



# Santa Margarita Messenger

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## Editor's Thoughts...

*By Pam Dixon*

Have you ever thought about doing something for Scouting that makes a huge impact on our Scouts? How about becoming a Merit Badge Counselor? I have found this to be one of the most rewarding experiences in Scouting. It's exciting to watch a young man learn new skills and experience the joy of completing a merit badge. It is my hope that every parent, leader and district member signs up this year to counsel a scout in at least one merit badge. It would be great if scouts did not have to travel long distances to meet with counselors, but instead could meet with qualified people in our own district. If you would like to be a Merit Badge Counselor, contact District Advancement Chair, Jim Frederick at [jlfrederick@earthlink.net](mailto:jlfrederick@earthlink.net).



## A Note from the District Chair

*By Dr. Kevin Chalk*

Hope everyone is enjoying the beginning of summer. My son and I just finished a trip to the Red Sox, Mets and Yankees. The stadiums were fantastic and the hot dogs and nachos were satisfying. Hope you all are taking the time in your lives to build memories and great experiences with your own children and the youth over whom you serve.

I had the opportunity while in New York to visit with one of my scouts that has gone on to be a very successful businessman. It was wonderful to see him succeed and know that he learned some of his skills through the scouting program. This is the pay day we all wait for and the reward that makes all the efforts we put into the units we work with worthwhile. I hope your summer days prove to be all you would have them be.

Now, while you are enjoying the plans you have all made, remember the journey to excellence is out there to help us bring the scouting experience to our youth in

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## The District Commissioner's Corner

*By Frank Kebelman*

Dear Friends,

Summer is upon us and I know most of you will be taking off for summer camp or Philmont or other high adventure activities. I hope everyone has a terrific time. Scout leaders, while you're out there enjoying the great outdoors, you might use some of that time around the campfire to talk about what we will be facing when you return.

First, we will be looking at holding roundups as our schools start again. Has your unit added any new members in the last six months? If not, think about how you can recruit new Scouts and parents. If you're working in a Troop, how often do you visit your feeder Pack?

If you're a Cub leader, do you have someone visiting nearby Troops? You need to be familiar with the strengths and weakness of the Troops that

your Cubs might join when they graduate. Your input can be critical to insuring a smooth transition from Cubs to Scouts.

Second, don't forget rechartering will begin soon. Have you assigned someone to review last year's submittal to begin updating the information? Taking time to do your homework now will pay off by making the recharter process go much smoother.

If you need assistance, please call your unit commissioner. If you don't know who your commissioner is, just call me and I'll make sure someone comes to your assistance.

One final thought. The Journey to Excellence program is our new standard. Have you reviewed your unit's progress? Do you know what level you have achieved? If not, download the form from the national website, burn a few copies and some night while you're enjoying a relaxing moment, hand out those forms to your Scouters and the PLC, and go over each category. What do the numbers reveal? Bronze, gold or silver? How close is your unit to achieving the next level? What changes can you make now in your program to attain a higher standard? Give everyone a chance to have their say, especially the Senior Patrol Leader and Patrol Leaders. Looking at where you are now might just give you time to add a few points to your score before the year ends.

Finally, have a great summer. I am constantly amazed by the high level of performance of the units in our District. Thank you for all you are doing to bring Scouting to our youth.

Yours in Scouting,

Frank  
760.519.1139

## National Commissioner News

From:  
<http://scouting.org/scoutsourc/Commissioners.aspx>

The summer 2011 issue of the BSA National Commissioner Newsletter is here. There is great reading in this newsletter.

[http://www.scouting.org/filestore/commissioner/pdf/522-975\\_Summer2011\\_WB.pdf](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/commissioner/pdf/522-975_Summer2011_WB.pdf)

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### NEW! Unit Commissioner Fast Start Training

This new online fast start training is an orientation designed for all commissioners to learn about the job responsibilities for a unit commissioner. The training is designed to be taken by all commissioners within the first few weeks of agreeing to the position. Other training opportunities will be provided by your local council and district to support you. It's a great introduction to your new position in Scouting. You should also take other training courses shared in the Commissioner Fieldbook, working directly with your local district and council commissioners. Just go to [myscouting.org](http://myscouting.org) and sign in to take the training.



## News from the District Advancement Chair

*By Jim Frederick*

Thank you to all who helped the young men achieve so much in the last year. We had a record number of Eagle Scouts. Thanks to the Eagle Counselors and Eagle Board members that helped the Eagle dream come true. This would not be possible without scout leaders, moms and dads and fellow scouts.

Scouts will attend summer camp or a high adventure trek this summer and will earn more merit badges and awards. Please make your fall Court of Honor a grand affair, pot luck dinner, etc., and make it an evening to remember honoring the scouts who achieved. It is through outdoor activities and earning awards that scouts learn and practice outdoor and leadership skills and grow to meet their potential.

We invite all Life scouts and their parents to attend our Life to Eagle Program on August 11, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the LDS Church on Bobier. This presentation makes the adventure from Life to Eagle

better understood and more enjoyable.

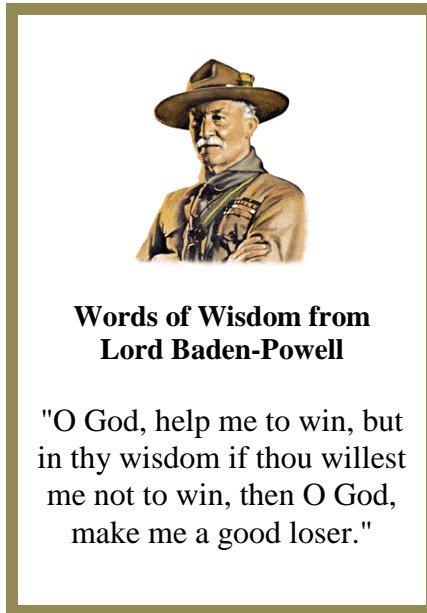
If unit leaders will tell us when the Scout makes Life, the Committee will be pleased to personally invite the Scout and his parents to attend the next Life to Eagle Program. Please rsvp to Pam Dixon at: [northcountyeagles@hotmail.com](mailto:northcountyeagles@hotmail.com)  
Eagle Board Chair or  
Tedd Theodore at [tedtheodor@aol.com](mailto:tedtheodor@aol.com)  
Head Eagle Counselor.

