more exciting! Let's get started!

John Penido
Council Commissioner

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Lucky Baldwin District Executive Ext. 236
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Golden Eagle District Executive Ext. 400
Golden Eagle District Executive Ext. 232
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Camping Secretary Ext. 249
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Registrar Ext. 238

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Accounting Manager Ext. 233
Accounting Specialist Ext. 234

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National Scout Shop Manager Ext. 256
Scout Shop Ext. 239

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Camp Cherry Valley (310) 510-2895
Camp Trask (626) 358-5446
Camp Holcomb Valley (909) 866-9979

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Learning for Life Executive (626) 351-1282 Ext. 402

Sell More Popcorn!

The annual popcorn Fundraiser is well underway. If you need any assistance with your fundraiser please contact your District popcorn Kernel. Contact information may be found at www.sgvcbasa.org/programs/activities/popcorn.

COUNCIL PRIZE PROGRAM

Unit Prize Drawing - Prizes will include but are not limited to:

- \$500 Dave and Busters Party at their Arcadia location.

Each unit will receive one prize drawing ticket for:

- Committing to the Fall Sale by the July Roundtable.
- Attending Unit Leader Training on July 31st.
- Participating in Show-N-Sell
- Participating in Take Order sales.
- Increasing annual sale by \$1,000 over previous year, or having new sales reaching \$1,000. (one ticket will be awarded for each \$1,000 level gained)

Individual Seller Drawing – Prizes will include but are not limited to:

- Xbox 360
- iPod Touch
- 1 week of “2011” Cub Day Camp or Trail to Eagle at Camp Trask.

Each Scout will receive one ticket for every \$250 of popcorn sold.

NOTE: To qualify, Unit Kernels must submit an individual seller prize drawing by November 5th to: matt.bear@scouting.org

SGVC \$1,000 Club:

- Scouts achieving the \$1,000 or higher level of sales will be invited to a party at the Council Office on Saturday December 4th at 3:00 PM with food and refreshments.
- \$1,000 club recipients will be recognized in the Council Newspaper.

NOTE: To qualify Unit Kernels must submit the SGVC \$1,000

Club registration form to matt.bear@scouting.org by November 5th.

All prize drawings will be held at the “SGVC \$1,000 Club” celebration on December 4th.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- **October 28th** - Show and Sell returns to Council 2:00 - 6:00 PM.
- **October 28th** - Take Orders due.
- **November 5th** - Online prize orders due.
- **November 13th** - Take orders pick up.
- **December 4th** - “SGVC \$1,000 Club” Celebration at the Council 3:00 – 5:00 PM

Be A Scout!

Scouting has a new recruiting tool called BeAScout. Scouts and Parents who access our National site looking for a unit can find your unit via a Google map link. The site currently links your unit to the council website and directs callers to the council. The great thing about this site is that we can customize the push-pin and put your contact information in so Scouts and Parents can contact you directly about the pack. Please look here for the extended webinar on BeAScout: <https://beascout.scouting.org/sitecore/content/Scouting/Volunteer.aspx>. And look here to see how it works: <https://beascout.scouting.org/>. ♦

NEW Outdoor Awards Announced

Two new awards have been developed to promote "outdoorism" for Boy Scouts and Varsity Scouts.

The National Outdoor Challenge (No. 430-016) is a unit award that recognizes troops/teams that maintain or increase the amount of outdoor activity when compared to the previous year. The information and application is available here: <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsources/boyscouts/adults/awards.aspx> and is due at the end of 2010. With the release of this award, the National Camping Award has been discontinued; however, patches for camping nights will be available until the inventory is depleted.

The National Outdoor Achievement

Award (No. 430-509) recognizes Boy Scouts/Varsity Scouts that excel in outdoor participation. The award consists of five areas of emphasis (camping, aquatics, hiking, riding and adventure) with rigorous requirements to earn each segment. Scouts looking for an extra challenge can earn the National Medal for Outdoor Achievement. This challenging award requires earning at least three of the National Outdoor Achievement segments, planning and leading a trek, earning Wilderness First Aid and becoming a Leave No Trace Trainer as well as several other requirements. The information and application is available at the following link: <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsources/boyscouts/youth/awards.aspx> ♦

Keep Scouting Strong in our Community

Please know that the San Gabriel Valley Council is truly grateful for your continued leadership and support of Scouting. I know many of you have already given to your District's FOS Campaign. Thank you for your generosity and help in balancing our budget.

We are currently at 57% of our Districts annual FOS goal of \$380,000. Now, we must bridge that gap between fall events and fundraising efforts that are still uncertain. Maury Smith, our Council President, will be convening a small group to oversee all expenses so we can balance our budget and keep the Council solvent. Follow up letters have been distributed to all family members that have not given to this year's FOS Campaign. If the requested FOS Campaign gifts were received (ASAP), the Council's operating cash flow would increase by

over \$100,000, and get us to 75% of our annual goal. We hope we can count on your gift to help alleviate the current cash flow crisis. Your immediate response to this appeal is essential. Donations and special event commitments have been tremendously reduced due to the troubled economy, so we really need your help.

