



Golden Empire Council  
California Capitol March  
"Happy Birthday, USA!"  
Written or Video Essay Contest

Scouts of all levels are invited to enter an essay that signifies what "Happy Birthday, USA!" means to you. Draw on your imagination using the Five Pillars of Scouting: CHARACTER, LEADERSHIP, ACHIEVEMENT, OUTDOORS, and COMMUNITY SERVICE illustrating one or more of these important BSA values. If you would like to participate completely and attach the following application (please print or type information). Essay Deadline is September 15, 2009

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Pack/Troop/Crew (circle one) Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Category (Check one)  Written Essay  Video Essay

By signing this document you verify that you are a registered Scout, and the material submitted is your own work.

Participant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are under 18, please have parent sign and date. By doing so, you verify that the submitted work is the Scouts own work

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

The essay becomes the property of the Golden Empire Council and can be used without any restrictions or reservations. Please include this form when submitting your essay.

For questions, email [marchessay@gec-bsa.org](mailto:marchessay@gec-bsa.org)

Essay Application (6/09)