This fall we plan to have a series of programs for the unit advancement chairs and committee members. Watch for further information.

Summer is here and life is good. Enjoy it with family and friends and strangers.

Yours in Scouting,

Jim Frederick  
Advancement Chair  
[jlfrederick@earthlink.net](mailto:jlfrederick@earthlink.net)



### Words of Wisdom from Lord Baden-Powell

"O God, help me to win, but in thy wisdom if thou willest me not to win, then O God, make me a good loser."

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the best possible manner, achieving the best results possible. Review it often and work with all your leaders to make sure your unit is on track to achieve the goals you have set.

YIS,  
Dr. Kevin Chalk

760-470-1076  
[k2thdoc@aol.com](mailto:k2thdoc@aol.com)



## Scoutmaster's Minute

### Our Flag

Our flag stands for freedom and equality. It is the banner of a people who are still willing to lay down their lives in defense of right, justice, and freedom. It is the emblem by which we proclaim to the world that this is "the land of the free and the home of the brave." Our flag is an emblem of true patriotism—the Patriotism of deeds; the patriotism of courage, of loyalty, of devotion to freedom, justice, and humanity; the patriotism of men who have lived and died, not for themselves but for their country. When we look at our flag—its stars and stripes, its vivid red, white, and blue—and read its story and hear its message, when we contemplate what our flag means and what it stands for, and when we consider the sacrifices made and the lives given so that our flag could still be flying over us today, we are quietly reminded to cherish, to protect, and to defend it.

From: Scouting.org



## The District Executive's Minute

By Erica Audette

Summertime is here again – we all have fun and exciting things planned. It's a time to get out and enjoy the outdoors! There is so much going on for our Scouts, take the time to enjoy some of the many activities, Cub Day Camp, Resident Camp, Scout Night at the Padres. It's these memories that our Scouts will look back on, remembering their time at Cub Day Camp or when they made it to the top of Mount Whitney.

While Summer Activities are just beginning, there are still a few things to take care of.

Membership -- start planning your fall round-ups. Schools contacted for Membership Booths and Flyers prepared for the drive.

Friends of Scouting – the campaign is coming to a close and we are only at 93% of goal. Contact the Council Office and make your 2011 pledge and help Santa Margarita to 100%.

Scout Fair Ticket Sales – if you

haven't closed out you need to contact Frank Kebelman ASAP or Jana Palmisciano at the council office.

There are two events in need of chairmen – MSR Labor Day Family Camp and MSR Fall Fun with Son. If you are interested in chairing either one of these events, please contact me at Erica.audette@scouting.org

We are gearing up for many more exciting activities – Popcorn Kick-off, Scout Olympics and Fall round-ups, just to name a few. There are many more activities that are in the works...to find out more information on what is to come for Santa Margarita stop by the July Committee Meeting and Round Tables. These will provide you with a list of exciting things to bring your scouts to.

I would like to take a moment to congratulate one of our Eagle Scouts, Todd Fritz, from Troop 750. Todd was an active member of Troop 750, from Troop Guide to Senior Patrol Leader, a member of the Order of the Arrow and Camp Fiesta Island Staff. He was active in his school as well, playing on the Lacrosse Team and a member of the Speech and Debate Team. He was selected as one of 3 Eagle Scouts to receive the Belcher Scholarship. Congratulations, Todd.

Yours in Scouting,

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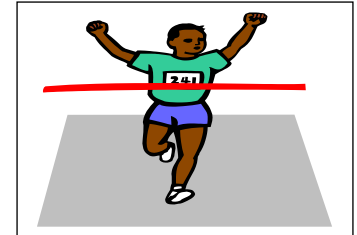
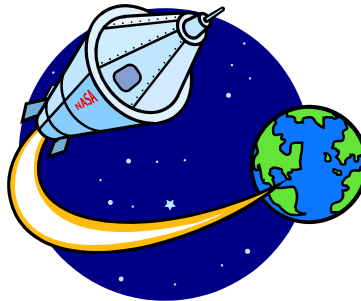
It's time to start thinking about attending the National Jamboree in West Virginia in 2013! The first Jamboree at our new home will be held July 15-July 24, 2013 and promises to be more exciting than ever! Some of the events that will be included are whitewater rafting, zip-lining, rappelling, mountain biking and challenge courses. You won't want to miss this once in a lifetime event! There are two ways to attend. Applications are now being taken for many of the staff positions at [bsajamboree.org](http://bsajamboree.org). Or if you are interested, our council is putting together a contingent to attend. For more information go to: <http://sdcbsa.org/2013%20Jamboree/>. See you at the Summit!

# VISTA CUB SCOUT SUMMER DAY CAMP

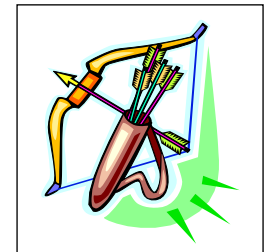
July 11th-15th 2011  
Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum, Vista CA  
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. daily

*\*All cub scouts come and join us for a fun packed week as we go.....*

***“BACK TO THE FUTURE”***



- BB Gun Range
- Archery Range
- Craft Stations
- Sport Stations
- Friday Family Picnic



Full Week Cost for Camp - \$95.00

For Camp Information contact Walter Brown at 760.758.8377 or email  
[whb2@cox.net](mailto:whb2@cox.net)



# SAN DIEGO PADRES PRESENT 2011 SCOUT NIGHT



FRIDAY, JULY 15 vs SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS  
POST-GAME CAMPOUT

SATURDAY, SEPT. 17 vs ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS  
PRE-GAME EGG DROP



## SCOUT NIGHT TICKETS

TICKET CATEGORIES	SCOUT NIGHT PRICING	GATE PRICING
FIELD RESERVED	\$17.50	\$35.00
FIELD PAVILION	\$12.00	\$24.50
UPPER RESERVED	\$8.00	\$13.50
CAMPOUT*	\$20.00	N/A



ALL SCOUTS  
RECEIVE A  
COMMEMORATIVE  
PATCH.