If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact your District Executive. Below are links to make contributions electronically to your District. ♦



GE FOS

<http://www.doubleknot.com/registration/CampaignDetail.asp?ActivityKey=842937>

VDS FOS

<http://www.doubleknot.com/registration/CampaignDetail.asp?ActivityKey=823722>

LB FOS

<http://www.doubleknot.com/registration/CampaignDetail.asp?ActivityKey=833162>

MA FOS

<http://www.doubleknot.com/registration/CampaignDetail.asp?ActivityKey=833004>

RB FOS

<http://www.doubleknot.com/registration/CampaignDetail.asp?ActivityKey=833140>

2010 Fall Recruitment

Now that the 2011 School year has started it is time to get your unit started on the right foot by increasing your membership and making it stronger. A successful recruitment plan will not only get your unit more youth, but also more volunteers via the Scout parents. Give every parent some responsibility as soon as they register their Scout and have them register as well. A successful recruitment drive involves the following

- School Night sign-up rallies for surrounding schools
- Parent/teacher Back-to-School evenings with Scouting sign-ups wherever possible
- "Fizzles" opportunities (another sign-up night organized quickly for units with School Night Sign-up Rally results that fell short of projections)

- "Sizzle" opportunities ("Bring It to the People" sign-up events at supermarkets, fall festivals, churches on Sunday, etc.)
- Clean-up and follow-up in the late fall with additional unit open houses and more "sizzle" events
- Special recognition programs for Scouts ("Centennial Recruiter": bring a friend to a meeting to join) and units ("Free weekend at Camp": increase your units membership by at least 6 new youth members compared to December 2009.)

Also remember to turn your application in to your District Executive as soon as you get them so they show up on your 2011 re-charter, all their advancement counts, and they are covered by the BSA insurance. ♦

Re-Charter 2011

It is that time of year again to re-charter your unit and it's members for 2011. All charter packets will be

available at your district's October Roundtable meeting. Just like in the past charters must be submitted online and then copied and brought into your District Executive with all the appropriate signatures. This year all registered adults must have their Youth Protection Training current, otherwise they will drop from the charter. Please make sure everyone is current. YPT can be done online on your own or in a class setting, talk to your Commissioner or District Executive for details. The first deadline is December 1, 2010. ♦



Changes to the Youth Protection Training Policies

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- If you have taken Youth Protection Training online but did not input your member ID number, please log back on to the Training section of [MyScouting.org](http://www.scouting.org) and input your member ID so the training will be linked with your records.
- If you have taken Youth Protection Training within the past two

years but did not take the course online, log on to [MyScouting.org](http://www.scouting.org) to ensure your records are up to date, or contact your council and have them verify that your Youth Protection Training records are accurate.

- Finally, please share these important changes with other Scouters.

Youth Protection Training is available online at:

<http://www.scouting.org/Training/YouthProtection.aspx>

To find out more about the Youth Protection policies of the Boy Scouts of America and how to help Scouting keep your family safe, see the information available in any of the Cub Scouting or Boy Scouting handbooks, or go to:

<http://www.scouting.org/Training/YouthProtection.aspx> ♦

Online Training

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All training courses for Cub Scout Leaders is now available online at: www.scouting.org/volunteer/training

Courses include:

1. "Cub Scout Leader Position-Specific Training"
2. "Youth Protection,"
3. "Fast Start," and
4. "This Is Scouting"

The courses have been updated to support the new Cub Scout Delivery Method rolled out earlier this year. Now, den leaders and assistants, Cubmasters and assistants, pack trainers, and pack committee chairs and members can now learn the how-to's for successfully conducting an engaging den and pack program and can become confident in the role each plays.

Online training is also available by clicking the link:

www.scouting.org. When entering www.MyScouting.org, click on the *E-Learning* link under the *Training* header located on the left side menu. Then click on the *Cub Scouts* tab and *voila!*... all leader training is at your convenience.

If you do not have a MyScouting account, there are simple instructions on the landing page that will help you create one. ♦

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THE MISSION AMIGOS

COMMUNITIES:

Alhambra, Monterey Park, San Gabriel, South San Gabriel, Rosemead, El Monte, and South El Monte

CALENDAR

October 11

Roundtable 7:00 PM*

November 8

Roundtable 7:00 PM*

November 13

Camp Grub

December 13

Roundtable 7:00 PM*

*Roundtable is located at Shepherd of the Hills Methodist Church, Monterey Park

Camp Grub Challenge

Calling all cooks! Come and show your stuff. Camp Grub Challenge is Mission Amigos major activity for



the year. Saturday, November 13, 2010 from 9 AM to 1 PM at Barnes Park, 350 S McPherrin Ave. Monterey Park. Entry fee will be \$5.00. Compete in the following categories: Adult, Scout, or Cub, Dutch oven, Camp Stove, or Foil Cooking and Main dish or dessert. Sign up today, registration forms and rules are available at free.ebs.com/campgrubchallenge.

Golden Eagle District



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THE GOLDEN EAGLE

COMMUNITIES:

Rowland Heights, West Covina, La Puente, Hacienda Heights, City of Industry, Diamond Bar, Pomona, Walnut and Valinda

CALENDAR

October 7

OA Meeting: United Methodist Church of West Covina 7:00 PM

October 14

District Roundtable: St. Matthews Methodist Church, Hacienda Heights, 7:00 PM

November 4

OA Meeting: United Methodist Church of West Covina 7:00 PM

November 18

District Roundtable: St. Matthews Methodist Church, Hacienda Heights, 7:00 PM

December 2

OA Meeting: United Methodist Church of West Covina 7:00 PM

December 9

District Roundtable: St. Matthews Methodist Church, Hacienda Heights, 7:00 PM

January 28, 2011

District Dinner - 6:30 PM Location

Crew 73 Philmont Trek

Crew 73 recently returned from their Philmont Trek. For twelve days the crew backpacked and experienced the many activities at Philmont Scout Ranch. These activities included; rock climbing, blackpowder shooting, tomahawk throwing, horseback riding and blacksmithing to name a few. There were also a number of stops to learn about the early life of the pioneers in the area. Additionally, the crew participated in a trail building project.

