



Advancement

By Linda Paumer, Advancement Chair

Merit Badge Counseling

Now is a good time to become a Merit Badge Counselor (MBC) in our district. Teaching merit badges is one of most inclusive, interesting and even fun ways to get to know Scouts and to be actively involved in their advancement. With nearly 150 different merit badges, there is something that every adult could offer.

Steps to become a MBC, complete the following:

1. a merit badge counselor application which can be found online at <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34405.pdf>.
2. a new adult leader application form ([https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/524-501\(18\)_AdultApp_WEB.pdf](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/524-501(18)_AdultApp_WEB.pdf)).
3. current Youth Protection training.
4. Mail or deliver forms to:

Linda Paumer
1203 Cypress Lane
Davis, Ca 95616

For paper/carbon applications, ask your unit leader. All forms are necessary even for those who are already registered leaders. The only required signature is the applicant's, and there is no fee. The position code on the form is "42", Merit Badge Counselor. There is an online training that can be done specifically for merit badge counseling, and can be found through the my.scouting.org training site. This training is not required but strongly encouraged.

District Advancement Committee/Eagle Advising

With the expansion of the Yolano District, there is strong interest in expanding the advancement committee as Eagle Advisors. The various functions of Eagle advising include Life to Eagle seminars, Eagle project management and processing, and Eagle Boards of Review. The Advancement Committee's goal is to have at least one advisor in each city in our district. Kevin Hein and Linda Paumer are currently covering Davis, Dixon/Winters, and Woodland. Scout Master WC Pihl will monitor Vacaville. We are looking for advisors for Davis, Woodland, and at least one more in Vacaville. If you would like to get involved, please contact Linda at linda.paumer@gmail.com or Kevin at kevanahein@aol.com.

Life to Eagle Seminar

The Life to Eagle Seminar is held twice a year and provides valuable information to Life Scouts about the Eagle Scout process. Anyone interested, especially Life Scouts and parents that are interested in starting projects in the next few months, are highly encouraged to attend. Arrangements can always be made at the unit level for Eagle candidates to talk to Eagle Advisors.

Important Dates:

Mar 7– May 24: Camp Card Fundraising

[Apr 26-28 & May 3-5: Wood Badge](#)

[Apr 26-27: Introduction Outdoor Leader Skills \(IOLS\)](#)

[Apr 26-27: Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation \(BALOO\)](#)

Apr 26-28: Camporee/Cub Family Camp

[May 16: District Dinner](#)

[Jun 1: District Pinewood Derby](#)

Jun 19-22: Cub Twilight Camp

Jun 28-30 & Jul 5-7: [NYLT](#)

Jul 19-21 & Jul 26-28: [NYLT](#)

Jul 20: Pack-O-Ree Picnic/Cub Recruitment

Jul 22-Aug 2: [24th World Scout Jamboree](#)

Sept 20-22 & Oct 4-6: Wood Badge

Sept 27-29 & Oct 11-13: [NYLT](#)



Advancements: Our Eagles

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Our greatest contribution to our communities is seeing our Scouts obtain Eagle. The Trailblazer District and the Yolo District salute our 2018 Eagle Scouts for their achievements.

Trailblazer District

Archambeau, Joseph	T-488
Bridge, Gordon	T-70
Carman, Jason	T-484
Ceremony, Garrett	T-265
Childs, Bradley	T-70
Crist, Daniel	T-487
Dawes, Clive	T-265
Dye, Tanner	T-72
Foster, Ian	T-152
Gonzalez, Daniel	T-265
Gray, Bradley	T-72
Harshberger, Victor	T-70
Haven, Carson	T-265
Kemper, Cameron	T-152
Lehfeldt, Austin	T-484
Matheson, Alec	T-152
Penrose, Gabriel	T-897
Porter, Joel	T-484
Strickland, Zachary	T-265

Yolo District

Acevedo, Luis Diego	T-68
Borchard, Justice	T-111
Botting, Jonathan	T-111
Carlock, Patrick	T-139
Chan, Jacob	T-139
Ching, Connor	T-111
Clark, Scott	T-66
Cuevas-Cacciato, Dominick	T-68
Fee, Jeremy	T-66
Ferguson, Adam	T-139
Gossard, Ethan	T-464
Gray, Kyle	T-69
Hager, Christopher	T-43
Hechtl, Hunter	T-139
Honda-Scully, Kai	T-466
Houdeshell, Eric	T-68
Kibbe, Kylan	T-66
Kordana, Kyle	T-111
Lam, Theodore	T-139
Lee, Andrew	T-90
Maurantonio, Jackson	T-466
Runk, Preston	T-466
Scheaffler, Matthew	T-464
Schiffman, Koshan	T-66
Strum, Tristan	T-466
Trystad, Robert	T-111
Wold, Lawrence	T-111
Zatz-Watkins, Samuel	T-466



NorCal Adventure Area Open House

By Chuck Brasfeild, Golden Empire Council (GEC), Scout Executive

The youth and communities of Northern California are getting a brand new venue for outdoor adventure. Located in Dobbins, the NorCal Adventure Area is a 53-acre property in the Sierra Foothills being transformed by the Golden Empire Council of the Boy Scouts of America into Northern California's premier adventure area, and leadership & training center.

Mr. Brasfeild states the outdoors is a proven catalyst for youth development. Training, retreats, building leadership abilities, and growing the human spirit are vital opportunities we must provide to our youth. More than just a Scout camp, NorCal is being developed as an asset to the whole community—and we need the whole community's help to bring this vision to reality.

Since spring 2017, NorCal's transformation is well underway (<https://norcaladventurearea.blog/>). You are cordially invite to attend an open house on Sunday, May 5th from 1-4pm. Register today (<http://www.gec-bsa.org/event/2508263>) to see the progress and view first hand the possibilities for the site as well as to find out how you can get involved in bringing the power of the outdoor experience to our youth and local communities.

After the barbeque lunch and a short presentation of the our vision for NorCal, Mr. Brasfeild will personally be giving the tour of the camp.

Yolano District Pinewood Derby

By Matt Daugavietis, Pack 484 Committee Chair

Ladies and Gentlemen...start your engines! Welcome to the first Yolano District Pinewood Derby hosted by Pack 484. On Saturday, June 1st from 9am to noon at Solano Community College Vacaville Campus Multipurpose Room, Cub Scouts from 1st and 2nd place finishers in their Packs are invited to race their cars in their ranks of Webelos to Lions. Webelo Scouts recently crossed over to Scout Troops are eligible to race. The top three finishers of those races will proceed to the Finals. Trophy presentation will immediately follow the final race.



The Department of Math and Science will have free hands-on STEM activities for all ages related to the opportunities offered at Solano Community College. The activities are open to the public. Tours will be available to explore the new biotechnology/bio manufacturing training facility and Bachelor of Science program.

Make it an afternoon of fun and knowledge. Food and drinks will be for sale. Pack Leaders please contact Pack 484 Committee Chair Matt Daugavietis at matt.daugavietis@gmail.com with participants' name, rank and car number no later than Saturday, May 18th. Scouts unable to race may race their cars by proxy.

May 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 -Twilight Camp Reg— \$80/60/10	2 -District Planning Meeting	3 -Wood Badge	4 -Wood Badge
5 -Wood Badge -NorCal Open House	6	7	8	9 -Last day for District Dinner Registration	10	11
12 Mothers' Day	13	14	15	16 District Dinner	17	18 -Last day for Pine wood Derby registra- tion
19	20	21	22	23	24 Camp Card Sales Ends	25
26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	
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