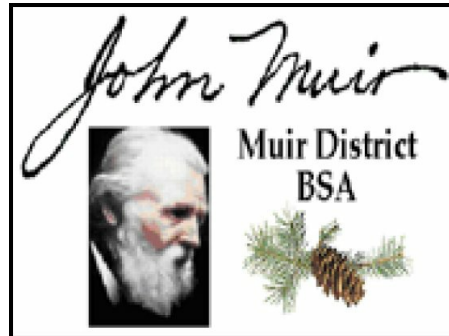


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## Welcome to the Muir Newsletter for March 2021!



### March 4, 2021 District Roundtable via Zoom

**The March 2021 Roundtable is scheduled for Thursday, March 4 at 7:00 PM, via Zoom.**

Topic: Muir Roundtable

Time: Mar 4, 2021 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/93269387328?pwd=cW5QTfZOCgXNYlBnaXhQMElTWml3dz09>

Meeting ID: 932 6938 7328

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Every month on the First Thursday, until Dec 2, 2021, 10 occurrence(s)

Mar 4, 2021 07:00 PM

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Jun 3, 2021 07:00 PM

Jul 1, 2021 07:00 PM

Aug 5, 2021 07:00 PM

Sep 2, 2021 07:00 PM

Oct 7, 2021 07:00 PM

Nov 4, 2021 07:00 PM

Dec 2, 2021 07:00 PM

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Monthly: [https://zoom.us/meeting/tJcvceCrpjwpGNwwz--VJezYotoHwex0\\_BSI/ics?icsToken=98tyKuCrrD0jGdySsxuPRowqAI\\_oXenxiGZeY1KiwWoThZ5ZxnPGfZNGqV6Cljv](https://zoom.us/meeting/tJcvceCrpjwpGNwwz--VJezYotoHwex0_BSI/ics?icsToken=98tyKuCrrD0jGdySsxuPRowqAI_oXenxiGZeY1KiwWoThZ5ZxnPGfZNGqV6Cljv)

This was announced on 12/22/2020.



### **Muir District Director's Message on behalf of the Council**

Please review the COVID-19 update from the Golden Gate Area Council.

Yours in Scouting,

**Alan Young**

*Muir District Director  
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### **COVID-19 Update**

Please visit [News & Briefings - GGAC \(ggacbsa.org\)](http://ggacbsa.org) and note the December 4, 2020 section. In particular, using the [COVID-19 Pre-Event Questionnaire](#) and working with your Chartered Organization so they know about your activities (usually providing your Chartered Organization Representative a calendar of activities, especially the ones that involve some face-to-face interaction and having him or her signing off on the calendar to approve the activities.

If someone ends up testing positive for COVID-19 after an activity, the information on the questionnaire will be sought to determine if enough precaution was used in holding the event and for possible contact tracing.



### **A Message from our Chair**

Greetings Muir District,

Wow what a world we live in today. If it's not COVID, it's bad weather, and not either of these

then we're always trying to find the negative that is going on. Well let's look for the positive of where this district can go.

We recently had a committee meeting in which there were some wonderful ideas passed around. One of the things we talked about was FOS. I know we told you that there would not be a hard push on the families, and that will not happen. But we are looking for businesses to go and talk to about giving to the Scouting program and helping it continue. Other ideas are coming forward to where we might have an event. If you would like to have some say in this, please attend our next committee meeting.

We also are moving forward with recognition for the District. Please get the forms in for District Award of Merit or for your Unit's Scouter of the Year. We are looking at around early Fall 2021 to hold this event. At that time, we will be honoring not only the current year's people but also we will again recognize those from last year. Another thing that we are looking at is holding a Camporee. If you're interested in working on this, please give me a call.

Cub Scouts, we have not forgotten you. Decisions are still being made about how Day Camp will be held. The other thing is perhaps you have the best built Pinewood Derby car. Perhaps you would like to just run your car again to show how much better it is. Maybe you would like to ask your friends to join in. Look forward to future announcements on this subject.