THE LARGEST GROUP FROM EACH NIGHT WILL BE ABLE TO PERFORM THE COLOR GUARD CEREMONY.

DATE	FIELD RESERVED SEATS	FIELD PAVILION SEATS	UPPER RESERVED SEATS	CAMPOUT TICKET*	TOTAL	
<b>JULY 15</b>	___ TICKETS AT \$17.50	___ TICKETS AT \$12.00	___ TICKETS AT \$8.00	___ TICKETS AT \$20.00	\$	
<b>SEPT. 17</b>	___ TICKETS AT \$17.50	___ TICKETS AT \$12.00	___ TICKETS AT \$8.00	N/A	\$	
	MAIL THIS FLYER WITH PAYMENT TO: (PLEASE ONLY SEND ONE CHECK FOR YOUR ENTIRE GROUP)		SAN DIEGO PADRES C/O LOGAN WASHBURN 100 PARK BLVD. SAN DIEGO, CA 92101		PROCESSING/ SHIPPING FEE**	\$ 15.00
					TOTAL AMOUNT	\$

PACK/TROOP (CIRCLE ONE) # \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT METHOD (CIRCLE ONE): CHECK (PAYABLE TO SAN DIEGO PADRES) VISA MASTERCARD AMEX DISCOVER

CARD # \_\_\_\_\_ EXPIRATION DATE \_\_\_\_\_ SECURITY CODE \_\_\_\_\_

\*For July 15 only. \*\*Tickets will be sent via UPS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO PURCHASE TICKETS,  
CONTACT LOGAN WASHBURN AT (619) 795-5137  
OR AT LWASHBURN@PADRES.COM.

[padres.com](http://padres.com)

[padresbeisbol.com](http://padresbeisbol.com)



# July 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
				<b>District Meeting</b> 7pm LDS Church, 451 W. Bobier, Vista		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Vista Cub Camp	Vista Cub Camp	Vista Cub Camp	District Commissioners' Meeting - 6pm  Roundtable & Venturing Forum 7pm  Vista Cub Camp	IOLS & WLOT Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum  Scout Night at Petco Park  Vista Cub Camp	IOLS & WLOT Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
				<b>Order of the Arrow Meeting</b> - 7pm Holiday Park, Carlsbad		Coin Collecting Merit Badge Workshop 1-4 San Diego Scottish Rite Center
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30
			World Scout Jamboree in Sweden begins through August 7 <sup>th</sup>	Eagle Boards LDS Church, 451 W. Bobier, Vista		

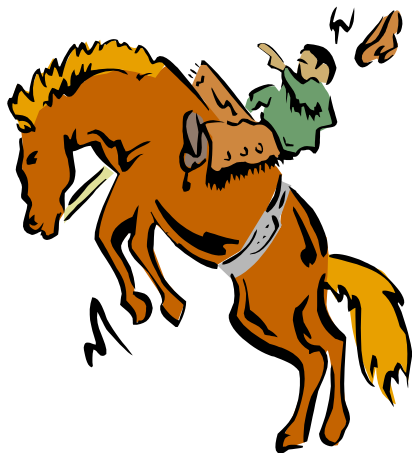


# August 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> District Meeting 7pm LDS Church, 451 W. Bobier, Vista	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> NYLT #4 World Scout Jamboree ends	<b>8</b> NYLT #4	<b>9</b> NYLT #4	<b>10</b> NYLT #4	<b>11</b> District Commissioners' Meeting - 6pm  Roundtable & Life to Eagle Training 7pm LDS Church, 451 W. Bobier, Vista  NYLT #4	<b>12</b> NYLT #4	<b>13</b> Kodiak Day 1/5
<b>14</b> Kodiak Day 2/5	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Order of the Arrow Meeting - 7pm Holiday Park, Carlsbad  Eagle Boards LDS Church, 451 W. Bobier, Vista	<b>19</b> Kodiak Day 3/5	<b>20</b> Kodiak Day 4/5
<b>21</b> Kodiak Day 5/5	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Cub Scout Basketball Clinic - Staples Center - 3pm	<b>27</b> Cub Olympics - Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum, Vista
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			





## *Hola amigos, Santa Margarita's puttin' on the training again!!!*

Howdy, buckaroos and buckarets. Got a hankerin' for some good, old fashioned training? Well, amigos, you're in luck. The Santa Margarita training team's about to saddle up again. Now this little roundup will take place at the Vista

Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum (2040 North Santa Fe, Vista, CA) starting on Friday 15 July. Those needing to take the Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Training (IOLS) or the Webelos Leader Outdoor Training (WLOT) should meet us at 6:00 pm at the lower corral (campground). Signs will be posted.

Now, I guarantee you we'll have us some fun, enjoy great Scouting fellowship and, with a little luck, teach each other something new about this fine organization we all love so much. Doc Chalk, the straw boss, says I'll be the foreman for this here roundup, so you all just give me a holler if you want to join the fiesta.

We'll be herding doggies all day Saturday, so you better wear your complete Scouter uniform including neckerchief and slide. Bring a tent, sleeping bag, folding chair and a copy of your latest youth protection training (YPT) certificate plus any personal items you like. Grub will be provided at the chuck wagon. Since this course has a western theme, you better wear the biggest sombrero you can find, 'cause Mister Sun will sure be cooking in July.

