



# Santa Margarita Messenger

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## Editor's Thoughts...

*By Pam Dixon*

Whew! What a busy time it has been for Scouting! It has been non-stop with activities from the District Camporee to trainings to the District Dinner. A big thank you to all in our district that stepped up and helped make our recent events successful. When we get busy on events, sometimes we forget why we are doing this. It is time to take a moment and realize we are all in this together to support our youth. It is all about them. With that, a new feature this month will be found on the back pages – "The Messenger for Scouts". This section will cover items that our youth are doing and will cover things that pertain to them specifically. Please encourage your scouts to send in articles and photos and take the time to let us know what your unit is doing. Let's start taking the time and celebrate our scouts!



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## A Note from the District Chair

*By Dr. Kevin Chalk*

I hope you all had a great May. School is almost out and I hope we all will take the time to revisit the new Journey to Excellence Program for this year. If we are to become a gold District we will need each individual unit to work hard and achieve the highest level they can.

We will not earn the highest levels unless we constantly look and measure our progress along the path. Please take the time in your committee meetings to evaluate where you are and what you need to do to enable your unit to become the best you can be.

The district has made great advances and we hope to continue to be a quality district. I want this because I know that this leads to a better program for the youth we are serving. Have great summer!

YIS,  
Dr. Kevin Chalk  
760-470-1076  
[k2thdoc@aol.com](mailto:k2thdoc@aol.com)



## The District Executive's Minute

*By Erica Audette*

Hello, I'm Erica Audette and it's a great honor for me to be serving Santa Margarita as your District Executive.

I started with the San Diego Imperial Council as a Den Leader nine years ago. Since then I have served as an Assistant Scoutmaster, Venturing Crew Advisor, Philmont Trek Advisor, National Jamboree Action Center Staff, World Jamboree Associate Advisor, and have spent the last three years in the Council office supporting Development, Finance, and the Service Center.

I have a range of scouting experiences that have inspired and filled my life with many memories and formed confidence in the programs we serve. Certainly standing on top of Baldy Mountain at Philmont and managing public relations for Olympic Gold Medalist Sean White at the Mountain Boarding event and the National Jamboree are among the experiences that have filled my heart with passion.

I am very happy living and working within the Scouting

family and embrace the Scout Motto to focus on processes that help us Be Prepared for delivering Safe and Successful events for all the members of our community. I am a happy and determined person. I have run six marathons in the last three years, including San Diego, Carlsbad, and Long Beach. I have also been fortunate enough to support a few committees for scouting that have helped for the direction of some of our programs.

Among the many things I hope to focus on is working with you and our Charter Partners to develop the full Family of Scouting (Cub Pack, Scout Troop, Venturing Crew) chartered with each of our existing Charter Partners. I will be working very closely with our Commissioners and Committee leadership to help communicate and strengthen every one of our units. Santa Margarita is in the hands of a tremendous group of volunteers and I want each of you to take a moment to reflect and celebrate the good you do in serving all the youth in our community.

I've learned a bit about the Santa Margarita District and am very excited by the quality of the leadership. I have great confidence and tremendous respect for the unit and district leadership. So, keep doing what you are doing and as I make it around to get to know each of you better, please share your programs and passions with me and let me know how we can serve you. Please work with your Unit Commissioners and let me know how I can best serve you.

Yours in Scouting,

Erica Audette

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### Words of Wisdom from Lord Baden-Powell

"The more responsibility the Scoutmaster gives his patrol leaders, the more they will respond."



### A Scoutmaster's Minute

A good positive attitude can truly change the way you approach life and your future. Let me illustrate with a short story.

A few years ago, there was a wildlife organization out west that offered a bounty of \$5000 for wolves captured alive. Two friends, Sam and Jed, decided to make their fortune. Day and night, they scoured the mountains and forests looking for their valuable prey. Exhausted one night, they fell asleep dreaming of their potential fortune. Suddenly, Sam woke up a bit startled, and saw that they were surrounded by a huge pack of nearly 70 wolves with searing black eyes, and bared teeth. Low growls rumbled from their throats. He slowly reached over and nudged his friend and said 'Jed, wake up! I think we're rich!'

Gentlemen, Sam had a positive attitude. I hope you do.