The weather cooperated and there were only two short rain showers. At the beginning of the trek a Philmont Ranger accompanied the crew and shared the Philmont policies regarding LNT and bear awareness. For the number of scouts participating in the Philmont experience each year the crew was amazed how clean the camps were. You had to make a concerted effort to find the smallest piece of litter or trash.

The crew will now begin to focus on next year's Super Activity.



Crew 73 at Philmont Scout Ranch in Simeron New Mexico. Pictured from Left to Right, Carley Quevedo, Kip McGuire, Ricardo Gallinucci, Justin Gutierrez, Jonathan Gregg, Sean McGuire, Mario Verlengerie, West Young, Patty Grill and Pete Honea.

Lucky Baldwin District



LEADERSHIP:

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District Commissioner: Debbie Schroyer

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District Program Chair: Elizabeth Renfrew

District Executive: Lucia Bernal
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THE LUCKY BALDWIN

COMMUNITIES:

Arcadia, Azusa, Monrovia, Sierra Madre, Temple City, Baldwin Park, Bradbury, Duarte, Irwindale

CALENDAR

October 6

District Meeting: Church of Good Shepherd, 7:00 PM

October 13

District Roundtable/ Open House: Church of the Good Shepherd, 7:30 PM

October 29

Lucky Baldwin Distinguished Citizen Honoring Mayor Mary Ann Lutz of the city of Monrovia: DoubleTree Hotel in Monrovia

November 3

District Meeting: Church of Good

Shepherd, 7:00 PM

November 10

District Roundtable: Church of the Good Shepherd, 7:30 PM

December 1

District Meeting: Church of Good Shepherd, 7:00 PM

December 8

District Roundtable: Church of the Good Shepherd, 7:30 PM

New District Executive assigned to Lucky Baldwin District

Lucia Bernal started working with the San Gabriel Valley Council when she was in college as a Program Specialist in the After School Programs. Lucia was promoted to become the District Executive for the Trails of the Valley District, and served that district for 2 years. She is happy to have this opportunity to work for you, and she looks forward to meeting all of you. Her e-mail is lucia.bernal@scouting.org and office number is (626) 3518815 ext. 236.

Recruitment Flyers

Recruitment Flyers are available for your recruitment efforts. These can be customized with your units contact and meeting information to hand out at Back to School nights, Open House, or to friends and neighbors. Contact Lucia Bernal for more information on Recruitment Flyers. If there is a school/church

wherein you'd like for her to visit and recruit for your unit, then please set up a date and time with the principal/pastor and she will be more than happy to assist.

Membership Drive: FREE weekend camping!

If your unit membership is 6 or more than where it ended in 2009, then your entire unit is eligible for a free weekend of camping at either Trask or Holcomb. The deadline for this membership drive is December 1, 2010. Several units have already qualified for a Free Weekend at Camp Trask or Holcomb Valley for 2011. Congratulations on earning a Free Weekend! Packs 147 & 188, Troops 147 & 161 and Crew 199.

Roundtable Open House

Save the Date! Our annual Roundtable Open House had been set for Wednesday October 13, 2010 at 7:30 PM at Church of the Good Shepherd in Arcadia (Set-up 7:00 PM). All

troops from our District are invited to participate to set-up a recruitment display. Troops are asked to bring their own table if at all possible. For information or RSVP please contact Tom Crowley at tdcrowley@prodigy.net or (626) 444-8098.

All Webelos and their parents from our District are invited to check out our outstanding Boy Scout Troops. This will provide you an outstanding opportunity to evaluate a Troop you would like to join in February. ♦

2010 Distinguished Citizen Honoring Mayor Mary Ann Lutz, City of Monrovia

The San Gabriel Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America, is proud to be honoring Mayor Mary Ann Lutz of the City of Monrovia with the Distinguished Citizen Award on October 29, 2010 from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm at the DoubleTree Hotel located at 924 W. Huntington Drive

in Monrovia.

The Distinguished Citizen Award is intended to honor prominent area leaders who have a wide influence in the community, while serving as exemplary role models for our young people. Mary Ann Lutz's contributions to the quality of life in our community and her commitment to the values of Scouting make her a very deserving community leader and honoree.

In 2009, Mary Ann Lutz was elected as Mayor of the City of Monrovia having served as a City Council Member since 2003, after a long history of volunteering within her community. Mary Ann attended Boise State University. Mary Ann is the owner of Lutz & Company, Inc., a court reporting consulting firm, in Monrovia.

Mary Ann is the Chair of the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board, an appointment by Governor Schwarzenegger.

Mary Ann has been awarded the Iris Award (Monrovia Citizen of the Year), California State Assembly Women of the Year and most recently the Monrovia School District Administrator Association's Golden Apple Award.

Proceeds from the award dinner

will help fund scouting programs of the local communities.

The San Gabriel Valley Council currently serves the communities in the San Gabriel Valley East to the 57 freeway, South to the 60 Freeway and west to La Canada. The Lucky Baldwin District serves the cities of Monrovia, Arcadia, Baldwin Park, Bradbury, Duarte, Irwindale, Sierra Madre, and Temple City.