It'll cost you \$30.00 hard cash, but I reckon it'll be worth every penny. Call me if you have any questions. I'm thinkin' you best pre-register at the old Council office, 'cause we're expecting a big posse of wranglers to join this cattle drive. You all be good. Frank "Tex" Kebelman, foreman.

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### IOLS/WLOT REGISTRATION FORM

**Santa Margarita District IOLS/WLOT Course; 15/16 July 2011; Cost: \$30.00**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ BSA I.D. # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_ UNIT: \_\_\_\_\_ POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE YOUR CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **SDIC-BSA**

CREDIT CARD: VISA M/C AMx CREDIT CARD # \_\_\_\_\_

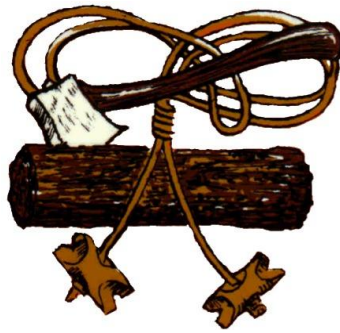
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SPECIAL MEDICAL, DIETARY OR OTHER NEEDS: \_\_\_\_\_

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MAIL RESERVATIONS TO San Diego-Imperial Council (Attn: Santa Margarita District Training), 1207 Upas Street, San Diego, CA 92103. All participants should **contact Frank "Tex" Kebelman directly for further information about the courses at [Kebelman@gmail.com](mailto:Kebelman@gmail.com) or call him at 760-757-2441.**



## **Cathy Baum Completes Her Ticket!**



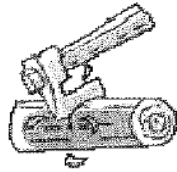
**Congratulations to Cathy Baum of the WE4-49-09 Buffalo Patrol.  
Cathy is an Assistant Scoutmaster with Troop 709 in Vista.**

Shown in photo: (l-r) Scoutmaster Bob Dixon, Cathy Baum, Buffalo Patrol Members Kevin Hughes, Joe Travis, and Senior Patrol Leader Mary Bostwick.

**Check out the Wood Badge Beading for our very own Cathy Baum!**



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# WOOD BADGE

SAVE THE DATE

Wood Badge focuses on the teaching of contemporary concepts in Leadership, such as team building, leading change, improving communication, and working with a diversified volunteer team. It is designed to provide a foundation of leadership skills that will apply not only to your position in Scouting, but in your personal life!

### **Why Should I take Wood Badge Training?**

Many Scouters consider Wood Badge to be a peak experience in their Scouting Career. You develop a broader view into the spirit of the global Scouting family. Wood Badge training is an interrelated movement based on providing value-based, age-appropriate programs for youth around the world.

### **Wood Badge Course W6-49-12-1 (2 Weekends at MSR)**

May 4-6 and May 26-28, 2012 (BOTH Weekends are required)

Contact Course Director Brian Ruark at [bruark@san.rr.com](mailto:bruark@san.rr.com)

858-578-1146 (H) or 858-335-6198 (C)

### **Wood Badge Course W6-49-12-2 (Weeklong at MSR)**

September 17-22, 2012

Contact Course Director Rich Woolever at [rwoolever@gmail.com](mailto:rwoolever@gmail.com)

619-549-6485 (C)

Online Registration will be available in August, 2011. Watch the Council web site at [www.sdicbsa.org](http://www.sdicbsa.org)



Scouts are encouraged to serve in their communities September 1–10, 2011, using the suggested service projects and posting them to web and social media channels. In addition, these activities should be recorded in the **Journey to Excellence** service program. On September 11, Scouts are encouraged to gather as groups and invite non-Scout friends to watch the movie, *New York Says Thank You*, which tells the story of the first responders to the New York City terrorist attacks and which features Scouts from the Little Sioux tornado tragedy.

Unleash  
the  
POWER  
of our  
Scouts!

#### **Things to do:**

- Select, plan, and schedule your service project between September 1 and September 10.
- Use Twitter, texting, email, and Facebook to spread the word.
- Post your service project ideas and event pictures on [www.scoutsurge911.org](http://www.scoutsurge911.org), your council's Facebook page, or other social media.
- Use the Scout Surge graphics available on [www.scoutsurge911.org](http://www.scoutsurge911.org).
- Gather as a group on September 11 (invite non-Scout friends) to watch the movie, *New York Says Thank You*.
- Purchase the Scout Surge 911 patch.

#### **Ideas for the event:**

- Hold a ceremony to properly retire an American flag.
- Visit a local fire, police, or EMT facility and present them with a Flag of Honor or another appropriate expression of thanks.
- Conduct a service project in honor of or memory of 9/11/01 first responders.

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To learn more, visit [www.scoutsurge911.org](http://www.scoutsurge911.org)

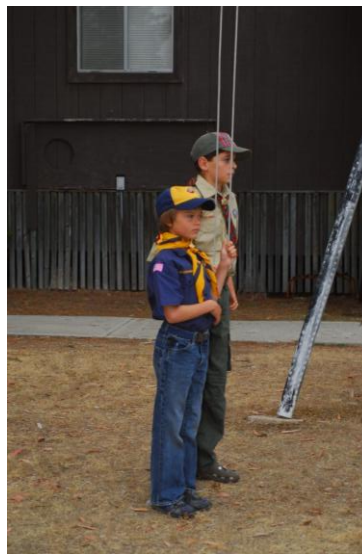
# San Diego Scottish Highland Games

The San Diego Scottish Highland Games were recently held at Brengle Terrace Park in Vista. A big thanks to Tedd Theodore and Eric Gemmell who took time out of their weekend to run the Boy Scout membership booth. Check out the photos, they both seemed to have a great time! See you next year. For more information on the Highland games go to: <http://www.sdhighlandgames.org>



# Pack 751 at Balboa!

Recently, Oceanside Pack 751 held their graduation at a weekend event at Camp Balboa. Fun was had by all as they participated in knot tying, a “Say No to Drugs” program and pack wide foil dinner cooking in the evening.



