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Veterans Day Parade
Petaluma
November 11



Wood Badge Beading Ceremony
Camp Tamarancho
October 24

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Klondike Derbies**
  Feb. 12-14
  North Lake Tahoe
  Feb 19-21
  Camp Chawanakee

For Unit Calendars:

- **Butter & Eggs Parade**
  April 17
  Petaluma
- **Rose Parade**
  May 1
  Santa Rosa
- **Scout-o-Rama** @
  North Bay Science Discovery Day
  May 2
  Sonoma County Fairgrounds

For Adults:

- **RESA University of Scouting**
  Jan. 9
  Santa Rosa
- **L.E.A.D.**
  Leader Education And Discovery
  Jan. 23
  Diablo Valley College, Pleasant Hill
- **AED/CPR Classes** and
  Wilderness & Remote First Aid
  Monthly
  Camp Herms

Congratulations October 2026 RESA Eagle!

POMO DISTRICT
Troop 58 - Santa Rosa
Nikolas Santos, October 29



Note to 2026 Eagle Scouts: If you didn't submit a bio for the Redwood Round-up, you still can! Refer to the submission link you were sent originally, or email resaroundup@goldengatescouting.org.

It's time for Unit Renewal!

There is NO LAPSE PERIOD

December 31 is the DEADLINE. If your Unit has not completed the renewal process by the deadline, it will NO LONGER BE A UNIT. No advancement will count, and no insurance coverage! We all want to enjoy the holidays, so aim to have your Unit's renewal completed by December 15.

Focus on AOL-to-Scout Transition



Scouting loses way too many Scouts in the Pack-to-Troop transition.

If you're in a Pack, do you have Den Chiefs? Do you have joint activities with Troops in your area? o you provide your AOL families with information on local Troops? Do you have routine bridging ceremonies?

If you're in a Troop, do you recruit Den Chiefs for the area Packs? What activities do you invite Cubs to participate in? Do you go to bridging ceremonies? Have you reached out with your Troop information to local Packs?

If any of the above are issues, please let me know. Your Commissioner staff can assist with making the connections that will ensure continued growth for your Unit and, more immediately important, continued growth for your Scouts.

New Pomo District Commissioner



Let's all welcome Eric Hektner as our new Pomo District Commissioner! He's done a great job as Roundtable Commissioner and is adding District Commissioner to his duties.

Double Check Your Unit's Pin

It's critical that each Unit updates its "Pin Data" for the Be A Scout program. The information needs to be both current and complete. In August, the system expanded the amount of information each Unit needs to put in its Pin, so every Unit needs to update since then.

- Pin must be turned on
- The Unit must be able to edit it
- Families must be able to apply online
- The Unit fee must be included. For now, if there is $0 we will accept it, anticipate that changing soon.
- Primary contact information must be included
- The meeting location must be complete
- The Pin must be set on the map
- Your Units must have a direct unit webpage or social media page that is not Scouting.org or a general Scouting link.
- Your Unit must have updated the Pin after August 3. Note: The updated status doesn't reset just by opening it. You must go in and make edits. We recommend adjusting the description
- All meeting details must be completed

If you have already updated these new fields in your Pin on or after August 3rd, you should be all set. Or, if you haven't updated your Pin and prefer to handle the update manually, visit https://my.scouting.org/. To learn more about Pin updates, including step-by-step instructions, visit https://www.scouting.org/pin/.

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.

Scouters will come from all around our Area and beyond, and you should be one of them, as it is an amazing opportunity! **Registration is set to open up on November 20th**.

The University of Scouting is a supplemental training day designed for any leader or parent involved with Scouting America troops, Venture Crews, and Cub Scouts. Each adult can choose up to five classes from a list of over 40 different choices ranging from knots, Scout troops for girls, annual calendar planning, Courts of Honor, Eagle Advisor, AOL to Scout transition, Pinewood Derby, places to take Cub Scouts camping, activities for Scouts on camping trips, snow camping, disability awareness tracks, Philmont treks & cavalcades, planning backpacking trips, crafts for Cubs, fire building for Cubs, campfire planning, and the list goes on! Some of the classes offer training certifications in Merit Badge counseling, Hazardous Weather, Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, and Climb on Safely.