The potential for providing a positive program to boys in our community is limitless. Too many of our youth are spending time alone with electronic gadgets without socializing factors that generate greater appreciation for teamwork, leadership and friendships. Many of our youth would never have had the chance to experience the great outdoors without active involvement in Scouting. Monies raised from the dinner honoring Mary Ann Lutz, Mayor of Monrovia, will be used to meet our goals in reaching youth and providing increased opportunities for outdoor learning.

If you are interested in attending the award celebration or would like to get more information on this event please contact Lucia Bernal, District Executive with the San Gabriel Valley Council, at 626-351-

8815 ext. 236, or e-mail ♦ lucia.bernal@scouting.org.

Lucky Baldwin District Committee needs your help!

We're trying to collect e-mails addresses from at least all the Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, and Committee Chairpersons for a distribution list. It is not an all inclusive list, yet, so please share this information with other members of the unit, in case they are not receiving this. If you know of anyone who'd be interested in joining the Lucky Baldwin e-mail distribution list, please e-mail their information to:

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Lucky Baldwin District Committee Contact Information

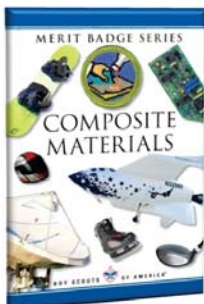
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COMPOSITE MATERIALS MERIT BADGE



Since its inception in 2006 the Composites Materials Merit Badge has gained a tremendous amount of momentum through the promotional efforts of the San Gabriel Valley Council. Over 3,000 boys have earned the badge while the Merit Badge Book itself has been purchased by nearly 8,000 Scouts and Scouters.



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THE ROSE BOWL

COMMUNITIES:

Altadena, La Canada Flintridge, Pasadena, East Pasadena, and San Marino

CALENDAR

October 14

Roundtable - 7:30 PM Westminster Presbyterian Church

November 18

District Meeting: Church of Good

December 9

Roundtable - 7:30 PM Westminster Presbyterian Church

January 28, 2011

District Dinner - 6:30 PM location TBD

Rose Bowl Commissioner Column

What happens to a Scouter (adult volunteer) whose son or daughter grows up and out of the scouting program? Offspring go away to college, a job or career, military duty, volunteer service or a grand adventure. But where does the Scouter go? Some Scouters remain active while the son or daughter remain active in the program – this is great, but it is also exceptional. And some Scouters simply continue their service whether at the unit, district, council, regional or national level or some combination of these. But others often just seem to “disappear”.

My message is addressed to the Scouters who’ve “grown up” with the program, are passionate about it and are now ready to help others by sharing their knowledge and experience of how it all works.

There’s an excellent opportunity to continue in the scouting program, extend your help to new Scouters, continue to build upon your knowledge of scouting, and expand your associations with fun loving people who live the Scout Oath and Law. I’m talking about Commissioner service. I’ve found that a grownup

generally doesn’t volunteer for a scouting position until asked. So the most difficult part of recruiting Commissioners is finding the veteran Scouters that didn’t get asked. If this message is of any interest to you please come to the next District Roundtable and chat with Melissa Bueno, District Executive, Travis Williams, Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner, or any of the Commissioners present. And if I’m there, please help me out by making yourself “visible”.

The re-chartering season is coming up fast. There are important training requirements in connection with this and the Quality Centennial Unit award. Some of the training can be done online, but there are definite limits to how many simultaneous users the www.MyScouting.org servers can handle. Take my word, you don’t want to find this out first hand, so don’t wait till the last minute. First and foremost, make sure each and every one of your registered adult leaders have done Youth Protection Training (YPT). Then check out your unit’s Quality Centennial commitment. Check out the

www.sgvcbbsa.org website for scheduled training. A Commissioner can assist. If your unit needs help please let me know and I will do my best to find the assistance you need.

To a great new year of scouting,

Randy Ferman

Summertime Awards

Did your unit earn any awards during the summer? Go to our website to check what awards your unit can receive for summertime activities. Also, send Melissa Bueno an email on any interesting stories that happened to your units in a camp out or trip so we can include them in the next digest, don’t forget to include pictures!

Recruitment

The fall is here and Packs are back in gear. Recruit as many youth and parents as possible to have the best year in Scout recruitment ever and show national what we can do in the Rose Bowl District. We have flyers, posters, and mini boy’s life magazines available for you at no cost.

2ND Class Scout Heroic Act

"After an enjoyable time in Las Vegas, Alexander Palma (13 y.o.), was heading home in his family van. His 3 year old cousin was popping in her mouth and savouring some marshmallows that her aunt had given her for the trip. Alex's father was driving while his mother, tired after the long day, had fallen asleep in the passenger front seat. Alex, while sitting in the back seat enjoying the scenery, heard a strange noise next to him. As he looked in search of the strange noise, he no-

ticed his young cousin, sitting in front of him, having difficulty breathing, gasping for air, unable to speak and her skin turning bluish. He immediately recognized she was choking and moved into action. He remembered his tenderfoot and his current second class rank training when someone is choking. He moved his cousin in front of him and wrapped his arms around her waist and began performing the Heimlich manoeuvre. After one rapid forceful pressing of her abdo-

men cavity, the candies came flying from her mouth, and she was able to breathe normally again. Alex's parents realizing minutes later what had happened were relieved and proud of Alex's action in avoiding a regrettable calamity. Above all, they appreciated the practical value of scouting in their son's life."

