

## **20221212 - Placer Connections - December District Meeting Notes**

Michael Jacques:

District Dinner - Saturday March 11th. The District Pinewood Derby Championship will start at 5:00pm, and dinner will start at 6pm at the First United Methodist Church in Loomis at 6414 Brace Road, Loomis CA. Registration will open on January 9th. Each unit can enter a dessert into the District Dessert Competition in the hopes of winning the Spoon of Destiny Award!

Youth Protection Training (YPT) is good for 2 years, and the goal from National is >98% compliance at all times. GEC has hovered around 94% compliance, but recently it has dropped to 86%. The new GEC policy for YPT compliance is that reminder emails will be sent at 60 and 45 days prior to YPT expiration, and on the date of YPT expiration a final message will be sent to the leader. If YPT is not made current then after expiration the leader's account will be Suspended and they are to have no youth contact until their YPT is current.

AB506 Compliance was a pain, but it works. Example: 2 weeks ago an adult with ties to a Council Pack and Troop was arrested on child pornography charges. Through the AB506 registration system Council was notified the day after the arrest, and within a day the adult was stripped of all access and leadership positions by BSA National.

NYLT @ Norcal is coming up! Feb 18-20, 25-30, 2023. There are 19 scouts registered already and the class will be capped at 48.

IOLS / BALOO March 18-19, 2023 @ Norcal Adventure Area, Dobbins CA.

IOLS / BALOO April 22-23, 2023 @ Yolano Camporee, Vacaville CA.

Unsure if BALOO training will happen during a session of Camp Lassen. TBD.

Cub Leader Basic Training May 5th, 2023. In person! Location likely Orangevale.

We need Medics for both IOLS/BALOO courses, and a cook for the Yolano course.

Jonathan Rogness:

Recharter. The deadline for Council is 12/31, so with christmas the Council staff needs recharter paperwork submitted before 12/23. Don't make Jonathan grumpy and submit early!

Camp Cards - Registration for cards is live! 2 regions: Metro/Sacramento, and Foothills. Place orders for the camp cards by January 10th. Tell them early so they can order more if needed. Cards should arrive by 3/1/2023. A big name on the cards this year is Safeway, and they offer 10% off \$50. So that should be an easy sell for a \$5 card.

Scouting For Food: 3/4/2023 Flier handout, 3/11/2023 Pickup. Turn in orders for fliers ASAP! Food collected will benefit local food banks like St. Vincent De Paul in Roseville.

Kathy Neuberger:

International Sportsmen's Expo: Friday 1/20/2023 to Sunday 1/22/2023. BSA was invited to have a presence at the Youth Fair. There will be a climbing wall, crafts, pinewood derby track, etc. Help is needed to set up and staff the multiple days. The actual expo starts at 3pm on Friday, and is 10:00am to 5:00pm on Saturday and Sunday.

Resident camp registration is live!

Camp Winton session #4 is full. The cost of Camp Winton is \$595 for youth and adults will be less (will send the final numbers), and the cost is inclusive for merit badge supplies.

Camp Lassen session #2 is full. The cost of Camp Lassen is \$300 for youth and adults. The theme is Space.

Food service group will run the kitchens (cheers!). And staff will not be charged for room and board!

Please put out the word for staff- 14 year olds can be Counselors in Training (CIT, unpaid), and >14 can be staff and will be paid depending on role. 50 applications have already been submitted. Resident camps need more adults to be area directors, so if you know a teacher or professional with summer flexibility, please recommend camp to them.

Camporee is 4/28/2023 to 4/30/2023. Location TBD.

Twilight is 6/12/2023 through 6/15/2023. Location TBD.

Eric Larsen:

The council is building a Climbing Committee and volunteers are needed. We need a certain number of trained adults to enable various climbing activities. Reach out if you're interested in getting trained to enable climbing activities in your Troop and in the Council.

Brent Lamkin - Call for Commissioners:

Unit Commissioner - The job of a unit commissioner is to communicate with the unit and help them succeed. Ask "What do you need" and help them. Be the cheerleader and coach that they need. Go to a unit meeting every so often, and prod them on recharter... Mediate if needed, but mostly just help the leaders. We want 1 commissioner per 3 units, so we are short by 9 or 10. An ideal candidate would be a grandparent or adult with some scouting experience, but no scouting experience also works.

We also need Assistant District Commissioners to help recruit and train unit commissioners.

Roundtable Commissioner - the job of a Roundtable (connections) Commissioner is to organize the monthly District Connections meeting and provide content for the meeting. Arrange speakers or discussion topics to benefit the District and Units.

There is a monthly Commissioners meeting, either online or in person. Not long.

Pack 19 is an official pack now!

The district can give out 2 District Awards of Merit at the District Dinner in March.

Cub Breakout: Twilight Planning

Theme is "Off to the races" - should we try to get a race team to show up? Need to nail down the program and camp directors. Checking with Angie, and other past leaders. We want to form subcommittees that tackle groups of events. I.e. a group to plan and prepare 3 event areas. The dates are set as the 2nd week of June, and all local school will be out for Summer. The location is still being worked on, but if anyone knows of local venues that would allow BB's and archery then please submit your suggestions to Kathy, Mike Thabault, or the other leaders.