# June 2011




Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 District Meeting 7pm LDS Church, 451 W. Bobier, Vista  Wood Badge	3 Wood Badge	4 Wood Badge
5	6	7	8	9 District Commissioners' Meeting - 6pm  Eagle Boards  Roundtable 7pm LDS Church, 451 W. Bobier, Vista	10 San Diego County Fair Opens thru July 4th	11
12	13	14 	15	16 Order of the Arrow Meeting - 7pm Holiday Park, Carlsbad	17	18 Cyber Defenders UCSD 8am-4pm  <a href="#">Cub Survivor Camp Mataguay Session 1</a>
19  Cub Survivor Camp Mataguay Session 1  NYLT #1	20 NYLT #1  Cub Survivor Camp Mataguay Session 1	21 NYLT #1  Cub Survivor Camp Mataguay Session 1	22 Cub Survivor Camp Mataguay Session 2  NYLT #1  Cub Survivor Camp Mataguay Session 1	23 Cub Survivor Camp Mataguay Session 2  NYLT #1	24 Cub Survivor Camp Mataguay Session 2  NYLT #1	25 Cub Survivor Camp Mataguay Session 2  BALOO Training 8-3 Oceanside Elks Lodge
26	27 Carlsbad Cub Camp  Webelos Only Survivor Camp Mataguay  NYLT #2	28 Carlsbad Cub Camp  Webelos Only Survivor Camp Mataguay  NYLT #2	29 Carlsbad Cub Camp  Webelos Only Survivor Camp Mataguay  NYLT #2	30 Carlsbad Cub Camp  Webelos Only Survivor Camp Mataguay  NYLT #2		



# July 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
					NYLT #2  Carlsbad Cub Camp  Tiger Cub Adventure	NYLT #2
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
				District Meeting 7pm LDS Church, 451 W. Bobier, Vista		
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
				District Commissioners' Meeting - 6pm  Roundtable & Venturing Forum 7pm	IOLS & WLOT Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum  Scout Night at Petco Park	IOLS & WLOT Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
				Order of the Arrow Meeting - 7pm Holiday Park, Carlsbad		
<b>24/31</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
				Eagle Boards		



## Tiger Cub Adventure 2011

ALL INCOMING TIGER CUBS ARE HEREBY INVITED TO JOIN OUR

### 63 Cubsketeers

FOR A FUN FILLED 1-DAY EVENT OF FOOD, CRAFTS, SPORTS, & A REGATTA!!

FRIDAY, JULY 1ST, 2011, 9AM-2PM ~ DURING CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP!!

**COST IS \$20.00**

Tiger's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Partner's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' Names \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City / Zip \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone numbers h \_\_\_\_\_ c \_\_\_\_\_

Pack # \_\_\_\_\_ Leader's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of Adult Partner to Tiger Cub \_\_\_\_\_

**An Adult Partner MUST accompany and participate with your Tiger at this event.**

**A Health History form must be on file for each Tiger and Adult Partner. To avoid delays at check-in, please mail them with your registration. BSA has new forms as of 2011 which can be downloaded from the District website [smscouting.org](http://smscouting.org).**

**Photo Release:** I hereby grant to the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) the right and permission to use and publish the photographs, films, videos, electronic representation, and / or sound recordings made during my child's participation in the Santa Margarita District Day Camp and hereby release 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 foregoing and waive my right to compensation. **Parent Initial Here** \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

We anticipate this event will sell out, so register early!!

For availability updates telephone 760.732.3147.

Mail with \$20 payment made to "BSA" to 615 Cabezon Place, Vista 92081

[smcampdirector@yahoo.com](mailto:smcampdirector@yahoo.com)





## Cub Scout Day Camp - CARLSBAD

# 63 Cubsketeers!

June 27-July 1, 2011 ~ 9am-4pm

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!! - REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MAY 31, 2011

ALL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED!



Camper's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ School Grade 9/11 \_\_\_\_\_

City / Zip \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone numbers h \_\_\_\_\_ c \_\_\_\_\_ w \_\_\_\_\_

Pack # \_\_\_\_\_ Leader's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Rank **AFTER** June Graduation - circle one    Wolf                      Bear                      Webelos 1                      Webelos 2

*For our 1 Day TIGER SAFARI on Friday, July 1st, Please contact Miss Amanda or visit our website [smscouting.org](http://smscouting.org)!*

Parents **MUST** be available by telephone  
during camp hours!!!!