Sincerely,
 Freddy Ortiz
 Scoutmaster, Troop 27

Troop 86 Raise 36 Foot Gateway

This April, Troop 86 of Pasadena Ca, Rose Bowl District, took on a huge pioneering project, building a 36ft high gateway for the organization's founders' day. This project took approximately 5 days with work going past midnight. Troop 86 is a scout Troop which belongs to the Armenian General Benevolent Union, which is a non-profit organization with a purpose to promote the Armenian heritage through worldwide educational, cultural and humanitarian programs. AGBU Pasadena Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, Webelos and Brownies with collaboration of their scout leaders and Chapter leadership built this "Gaym" Mast over a 5 day period; April 6 to April 10, 2010. Most of the scouts were on Spring break but some were not and were helping as well.

In scouting pioneering is the art of using ropes and wooden spars joined by lash-

ings and knots to create a structure. Pioneering can be used for constructing small items, such as camp gadgets, up to larger structures such as bridges and towers. These may be recreational, decorative, or functional. Pioneering is used to teach practical skills, teamwork and problem solving. It is widely used in Scouting and Girl Guiding. Many Scout and Guide groups train their members in pioneering skills and

construct projects, both small and large. In camp, Scouts may construct functional items like tables, camp dressers and gadgets, as well as decorative camp gateways. Pioneering is a common merit badge in many countries, and was required for the Eagle Scout rank in the 1920s and 1930s.

With 36 ft of wood and rope standing tall in AGBU courtyard, Troop 86 has still more pioneering projects and activities to come. The most recent gateway took about 30 people to raise it and took about 45 to build. With its pioneering experience and pioneering experts here for the future scouts of Troop 86, it wouldn't be surprising if another of these 36 footers are standing tall yet again.

Armand Yerjanian
 Troop 86 Eagle Scout



86 foot "Gaym" Mast built by AGBU Pasadena Scouts.

Re-Chartering

With the end of the year around the corner remember to clean up your roster and compare it to what the Council office has on record. This year the charter process will be electronic. Charters will be available in October and the system will be up and running on November 1st.

Valle del Sol District



LEADERSHIP:

District Chair: Tony Kitt

District Commissioner: Marcel Batoon

District Program Chair: Kevin Garcia

District Executive: Lorena Bernal
(626) 351-8815 ext. 224

lorena.bernal@scouting.org

THE VALLE DEL SOL

COMMUNITIES:

Glendora, Covina, La Verne, San Dimas, and Claremont

CALENDAR

October 14

Roundtable 7:00 PM Recharter distribution*

October 16

- Jamboree on the Air
- Eagle Orientation Seminar

November 12 - 14

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November 18

Roundtable 7:00 PM*

December 9

Roundtable 7:00 PM*

*Roundtable location: Elwood LDS Church, 251 South Elwood Ave., Glendora

Webeloree 2010

Boy Scouting is the next leap from the Cub Scouts. What better way to see what it is all about than to come and experience Webeloree. It's a weekend where Webelos experience a little of what is to come when they bridge to Boy Scouts.

Last year Webeloree entertained over 300 Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts at Firestone Scout Reservation with many fun hands-on activities showing all aspects of Boy Scouting from archery and bb guns, to dutch oven cooking, branding, lashing a chariot and racing against your fellow scouts.

Don't forget about the "Campfire" and doing all those silly and fun skits. This year we want everyone to come and just have fun with the Boy Scout Troops showing off their talents hosting the activities and watching all the Cub Scouts participating in all the action.

3rd Annual Webeloree
November 5-7, 2010
Firestone Scout Reservation



For more Valle del Sol District news and events please visit
www.vdsscouts.org.

Camp Trask

Camp Trask, is a unique and very special place. Located in Monrovia Canyon, it is literally only minutes from millions of people, but when you are in camp, it seems like you are millions of miles away from people! The silence in camp is broken only by the sound of the year-round stream which flows through camp. There are no city lights, so you can see the stars at night. There are lots of reasons to come to Trask; the dining hall, the great pool, the outdoor amphitheater where you can watch movies, the lake, the jungle ride, the tree house, hiking trails and don't forget the Fort. The best rea-

son to come to Trask is it is the only place where you can "get away from it all" so quickly and conveniently.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

October 1-3

Cub Scout Shooting Sports Weekend

October 8-10

Trail to First Class Weekend

October 22-24

Pioneering and Orienteering Weekend

November 5-7

Shooting Sports Weekend

December 3-5

Shoot for the Stars

December 4

Polar Bear Swim

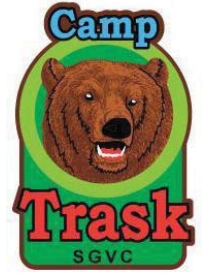
December 27-30

Winter Merit Badge Camp

Information for these programs and future programs can be found at:

<http://www.sgvcbbsa.org/programs/camping/camp-trask>

For reservations or additional information please contact our camping department (626) 351-8815 ext-237.



Camp Cherry Valley

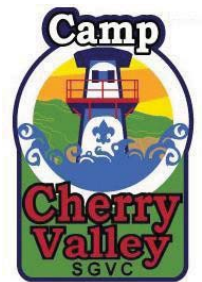
Camp Cherry Valley, located on Santa Catalina Island, is located on the leeward side of the island, which means the cove is calm and protected from heavy surf . . . a perfect place for lots of fun in the water! Hike and swim, war canoe races, touring an old silver mine, explore the sea lab with a touch tank so you can get up close and personal with marine life, camping in comfortable two person platform tents under a unique variety of cherry trees, outstanding food . . . it's all here waiting for you to dis-

cover! Offering a total of nine weeks of premiere week-long camp for Boy Scouts and a High Adventure program. Earn merit badges, advance in rank, go scuba diving or become certified. Opportunities for world-class snorkeling, hiking, fishing, and numerous water sports such as canoeing, rowing, sailing and swimming.

