

The **Scouter** newsletter is here. Learn more about exciting events like the Camp Cards, Mobile Live Scan Event, District Awards, District Awards Dinner, Cyber Chip Changes, Camporee, and more happenings in the San Gabriel Valley District.

# Roundtable

#### By David Granillo

Please join us for our monthly District Roundtable on Wednesday, March 13th at 7:00 PM at the Azusa Eagles Lodge in Azusa. All scout unit leaders are welcome to attend as we will be sharing ideas for unit programs. We will also share announcements of things happening in the District and Council. Additionally, our Camporee Chair, Martin Deveau, will be joining us to share information about our District Camporee, answer questions, and to encourage units to register.

The Scouts BSA breakout session will be focused on how youth can get involved in the Exploring Program to help them find a career. The Cub Scout breakout session will focus on important award changes to the Cub Scout program.

#### Join Us In-Person



Wednesday, 03/13 @7 PM Azusa Eagles Lodge 1603 San Gabriel Canyon Rd Azusa



Don't forget to wear your exclusive District leather fobs so you can earn a new colored bead for March. We encourage you to join us for fellowship, fun, and an opportunity to share ideas. If units have questions, need guidance, or have suggestions for Roundtable topics of interest, please email David Granillo (davidgranillo@aol.com). Also, remember to ask your Unit Commissioners if you have questions.

# **Upcoming Training**

03/15 - 03/17	Overnight
03/16 - 03/17	Overnight
03/23 - 03/24	Overnight
04/02	7:30 PM
04/06	9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
04/08	7:00 PM
04/19 - 04/21	Overnight
04/26 - 04-28	Overnight
05/18 - 05/19	Overnight

HAT - BSA Climbing Level 1 - Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills - Firestone Scout Reservation Wilderness First Aid - Cushman Watt Scout Center HAT Team Meeting - Cushman Watt Scout Center (no registration required) Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops (ILST) - Trask Scout Reservation Rock Climbing and Rescue Training Seminar - Cushman Watt Scout Center BSA Level 2 Climbing Instructor Course - Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation Lifeguard Training - Trask Scout Reservation BALOO Training - Trask Scout Reservation

For more information on the trainings above and additional upcoming training check the Scouting Training Calendar.



### **Eagle Corner**

In 2023, 416 scouts the earned the Eagle Rank in the Greater Los Angeles Area Council, 98 of which are from the San Gabriel Valley District.

#### **FEBRUARY EAGLES**

Please join us in congratulating the SGV District's Scouts who earned their Eagle Rank in February!

- Mateo Zamorano-Reagin, Troop 185
- Leonardo Sanchez, Troop 185
- Robert Wylde, Troop 483
- Camden Barber, Troop 407

- Andrew Piekarsa, Troop 161
- Weilun "Jimmy" Huang, Troop 126
- Eddie Wei, Troop 169
- Aryamaan Prasad, Troop 111

# **Camp Card Campaign**

Camp Card sales have begun! Camp Cards are discount cards that provide purchasers with numerous discounts. This opportunity is excellent for Scouts to earn their way to camp, fundraise for activities, or cover registration.



Our District currently has 23 units participating with a total of 8,094 Camp Cards offered. The following units have already started selling. If you haven't signed up yet, please contact Estela Chicas today!

- Pack 66
- Pack 156
- Pack 423
- Pack 443
- Pack 448
  - Pack 491 Pack 777
- Troop 103 B&G
- Troop 185 B&G
- Troop 188 B&G
- Troop 266 Troop 333G
- Troop 373
- Troop 411
- Troop 423 B&G

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- Troop 443
- Troop 483
- Troop 486
- Troop 888

### **Upcoming Events**

03/09	Innovation Science Merit Badge Day - Trask Scout Reservation
03/15 - 03/17	Cub Rocket Academy 2024 - Firestone Scout Reservation
03/16	Citizenship Merit Badges - Trask Scout Reservation
03/19	San Gabriel Valley District Awards - Foothill Vineyard Church
03/23	Space Exploration Day - Trask Scout Reservation
04/13	Welding Merit Badge - Trask Scout Reservation (Waitlist only)
04/26 - 04/28	San Gabriel Valley District Camporee - Firestone Scout Reservation
04/26 - 04/28	Lifeguard Training - Trask Scout Reservation
05/04	Lion/Tiger Cub Scout Day - Trask Scout Reservation

\*All District Hikes are open to all scouters and their families, including dogs. No need for advance registration, just show up. For more information on the events above and additional upcoming events check the SGV District Calendar.

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### **District Awards Dinner**

Our San Gabriel Valley District Dinner serves as a prestigious occasion dedicated to acknowledging and celebrating remarkable accomplishments and contributions within our vibrant Scouting community. At this event, we have the privilege of presenting a diverse range of awards that recognize excellence in key areas such as leadership and service.

