

THE REDWOOD ROUND-UP
Counties of Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Mendocino, Sonoma

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Attention Units: Update & Renew

Unit and Member Renewals

No longer will you have to worry about Unit Renewals during the holiday season! The Unit Renewal deadline will now be Feb. 28. (OK, every four years it'll be Feb. 29.)



The Unit Renewal process will start in January. The same deadline will be for members (Scouts and Scouters). There will no longer be a grace period. Units not renewing by the end of February will be suspended, may not meet or function, and will have no insurance coverage. Members joining Jan. to Nov. 2027 will be charged dues prorated to the February 2028 renewal.

Unit Rosters

GGAC asks all of the units to review their roster to ensure that Council/National records are up-to-date and accurate. This is an important process to ensure that our Scouts' and Scouters' roster information is accurate and that active people who are in your unit are listed. Unit Key 3 have been sent the link to report any changes or to confirm the accuracy of their rosters. As of press time, many units have yet to respond. Nonresponsive Units will be receiving follow-up communications.

Your Unit's "Be A Scout" Pin Information

Scouting America has expanded and improved the Be-A-Scout promotion, all designed to get more potential scouts for your unit. Be sure to do your part by updating your Be-A-Scout pin information. They now contain even more information about your unit. Side note: It's critical that your unit has someone respond to all the "hits" your unit receives from the Be-A-Scout program within 48-72 hours (or sooner!).

Oren Noah, RESA Commissioner
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FALL EVENTS

- * **Webelo-Ree**
Sept. 26-27
[Camp Herms](#)
- * **Shotgun Merit Badge**
Oct. 3 or Dec. 5
[Rancho Los Mochos](#)
- * **Mountain Bike Getaway**
Oct. 2-4
[Wente Scout Reservation](#)
- * **Scout Day at Schulz Museum**
Oct. 10
[Register Online](#)
- * **Jamboree On The Air**
Oct. 18, 9am-5pm
RESA Office
1000 Apollo Way, Santa Rosa
Scouts and guests will be able to make contacts on the radio, earn the Radio Merit Badge, and hunt for a radio transmitter.
- * **Spook-E-Ree**
Oct. 16-17 (See Pg. 7)
Camp Riggs, Eureka
- * **AOL Camporee**
Oct. 23-24
[Camp Herms](#)
- * **Scouting for Food Drop-off**
Nov. 14
RESA Locations.

RESA Renewal Process & Discount Codes

Members and units may now follow the standard online registration and renewal process in [my.Scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org). During checkout, simply enter the appropriate discount code in the Discount Code box on the payment page before completing the transaction.

Online Renewal Process for Members

1. Log In: Go to [My.Scouting](https://my.scouting.org) using your username and password.
2. Access Notifications: Click on the red notification bell icon in the top right corner.
3. Select Your Renewal: Click the registration alert message that appears. If you have multiple family members in Scouting, you will need to process them one by one.
4. Review Information: Verify your linked unit and select the primary position you wish to renew.
5. Sign & Checkout: Agree to the Scouting America Terms and Conditions by digitally "signing" your name, then click Go To Checkout Summary.
6. Adjust Scout Life: Scout Life magazine is selected by default; uncheck the box if you do not want to subscribe to adjust your total.
7. Enter the Discount Code: **RESARenewY** (for youth) or **RESARenewA** (for adults). Discount codes are case-sensitive.
8. Pay & Submit: Enter payment information (credit/debit card, Google Pay, or Apple Pay) and select Place Order to complete your renewal.

Unit Renewal opens in November; it will be prorated to end February 2028, so \$100 plus \$8.50 per month. December unit renewals will be \$117.

Our RESA discount ends November 30th. After that, the council program fees are \$149 for youth and \$99 for adults in Scouts BSA, Pack, and Venturing. For Posts and Clubs, there will be a program fee of \$50 per person starting as well.

Membership fees with National are increasing as of January 2027 Youth in Scouts BSA, Pack and Venturing \$96, Youth in Exploring \$60, Adult \$72.

As of January when new members apply they will start prorating them to February 2028.

As renewals begin for March they will start prorating the renewals to February 2028 as well.