Summer Camp at Cherry Valley

Reservations for 2013 summer camp begin on October 1 for San

Gabriel Valley Council units. Out of Council units may make reservations starting November 1. Additional information may be found at: <http://www.sgvcbbsa.org/programs/camping/camp-cherry-valley> or please contact our camping department (626) 351-8815 ext-237.



Camp Holcomb Valley

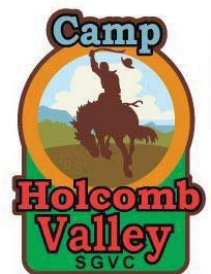
Camp Holcomb Valley, located in the San Bernardino Mountains, at approximately 7500'; this pristine camp is like a step back in time. Holcomb may seem fairly remote but is just a few short miles from Big Bear Lake. Offering an excellent summer camp program for Scouts. Seven great weeks are available to Scouts from all over the nation. Let our staff set the tone for

a wonderful camp experience. We offer a great merit badge program, first year scout advancement and a varsity program for older scouts, which includes climbing, biking, hiking, and horseback riding.

Summer Camp at Camp Holcomb Valley

Reservations for 2011 summer camp begins on October 1 for San

Gabriel Valley Council units. Out of Council units may make reservations starting November 1. Additional information may be found at: <http://www.sgvcbbsa.org/programs/camping/holcomb-valley-scout-reservation> or please contact our camping department (626) 351-8815 ext-237.