Happy Scouting - let's get back to our activities.

Yours in Scouting,

**Sheila Rowntree**  
*Muir District Chair*  
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### **District Commissioner's Corner**

Welcome to 2021. There is much promise ahead of us for 2021 and I know we're all looking forward to the opportunity to eventually return to more normal unit activities. Once this return starts, the desire for activity and adventure is likely to bring much growth to our units and the need for new units to start. The role of the Unit Commissioner is crucial to help advise units, suggest program enhancements, and connect the unit with information about District and Council resources and events. I want to thank all our current Commissioners for their efforts, as well as encourage anyone who might be interested in becoming a Commissioner to contact me.

*An important training opportunity for Commissioners* (or those interested in learning about the Commissioner role) is coming up on **Feb 27, 2021**. Commissioner College is the primary annual training event and this year will be 100% virtual and a collaboration of 11 councils. Yes, 11!

More information on Commissioner College as well as registration for this event is available at <https://www.norcalcommissioner.org/>. I hope to (virtually) see you there!

Yours in Scouting,

### **Muir District Website (subdomain of Council Website)**

Reminder: we have a [website for our District](https://muir.ggacbsa.org)! Please go and check it out! Currently, the Zoom information for both the District Roundtable and the Commissioner & Committee Meetings are posted on the Home page. Advancement information such as the Life to Eagle Process, Guide to Advancement, and COVID-19 Advancement is available. There is also District contacts (coming soon) and Unit contacts which redirects to [beascout.org](https://beascout.org).

<https://muir.ggacbsa.org>

### **Wek-Wek Village, Order of the Arrow web page**

We also have a web page linked to the Muir website for the Wek-Wek Village, Order of the Arrow! It is located under the "OA" tab at top in the Menu bar or you may go to: <https://muir.ggacbsa.org/wek-wek-village/>.

That web page will have recent announcements, upcoming meetings/events, Village leadership roster, and a link to their Facebook page.

If you have any feedback on what we should have on our District website, please let Patrick Jaime, District Communications Chair know at: [patrickj0208@yahoo.com](mailto:patrickj0208@yahoo.com)!

### **Muir Scouts in Action Submissions**

If you have any pictures or videos of **Muir District Scouts in Action** (service projects, heroism, etc.) wearing masks and observing social distancing, please email them to [patrickj0208@yahoo.com](mailto:patrickj0208@yahoo.com) and include a copy of the Medical Record (**Part A**) release for each Scout so that they can be recognized/featured in the District Newsletters!

We also accept any submissions of notable Scouting-related recognitions, awards, or news of Scouts/Scouters.

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### **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

#### **Muir District's *One and Only* Member of the Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts**

Congratulations to **Makaylla Tompkins-Nutt** on passing her Eagle Scout Board of Review on January 28, 2021 (officially February 8, 2021 as per National's policy regarding the Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts)! The members of the Inaugural Class were recognized and celebrated during the Boy Scouts of America's [Be The Change](#) virtual event on February 21, 2021.





"For more than 110 years, Scouts have been a positive change in their communities, building a legacy of servant leadership and making a difference in the world. Every year, thousands of these Scouts earn the Eagle Scout Award, the pinnacle rank in the Scouts BSA program. This year, young women joined the prestigious ranks of the more than 2.5 million Eagle Scouts who have earned the award since the first in 1912. It's a difficult road to reach the Eagle Scout rank, with about 4% to 8% of all Scouts earning it during any given year. This year's class of Eagle Scouts, including hundreds of young women, was a particularly driven and resourceful group, forced to lead their peers, earn merit badges, and plan and carry out service projects in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic." - excerpt from *Special Edition February 2021 of Scout Life: Saluting the Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts*.

Makaylla is a part of history by being a member of nearly 1,000 (actual number: 933) members of the Inaugural Class, by breaking barriers, and being an inspiration for aspiring Eagle Scouts!