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SCOUTING FOR FOOD

Door tags will be available for units in October. Plan to hand them out the first weekend in November. Drop-off times will be set for Saturday, November 14th.

DROP-OFF LOCATIONS:

[Redwood Empire Food Bank](#), Santa Rosa
[Friends in Sonoma Helping \(FISH\)](#), Sonoma
[United Christian Parrish Food Pantry](#), Lakeport
[Food for People](#), Eureka



More details to come out soon!

Each month we list the newest RESA Eagle Scouts, and any bios we receive.

Jillian Ray Toupin Troop 134G

Eagle Project: We sanded down benches in the dining hall at Camp Liahona and then painted positive affirmations, quotes, scriptures, and more on them. Each bench was designed and painted by the person doing the work. I gave suggestions and made sure what they wrote was appropriate, but they had total creative control and freedom.



*Congratulations
August 2026
RESA Eagles!*

MIWOK DISTRICT

Troop 7G - Petaluma

Lilah Fellman, August 31
Trinity Williamson, August 31

POMO DISTRICT

Troop 27 - Sebastopol

Ada Carlisle, August 20

Troop 125 - Santa Rosa

Raleigh Case, August 3
Adam Homes, August 15

Troop 134G - Santa Rosa

Jillian Toupin, August 4

Future Plans: I hope to spend some time in college and then go off and serve a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Best Scouting Experience: We did a service project at Pepperwood Preserve and I had a lot of fun working with everyone on that.

Advice to Offer: Being a part of the scouting program really helps teach you to become prepared and how to handle any situation in your life.

Appreciation For: I would credit my dad. He is the one who got me started and who pushed me the whole time to keep going and to stay focused on the end goal. He helped me so much on my journey of earning Eagle and I will be forever grateful for that.

Where did Yokayo-Logger District go?

At the beginning of 2026, the RESA District Operating Committee started talks regarding combining the **Yokayo-Logger** and **Lake Districts**, as both were small and struggling to build two different District Committees. It was decided that combining the two Districts made sense and the name **Mendo-Lake** would be the name of this new District. The Board approved the merger at their April meeting.

New RESA District Executive, Joy Salo

Joy Salo is an Eagle Scout from Troop 633, a troop she helped found in Rancho Murieta, where she was an active and dedicated Scouting volunteer. After earning the rank of Eagle Scout in 2022, she continued supporting youth development through volunteer leadership and camp service. Joy graduated early from California State University, Sacramento in 2025, earning magna cum laude honors and recognition on the Dean's List.



Her Scouting experience includes serving as Archery Director at Camp Winton in 2022 and Handicraft Director at Camp Wolfeboro in 2025. In 2026, she served as Program Director at Camp Wolfeboro, where she was committed to delivering engaging outdoor programs and leadership experiences for Scouts.

Joy is excited to join the Redwood Empire Service Area as a District Executive and looks forward to helping grow Scouting's impact on young people and communities throughout the region.

Joy can be reached at joy.salo@scouting.org or 916-846-8422.

Pacific Rivers District Cub-O-Ree

The Pacific Rivers District Cub-O-Ree took place a few weeks ago at Camp Riggs with Cubs from all around Humboldt County in attendance. Events such as citizenship, tie-dye, origami, soap carving, tent setup, world music, and field sports filled the weekend. Capped with a campfire program with skits, songs, and jokes, concluding with a flag retirement performed by our Scouts.