San Gabriel Valley Council Eagles

GOLDEN EAGLE DISTRICT

Troop 7

Tuan Terrence Do Nguyen

Troop 101

Derrick Paul Dahlitz

Joshua Michael David

Troop 278

Jonathan Yumin Lee

Troop 620

Christopher Lee Walker

Troop 684

Jacob Arthur Ewald

Troop 710

Asad Mahmood Bakhtawar Bashir

Jared Chow Ong-Siong

Troop 715

Steve Lee

Troop 724

Ivan Kenneth Teh

Troop 730

Jonathan Paul Gregg

Justin Andrew Guterrez

Sean Chrostopher McGuire

Jonathan Wu

Troop 737

Patrick O'Neal Cammall

Matthew Edward Chan

Nicholas Joseph Chen

Troop 755

H. Christian Koichi Almqvist

Calvin Chi

Troop 777

Austin Eugene Chan

Cole Wesley Pettus

Ryan Kenichi Yoshioka

Troop 8888

Samson Jiunn Huang

Jonathan James Seto

LUCKY BALDWIN DISTRICT

Troop 103

Ian MacKenzie Fehring

Jacob Timothy Johnston

Troop 104

Eric Michael Fornaciari

John Henry Arthur Guyer

Miguel Martin Jaurequi

Steven Alexander Liem

Troop 110

Jason Joseph Fernandez

Troop 111

Eric Steven Flores

Troop 115

Jared Scott Colton

Troop 125

Daniel Christopher Li

Nathan Taylor Mark

Troop 126

Justin Gary Leung

Jonathan Ming Yin Pang

Troop 138

Timothy Cheng

Connor Tinghan Lee

Troop 140

Jason Edward Martinez

Troop 143

Scott Merrill Card

Troop 147

Mina Atef Isaac

Troop 161

Andrew Thomas Jennex

Douglas Alexander Marriott

Charles Zachary Marriott

Troop 167

William Paul Ciozda

Troop 169

Xavier Castro

Troop 174

Keith Adam Clapp

Troop 176

Daniel Robert McKendrick

Troop 266

Stuart James Lai

Gilbert Vinyu Ly

Daniel Enrique Vera

Troop 373

Kyle Scott Menutt

Shaun Glasgow Thomas

Team 180

Kyle Byron Beck

MISSION AMIGOS DISTRICT

Troop 217

John David Campbell Dubay

Troop 261

Daniel Joseph Ramos

Troop 283

Brent Zhou

Troop 301

Taylor Cam Briglio

Matthew Erick Lok

Andrew Marin

Jonathan Gene-lin Wu

Troop 329

Justin T Chan

Christopher Weibin Chen

Garrett Eugene Hara

Timothy Duen-Fu Lin

Joshua Liu

Philip Shan Ma

Victor Wu

Ryan Kin Yip

Christopher Brandon Yue

Troop 511

Raymond M Chung

Stanley Lin

ROSE BOWL DISTRICT

Troop 4

John Lee Gregg IV

Markus Ryan Mehrika

Matthew Joseph Westenhaver

Troop 21

San Gabriel Valley Council Eagles Continued

Markus Scott Liepins
Nicholas Darrell Paulson

Troop 27

Stanton Evan Maack
Michael David Ortiz
Jared Reed Tkocz

Troop 31

Joshua Austin Vasquez

Troop 86

Armand Nareg Yerjanian

Troop 131

Charles Anthony Loop
Jean Carlo Morales

Troop 201

Daniel Mauricio Narvaez

Troop 351

John Jack Watkins Robinson

Andrew William Seber
Greg Talbot Thompson
Philip Ross Tostado

Troop 355

Chien-Yu Chen

Robert Joseph Clark

Alexander King Laudeman

Dustin TrevorJohn Ly

Lorcan McGrath

John Patrick Olinski

Troop 358

Steven Gregory Hendry

Timothy C. Lin

Troop 366

Grant Ryan Quan

Russell Alexander Yu

Troop 501

Holden P. Kilbride

Alexander Timothy Kil

Troop 502

Alexander John Sercel

Steven Hamilton Shushnar

Troop 507

Lucas Francis Connelly

Hunter Griffin Doty

Silas Wainwright Hughes

Christopher Fernando Lazo

Derrick Jacob Piane IV

James Arlington Robbins

Linkai Tang

Troop 509

Connor Criston Chavarria

Adam Ryan de Lucia

Austin Clark Drake

Harold Martin Kast

Matthew Aloysius Susank

Adam N. Wallace

Troop 537

Kyle Davis Wittry

Troop 555

Sean Andrew Baaska Martin

Derek Andrew Sobal

Nicholas Alexander Zermon-Moriak

Crew 516

Jefferson Myer Astle

VALLE DEL SOL DISTRICT

Troop 402

Jackson Webster Reeder

Troop 403

Kyle Evvan Buerba

James Patrick Croughan

Anton William Russell

Troop 407

Storm Hawk Dowd-Lukesh

Colin Axford Guthrie

Troop 411

Robert Michael Groom

Dylan Shane Hare

Michael James Quevedo II

Paxton Michael Rothwell

Troop 414

Zachary Urquart

Troop 419

Adam David Hoffman

Thomas Spears Lisbin

Troop 423

Cody Alexander Teunisse

Troop 443

Eric Craig Gleason

Brandon Michael Ramos

Troop 446

Matthew Beckett Hughes

Troop 448

Steven Guerrero Perez

Troop 461

Eric Al Quinonez Jr.

Troop 483

Nicholas Edward Mehrbrodt

Adam Tadeusz O'Neal

Troop 486

Cullen McKenzie Hutcheson

Adin Rell Rudd IV

Troop 489

Kyle Patrick Daly

Benton R. Trerise

Troop 491

Samuel Kazuo Ebner

Christopher Patrick Gribble

Jeremy Eugene Kolbach

Joshua David Smith

Paul Thomas Valeri

Troop 888

Daniel James Battles

Crew 405

Tyler Everett Meisel

Crew 440

Richard Verile Livingston

Crew 485

Kristopher Allen Kinsey

Crew 808

Spencer Paul Holmes

Team 498

Brenden Russell Sharp

San Gabriel Valley Council Events

2010 Golf Classic "On Course for 100 years of Scouting: 1910-2010"

While Scouting kicked off its Centennial celebration with an award winning float right here at the 2010 Tournament of Roses Parade, we are excited to honor this remarkable achievement and bring closure to a great year with a fun filled day of golf at Pasadena's prestigious Annandale Golf Club on Monday, October 18, 2010.

For additional information please contact Annette Haslam at the Council office at 626-351-8815 ext. 255.

Centennial Gala Event



On Saturday, November 13, 2010, the San Gabriel Valley Council will celebrate the Boy Scouts of America Centennial with a Gala dinner, dance, special guest, entertainment and auction in the Viennese Room of The Langham Huntington, Pasadena.

For additional information please contact Annette Haslam at the Council office at 626-351-8815 ext. 255.

Tournament Troop update

It is that time of year again and we like to invite all Eagle Scouts that received their Eagle Rank from October 2009 to September 1, 2010 to apply to march in the Tournament of Roses and represent the Boy Scouts of America. Letters inviting Eagles to apply and interview are in the mail. If you did not receive your invitation letter and fall under the dates mentioned above call the Council office to get your name on the list. This is a great honor that only 50 Eagle Scouts all from our Council get to be a part of every year. Take advantage and apply.

Silver Beaver Award

The nominating process for the Council Silver Beaver award has begun. Applications can be downloaded from the Council website under the Leaders & Resources tab located on the forms page. All applications must be submitted to the Council Office by 5:00 PM on October 29, 2010. Recipients will be honored at the Council annual dinner tentatively scheduled for Friday, March 4, 2011. For additional information please contact Darla Duarte at the Council office at 626-351-8815 ext. 242.



Tri-Council Training Teams of San Gabriel Valley, Verdugo Hills and Long Beach Area Councils of The Boys Scouts of America proudly presents



The 2011
"La Fiesta"
CUB SCOUT LEADER POW WOW

Saturday, February 5, 2011
El Monte High School - El Monte, California



Mark your calendars
for another exciting day
of training in 2011

Check-in begins at 7:00 a.m.
Opening Celebration at 8:00 a.m.
Classes begin at 8:30 a.m.

If you are interested in helping out, contact Rico Rios at 626-484-8373



*Please Join Our
2010 Tournament Sponsor*

PRIORITY RESERVATION FORM
'On Course for 100 Years of Scouting : 1910-2010'
San Gabriel Valley Council, Boy Scout Golf Classic
Annandale Golf Club, Pasadena
Monday, October 18, 2010

TOURNAMENT SPONSOR \$25,000

- Assures highest visibility during the tournament
- Three foursomes with 12 tee prize packages
- Company banner displayed and logo on all items
- Four color ad: back cover page of journal
- Two tee and two green signs

DINNER SPONSOR \$20,000

- Assures highest visibility during the dinner
- Two foursomes with 8 tee prize packages
- Company banner displayed throughout
- Four color ad: back inside cover of journal
- One tee and green sign