Makaylla featured in the Be The Change Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts collage.  
(Photo Credit: Boy Scouts of America)

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This was announced on 01/20/2021.



## National Statement on COVID-19

As always, the safety of our Scouts, volunteers, employees and communities is our top priority.

Our response to the COVID-19 pandemic continues to be informed by expertise from agencies, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

We expect that everyone in Scouting will follow the guidelines listed below, which are based on the CDC's guidance. In addition, we have instructed local councils to consult with their local and state health departments, as well as local chartered partners, in order to implement appropriate protocols to help keep members, volunteers, and employees safe.

- Isolate if you are sick, and do not attend any activity/meeting/event if you, anyone you live with, or anyone you have recently been around feels unwell.
- Stay at least 6 feet apart from people who do not live with you. (properly executed Scouting cohorts at council camps may be an exception).
- Avoid crowds.
- Avoid poorly ventilated indoor spaces.
- Meet outside if you can.
- Wear a face covering or mask that covers your nose and mouth to help protect yourself and others.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.
- Avoid international travel if possible.
- Do not attend any activity/meeting/event if you or anyone you live with has been tested for COVID-19 or another illness and do not have the results back yet.

Units should look to their council regarding whether/how to conduct in-person meetings and activities. If in-person gatherings are permitted, be sure to follow all applicable guidelines and use your council's version of the Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist before attending.

We are taking similar steps as a national organization as we continue to evaluate and adapt to the current environment with the best interests of our members, volunteers, and employees in mind.

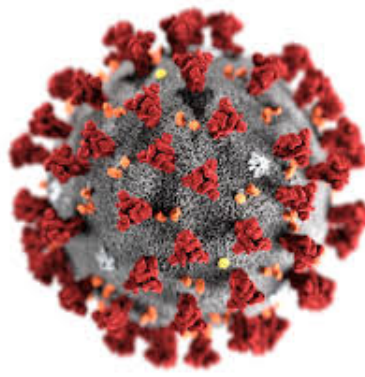
Thank you for doing your part to ensure that young people continue to benefit from Scouting while protecting the health and safety of our families, friends, and communities.

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### Resources:

- [Restart Scouting Checklist](#)
  - [Pre-Event Medical Screening Checklist](#)
  - [BSA COVID-19 FAQ](#)
  - [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
  - [World Health Organization](#)
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## **NEW COVID-19 GUIDANCE FOR ALL COUNTIES IN GOLDEN GATE AREA COUNCIL COMING SOON.**

Stay tuned via GGAC Facebook page or Council eNews.

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### **Be The Change Event Recording Now Available!**

The “Be the Change” event was on Sunday, February 21, 2021 and celebrated service, leadership, and the historic Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts.

(Below message is from BSA Headquarters):

"We just wrapped up the most exciting event celebrating the Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts and it was amazing to check in on what they are up to in the world! Here are links to the videos, in case you missed it!"

Video links below:

[https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?v=715548199324787&ref=watch\\_permalink](https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?v=715548199324787&ref=watch_permalink)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EZbHsoWHzWg&feature=youtu.be>

CHECK OUT THE SPECIAL SCOUT LIFE EDITION:

<https://scoutlife.org/digitaledition/feb2021/>

Be The Change web page:

<https://www.scouting.org/bethechange/>

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## ORDER OF THE ARROW

Come join Wek-Wek Village for their next Informational Meeting on *Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 7 pm* via Zoom! <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71169643470...>

Meeting ID: 711 6964 3470

Passcode: WekWek

Also, Wek-Wek is planning a *short hike* with a tentative date of Saturday, March 13, 2021. Please contact Village Chief Abhiram Mokkaapati at [abhimokkapati@gmail.com](mailto:abhimokkapati@gmail.com) if you are interested and for more details.

