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**Welcome to the Muir Newsletter for July 2020!**



### **NO July 2020 District Roundtable via Zoom**

There will not be a July 2020 Roundtable but there will be one on **Thursday, August 6 at 7:30 PM**, via a **Zoom link**.

If you have any questions, please contact Sheila Rowntree - District Chair, [rowntreesheila@att.net](mailto:rowntreesheila@att.net)



### **Muir District Director's Message**

As our council's counties are opening up at different paces, we recommend that units follow all state and county guidelines that apply locally. In addition, we

recommend that units make it clear to parents and Scouts that all in-person meetings are completely voluntary. When possible, we recommend that a virtual participation option is also offered, and alternative ways to receive recognition or advancement are offered when families are not comfortable meeting in person. We recognize that this will not always be possible, but the goal is to avoid any pressure to attend before families are completely comfortable doing so.

Current Contra Costa County health orders permit a "Stable Group of 12" to meet for age appropriate activities. This would suggest that meetings in public spaces of not more than 12 people including Pack/Troop/Crew/Ship Leadership, chaperones, etc. could be permitted. This means a maximum of 10 youth and 2 engaged adults within the social circle. If parents, siblings etc. are present they should remain distant from the scouting activity and only interact with their Scout away from everyone else. This allows for a den or patrol activity but not troop or pack activities. Scouts and families should also implement a best practice of taking everyone who will be riding in the transportation vehicle's temperature prior to departing from home and that if anyone to ride in the vehicle presents with an elevated temperature no one in that group/ family should attend the meeting. Hand sanitizer should also be the "11<sup>th</sup> essential" and equipment and materials should not be shared.

A couple of useful resources are BSA's "SAFE Restart Scouting Checklist" and is filed as BIN 680-693. An electronic copy is available at this link:

[https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-693.pdf?utm\\_source=scoutingwire&utm\\_campaign=swemployee6172020&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content&fbclid=IwAR33zeuN5IRnx\\_57QwUwIAnM3qDHCwnLI6Q-n7Om9XJewvlytA52vyr6P0](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-693.pdf?utm_source=scoutingwire&utm_campaign=swemployee6172020&utm_medium=email&utm_content&fbclid=IwAR33zeuN5IRnx_57QwUwIAnM3qDHCwnLI6Q-n7Om9XJewvlytA52vyr6P0)

The most detailed information for Contra Costa County is found on the health services website at: <https://www.coronavirus.cchealth.org/health-orders>. Please note that there is an "Updated Shelter in Place Order" dated June 16<sup>th</sup>. The piece that most addresses Scout meetings is Appendix C-2: [https://813dcad3-2b07-4f3f-a25e-23c48c566922.filesusr.com/ugd/84606e\\_ee8f6d1fcde543be8b51cfe8a130c223.pdf](https://813dcad3-2b07-4f3f-a25e-23c48c566922.filesusr.com/ugd/84606e_ee8f6d1fcde543be8b51cfe8a130c223.pdf). Look for "Children's Extracurricular Activity Unit" under "Small Social Gatherings"

Yours in Scouting,

Alan Young | District Director

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### A Word from our Chair

Greetings everyone from your District Chair!

How are you doing in these times? I know some of you are excited that things are beginning to open up. It may seem that things are returning to normal, but we still have far to go before everyone can enjoy returning to our normal routines.

Some of you, I am sure have read or heard the news of our new membership fees. Yes, they will be increasing. And, yes there will be some fees for the local council. As you are aware, these are difficult times and Scouting is no different. Many of your questions will be answered at our August Roundtable. Please make plans to attend as this will be a Zoom Roundtable. Please save August 6 at 7:30 PM for our Roundtable date. At this time we will try to answer all

questions that you might have.

Another important meeting that is going to be open to everyone in the district (of course all of our meetings are open to everyone) is going to occur on August 8. It will be a half-day Summit conference. It will be online, will begin at 8:30 AM, and should be through by no later than 1 PM. We need everyone in the Muir District to plan to be there. We hope to see you all there to continue to make Muir the greatest district ever!

So, remember, there is no Roundtable in July. We will return with renewed energy in August. Remember, August 6, and August 8 are very important dates. Enjoy the rest of your summer and we will see you then.