GOLF CART SPONSOR \$15,000

- Provides excellent visibility during the tournament
- One foursome with 4 tee prize packages
- Signage with company logo on all golf carts
- Full page color ad in journal
- One tee and green sign

TEE PACKAGE SPONSOR \$15,000

- Provides excellent visibility during the tournament
- One foursome with 4 tee prize packages
- Company Logo on all tee packages
- Black & white full page ad in journal
- One tee and green sign

LUNCH SPONSOR \$10,000

- Provides excellent visibility during the tournament
- One foursome with 4 tee prize packages
- Company banner displayed at Lunch
- Black & white full page ad in journal
- One tee and green sign

AWARDS SPONSOR \$10,000

- Provides excellent visibility during the tournament
- One foursome with 4 tee prize packages
- Company banner displayed with Awards
- Black & white full page ad in journal
- One tee and green sign

CORPORATE SPONSOR \$5,000

- One foursome with 4 tee prize packages
- Black & white full page ad in journal
- One tee or green sign

TEE OR GREEN SPONSOR \$1,500

- Provides great advertising opportunities
- One tee or one green sign
- Black & white full page ad in journal
- Recognition in all printed materials

All Advertisements are 4.5" w x 7.5" h and High Resolution Corporate Logos should be e-mailed to annette.haslam@scouting.org no later than September 21, 2009 in JPEG or PDF format.

All golfers will receive an exceptional tee package. Golfers will also receive lunch, beverages and snacks on the golf course along with the opportunity to win fabulous awards and prizes during our Centennial Celebration Cocktail hour.

Sorry, I cannot attend the Classic, but would like to support Scouting in the San Gabriel Valley. Please accept my 100% tax-deductible contribution of \$ _____.

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You may fax this form to (626) 351-5049, e-mail to annette.haslam@scouting.org or mail to the address below.

For more information, you may call Annette Haslam at (626) 351-8815 ext. 255.

Make checks payable to San Gabriel Valley Council, BSA, 3450 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Pasadena CA 91107

SCOUT NIGHT 2010



SECTION
 LOWER LEVEL
 UPPER LEVEL

Price Friday, December 10 7:00 PM # of tickets _____ \$18.00 ea. Total: _____
 \$18 Reign vs. Utah Grizzlies # of tickets _____ \$12.00 ea. Total: _____

\$12 To place your order please fill out the order form below and fax to (909) 204-5555 or call Erik Blaisdell at (909) 941-7899



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 ONTARIO, CA 91764**

ONTARIOREIGN.COM

A portion of the proceeds from your registration will be donated to the SGV Council

Pack/Troop #: _____ **San Gabriel Valley Council**

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Check: _____

Visa MC Disc Amex: _____ Exp date: _____

Cardholder Signature: _____ Date: _____

Tickets must be purchased with cash, check, or credit card

If you have any questions call the Ontario Reign ticket office at (909) 941-7899 or email eblaisdell@ontarioreign.com

FIRECRACKER 2011

February 12-13

BIKE RIDE

9:00 AM - Saturday, February 12, 2011

Join us for a bike ride to celebrate Chinese New Year.

Ride Level: Intermediate and above

Featuring:

- 30+ miles
- Fully supported with support truck, ride monitors
- Refreshments on course

5/10 K RUN/WALK

Sunday, February 13, 2011

8:00 AM – 5 K Run/Walk

Start/finish is on N. Broadway. The course is a short, challenging run into Elysian park. See website for more course descriptions.

8:30 AM – 10 K Run

Start/finish is on N. Broadway, just in front of the Chinatown portal. The course is a challenging run into Elysian Park with scenic vistas of Los Angeles. See website for more course descriptions.

KIDDIE RUN

9:45 AM - Sunday, February 13, 2011

Approximately 1K (0.6 miles). The course is a flat and straight northbound run on N. Broadway to Bishops Road and back.

Monitors on course will direct runners back to the start/finish line.



www.firecracker10k.org

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77th Annual Desert Caravan

With fall approaching, it's appropriate to start planning for the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

Why not come and join the Order of the Arrow at the 77th annual Desert Caravan for a long weekend of fun and fellowship. The Lodge will have a variety of activities, including Tug-of-War, Moonwalkers, Indian Games, Cobbler Contest, Chili Contest, Archery, Branding Irons, Scavenger Hunt, and much more. On Saturday night there will be a huge Campfire. Reserve the dates on your calendar and spend the weekend with us in the desert. This family style event is open to all scout units. Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturing units are all welcomed.

This year's caravan will be held from Friday, November 26 through Sunday, November 28, 2010 at Mojave River Forks Regional Park located in Summit Valley, Hesperia just an easy drive from the San

Gabriel Valley. The cost is only \$13 per person for a whole weekend of fun and a great collectors' patch!

Desert Caravan was started in 1933 by Skipper Robinson, who was the program director for Camp Cherry Valley. The idea was to hold a family style council wide campout on a yearly basis in our beautiful Southern California Deserts. In the day, everyone would meet at the council headquarters and "caravan" together to the desert campsite, thus the name Desert Caravan. The first Desert Caravan was held on the south slope of Calico California. Originally until 1985 this event was planned and managed by the council. In 1986, Desert Caravan was taken over and hosted by the Ta



Tanka Order of the Arrow Lodge. The Desert Caravan fliers, information booklet, and registration information can be found on the San Gabriel Valley Council website, Ta Tanka Lodge websites, Smiser Scout Center, and your local Roundtables. You can also register online at the council website. We hope you'll join us for the 77th Desert Caravan!