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**ALL DAY CAMPERS WILL RECEIVE A CAMP T-SHIRT.  
THERE IS ONLY ONE SIZE. SO PLEASE DO NOT ASK  
FOR SOMETHING DIFFERENT.**

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Den Chiefs are welcome & needed!!!

### Camp Cost is \$95.00 per camper

Parent participation discount of \$12.00 per day will be  
refunded **AFTER** camp!!! One discount per family. All  
registrations must be accompanied by the \$95.00  
camp fee for each camper.  
Camperships are available through Council.

### Adult Staff Volunteers Receive a Discount on their Camper's Fees!!!

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree to volunteer my services at the Santa Margarita District Carlsbad Day Camp on  
these days. (Circle all that apply.)

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Volunteers must complete Youth Protection Training and Safe Swim Defense, now available online. Cards will be  
required. Official BSA Health forms for campers and staff are the **ONLY** forms accepted at this camp and are  
available on the Council website. ALL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED.

**Photo Release:** I hereby grant to the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) the right and permission to use and publish the photographs, films, videos,  
electronic representation, and / or sound recordings made during my child's participation in the Santa Margarita District Day Camp and hereby  
release 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 foregoing and waive my right to compensation.

Parent / Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

This aquatics camp sells out every year - send your registrations in early!! For availability updates telephone 760.732.3147. **Mail**  
**with payment made to "BSA" to 615 Cabezon Place, Vista 92081**  
**[smcampdirector@yahoo.com](mailto:smcampdirector@yahoo.com)**

# Congratulations to the 2011 Santa Margarita District Award of Merit recipients!



The San Diego – Imperial Council of the Boy Scouts of America has recognized six of its local volunteers with the District Award of Merit. In a presentation at the Santa Margarita District's annual dinner on May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011, scout leaders from our community received the award for their exceptional and noteworthy service to the youth in our area.

The District Award of Merit Recipients for this year are: Ruby Michelle Taylor-Gay, Rob Greenwood, Sandy Hendron, Sandy Perkins, Bryce Poulson, and Dirk Thayer.

Pictured (l-r) front row: Robin and Dirk Thayer, Trisha and Rob Greenwood, Ric Gay and Ruby Michelle Taylor-Gay, Bryce and Andrea Poulson, Sandy Hendron and Sharon Perkins  
back row: Dave Hendron and Sandy Perkins



# Spirit of Scouting Award



Betty Clark was presented with the Spirit of Scouting Award in honor of her husband, Tyler Clark by the Santa Margarita District at the annual district dinner. Tyler received this award for his long term commitment and dedication to our local Scouting program. Shown in photo (l-r): District Chair Dr. Kevin Chalk, Betty Clark, and her son.

## Spirit of Scouting Award Honorees

2011 Tyler Clark  
2010 Gail DeWeese  
2010 Al DeWeese



# Havin' Fun at the District Dinner!











**Thanks to Dinner Chairs Sandy Hendron and Tedd Theodore and their crew on a job well done! See you next year!**



***Calling all Cub Leaders; calling all Cub Leaders; calling all Cub Leaders***

*By special request from one of our own Pack Leaders, Santa Margarita District will conduct another **BALOO (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation) Course** on Saturday, 25 June, at the Oceanside Elks Lodge (444 Country Club Lane, Oceanside, California). Staff and participants will begin gathering at 8:00 am, with the course starting promptly at 8:30 am. We should be finished not later than 3:00 pm.*

*Any leader needing this essential training should make plans to attend this special session. Price for the course is \$5.00. Coffee, tea, bottled water and snacks will be provided, and lunch may be eaten in the Elks Lodge, at any of several nearby restaurants or you may bring your own.*

*District Training Chair, Frank Kebelman, will be the host and has assembled an experienced group of Scouters to share their knowledge. This will be the last BALOO Course taught by Santa Margarita District until the fall, so mark your calendars, bring your friends and plan to attend. All participants should be in complete Scouter uniform including neckerchief and slide, and must bring a copy of their latest Youth Protection Training (YPT) certificate.*

*If you have any questions or would just like more information about the course, please contact Frank at [Kebelman@gmail.com](mailto:Kebelman@gmail.com) or at 760-519-1139.*