Yours in Scouting,

Sheila Rowntree  
Muir District Chair  
Golden Gate Area Council, BSA  
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### **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: [alan.young@scouting.org](mailto:alan.young@scouting.org)

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### **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 [rowntreesheila@att.net](mailto:rowntreesheila@att.net).

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### **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 Facebook group page by following the link below:

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

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This was announced on 6/02/2020.



## Welcome to the Golden Gate Area Council!

You are now part of one of the largest Councils in the Western Region of the BSA. At the end of 2019, if the three Councils had been combined, we would have been serving over 20,000 youth. Golden Gate Area Council's footprint now stretches from Lake to Alameda counties in the greater Bay Area. We have five beautiful camps, Camp Herms, Rancho Los Mochos, Camp Royaneh, Wentle Scout Reservation and Camp Wolfeboro, plus the Council Service Centers, Scout Shops, and Trading Post, in Pleasant Hill, San Leandro, and Alameda.

Our intentions are to expand the possibilities of Scouting to our current and future members. We will be able to harness the resources of many more volunteers, which we have already seen in the team from all three Councils, that have worked to transition us to the new Golden Gate Area Council website.

Congratulations, Melody Fewx of Scouts BSA Troop 220, who was announced at the June 1<sup>st</sup> Kickoff as the designer of our new GGAC Council strip! We will work hard to get the new Council strips into our Scout Shops and Trading Post as soon as possible.

I want to thank, Hon. Benjamin Reyes, Tom Weibert, Dan Walters, Paul Shimotake, Tom Farris and Calvin Masuda, for their role in Key leadership positions in forming the Golden Gate Area Council. We also had many others who were key to the success in this merger, and will continue to be vital in forming our new Council programs. We are looking forward to being the "Biggest and Best Council in the West"!

John Fenoglio  
Scout Executive/CEO, Golden Gate Area Council

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### Say Hello to our New Council Shoulder Patch

... and thank you Melody Fewx for your brilliant design!





# 2020 BSA National Membership Fees

## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

### EFFECTIVE



FOR ALL  
**NEW**  
MEMBERS

### EFFECTIVE



FOR ALL  
**RENEWING**  
MEMBERS  
(RECHARTER)

BSA has new registration fees that will go into effect in August for new members and at the time of recharter for existing members. 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!

[Details here](#) | [FAQs here](#)



## Friends of Scouting 2020

### FOS Update

Our current FOS donation totals are up to \$12,068, which is up by \$1,036 from last month!

Although we continue to make progress, we still need a lot of work to do in order to support our Council. If you would like to support Scouting, or know of someone that would like to do so, please forward these links:

- To make a one time donation or pledge, or make installment payments for the rest of the year, follow this link: <https://donations.scouting.org/#/council/023/appeal/2610>
- To make a recurring (continuing) donation, follow this link: <https://donations.scouting.org/#/council/023/appeal/2611>

For added convenience, donations can also be made by texting. Text to 1 (844) 615-4269.

- To make a single donation, pledge or installment payment, text: scoutnow
- To make a recurring donation, text: scouts4evr

Once on the donation portal, make sure to specify the unit you would like to credit for your donation. For Packs or Crews, simply type P (Pack) or C (Crew) and the unit number (example, C317) for Crew 317). For Scouts BSA units that has a male or female troop, please specify if the donation is for a boy troop (BT), or girl troop (GT). For example, type 444 GT for troop 444 Girl Troop.

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## **Friends of Scouting 2020 Promotion**

Friends of Scouting unit presentations usually happen at spring pack meetings, courts of honor, or other meetings where parents are present. With these meetings cancelled, many presentations were postponed. We realize that many families have felt a severe economic impact with recent conditions. If your family is in a position to support your local council with a tax-deductible donation, it will help the new Golden Gate Area Council (formerly the Mt Diablo Silverado, San Francisco Bay Area, and Alameda Councils) to provide support with activities, advancement, camps, and other aspects.

This video: <https://youtu.be/l-DCAxylHoo> does a great job of explaining what Friends of Scouting is, why we have an annual campaign, and how to donate. (The video and other description can be seen at the Mt Diablo Silverado Council website at: <https://mdscbsa.org/give/> .) If your pack, troop, crew, post, or ship can distribute this video to your families, please let Alan know at [alan.young@scouting.org](mailto:alan.young@scouting.org).