**Note:** when emailing [abhimokkapati@gmail.com](mailto:abhimokkapati@gmail.com), please CC Village Adviser at [arnel.jaime@scouting.org](mailto:arnel.jaime@scouting.org) and Assoc. Adviser at [patrickj0208@yahoo.com](mailto:patrickj0208@yahoo.com) for YPT if you send us emails.



### Welcome to the.... Yerba Buena Lodge, Wek-Wek Village

**Troops 262, 364, 444, 484, 370, 317, 1351, 1994**

**Zoom Meeting, Wednesday March 3, 2021  
from 7:00-7:30 pm**

We encourage all members new and old to take part and join in as we start the new year with a brand new lodge. We will be having a kickoff meeting on Zoom. With your help we can make this the best year ever! Feel free to contact me with any questions!  
We look forward to seeing you there!

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71169643470?pwd=RFRRMWU5ZC9PdVRJUXNKenlpO0ZoZz09>  
Meeting ID: 711 6964 3470  
Passcode: WekWek

Contact Info:  
[abhimokkapati@gmail.com](mailto:abhimokkapati@gmail.com)  
(925)-204-9685



### GGAC Inaugural Recognition Event

Congratulations to Muir District's Ron Fedele, Arnel Jaime, and Michelle Wojack for being recognized at the Golden Gate Area Council's inaugural recognition event that was held virtually on February 20, 2021.

#### Silver Beaver Recipient

Ron Fedele is part of this year's Silver Beaver class. Although he now resides in the Lake District, Ron started his Scouting in our Council with Troop 444. Ron has been our resident Scoutbook expert, holding classes at LEAD, in units, and being always





available to answer questions regarding Scoutbook.

The Silver Beaver is the highest recognition awarded to a volunteer at the Council level. Ron joins 11 other volunteers as part of the GGAC's inaugural class of Silver Beaver awardees. Silver Beaver recipients receive a certificate, a medal, a pin, and a uniform knot.



### **Council Venturing Leadership Award Recipient**

Arnel Jaime is one of four individuals recognized with the Venturing Leadership Award (VLA) this year. Arnel was recognized for his contributions as Crew 317 Advisor, and MDSC Venturing Officer Association Staff Advisor.

Arnel also served as Interim Staff Advisor during the restructuring of the three legacy council VOA's, helping the three group of officers organize and form the new VOA. VLA recipients receive a certificate, a medal, and a uniform knot.



### **James E. West Fellowship Award Recognition**

Michelle Wojack was recognized as a James E. West Fellow. Named after the BSA's first Chief Scout Executive, the James E. West Fellowship recognizes people for their contributions to the endowment fund.

Strong support for the endowment helps our council fund projects and activities for our youth. James E. West fellows receive a certificate, a uniform knot, and a pin.

Congratulations to our recent awardees and thank you to all of our volunteers for the countless hours you dedicate for our youth.



## General Support

Need support at 2AM? The Golden Gate Area Council User Support Page came about through your questions [User Support - GGAC \(ggacbsa.org\)](https://ggacbsa.org). There is a lot of FAQ-format information as well as a way to route questions to more efficient responses. (Leaving a voicemail on the general line will lead to a wait before that voicemail box gets cleared out during our current Stay-At-Home period.)

Another contact through the service center is calling Alan at 925-674-6102 or through email at [alan.young@scouting.org](mailto:alan.young@scouting.org).



## Commissioners Wanted

If you are a Scouter or parent interested in helping units grow and prosper, consider becoming a Commissioner! The overall vision of the Commissioner Service is for every member of the BSA to have a great Scouting experience.

If you are interested, please contact: [muircommissioner@gmail.com](mailto:muircommissioner@gmail.com)

## District Committee Positions

Calling all adults over 21 years of age! If you would like to know how you can help Scouting in our area, contact our District Chair Sheila Rowntree at [rowntreesheila53@gmail.com](mailto:rowntreesheila53@gmail.com).