Troop 32 Philmont Scout Ranch

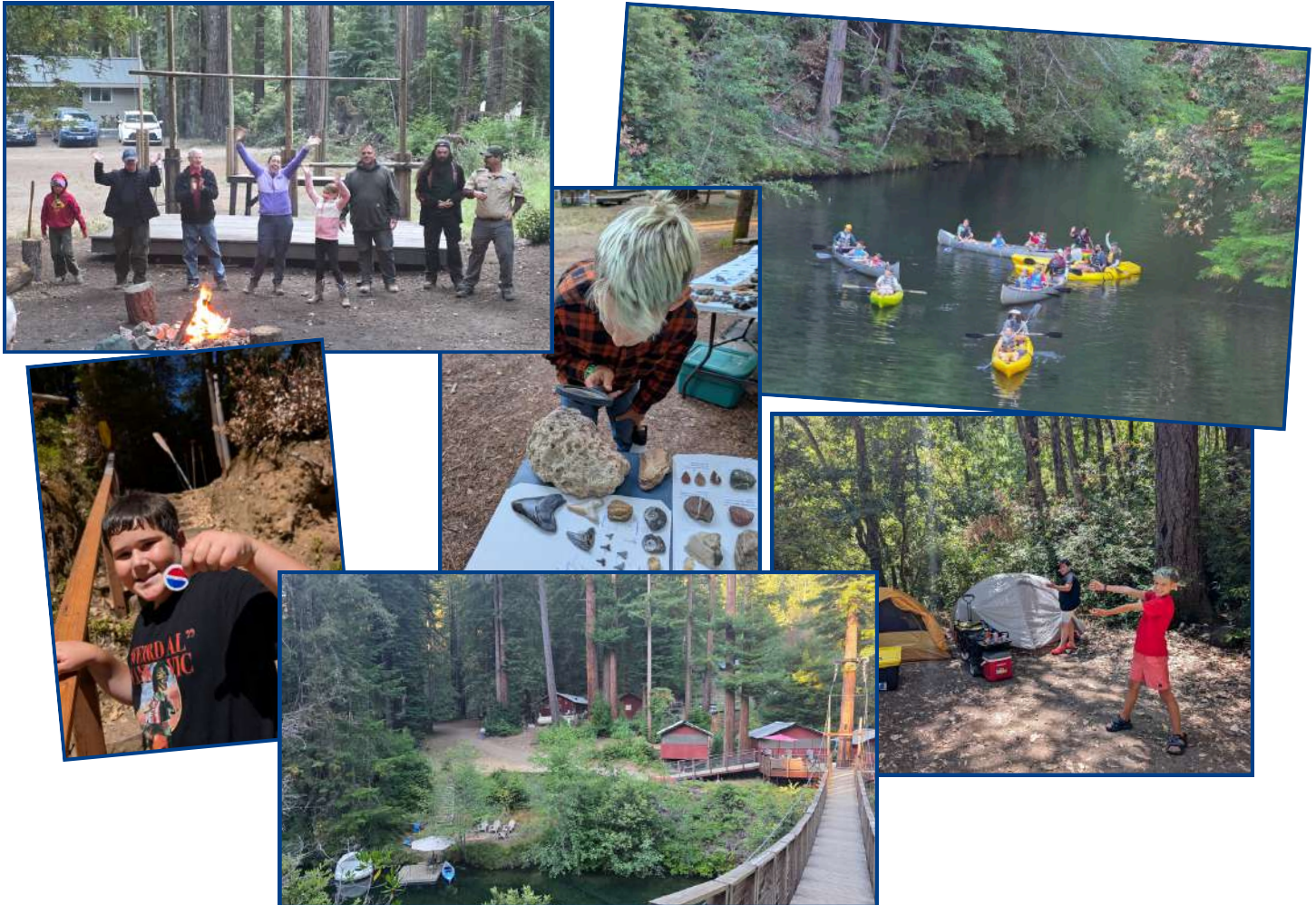
In June 2026, 13 scouts from Troop 32 traveled to Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, New Mexico, for a historic high-adventure backpacking expedition in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains. Trekking more than 50 miles deep into the backcountry to earn their 50-Miler Award, the scouts mastered traditional outdoor skills, completed a conservation project, and hiked historic landmarks like the Tooth of Time, where Apollo astronauts Neil Armstrong and Eagle Scout Buzz Aldrin once trained. Surrounded by unforgettable backcountry sunsets in "God's Country," the troop capped off their journey with visits to the Villa Philmonte and the National Scout Museum—an experience so rewarding that they are already planning their next adventure to the Northern Tier and Boundary Waters.