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**Golden Gate Area Council Founder Patch**  
(the one in the center)

The merger of our council with the Alameda and San Francisco Bay Area Council creates the opportunity to be part of GGAC's history by ordering a Golden Gate Area Council "Founder" patch. This special edition patch will have the word "founder" on it as opposed to the regular patches that will be sold to everyone. If you would like to know more or place an order, follow this link:

[https://scoutingevent.com/023-GGACFoundersCampaign2020?fbclid=IwAR2A-uG02vKnbu54Kw7R4\\_ck91rIT6Um7yNSsGIVFzokOFVcCeRc2uDOftM](https://scoutingevent.com/023-GGACFoundersCampaign2020?fbclid=IwAR2A-uG02vKnbu54Kw7R4_ck91rIT6Um7yNSsGIVFzokOFVcCeRc2uDOftM)

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## **Popcorn Fundraiser for 2020**

Need a fundraiser? Get in on a bonus round of extra commission for the month of July through on-line sales. It starts with registering your pack, troop, crew, or post on the Trail's End popcorn system at: <https://www.trails-end.com/unit-registration?council=ba3b795f-f21c-11e5-a5eb-0632e198f0a5&campaign=e47c5e40-09e2-11e9-9936-127eedb020aa>.

If you have any popcorn questions, please feel free to contact me at [michellewojack@gmail.com](mailto:michellewojack@gmail.com).

Yours in Scouting,  
Michelle Wojack  
Council co-Kernel



## **Adopt-Your-School forms and Fall Recruiting**

We are planning for fall recruiting of Cub Scouts. Packs who return the Adopt-Your-School form by July 31 will be eligible to receive Pinewood Derby kits for each new Cub Scout recruited this fall. If the pack completes 3 activities to start or maintain a relationship with an elementary school, there is a recognition patch for each registered member.



## **Digital Safety and Online Scouting Activities**

**This was announced on 4/08/2020.**

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=IwAR0NRPabsRGXTPz3BFJS7o5ZuisgV7WzfG3lJE2wf7xcc67qfRz47QkyTTY>



## **Cub Scouting/Scouts BSA/Venturing/Sea Scouting Rank Advancement and the Coronavirus**

## (COVID-19) Questions and Answers

**This was updated on 5/14/2020.**

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/?utm\\_source=scoutingwire&utm\\_campaign=swvolunteer5202020&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=](https://www.scouting.org/coronavirus/covid-19-faq/?utm_source=scoutingwire&utm_campaign=swvolunteer5202020&utm_medium=email&utm_content=)



### Pleasant Hill Scout Shop Reopening Update

As of June 22, 2020, the Pleasant Hill Scout Shop *has reviewed the local and state workplace physical distancing regulations* and are **currently looking at reopening sometime next week**, hopefully before the end of June or start of July 2020.

For those not aware, the previous Scout Shop Manager – Chris Salyerds has resigned *and is no longer the manager*. At this time, there is no Store Manager and the Territory Sales Manager (manager for part of Western Region Area 3 Scout Shops) is looking for a new manager. The council will announce when the Scout Shop officially reopens for business. For further inquiries, please contact Joe Barton, GGAC Director of Support Service at: [Joe.Barton@scouting.org](mailto:Joe.Barton@scouting.org).

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### Ordering Advancement items

**This was updated on 6/02/2020.**

In efforts to protect our community, we are available for orders online. **If you require advancement materials or products, please follow the following steps:**

1. Unit Leaders can email in the Advancement report to [NDCSupply.Orders@Scouting.org](mailto:NDCSupply.Orders@Scouting.org)
  - o Please include a contact phone number for our Customer Service team to contact for payment
2. A Customer Service team member will contact the Unit Leader for credit card information, shipping and billing information, along with verifying the correct Council and Advancement.
3. Advancement orders will be shipped to the individual placing the order.

**During this time, we are processing orders in 3-5 business days from when they are submitted. We assure you that we will handle each request as quickly as possible.**

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### Ordering Advancement items through Reopened Scout Shops

Click this link to place advancement orders with local Scout Shops that have reopened: <https://www.jotform.com/gpetza/advancement-order-form>

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



## Summer Camp Experiences for Scouts BSA

Golden Gate Area Council is working to deliver two outstanding Summer Camp experiences in the coming months. Wente Scout Reservation and Camp Royaneh will be offering three weeks of Scouts BSA Summer Camp this year.