**BALOO REGISTRATION FORM**

**Santa Margarita District BALOO Course; 25 June 2011; Cost \$5.00**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ BSA I.D. # \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_ UNIT: \_\_\_\_\_ POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_  
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: SDIC-BSA  
CREDIT CARD: VISA M/C AMx (CIRCLE ONE) CARD #: \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME ON CARD: \_\_\_\_\_  
CCV # (3 DIGIT): \_\_\_\_\_ CARD EXPIRATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
SPECIAL MEDICAL, DIETARY OR OTHER NEEDS: \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL RESERVATIONS TO: San Diego-Imperial Council (Attn: Santa Margarita District Training); 1207 Upas Street, San Diego, CA 92103. All participants should contact Frank Kebelman directly for further information about the course at [Kebelman@gmail.com](mailto:Kebelman@gmail.com) or at 760-519-1139.



# Two Scouters Say Goodbye!

After 12 years, Al DeWeese has retired from being our district's Roundtable Commissioner. He has decided to stay home a bit more and take a well deserved rest. You will still see him at Water Trek Trainings and on Eagle Boards of Review.

Our District Executive Vic Enchelmayer has been sent over to Heartland District and will be working with them starting in June. Vic has been our DE for the past 4½ years and has truly been an asset to our district.

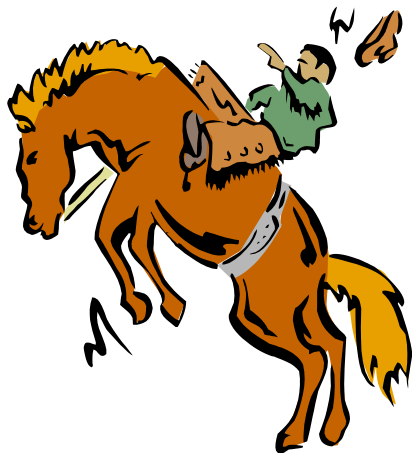
Thank you both for your dedication and support to Santa Margarita District.  
You both will be missed!



Members of our District say "thank you" to Al and Vic for their service to our district!



"Good-byes make you think, they make you realize what you've had, what you've lost, and what you've taken for granted." - Anonymous



## *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 # \_\_\_\_\_

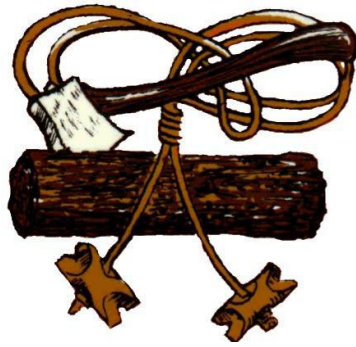
CCV # (3 DIGIT): \_\_\_\_\_ NAME ON CARD: \_\_\_\_\_

CARD EXPIRATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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.**



## Terry Nani Completes His Ticket!



Congratulations go out this month to Terry Nani of the WE4-49-09 Eagle Patrol. Terry is with Pack 735 in Fallbrook.

**Shown in photo: (l-r) Troop Guide Dirk Thayer, Eagle Patrol Members Anna Malone, Terry Nani, and Bryan Akagi, and Scoutmaster Bob Dixon**

The 2011 Course has started! For more information on the two Wood Badge Courses that will be held in 2012, contact Course Director Brian Ruark at [bruark@san.rr.com](mailto:bruark@san.rr.com) or Course Director Rich Woolever at [rwoolever@gmail.com](mailto:rwoolever@gmail.com). Courses fill up fast, so act quickly if you are interested in attending the best leadership training in Scouting!

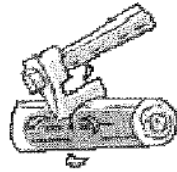


Check out the Wood Badge Beading for our very own Terry Nani!





**2012**



# **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 [rswoollever@gmail.com](mailto:rswoollever@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)



# 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**



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

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.

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





## Win Big at the Robotics Launchpad!

Get a space shuttle Endeavour prize pack including a merit badge patch that orbited Earth.