Troop 32 Camp Melita Island

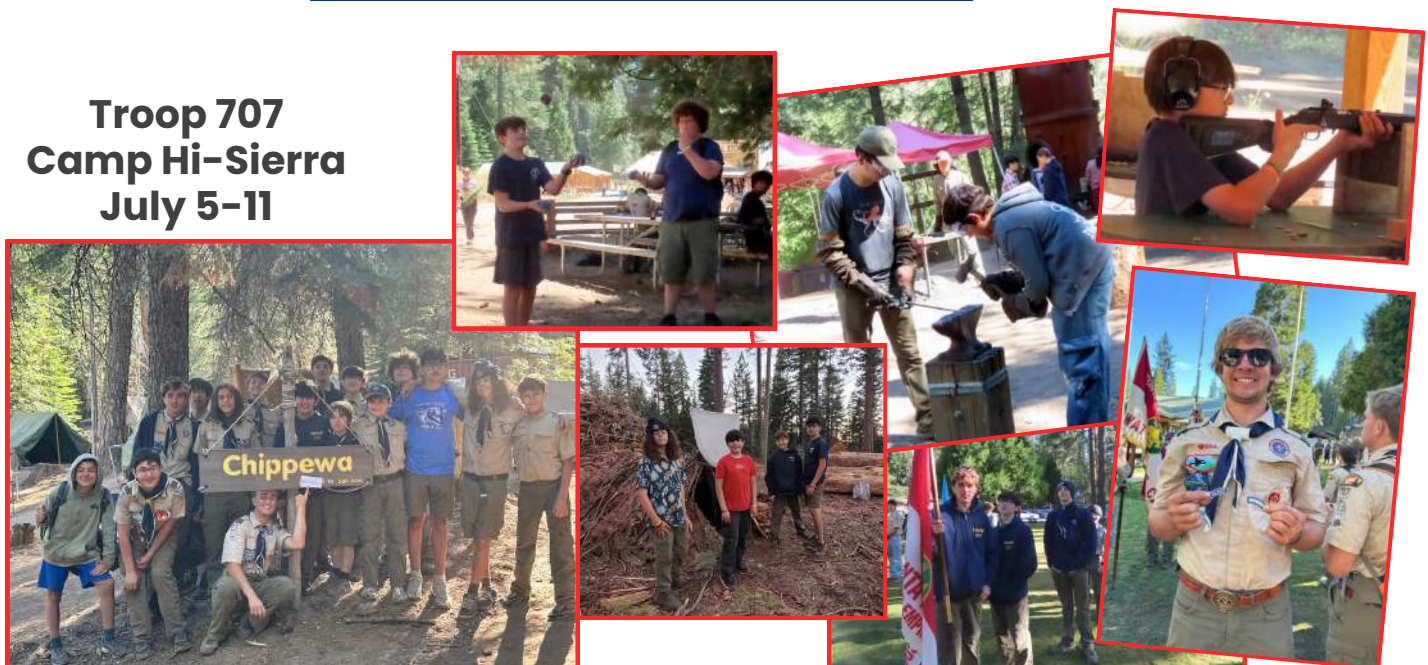
Troop 32 embarked on a grand summer adventure in 2026, traveling to Seattle, where they toured the Space Needle and Pike Place Market before taking a scenic Amtrak train to Flathead Lake, Montana, for a week at Camp Melita Island. Representing a quarter of the camp's population, 54 scouts and leaders immersed themselves in the island lifestyle, taking full advantage of exceptional camp meals, welcoming staff, dual waterfronts with floating obstacle courses, and a high-energy older scout program featuring whitewater rafting and rock climbing. After capping off the Montana trip with a tour of the Western US Smokejumpers Base in Missoula led by Eagle Scout smokejumpers, the troop returned home to Santa Rosa following a summer camp experience many scouts described as their absolute best yet. Meanwhile, a subset of new scouts spent a productive week closer to home at Camp Royaneh alongside Alameda Troop 115.



Camp Noyo July 17-19



Troop 707 Camp Hi-Sierra July 5-11



Every Scout deserves a trained leader!

At the recent District Operations Summit, we launched our 100% Trained ribbon – pictured here in red, white and blue to recognize the 250th Anniversary of the United States.

The program recognizes units that have 100% of their Direct Contact Leaders fully trained in their positions.

District leadership teams have ribbons for their units that qualify. So far that's 37 units with another 82 very close behind with only one leader needing training!

Adult leaders in units are considered "Trained" and eligible to wear the official Trained emblem when they have completed Safeguarding Youth Training and an appropriate, position-specific training course. The courses are available online – log in to your [My.Scouting](https://my.scouting.org) account.