### 2020 Camp Sessions

Week 6: July 19 - 25

Week 7: July 26 - August 1

Week 8: August 2 - 8

If your Unit was planning to attend a camp that is no longer scheduled this summer and is search of space to attend, please reach out to Melissa Yarns at [Melissa.Yarns@scouting.org](mailto:Melissa.Yarns@scouting.org) to check availability.



## Congratulations to the Newest Muir Eagle Scout and *1st in our new council*: Golden Gate Area Council!

- Adam Davidson, T444, 6/11/2020
  - Project Name: "The Outdoor Classroom".
  - Project description: This project included GOFundMe fundraising, created an outdoor classroom with two rows of four benches each. It included measuring and cutting wood, drilling, putting in bolts, marking and digging holes, and installing benches in concrete. The project was suggested by teachers, to provide students outside learning opportunities in good weather.

## Potential Eagle Scout Service Project

**This was announced on 4/23/2020.**

Susie Smario of the Mt. Diablo Unified School District has a potential Eagle Scout Service project to make 14 cornhole games to help special education students with physical education throughout the school district. She may be contacted at [smarios@mdusd.org](mailto:smarios@mdusd.org) or 925-250-6194 for more information.

- Excerpt of email from GGAC Scout Executive:

Scoutmasters,

We were contacted by Susie Smario (925-250-6194) with the Mt. Diablo Unified School District, asking if we could put out to our Scoutmasters or Advancement chairs a project. The students Susie works with are in Concord and Pleasant Hill area.

She is looking for 14ish cornhole games for her students, who are at home, until fall. This could be an Eagle project for a Scout.

Thank you,

John C. Fenoglio

Scout Executive/CEO

Golden Gate Area Council

925-674-6150

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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](https://www.mdscbsa.org/hazardous-weather-training/).

<https://www.mdscbsa.org/hazardous-weather-training/>

This change affects [basic position-specific leader training](#) 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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## 2021 National Jamboree Presentation

Any Troop that would like the Golden Gate Area Council Jamboree committee to make a presentation at one of their virtual troop meeting, please contact Craig Mizutani at [silver\\_beagle@sbcglobal.net](mailto:silver_beagle@sbcglobal.net) and he can arrange for a presentation to be made during a Zoom or similar meeting. This would be a great program idea for those units who need material for their virtual troop meetings

More information can be found at: <https://jamboree.scouting.org>

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## 2021 National Jamboree Registration



## Sign up by July 31 and receive \$100 off!

Are you planning to attend the once-in-a-lifetime National Scout Jamboree in July 2021? Sign-up to be part of one of the Golden Gate Area Council's units!

We are currently forming three Troops (one girl Troop and two boy Troops) and a Venture Crew. Submit your application and make your initial payment **by July 31, 2020** and receive \$100 off of your registration.

For more information, go to:

<https://www.ggacbsa.org/jamboree-2021/>

## Golden Gate Area Council is looking for Adult Leaders

Are you interested in being an **Adult Leader** (Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters for boy and girl Troops and a Venture Advisor) for one of the Golden Gate Area Council units at the National Scout Jamboree in July 2021?

We are actively forming the leadership teams for our units (3 Troops and 1 Crew), so submit your application to be considered as a possible Adult Leader **by July 17, 2020** at:

<https://www.ggacbsa.org/jamboree-2021/>



## Virtual Day Camp: July 10 – August 1 (open to ALL Cub Scouts)

The "Virtual" Cub Scout Day Camp offer dens or families to have the "Beneath the Sea" Day Camp experience in their own neighborhoods! Virtual Day Camp will have an Opening Online Campfire on Friday, July 10th and a Closing Online Campfire on Saturday, August 1st! In between, there will be over 20 different sea-themed activities that can be completed in three days or spread out in that three-week's time. How you complete the activities is up to you as a family or as a den! Online instruction will be provided by your Day Camp Staff via short online videos. There will even be opportunities to interact with others through guest-led virtual activities from the Chabot Space & Science Center and other groups!