### Muir District News

If you or other members of your unit would like to receive the latest information regarding Scouting in our community, please check out our Muir District – GGAC Facebook group page by following the link here:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/325497627480390/>

Latest/past District Newsletters can be found on our website's home page by clicking the "News" tab on the menu bar or go here:

<https://muir.ggacbsa.org/news/>

### Council News

Check out the Council website for the latest Council news, and updates:

<https://ggacbsa.org>.

Latest/past Council e-News can be found here: <https://ggacbsa.org/#elementor-action%3Aaction%3Dpopup%3Aopen%26settings%3DeyJpZCI6IjE5NjkwliwidG9nZ2xlljpmYWxzZX0%3D>

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If you are not receiving the Council eNews, you may subscribe here:

<https://forms.gle/6qFq1oTcjC3dkhEa8>



## Friends of Scouting 2021

GGAC's Friends of Scouting Campaign for 2021 is open! Please check out [www.ggacbsa.org/donate](https://www.ggacbsa.org/donate)



## Golden Gate Area Council Founder Patch

Golden Gate Area Council Founder patches are still available! Click below at this link: <https://ggacbsa.org/donate/#FoundersCampaign> to donate to the GGAC Founders Campaign.

A \$100 donation or higher levels will help keep Scouting going in Muir District and will net you a Founder version of the Golden Gate Area Council shoulder patch!

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## Scouter Recognition (still accepting nominations)

It has been a different year in Scouting in 2020. Despite the frequent rule changes and challenges imposed on public and group gatherings, I want to thank our volunteers for continuing to persevere and provide the Scouting program while safeguarding the safety of our youth. With that, I am soliciting nominations for 2020 Unit Scouter of the Year, and District Award of Merit in preparation for our recognition event in this year.

Below is a link for the Unit Scouter of the Year Nomination form and a link for the District Award of Merit Nomination form. The deadline for nominations is *March 15, 2021*.

[Unit Scouter of the Year Nomination Form](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33720.pdf)  
<https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33720.pdf>

We do not have a location or date yet due to the current gathering restrictions, but I can start collecting the information for our program.

### Arnel Jaime

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## Eagle Rank Extensions

If you have any Life Scouts who are nearing age 18, please have him or her visit the links here:  
[Eagle Rank Extension - Guide](#) & [Eagle Rank Extension - Form](#).

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This was updated on 01/01/2021.



### 2021 Registration Assistance Program

The generosity of donors contributing to our Friends of Scouting campaign paired with our Council Program Fee has made it possible for the Golden Gate Area Council to create a Scout registration assistance fund. The purpose of the fund is to ensure that every youth has the opportunity to participate in our program by offsetting registration fees.

Registration assistance requests are available to families based on need, and are submitted through a member of the unit key 3. While assistance can be requested up the full amount of the council CPF and national registration costs, we encourage units to determine if the families or units can contribute any portion of the cost. This will make it possible for us to extend the funding to as many Scouts as possible.

The Golden Gate Area Council is committed to ensuring that every youth has an opportunity to be a Scout, so please speak with your district staff members if the BSA registration cost is a barrier for any family. Thank you for delivering the promise of Scouting to youth of the GGAC!

Please [click here](#) to visit our CPF page where you can find the Registration Assistance Request Form.

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This was updated on 01/01/2021.



### Pleasant Hill Scout Shop Updated Hours of Operation (as of January 1, 2021)

The Scout Shop is open as a retail entity (similarly your unit's Christmas tree pick up, mistletoe sales, etc. could be too). Please visit [GGAC Scout Shop \(ggacbsa.org\)](http://GGAC Scout Shop (ggacbsa.org)) for

### Ordering Advancement items through Scout Shops (Two options):

1. Email [PleasantHillScoutShop@scouting.org](mailto:PleasantHillScoutShop@scouting.org) and attach your Purchase Order with the Advancement Report. Please indicate what you would like to add to your order such as rank cards and parent pins. Also, please specify when you would like to pick up your

information before you go. Store hours (including lunch break), available items, how to order ahead, and other useful tips are there.