How can your unit be among the units that have 100% of their Direct Contact Leaders fully trained for their position? Amazingly enough, a large number of RESA leaders only need to complete **Hazardous Weather** to become fully trained! How would you know this? Look online at your training records at my.scouting.org!

And, for those of you in Pomo District, you will have received an email from Dave Smilie with instructions on how to complete this 30-minute training. Here are the instructions for everyone!

To complete your training:

1. Log in to the [Scouting America Training Center](https://scouting.america.training)
2. Click on My Training. It should be at the top.
3. Search for Hazardous in the Catalog if you don't see it

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact your unit leadership, Dave Smilie scoutmastert55@gmail.com, or your Pomo training chair, Peggy Bimbi at peggy.bimbi@comcast.net.

Also contact Peggy if you would like to schedule a training for BALOO, Basic Adult Leader Training, or IOLS.

University of Scouting Leader Training & Networking

Mark your calendar TODAY for the 2027 University of Scouting to be held on **January 9, 2027** in Santa Rosa.



This is a "not-to-be-missed" supplemental training day designed for any leader or parent involved with Venture Scouts, a Scout Troop, or Cub Scouts. Select from a variety of classes intended to give you the Scouting information you need. Meet other Scouters in RESA and build your Scouting friendships. Come learn more about Scouting and get fresh ideas for bringing the program to your Scouts.

Pick the classes that fit your needs and enjoy a day of training and camaraderie. At the incredible cost of \$25.00 that includes snacks, beverages, and a delicious home-cooked lunch, this is a day you won't want to miss!

L.E.A.D.

Leader Education And Discovery

January 23, 2027

Diablo Valley College, Pleasant Hill

The L.E.A.D. Degree Program provides an informal program of advancement in an atmosphere of fellowship and fun. The intent is for you to be able to track the progress of your supplemental training and to reward yourselves for your accomplishments. The incentive is not only for you to carry on with your training, but to inspire you to return each year and share the wealth of your experience with all of us, as you continue your own Scouting Trail. [More info.](#)

What is L.E.A.D? Leader Education and Discovery (L.E.A.D.) is the ultimate one-day training conference for Scout Leaders, Parents, Volunteers, and Older Youth. It combines University of Scouting and Pow Wow into one epic training event. Join us for an action-packed day of learning, fun, and connecting with fellow Scouters!

What Will I Learn? L.E.A.D. offers over 120 classes across seven colleges. Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Young Adult Programs, Outdoor Education, Continuing Education, Technology, and, new this year, Special Needs and Disabilities.

Upcoming Training at Camp Herms in El Cerrito:

[IOLS - Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills](#) (Troop Leaders) and [BALOO - Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation](#) (Cub Scout Leaders) on October 10 & 11.

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Spook-E-Ree at Camp Riggs in Eureka

The Pacific Rivers District is holding their 42nd annual Spook-E-Ree at Camp Riggs in Eureka **October 16th-17th**. If you're unfamiliar with our Spook-E-Ree, it is a competition event for Troops, Crews, Ships, and Posts similar to a traditional Camp-O-Ree, but the events begin at 11pm and end at 3am. Then back up early for a morning jog, pumpkin carving judging, our Bloody Head Hunt, and awards campfire. It is a spooky event with costumes and themes, with this year's theme being classic horror movies. Staying and camping for a second night is an available option, if you're feeling too sleepy to head home Saturday, or just want to explore the camp further in the daylight. Contact Daniel Washburn if you're interested in attending, or for more information, at danielwashburn15@gmail.com.



Calendars

LAKE

MIWOK

POMO

GGAC

PACIFIC RIVERS

MENDO-LAKE

UNIT EVENTS:

Troop 55 Open House, Oct. 7, 6:30-8:00pm

Troop 55 Invitational Campout, Oct. 17-18

Contact ScoutmasterT55@gmail.com for more info.



Troop 32 Annual Open House

Oct. 12, 7-8:30pm, Santa Rosa Bible Church, Santa Rosa

Troop 32 Webelo Adventure Day

AOL advancement activities and fun!