You will receive a t-shirt, patch, and other items that you will need to complete the activities! Most items needed for each activity can already be found around your house! Registration is at: <https://scoutingevent.com/023-virtualdaycamp2020>.



### Cub Scout NOVA Awards:

If your Cub Scout is interested in Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics then these one-week sessions are for them! For the Cub Scouts (Wolves to Arrow of Lights), we are offering Uncovering the Past, Fearful Symmetry, Cubs Can Code, Down & Dirty, and Out of This World. These Nova Award sessions will meet on two successive Saturdays via Zoom. Each Nova Award costs \$20 to take part.

For details and registration, visit: <https://scoutingevent.com/023-GGACSumSTEMCub2020>

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### Scouts BSA NOVA Awards:

The first program is a set of Nova Awards over the course of a week--Splash!, Whoosh!, Start Your Engines!, and Hello World. The second program will take 6-7 weeks as we recreate Gregor Mendel's Pea Experiment as a part of Mendel's Minions. While we're growing pea plants, we will also "Let It Grow" and see what factors affect plant growth and development. All the Nova Awards for Scouts BSA will meet via Zoom two to three times for the week-long Nova Awards and weekly for the combined Mendel's Minions/Let It Grow Nova Awards.

Each Nova Award costs \$20 to take part; however, Start Your Engines and Mendel's Minions/Let It Grow has an additional fee to cover the cost of special materials. Information and details are at: <https://scoutingevent.com/023-GGACSumSTEMScoutsBSA2020>

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### Exploration Camp—on-line merit badges with Camp Wolfeboro staff and other counselor

**Scouts BSA members might have limited opportunities to attend summer camp in 2020, but they still have a way to earn merit badges and awards!**

Scouts will register individually for their Merit Badges taught by your favorite Camp Counselors. There is a weekly \$25 registration fee and then a cost per Merit Badge which may be different depending on if we need to mail you additional materials for the class. Each Scout will be mailed a T shirt and patch with their first registration.

Classes are one hour a piece for 5 consecutive days. You may take as many as you like, whether its 10 in a week, one badge a week for 6 weeks or are you the Scout who wants to really jump ahead this summer and take the maximum available 60 badges!

Details and registration is available at: <https://scoutingevent.com/023-ExplorationCamp2020>

A bonus merit badge—Public Health—is this Thursday and Friday from 4:30-6:30pm. Last chance to register through: [www.scoutingevent.com/023-iBadge2020](https://www.scoutingevent.com/023-iBadge2020)

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## “Philmont Scout Ranch Surplus Trail Meals Available”

Every year, Philmont sells off its excess food not used by Scouts participating on treks. With the season being cancelled this year, the sale has started early. If you are interested, visit: <http://www.toothoftimetradars.com/Surplus-Trail-Meals/2021/Dept.>

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## Save the Date: Muir-Briones Day Camp 2020 – July 6-10 (This event is TBD)

*For updated event information, please contact Alan Young; [alan.young@scouting.org](mailto:alan.young@scouting.org)*

**Note:** The information below is valid before the COVID-19 pandemic and Shelter in Place Health Orders

Muir-Briones Day Camp is looking for key staff volunteers for 2020.

- Day Camp Director (Sept 2019 – July 2020)
- Communications Coordinator (Sept 2019 – July 2020)
- Volunteer Coordinator (April 2020-July 2020)
- Food Service Manager (June 2020-July 2020)

### Descriptions:

**Day Camp Director** – Reports to the District Executive (staff member of the council), Must attend Camp School (Training which is good for 5 years), Is part of the Council Day Camp committee that meets once a month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month, has overall responsibility for Day Camp, Supervise the volunteer personnel and operating details of the camp.

**Pre-Camp Duties:** Prepares camp budget, Locate and Secure Camp Location (location Agreement), hold meetings with key staff, pack reps and troop reps, opens up camp registration on Jan 1, conducts Volunteer training, updates standards binder, Orders supplies, puts together daily prize program and orders prizes. Assigns scouts to dens based on rank, tries to keep scouts from the same pack same rank in a den together.

**During Camp:** Accreditation including show the accreditation team around camp, answers questions, goes over Day Camp binder. Supervises set and take down of camp, leads the opening and closing ceremonies along with Program Director, Daily prize program and takes care of problems arising at camp.