For the time being, we are open from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm on Tuesday – Friday & 10:30 am – 3:00 pm on Saturday (store will close for lunch break from 1:30 pm – 2:00 pm everyday) and we are closed Sunday and Monday.

order(s).

2. Click this link to place advancement orders with local Scout Shops that have reopened: <https://www.jotform.com/gpetza/advancement-order-form>. Please attach the relevant Advancement Report(s) to the online form.

There is a shipping option and a "pick-up at store" option currently available.



## Unit Restart Webinar

Wednesday, Feb 24, 2021 @ 7:00pm

[ZOOM Link](#)

[Facebook Live](#)

All Scoutmasters, Cubmasters, Venturing Advisors, Sea Scout Skippers, and Exploring Advisors, in WR Area 3 are invited to join us on February 24 to hear from Pacific Skyline Council Sea Scout Commodore Mike Marzano on how the Sea Scouts developed a COVID restart plan based on the BSA Restart Checklist and state & local health orders . . . [Read More](#)



### Powerful Cub Scout leader resources

A lot of useful content is being posted on Scoutingwire at: <https://scoutingwire.org>.

From giving your new Den Leader instant meeting plans: <https://scoutingwire.org/this-new-video-series-delivers-the-ultimate-den-leader-experience/>.

To a host of other ideas like leading Zoom meeting for Cub Scouts, Virtual fall recruiting (including the use of digital applications and payment), and BeAScout

## Save the Dates . . .

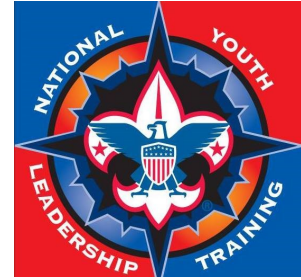
**April 9-11 & 16-18, 2021** at Camp Herms  
36 Scouts max and MUST attend both weekend sessions.

**June 7-12, 2021** at Camp Herms - 78 Scouts max

**June 13-19, 2021** at Rancho Los Mochos - 196 Scouts max  
Registration will be made available by mid-January - check the Council website [Youth Training](#) page. Updated regulations associated with COVID may result in changes. We will keep you posted, and make a final decision on each course no later than 30 days before the scheduled course date.

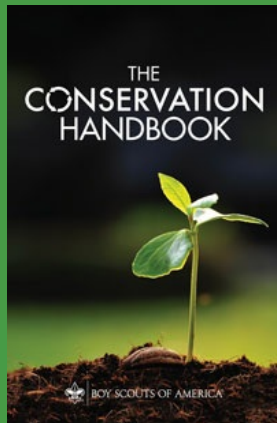
Please direct Scouts & Crew interested in taking NYLT to register as soon as possible after Unit Leader approval. Slots fill up quickly. If you have a Scout in your Unit who has completed NYLT and is interested in serving on Staff, please have them contact us at: [GGAC - NYLT](#).

Check out our [FLYER](#) for more information about NYLT.



This was announced on 10/13/2020.

### Conservation awards program changes



The Hornaday Award will be replaced by the BSA Distinguished Conservation Service Award.

More information available at: <https://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/conservation-and-environment/>.

This was last updated on 4/22/2020.

### Youth Protection During COVID-19: Digital Safety and Online Scouting Activities

"As Scouting moves to virtual and online platforms, we offer the following reminders to help keep kids safe. The below guidelines applies to all online Scouting activities and meetings."

<https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments/digital-safety-and-online-scouting-activities/?fbclid=IwARONRPabsRGXTPz3BFJS7o5ZuisgV7WzfG3IJE2wf7xcc67qfRz47QkyTYY>

This was updated on 1/14/2021.