The San Gabriel Valley District Award Dinner cultivates a strong sense of camaraderie and deepens appreciation for the core values instilled by the Scouting program. It stands as a testament to the dedication and positive impact of our Scouts, leaders, and volunteers.

A heartfelt expression of gratitude to our exceptional Scout volunteers whose dedication and efforts not only enrich our District but also make events like this award dinner possible. Your invaluable contributions truly make our community thrive. We hope that you will join us. <u>Please be sure to register in advance</u>.



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### **District Awards Recipients**

The following Scouters will be recognized at the District Awards Dinner on March 19th. Please join us in congratulating the following Scouters.



### **DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT**

Brian McLaughlin Troop 185B

Maureen McLaughlin Troop 185G

> Peter Wellington Troop 483

#### **BADEN POWELL AWARD**

Scott Mitchell, Pack 66 Peter Wellington, Troop 483 Stuart Goss, Troop 888 Angie London, Pack 490

#### COMMITTEE CHAIR OF THE YEAR

Pack Charles Wood, Pack 110 Xilonin Cruz-Gonzalez, Pack 777 Sophia Mo, Pack 91

#### Troop

Susan Kimball, Troop 483 Brian McLaughlin, Troop 185 GT Jennifer Long, Troop 188 BT

> CUBMASTER'S KEY Benjamin Keim, Pack 408

SCOUTMASTER'S KEY Joshua Long, Troop 188

DEN LEADER TRAINING AWARD Jeff Perkins, Pack 777

> ARROWHEAD HONOR Kelvin Wong

#### UNIT LEADER AWARD OF MERIT

Scott Mitchell, Pack 66 Peter Wellington, Troop 483 Willie Leung, Troop 111 Benjamin Keim, Pack 408

#### WILLIAM D. BOYCE AWARD

Melissa Wilson-Perkins, Pack 777 Xilonin Cruz-Gonzalez, Pack 777 Jeff Perkins Pack, 777 Soly Asmar Pack, 777

#### DISTINGUISHED COMMISSIONER SERVICE AWARD

David Granillo

DOCTORATE OF COMMISSIONER SCIENCE David Granillo

> COMMISSIONER OF THE YEAR David Fredendall

#### **OUTSTANDING SCOUT AWARD**

Garret Arakawa, Pack 490 Matthew Kimball, Troop 483 Dominic Trejo, Troop 411

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#### MOST VALUABLE SCOUTER AWARD

Pack 66 Scott Mitchell Hans Ludwig Tom Traeger **Darcy Roberts** Naren Tummala Damian De La Torre Laura Rosales Mechelle Muchell Anila Kothapally Nancy Ludwig **Enrique Saldana** Irma Galindo Vanessa Barba Edwin Chuong Jyothi Chamarthi Kathy O'Shea Alex Doening

Pack 91 Sophia Mo Jessie Pipkin Jeremy Mo Jennifer Chan David Chan Michael Woodruff Michael Reid Nahid Shirazi Thomas Vuong Katrina Ho Justine Ung Boris Kreynstein

Pack 110 Charles Wood

Pack 114 Gina Bueno Miguel Lopez Jessica Hernandez Giovanni Arana

> Pack 490 Dan Miller

Pack 408 Kristin Parker **Micah Forbes** Adam Parker Patricia Perez Stefan Szalkowski Jason Collette Octavia Luna **Clarence** Cernal Nancy Hernandez Manny Hernandez Sharon McCusker Heiva Cummings **Bill McCusker** Stephanie Prisbrey Rodney Tanaka

Pack 443 Luisa-Rene Martinez Anthony Robles Greg Ahern Nadia Nino Ken Smith Josie Smith Veronica Delgado Carlos Gutierrez Rachel Herpy Angel Torres

> Pack 491 Pam Buettner Shannon Talbert

Pack 482 Steve Meyer Dirk Buettner Katie Meyer

Pack 777 Matthew Escovedo Melissa Wilson-Perkins Carissa Mendez Taysha Riggs Troop 66 William Wysock

Troop 111 Michael Richardson Henry Pena Evelyn Kuo Lourdes Arellano

Troop 125 Sheldon Wright Alice Lui KC Kong Jun Yu Greg Nakamoto Li Zhang

Troop 188 Maureen Short Jennifer Long Teri Carrano

Troop 185B Benjamin Erhardt Cary Brobeck David Garcia Eleonor El Ahmadi Hanh Nguyen Henry Custodia Irma Galindo Karen Brobeck Marina Ramirez **Michelle Mitchell Redy Sanchez Rodolfo Ramkirez** Sarah Wilkinson Scott Mitchell Stephen Feng Youness El Ahmadi Troop 185G Erick Bonilla Gilda Basulto Henry Martel Paul Lazear Maureen McLaughlin Ricardo Basulto

Troop 333 Ivy Flores Carlos Gil Nina Ngo Johnny Tseng Katherine Tran Chun-Hung Danny Li