Oct. 17, 10am-4:30pm, Cleland Ranch

Contact scoutmaster@troop32.org or 707-620-5032



Troop 707 Pumpkin Carving for Web/AOL Scouts

Oct. 27, 7-8:15pm, Hidden Valley Elementary

RSVP to scoutmaster@Troop707.org



Troop 134 Pancake Breakfast & Silent Auction

Saturday, Nov. 14, 8-11:30am

\$5 for ages 6+, free for 5 and under

Schaefer Elementary School

1370 San Miguel Ave., Santa Rosa



Venture Crew



Venture Crew 73 is a proposed Amateur Ham Radio, electronics, and STEM-based Venture Crew looking for new members, ages 14-20. It is chartered by the Sonoma County Radio Amateurs Club, with the intention of supporting young people in learning about radio science and technology. They would meet monthly, the first Wednesday of the month 6:30-8:30pm at the Luther Burbank Art and Garden Center, 2050 Yulupa Ave in Santa Rosa as part of the SCRA monthly club meeting.

The Crew will work on various STEM merit badges, as well as working towards earning their amateur radio FCC licenses. They will be able to shadow or work various public service bike ride events. In addition, while working towards Emergency Prep, they can tour the Sonoma County Emergency Operations Center and learn how Amateur Radio Interfaces with them during emergencies. The Crew also has connections with Sonoma State University's EDEON program, with Dr Laura Peticolas. Her students are building a CubeSat to study auroras.

The goal, according to Crew Advisor Darryl Paule is "To have fun learning way cool stuff."

If you are interested in learning more about Crew 73, please contact Darryl at KI6MSP@gmail.com, with the subject "Venture Crew 73". Scouts, please remember to include another adult to maintain 2-deep leadership.

Write to us!

If you have an event, activity, or general news for consideration for the next Redwood Round-up Newsletter, email resaroundup@goldengatescouting.org

CHARLES M. SCHULZ MUSEUM AND RESEARCH CENTER



SCOUT DAY AT THE MUSEUM

Saturday, October 10 • Noon–4:00 pm

Scouts ages 5–10 and their families are invited to enjoy hands-on activities in support of Tiger, Wolf, Bear, and Webelos electives.

- Explore the Museum galleries with a scavenger hunt
- Tell a story with stop-motion animation
- Learn about artists and make your own cartoons
- and more!

COST: \$10.00 per child (adult chaperones free with paid child).

ADVANCE REGISTRATION RECOMMENDED:
schulzmuseum.org/scout-day-at-the-museum



2301 Hardies Lane
Santa Rosa, CA 95403
schulzmuseum.org





Scouting  America



14th Annual Petaluma Community Emergency Preparedness Fair

**What is your plan for an earthquake
or emergency? Are You Prepared?**

Sunday
September 27, 2026 from
11:00-3:00pm

Petaluma - Walnut Park
(Petaluma Blvd and D Street)

Guests: Petaluma Emergency Tom Jordan, SoCo
Emergency Dr. Brown, Petaluma Fire and Police
Department, Cool Petaluma, FEMA, Red Cross, US Coast
Guard, SoCo Sheriff's Office, CHP, Scouts (Girl and Boy),
Sea Scouts

Presented by: Scouts BSA Troop 9 and Cub Pack 9, Elim
Lutheran Church, Petaluma FD, Emergency Manager,
Mayor's Office, and Sonoma County Emergency Manager.

Free Go Bags: for the first 150 Families (1 per family).
*Supervisor Gore is grateful and proud to sponsor these bags to keep
all Sonoma County residents safe and well prepared.*

- **Free hands on demonstrations:**
CPR, First Aid, emergency survival camping and
Dutch Oven cooking...
- **Refreshments:**
BBQ Lunch, bake sale, chips, soda, Sno Cones

"Be Prepared"!!!

(Donations appreciated Thank you very much!)

<https://my.cheddarup.com/c/troop-9-scouts-bsa/items>



Exhibits by: **Petaluma Police and Fire Departments,**
US Coast Guard, FEMA, Red Cross, and more.
Scout Skills Stations: Cooking, First Aid, Ham Radio,
Pioneering and Emergency Preparedness



Thank you very much!!!

John W. Schempf, Scoutmaster, BSA Troop 9, Elim Church Petaluma

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