### Cub Scouting/Scouts BSA/Venturing/Sea Scouting Rank Advancement and the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Questions and Answers

The following questions regarding advancement have arisen as we deal with closures, cancellations,



or other issues caused by the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19). Although there are difficulties and constraints, advancement can continue. Youth, parents, and leaders should work together to implement creative, common sense ways to facilitate advancement while adhering to the Guide to Safe Scouting and following the rules of Youth Protection training.

Please follow this link to the [Guide to Advancement \(GTA\)](#), which remains the primary source for information related to Scouts BSA advancement. It is referenced throughout the answers provided here.

Please send additional questions to [advancement.team@scouting.org](mailto:advancement.team@scouting.org).

Link below: <https://www.scouting.org/coronavirus/covid-19-faq/#advancement>

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This was announced on 12/22/2020.



### Adventures in Cub Scouts

This guide [Adventures in Cub Scouts - GGAC \(ggacbsa.org\)](#) builds on the National BSA video presentations for Cub Scout Core and Elective Adventures. If you are feeling lost on how to guide the Cub Scouts in your den, these resources will lead you out of the woods. If you have kids who want to know how things work, you might visit the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) Activities & Awards section at the bottom of the page.

The Golden Gate Area Council STEM Committee will be adding videos that may be used to check off STEM-related requirements. One of our favorites is making a Cartesian Diver - <https://youtu.be/0lqbaWj8QUs>.



### Congratulations to the Newest Muir Eagle Scouts!

- Makaylla Tompkins-Nutt, T484G, 1/28/2021 (2/08/2021 official date as a member of the *Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts*).
  - Project Name: "Kaylla's Positivity Garden Project".
  - Project Description: The scout used GoFundMe for fundraising. The project had three products, plus installation. The first product including washing, priming, painting and positive designs on stones, and adults spray sealing 120 stones, using safety equipment, to help children develop a positive mindset and encourage good self esteem. The painted stones were placed in groups around the campus. The second product included construction of 3 rolling planters, for use in teaching Botany. The third product of the project was painting, spray sealing by adults using safety equipment, and installation of 10 positive message plaques on both existing

and new planters. COVID-19 solutions: Workers painting plaques and stones worked in family groups at home. The scout gave detailed instructions in writing and by zoom. Workers texted photos of their plaques and stones in process and completed to the scout. Builders and installers worked in family groups, were temperature tested, kept masked, and worked 6 feet apart.

- Tyler Barazoto, T444, 2/04/2021.
    - Project Name: "Trap Shooting Booths".
    - Project Description: Design and construction of three scoring booths for their skeet/trap shooting fields. Current booths have seats with no back, and a table attached, for scoring. The new booths have been carefully constructed to provide a bench, a table for scoring, storage beneath the seat for the scorekeeper's lunch, etc., 3 walls, and a roof, mounted on highly durable wheels. The back wheels pivot, for ease of maneuvering the booths. The roof provides sun and rain protection for the scorekeepers. The new booths are more comfortable and more substantial. The project also included creating and using a COVID-19 questionnaire, holding a fundraiser at the scout's place of employment, and using GoFundMe to receive donations.
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## ALL BSA TRAINING IS ONLINE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE



Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters. To be registered as TRAINED in your role, you need to complete the following courses

- Scoutmaster/ Assistant Scoutmaster Position Training
- Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- Hazardous Weather
- YPT Youth Protections

### HAZARDOUS WEATHER TRAINING

**Please take or update your training before your first outdoor or camping activity.**

Since April 2018, BSA has required adult volunteer direct-contact leaders in all outdoor programs to take the most up-to-date (April 2018) *Hazardous Weather Training* (SCO\_800). This training is [available online](#).

This [basic position-specific leader training](#) is for:

- Cub Scouting (Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmaster, Den Leader, Assistant Den Leader)
  - Scouts BSA (Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster)
  - Venturing (Crew Advisor and Associate Advisor)
  - Sea Scouts BSA (all Adult Leaders)
  - Exploring (Advisor and Associate Advisor)
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