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





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)



## News from our Council –



San Diego - Imperial Council is now offering a new maritime high adventure program - San Diego ADventure. For more information - <http://www.sdadventure.org/>



### Padres 2011 Scout Night

**FRIDAY, JULY 15 VS SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS**

**POST-GAME CAMPOUT**

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 17 VS ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS**

**PRE-GAME EGG DROP**

**For tickets go to:** <http://sdicbsa.org/MiscDocs/PadresScoutNight2011.pdf>



The [Union-Tribune Youth Leadership Award](#) honors the Scouts who make the San Diego community a better place and demonstrate high standards of ethics and character. Every registered Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, Venturer, and Explorer is eligible to submit an application for the award. One Cub Scout, one Boy Scout, one Varsity Scout and one each male and female Career Awareness Explorer or Venturer will be chosen. Nominations are due by July 18.

For application:

<http://sdicbsa.org/MiscDocs/U-TYouthLeadershipAward0711.pdf>

## Alex is the Top Seller!



At the May Roundtable it was announced that Alex from Troop 708 was the Top Seller of Scout Fair Tickets in our district. Alex sold 135 tickets! He earned from Council many wonderful prizes including a \$100 gift card from Walmart and a helicopter ride. From our district, Alex received Ricky the Bear – the bear that traveled the USA for the Boy Scouts 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Alex's Scoutmaster is Scot Hogan. Congratulations, Alex!



# Bryce!

## District Dinner Photog!



If you were at the District Dinner, you may have met Bryce. He helped our District Newsletter Editor by taking photos of the festivities. Some of his photos are in this newsletter. Bryce just earned his Photography Merit Badge.



Congratulations to Dylan from Troop 708. With the help of his dog, he earned the Dog Care Merit Badge. This merit badge is a great one to earn if you already own a dog or are thinking of getting one as a pet. It covers everything a concerned dog owner should know.



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

Jon Studer  
760-231-8850

Meghan McKillop  
916-613-6123

Pamela Dixon  
760-757-4762

To send them an email, go to:

<http://sdcbsa.org/Advancement/MBadges/Counselors/default.php>



Carlsbad Troop 748 had a very successful Easter Pancake Breakfast and wishes to thank the Scouting community for their support.

## Scouts Can Invite Friends Electronically

A new feature called the e-card is available to Scouts and leaders on the [www.thescoutzone.org](http://www.thescoutzone.org) Web site. This fun and easy activity will help a Scout complete the new First Class requirement that states he must invite a friend to a troop meeting or activity. Please share this at roundtables and in newsletters.

### Step 1

Go to [www.thescoutzone.org](http://www.thescoutzone.org)

### Step 2

Click on "Tell a Friend."

### Step 3

Enter your name and your friend's name and e-mail address in the boxes.

### Step 4

Select images of activities you think would be fun and interesting for your friend to do.

### Step 5

Chose the music and the message you would like to send.

### Step 6

Preview your e-card and send it to your friend.

<http://scouting.org/scoutsource/BoyScouts/Resources/invite.aspx>

## National Outdoor Awards

If you like being outdoors, these are the awards for you to earn! There are different segments – Riding, Hiking, Camping, Aquatics and Adventure.

For more info go to:

<http://scouting.org/sitecore/content/Home/BoyScouts/Youth/Awards/NOA.aspx>



# Fun with Son at Balboa!

## Check out our District Pack Members Having Fun!!

Recently Jared Minard, Fallbrook Assistant District Commissioner attended the Fun with Son event at Camp Balboa in San Diego and reports it was a great weekend. After attending this event with his son he suggests that every pack should attend this event. "There was no planning required for the parent or the unit leadership. You paid your money and enjoyed the weekend with your son. The volunteer staff and the Boy Scout troop that helped out all week end long really made the event what it was- a success!" One Cub Scout was asked if he was having fun and said, "You are so silly. We are at the Fun Camp – we have to have fun"!





# Congratulations to Our Newest Eagle Scouts!

## May 26th, 2011



Kevin Yasuoka, Troop 799  
Unit Leader: Jim Hunter  
Eagle Project: Built a trophy case  
for Vista High School.



Tommy Clarke, Crew 712  
Unit Leader: Jon Studer  
Eagle Project: Custom shelving for  
Operation Hope in Vista.

### 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, 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

When putting together your application, remember to include the 5 (or 6 if employed) letters of recommendation. Including additional letters isn't necessary! Extra letters are destroyed. Reminder – the letters need to be sealed.