## FUN! GAMES! LEARNING!





## Pack 751 Enjoys Great Food!







Congratulations to Garrett from Troop 712 as he completed all the requirements to earn his Reading Merit Badge. For his service project, requirement #4, Garrett cleaned books for four hours at the Oceanside Public Library.

Great job, Garrett!



In our district, we have 3 Merit Badge Counselors for Reading.

Andrea Dee  
760-966-1333

Pamela Dixon  
760-757-4762

Doug Lewis  
760-753-2485

To send them an email, go to:  
<http://sdcbsa.org/Advancement/MBadges/Counselors/default.php>

If you are an adult, please look into becoming a merit badge counselor. With over 100 badges, there is at least one you are an expert in. The scouts in our district need you!



### Reading Merit Badge Requirements

1. Do EACH of the following:
  - a. Learn how to search your library's card catalog or computerized catalog by author, title, and subject.
  - b. With the assistance of your merit badge counselor or a librarian, select six books of four different types (such as poetry, drama/plays, fiction, nonfiction, biographies, etc.). Ask your librarian or counselor about award-winning books that are recommended for readers your age and include at least one of those titles.
  - c. Find the books in the library catalog. With your counselor's or a librarian's assistance, locate the books on the shelves.
  - d. Read each book. Keep a log of your reading that includes the title of the book, the pages or chapters read, the date you completed them, and your thoughts about what you have read so far. Discuss your reading with your counselor. Using your log as a reference, explain why you chose each book and tell whether you enjoyed it and what it meant to you.
2. Read about the world around you from any two sources--books, magazines, newspapers, the Internet (with your parent's permission), field manuals, etc. Topics may include sports, environmental problems, politics, social issues, current events, nature, religion, etc. Discuss what you have learned with your counselor.
3. Do ONE of the following:
  - a. From a catalog of your choice, fill out an order form for merchandise as if you intended to place an order. Share the completed form with your counselor and discuss it.
  - b. With your parent's permission, locate at least five Web sites that are helpful for your Scouting or other activities. Write the Internet addresses of these sites in your log. Talk with your counselor or a librarian about safety rules for using the Internet.
4. With your counselor's and your parent's permission, choose ONE of the following activities and devote at least four hours of service to that activity. Discuss your participation with your counselor.
  - a. Read to a sick, blind, or homebound person in a hospital or in an extended-care facility.
  - b. Perform volunteer work at your school library or a public library.
  - c. Read stories to younger children, in a group or individually.



ABOUT THE GIVEAWAY

ENTER GIVEAWAY

## Welcome to the Robotics merit badge giveaway!

What could be cooler than earning the new Robotics merit badge? How about receiving a merit badge that orbited Earth onboard the space shuttle Endeavour? Between now and Sept. 30, 2011, enter for a chance to receive a Robotics merit badge patch that has actually flown in space.

### HOW DO I ENTER?

Just click on the "Enter Giveaway" tab above and fill out the form. To receive a patch, you must have earned the Robotics merit badge between April 12 and Sept. 30, 2011.

You can also receive a second entry by uploading a photo or video of a robot you built. [Click here to upload a photo or video of your robot.](#)

### WHAT CAN I RECEIVE?

If your name is chosen, you will receive a Robotics merit badge patch that flew into space on the Endeavour STS-134 mission, an official Endeavour STS-134 mission patch, a photo of the shuttle crew and a certificate of authenticity.

### HOW ARE RECIPIENTS PICKED?

Patch recipients will be picked randomly in three drawings.

The first drawing will be held Aug. 1, 2011, and will include all entries received between April 12 and July 31, 2011. The second drawing will be held Sept. 1, 2011, and will include all entries received between April 12 and Aug. 31, 2011. The final drawing will be held Oct. 3, 2011, and will include all entries received between April 12 and Sept. 30, 2011.

A total of 100 patches will be given away. Limit of one patch per person.

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE?

Registered Boy Scouts up to age 17 at the time of entry who have earned the Robotics merit badge are eligible to participate. Patch recipients will be required to submit proof they completed the merit badge between April 12 and Sept. 30, 2011.

### HOW MANY TIMES CAN I ENTER

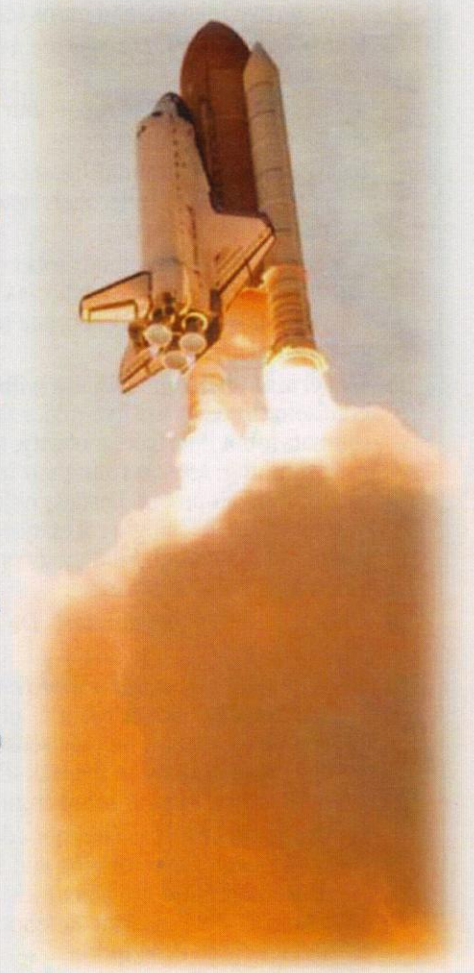
You may enter up to two times, once by filling out the entry form, a second time by uploading a photo or video of your robot. [Click here to upload a photo or video of your robot.](#)

### WHEN DO THE PATCHES GO INTO SPACE?

The Robotics merit badge patches will be flown on the Endeavour STS-134 mission, scheduled for launch April 29, 2011. Visit [NASA.gov](http://NASA.gov) for more information.