Troop 411 Sandra Camarena Lucy Deng

Troop 443 Cathleen Wu Ben Heiss Ayme Andrew Steven Andrews Raymond Ginez Rudy Gutierrez Melissa Zeng Nelson Murcia Troop 483

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John Pooley Keith Hurt Vicky Silcok Dirk Buettner Pam Buettner Karl Hamilton Clark Mason Steve Salyards Peter Wellington Susan Kimball Wendy Cadima Diana Henderson Martin Barrett Alex Stein

Troop 832 Yewen Vincent Tang

Troop 888 Nancy Leal Grace Reyes Erick Sauceda Paula Hensen Virginia Batista Lloyd Heald Brian Brtitvec Catherine Clendenen



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# **The Cyber Chip Replacement**

By John Campbell

The **Protect Yourself Rules Preview Adventure**, developed by the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) in partnership with the Barbara Sinatra Children's Center Foundation, is a significant initiative aimed at educating Cub Scouts on how to recognize, respond to, and report abuse. This program is part of the BSA's commitment to creating safe environments



for Scouts and leaders, addressing child abuse – an uncomfortable yet critically important topic for the safety, and well-being of Scouts.

The **Protect Yourself Rules Preview Adventure** serves as a replacement for the **Cyber Chip** requirement for rank advancements, including Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light badges. Cub Scouts can complete this Adventure to fulfill their rank requirement, emphasizing the BSA's shift towards more integrated and practical safety education within its programs.

This Adventure includes age-appropriate video lessons that help Scouts understand the importance of personal safety, encouraging them to identify trusted adults, understand the concept of "safe strangers," and practice ways to say "No!" to uncomfortable situations. Den leaders are advised to review Scouting's Barriers to Abuse before starting this Adventure, ensuring it complements existing youth-protection measures effectively. The <u>Protect Yourself Rules Preview</u> <u>Adventure for Cubs can be found here</u>.

The initiative not only includes educational content but also encourages feedback from participants through surveys, allowing the BSA to gather valuable data to refine and improve the Adventure based on actual experiences. This feedback loop is crucial for the ongoing development of the program, ensuring it remains relevant and effective for Scouts and their families. The Star Rank and Programming Merit Badge requirements have been updated by substituting the Personal Safety Awareness for the now-retired Cyber Chip. The <u>Personal Safety Awareness training for Scouts can be found here</u>.



For more detailed information, you can visit the official <u>Boy Scouts of America</u> <u>website</u> and <u>ScouterLife</u>, which provide comprehensive overviews of the Protect Yourself Rules Preview Adventure and its implementation within the Cub Scouts program.

### **Upcoming OA Events**



03/08 - 03/09 Overnight 04/12 - 04/14 Overnight 05/17 - 05/19 Overnight 07/29 - 08/04 Overnight <u>Trade-O-Ree</u>, Foothill Vineyard Church <u>Induction - Spring 2024</u>, Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation <u>Kihaawk Fellowship 2024</u>, Cabrillo Beach Youth Waterfront Sports Center National Order of the Arrow Conference, University of Colorado Boulder

Elections are also coming soon. If any troop is interested in an OA election, please contact Caedmon Long (mailto:clongbsa@gmail.com).

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# **Commissioner's Corner**

#### By Susan Kimball

Have you completed your AB506 2-hour volunteer training? Have you done your fingerprinting (Live Scan)? This is the time to have your unit 100% trained. Unit Leaders, where do you rank?

Our District is below average when it comes to being fingerprinted and trained. You can help us reach our goal of 100% compliance with the State requirements. If registered adults have not complied with the law they will be in jeopardy of being dropped from the unit's roster. Don't lose your registration status.

#### WHAT CAN I DO TO GET OUR UNIT TO 100%?

- 1. Take the 2-hour volunteer training at: https://californiascouting.org/
- 2. Get your fingerprinting done!
- 3. Clear any unit discrepancies in the compliance report.

#### WHERE CAN I GO FOR FINGERPRINTING?

At the Roundtable Mobile Fingerprinting Event! Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2024 Where: 1603 San Gabriel Canyon Rd, Azusa, CA 91702 Time: 7:00 - 8:30 PM Cost: \$40 **Bring cash and bring the <u>Live Scan Form</u>**. A minimum of 15 participants is required to have the mobile service.

<u>Click here to see the report</u> that reflects the number of registered adults missing the AB506 training or LiveScan. Unit leaders, If you need a detailed list of who is on your list, please send an email to <u>sgv.recharter@greaterlascouting.org</u> Estela and I will help you clear any discrepancies in the report.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING UNITS FOR COMPLETING 100% TRAINING AND FINGERPRINTING!

Unit	
Crew 0185	
Pack 0188 (F)	
Pack 0490 (F)	
Troop 0174 (B)	
Troop 0185 (B)	
Troop 0185 (G)	
Troop 0188 (B)	
Troop 0408 (G)	
Troop 0489 (B)	

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