University of Scouting is a great opportunity to find out more about what is happening in our area, learn about special events, learn more about a topic, share your experiences, and get fresh ideas for bringing the program to your Scouts. A bonus of the day is sharing camaraderie with other adults who are involved in offering program.

In addition, there are information tables on topics such as Wood Badge, Summer Camps, Explorer Posts, Outdoor Ethics, Jamborees, Philmont Treks, and more, with handouts offering examples, and a day of delicious food! Many thanks to the LDS church for making their facility available to us for our training!

NEW!

If you are a registered Scouter attending the **University of Scouting** and have a **Cub Scout-aged youth**, you will be able to sign them up for $15 for the day, where they will be supervised by Den Chiefs and have the opportunity to earn Belt Loops. Plan on bringing your own snacks and lunch. When you sign up, please list your youth's name, Pack number, and rank.

Discount Codes until Nov. 30

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

Renewals:
Enter the Discount Code: **RESARenewY** (for youth) or **RESAAdultRenew** (for adults).

New Registrations:
Enter the Discount Code: **RESAYouth** (for youth) or **RESAAdult** (for adults).

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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.

District Award of Merit Nominations Due by December 1st

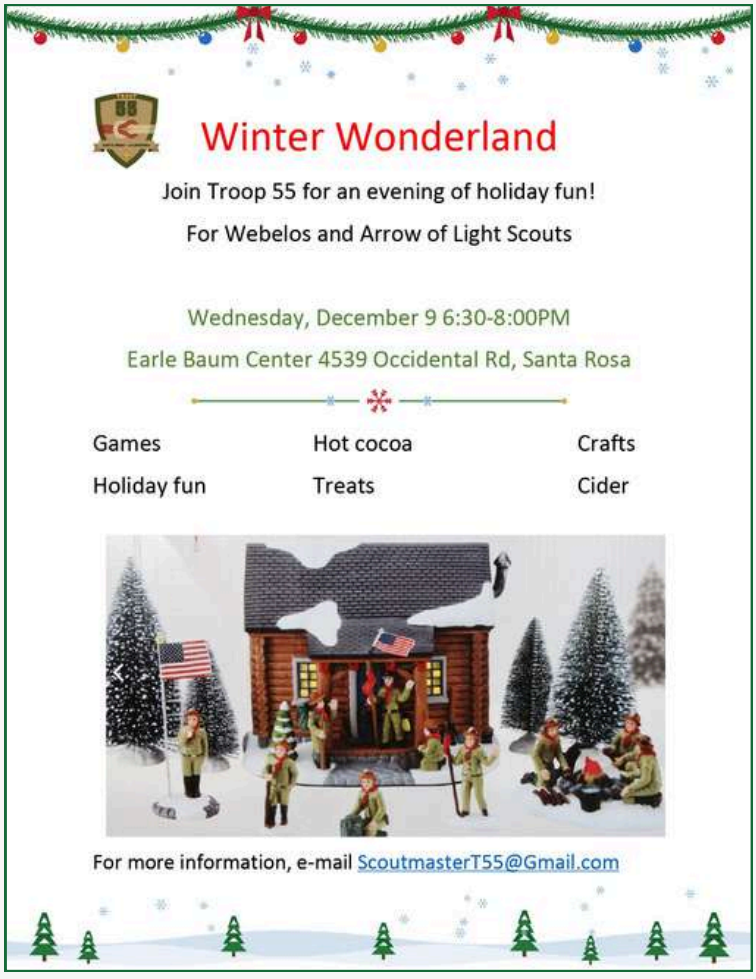


The District Award of Merit is the highest honor a local district can bestow upon a registered volunteer. This award recognizes Scouters who render service of an outstanding nature at the district level. Nominations will close on December 1st. You can forward your nomination to Staci Smilie, Pomo District Recognition Chair at staci.smilie@gmail.com.

Calendars

LAKE | MIWOK | POMO | GGAC | PACIFIC RIVERS | MENDO-LAKE

UNIT EVENTS:



The Last Orca Lodge Fellowship, Vigil Weekend and Lodge Dinner
November 6-8, Camp Royaneh









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