### HOW DO I EARN THE ROBOTICS MERIT BADGE?

Visit [Boyslife.org/robotics](http://Boyslife.org/robotics) for more information about the new Robotics merit badge.



Visit <http://boyslife.org/roboticscontest> to enter

# NYLT News!

The San Diego-Imperial Council recently wrapped up two courses of NYLT (National Youth Leadership Training) up at Mataguay Scout Reservation. NYLT is a weeklong youth oriented leadership training program. There is still room to attend the last course of the year that will be held August 7 through August 12<sup>th</sup>. For more information, go to: <http://www.sdicsa.org/Training/Docs/nylt11.pdf>.



# National Outdoor Awards!



Do you enjoy camping under the stars, rafting a whitewater river, or hitting the trail afoot, on a bike, or even on a horse? Can you pitch a tent, find your way, and bandage an ankle using only materials in your pack? Are you prepared to do any of these in rain, snow, sleet, or heat? If so, the National Outdoor Awards are for you. There is nothing virtual about these awards—you can earn them only by demonstrating both knowledge and experience in the outdoors. So, if you are a Boy Scout or Varsity Scout and think you are tough and disciplined enough to hike or ride the miles, camp the nights, and run the rivers or lakes, then read on and see if the National Outdoor badges or possibly the National Medal for Outdoor Achievement could be for you!

## **National Outdoor Badges for Camping, Hiking, Aquatics, Riding, and Adventure**

Now when a Scout excels in outdoor participation, there are new awards to show for it! This program, conceived by the National Camping Task Force of the BSA®, includes a series of five badges designed to recognize a Boy Scout or Varsity Scout who has exemplary knowledge and experience in performing high-level outdoor activities.

The award consists of five emblem segments positioned around the perimeter of a beautiful center emblem. All are embroidered in full color. The segments represent five areas of emphasis: Riding, Hiking, Camping, Aquatics, and Adventure, with rigorous requirements to earn each segment. The center emblem features an outdoor scene with fleur-de-lis and the words "National Outdoor Awards".

For requirements and application for awards go to:

<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/BoyScouts/Youth/Awards/NOA.aspx>

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# COLLECT COINS!

## **BSA COIN COLLECTING MERIT BADGE WORKSHOP**



COINARAMA COIN SHOW  
SAN DIEGO SCOTTISH RITE CENTER  
1895 CAMINO DEL RIO SOUTH  
SAN DIEGO, CA. 92108  
SATURDAY, JULY 23, 2011 1-4 PM  
(CHECK-IN BEGINS AT 12:00 PM)

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- Learn about this fun and fascinating hobby
  - Earn the **Coin Collecting Merit Badge**
  - Space is limited. Pre-registration is required.
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### **BEFORE THE WORKSHOP...**

1. Be familiar with the 2008 edition of the Coin Collecting Merit Badge booklet. At the workshop, Scouts will review the requirements.
2. Collect and bring five examples of the same coin type, but in different conditions (Requirement 3).
3. Collect and bring five different state quarters you have acquired from circulation (Requirement 6). The dates do not have to be the same.
4. Collect and bring a date set of U.S. coins currently in circulation (Requirement 7). This type set must include one specimen each of the 1 cent, 5 cents, 10 cents, 25 cents, 50 cents, and dollar. The dates do not have to be the same.
5. Collect and bring a date set of U.S. coins (Requirement 9d) or one of the other collections for requirement 9. The set for requirement 9d can be of any one denomination (1 cent, 5 cents, 10 cents, or 25 cents) and must include one (1) coin of every year, from the year the Scout was born through 2010. Any mint is acceptable. All coins must be of the same denomination.

### **AT THE WORKSHOP...**

Everyone will learn a lot about collecting U.S. coins. There will be special *free* coin collecting gift bags for all attendees. Bring only the coins required for the merit badge. Please leave the rest of your collection at home.

**AT THE WORKSHOP CONTINUED...**

Scouts will complete other requirements during the workshop and then will be reviewed. Parents and adult leaders are welcome and encouraged to attend. Check-in begins an hour before the workshop, please plan to arrive at least 30 minutes early. We encourage you to allow ample time before or after the workshop for Scouts to explore the collector exhibits and the coin show. The show is open 10:00am to 4:00pm on Saturday.

**SCOUTMASTERS...**

Please provide Scouts with signed Merit Badge Cards and ask them to complete all personal information (name, address, etc.). Certified Merit Badge Counselors will be leading the workshop and will sign the cards upon completion of the requirements. Tell your scouts to bring notepads and pencils, and completed type and date set of coins. Remind Scouts to wear their complete Scout uniform less merit badge sash. Scoutmasters should provide a copy of this flyer to Scouts planning to attend the workshop so they can study the requirements.

**PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED...**

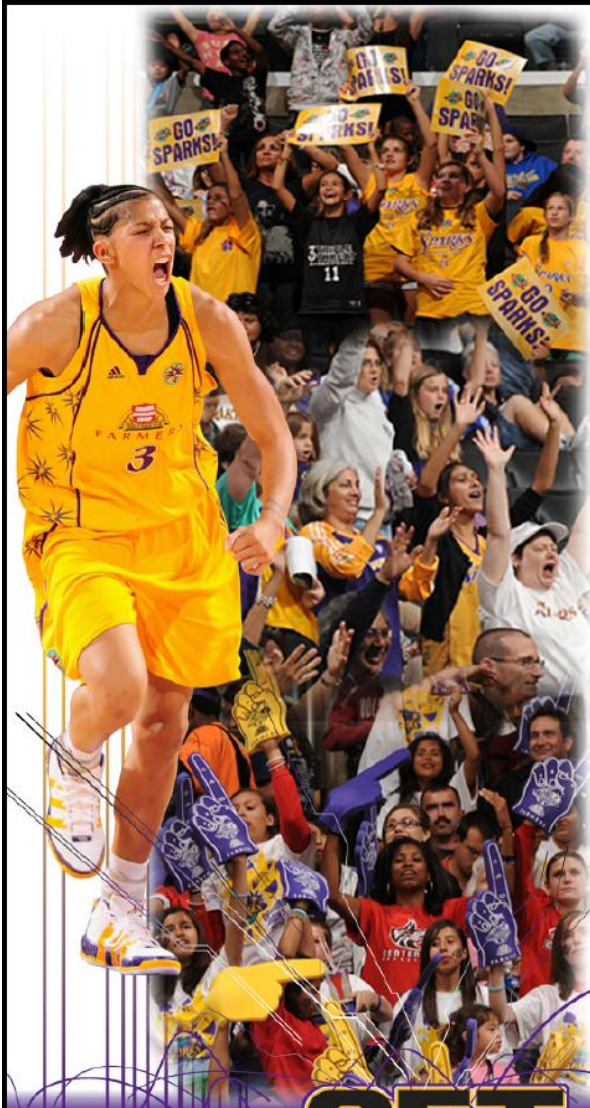
To register; please e-mail Greg Schenewerk at [gregs@gcsphoto.com](mailto:gregs@gcsphoto.com) with your troop number, Scout name(s) and approximate rank of Scout. There is no cost for the program and parking is free. All Scouts will receive a special coin collecting gift bag with supplies, a special gift from the United States Mint, and coins. One coin will be at least 100 years old. Everyone is guaranteed a great time. Please contact me with any questions.

Greg Schenewerk  
Board of Directors  
California State Numismatic Association  
[gregs@gcsphoto.com](mailto:gregs@gcsphoto.com)  
619-778-4989

See you there!

**DIRECTIONS...**

Interstate 8 to Mission Center Rd. (Mission Valley)  
South on Mission Center Rd. to Camino Del Rio South  
East on Camino Del Rio South to the Scottish Rite Center parking lot



# Cub Scouts

**Come Earn Your Basketball Belt Loops!  
Your chance to participate in the Cub Scout basketball clinic held on the court at Staples Center!**

**August 26<sup>th</sup>  
Los Angeles Sparks vs.  
Tulsa Shock**

**Tickets are just \$16!**

**Events start at 3:00 PM**

**-Meet outside Staples Center at 11<sup>th</sup> Street Entrance**

**-Game begins at 7:30**

**-Get together will be held at ESPN Zone across the street at LA Live following clinic**

## GET AMP'D!

**For tickets or more information contact:**

**Stephen Robbins**

**213-929-1312**

**srobbins@la-sparks.com**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Payment: (Circle One) Check Visa MC Amex Money Order  
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 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Qty	Price	Total
Yellow: _____	x \$16 = \$ _____	
		Total = \$ _____

Please fax your form to 213.929.1325 or send to LA Sparks, 865 S. Figueroa St., Suite 104, Los Angeles, CA 90017  
 Make checks payable to Los Angeles Sparks. Deposits are non-refundable.

**LASparks.com**



# Arrowmen may still register for '11 national events



From learning about the American Indian material culture to OA Ceremonies and Inductions, Indian Summer is the place to be this August. Can't decide on an area of focus? Then choose the independent study to create your own experience.

Indian Summer 2011 includes crafts, training, OA Ceremonies and Inductions, recreation, ceremonial coaching, gatherings, Powwows and more.

August 1-6, 2011 | Ridgcrest Conference Center, Asheville, North Carolina



**CATCH** *your* **RHYTHM**  
**AWAKE** *your* **PRINCIPAL**  
**MOVE** *your* **FEET**



Arrowmen will work with the National Park Service building multi-purpose trails and removing invasive species from the New River Gorge. A one-week adventure includes fellowship, a commitment to cheerful service, a day of recreation, and awesome memories.

July 3-9  
July 10-16  
July 17-23  
July 24-30

Join in the excitement of SummitCorps - The New River Experience.  
Glen Jean, West Virginia | New River Gorge National River

**For more information, visit [EVENT.OA-BSA.org](http://EVENT.OA-BSA.org) today!**  
To register for SummitCorps and Indian Summer, contact your Lodge Key 3



# The Kodiak Challenge 2011

*San Diego-Imperial Council*

## ☆☆ *Sail, Scuba, Shooting Sports* ☆☆



Five awesome days! August 13-14 & 19-21



*This is a fun and exciting Co-ed "leadership" course!*

Cost for five days is \$160.00 and includes all equipment rental and camp related fees. It also includes all course materials, t-shirt, meals, and lodging. The course takes two weekends; from 8am on Aug 13 to 4:30pm Aug 14 at Mataguay Scout Reservation and from 9am on Aug 19 to 4pm Aug 21 at the Youth Aquatic Center. A mandatory pre-course meeting will be held Mon July 25, 7-8:30pm at Camp Balboa. Participants must be present the entire time to remain in the course.

**ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST HAVE A CURRENT HEALTH/MEDICAL FORM  
AND A SIGNED CONSENT FORM.**

This course is open to all youth, male and female, ages 14 and older (finished with 8<sup>th</sup> grade) who want to become better leaders and have a great time while doing it! You must have completed Introduction to Leadership Skills or Troop TLT. Course includes: Vision, Planning, Communication, Team Development, Inclusiveness, Values, and Servant Leadership.

You'll sleep in a bunk bed, but bring your sleeping bag, swim suit, towel, windbreaker, and personal hygiene items. High Adventure activities include: Sailing, Introduction to Scuba, high COPE, Pistol and Shotgun Shooting & more!