**Communications Coordinator** - Promotes day camp attendance and volunteer recruiting at: Roundtables, Pack meetings, Troop Meetings, Schools, Newspapers/Social Media/On-Line News. Communication with Parents about camp including hours, sign-in, pick-up, what to bring, what is expected.

Unexpired current Youth Protection Certificate

Fill out an Adult Application if not registered with you Pack, Troop or Crew.

**Volunteer Coordinator** – Assigns adult and Jr. Helpers to tasks at camp. Collects volunteer paper work including, medical forms, shooting forms, Youth Protection, leaders guide signature, Adult Applications and Youth Applications for Jr. Helpers (if not already registered).

**Food Service Manager** - This person needs a food handler's card and will be responsible for camp kitchen. Duties include picking up donated fruit and Veggie's on Saturday before camp, Pick up (buying) popcorn and snow cone supplies as need from Cash and Carry, picking up (buying) hot dog lunch supplies at Sam Club on Thursday night of camp, Picking up (buying with donated gift cards) volunteer breakfast items from Safeway. You will be supervising kitchen volunteers with coffee and hot water making, preparing veggies and fruit, popping popcorn, making snow cones, washing and sanitizing dishes and machines.

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## Leave No Trace Trainer Courses (The May 30-31, 2020 Training event is CANCELLED)

Check out this flyer for the LNT Trainer courses that GGAC Outdoor Ethics Committee is offering this year! The Spring Course will be May 30-31, 2020 at the Skyline Wilderness Park in Napa, and the Fall Course will be October 17-18, 2020 at Camp Herms.



## Outdoor Ethics - Leave No Trace Trainer Class

May 30-31, 2020 Skyline Wilderness Park in Napa  
October 17-18, 2020 at Camp Herms

Participants in this 16 hour (plus an overnight) **LNT Trainer Course** learn about **Leave No Trace, TREAD Lightly! and Wildland Ethics** including teaching techniques necessary for disseminating these critical **Outdoor Ethics** skills to their Scouting units.

At the completion of the course, all participants will be recognized by the **Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics** as Leave No Trace Trainers and qualified to train Scouts and the community-at-large to be conservation minded.

This course is open to adults and youth (Scouts BSA or Venturers) who are at least age 14 by the first day of class if they are currently registered with the BSA. Completion of this course is highly recommended for Scouts who wish to hold the **Outdoor Ethics Guide** position of responsibility and for unit leaders who want to implement Outdoor Ethics effectively within their unit.

The LNT Trainer course will run from 8:00 a.m. Saturday through 1 pm Sunday. The "early bird" price is \$35 through Friday, 8 days before the course and \$45.00 thereafter with a maximum of 20 participants. Refunds for elective cancellation are 70 to 80% per Council policy; no elective refunds are available the last week before a course. Register on line at <https://scoutingevent.com/023-LNTT2020> and select the course (May or October ) you want to register for. Registrants will receive further details by email.

This course will be entirely outdoors, in a quasi backpacking format involving an overnight campout and a day hike. Participants will plan, bring and cook their own meals and each participant will be required to give a ten minute presentation using the skills they have learned and materials they prepared before the course. Learn more about Leave No Trace at [www.lnt.org](http://www.lnt.org).

Questions can be directed to Lillian Remer, course director, at [remer@astound.net](mailto:remer@astound.net).



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## Working on Eagle? Here are your contacts:

District Advancement Chair: Bill Spalding: 925-586-9136, [spaldingwilliam62@gmail.com](mailto:spaldingwilliam62@gmail.com)

District Eagle Project Approval: Carl Bodin: 415-816-7307, [cbodin@usa.net](mailto:cbodin@usa.net)

District Eagle Board of Review: Karen Hansen: 925-825-9132, [eaglechairkarenhansen@gmail.com](mailto:eaglechairkarenhansen@gmail.com)

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## District Communications Contact

If you would like to contribute items to the Muir Newsletter or the Muir Facebook Page or Instagram, please contact **Patrick Jaime**, [patrickj0208@yahoo.com](mailto:patrickj0208@yahoo.com) by the *21st of every month* so that it can be added to the outgoing newsletters.

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## District Committee Leadership

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