**Ready for adventure? Submit application & medical form as soon as possible  
with \$160.00 fee; deadline for payment is July 16, 2011.**

**This course is limited to 24 participants.**

Additional information will be sent to you by email upon receipt of your application.

Contact Course Director for questions: [doris.mccarthy@sdsu.edu](mailto:doris.mccarthy@sdsu.edu)

**KODIAK** 

## 2011 Kodiak Training Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Crew/Troop: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Please print as you want it on your certificate)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Male / Female Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Email \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_ TLT or ILS or NYLT trained? \_\_\_\_\_ Leadership position: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult T-Shirt Size: S \_\_\_ M \_\_\_ L \_\_\_ XL \_\_\_ XXL \_\_\_ (one shirt is included in the registration fee)

Contact Course Director for additional information: [doris.mccarthy@sdsu.edu](mailto:doris.mccarthy@sdsu.edu)

**Permission Slip: Approval of Parent or Guardian and Medical Release**

I approve the attendance of my youth named above at the Kodiak Training to be held at MSR from Aug 13-14 and Camp Fiesta Island from Aug 19-21, 2011. I hereby agree to my youth's participation and expressly waive and release any and all claims against adult leaders, and all officers, agents, and representatives of the Boy Scouts of America arising out of or in connection with the above-referenced event or activity. My child has permission to participate in the Kodiak shooting sports program that may include rifle, shotgun, pistol and black powder. I understand adult leaders will be transporting participants to and during trek activities. *I understand there is an inherent risk involved in high adventure activities, which may also include high COPE, sailing, swimming, and scuba.*

I hereby assign and grant to the Boy Scouts of America the right and permission to use and publish the photographs/film/video tapes/electronics representations and/or sound recordings made during the Kodiak-X course and hereby release the BSA from any and all liability from such use and publication. I hereby authorize the reproduction, sale, copyright, exhibit, broadcast, electronic storage, and/or distribution of the aforementioned and waive my right to compensation.

In the event of illness or injury occurring to my youth while involved in this activity, I consent to X-ray examination, anesthesia, and or medical or surgical diagnostic procedures or treatment considered necessary in the best judgment of the attending physician and performed by or under the supervision of the medical staff of the hospital furnishing medical services. It is understood that in the event of a serious illness or injury, reasonable efforts to reach me will be attempted.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

***Once accepted into the course, a \$15 handling fee becomes non-refundable. The total cost of the program is \$160.00. Deadline date to register is July 16, 2011. No refunds after July 16, 2011. Course is limited to 24 participants.***

***Participants must attend all sessions to remain in the course.***

Please mail your registration, medical form, and fees to the San Diego-Imperial Council, BSA, Attn: Kodiak Training, 1207 Upas St, San Diego CA 92103, OR register and pay in person at the Scout Service Center (address above) with a credit card or check made payable to SDIC, BSA. If paying by credit card, you may fax to 619-682-3858.

<b>Credit Card #</b>			
<b>Name on Credit Card:</b>	<b>Circle type of card:</b>	<b>Amount Paid:</b>	
	MC / Visa / Am Ex / Disc	\$	
<b>Signature:</b>	<b>Expiration Date:</b>	<b>CCV #</b>	

**OFFICE USE ONLY: ACCOUNT # 1-6801-629-20**

# Congratulations to Our Newest Eagle Scouts!

June 9th, 2011



Eric McArthur, Crew 714  
Unit Leader: Carlos Cortez  
Eagle Project: Planter boxes for Reynolds Elementary School in Oceanside.



Colby Husser, Troop 744  
Unit Leader: Ivan Hicks  
Eagle Project: Fencing project for the California Wolf Center in Julian.



Jace Mullen  
Unit Leader: Bert Moore  
Troop 784  
Eagle Project: Kiosk at Carlsbad Oaks Trail.





## **Congratulations to Todd Fritz from Troop 750!**



Eagle Scout Todd Fritz and Scoutmaster Steve Smith

Todd was chosen as one of the scouts from our council to receive a 2011 San Diego-Imperial Belcher Eagle Scout Scholarship. This scholarship is given to Eagle Scouts who plan to attend a four-year college or university following high school graduation. The Eagle Scout must have attained the rank of Eagle Scout in the San Diego-Imperial Council of Boy Scouts of America and be currently registered in Scouting, have achieved a high school G.P.A. of 3.0 or above, have a S.A.T. score of 1500 or more or an A.C.T. score of 21 or more, and have demonstrated leadership ability in Scouting and have a strong record of participation in activities outside of Scouting. Todd plans to attend Tufts University in Massachusetts in the Fall of 2011. Congratulations, Todd! Our district wishes you the best of luck in your new journey.

## District Life to Eagle Training

For Life Scouts, Parents, and Unit Leaders

**Thursday, August 11, 2011, 7:00 pm**  
**Thursday, November 10, 2011, 7:00 pm**

All trainings are held at the Bobier LDS Stake Center, 451 West Bobier Drive, Vista, Ca 92083.

To ensure receiving training materials, you must RSVP to: [northcountyeagles@hotmail.com](mailto:northcountyeagles@hotmail.com)

Learn how to: Locate an Eagle Project Counselor, successfully complete the Eagle Scout Leadership Service Project Workbook and Eagle application, choose an appropriate project, and more!



## Eagle Candidate Good Idea of the Month

The Eagle Workbook is a reflection of you and your project. A finished workbook and application that are complete, clean, and organized make a great impression on your Eagle Board Members. Remember, you only get one chance to make a first impression.

## 2011 District Eagle Boards of Review Schedule



**Thursday, July 28, 2011**

**Thursday, August 18, 2011**

**Thursday, September 15, 2011**

**Thursday, October 20, 2011**

**Thursday, November 17, 2011**

**December Eagle Boards**

**Note: Date undecided at this time. The December Eagle Boards will be held only for those scouts that have been away at college.**

All Eagle Boards are held at the Bobier LDS Stake Center, 451 West Bobier Drive, Vista, CA 92083.