



Greater Yosemite Council, BSA
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2006 Greater Yosemite Council Friends of Scouting Campaign as of June 27, 2006			
District	Goal	Actual	Percentage
Big Valley	\$109,500	\$105,457	96%
Chief Tenaya	\$113,500	\$81,495	72%
El Capitan	\$86,500	\$63,854	74%
Forty-Niner	\$76,500	\$45,165	59%
Golden Heritage	\$23,500	\$27,817	118%
Waukeen	\$61,000	\$53,518	88%
Wawona	\$58,000	\$42,228	73%
Scoutreach	\$5,000	\$3,852	77%
Executive Board	\$55,000	\$20,425	37%
Council Total	\$588,500	\$443,811	75%

COUNCIL ACHIEVES WINNER'S CIRCLE STATUS

Greater Yosemite Council reached its mid-year measurement: Winner's Circle. This goal was achieved by surpassing our June 30, 2005 traditional membership total and Friends of Scouting total. We're well on our way to another successful year of growth!



**PAY FOR YOUR WHOLE YEAR OF SCOUTING WITH
 JUST ONE FUNDRAISER - TRAILS END POPCORN**

Now is the time to sign up to sell Trails End Popcorn. Check the council web site for more information.

<http://www.bsa-gyc.org/sections/News/PopcornInformation>

TOP SELLERS IN 2006 CANDY SALE ANNOUNCED



The council's top sellers won a \$250.00 Savings Bond and a \$100.00 Visa Gift Card.

<http://www.bsa-gyc.org/sections/Finance/2006CandySale>

GOT E-WASTE?



Electronic items that are now unusable can be recycled for FREE!

WHERE: John Thurman Field (Modesto)

WHEN: July 7th, 8th and 9th

For more information:

<http://www.yosemitescouting.org/files/Modesto%20Ewaste%20Flier.pdf>

FALL RECRUITMENT PLANNING

Now is the time for packs, troops and crews to begin planning to recruit new youth and adults this fall. We offer tips, techniques and incentives to help make your fall recruitment events successful.

<http://www.bsa-gyc.org/sections/joinscouting/FallRecruitment>



BOYS' LIFE MAGAZINE'S 19TH ANNUAL READING CONTEST

For boys age 8 to 11. Collect all four contest patches. More information is available on the council web site. <http://www.bsa-gyc.org/sections/News#Readingcontest>

ENTER *BOYS' LIFE MAGAZINE'S* "SUMMER FUN" PHOTOGRAPH CONTEST

The Boys' Life "Summer Fun" photograph contest is open to readers age 6 to 17. Its theme covers a wide spectrum: Categories can include people, places, Scout outings and events, whatever. Just make it fun. Use your imagination!

<http://www.boyslife.org/contests/photo/index.html>



**American
Red Cross**

RED CROSS OFFERS FIRST AID FOR SCOUTERS

The American Red Cross will offer First Aid For Scouters training on July 22nd. Pre-registration is mandatory by July 19th. Submit registrations to the Red Cross only.

Registration form is available at:

<http://www.yosemitescouting.org/files/First%20Aid%20For%20Scouters%2006.pdf>

NEW SUPPLEMENTAL TRAINING MODULES ARE AVAILABLE

Supplemental training modules are designed to provide orientation beyond the basic training offered in New Leader Essentials and leader-specific training.

<http://www.bsa-gyc.org/sections/Training/TrainingModule>



BSA ANNOUNCES CHANGE IN TIGER CUB REQUIREMENTS

Effective June 1, a Tiger Cub must earn the Cub Scouting Bobcat badge as his first badge of rank after joining a pack. Earning the Bobcat badge is then followed by earning the Tiger Cub badge.

SCOUTING UNITS REPORT THEIR COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS



Since February 2005, BSA packs, troops, teams, crews, and ships have recorded service projects in the data collection section of the Good Turn for America web site. Please join us and report your community service projects at www.goodturnforamerica.org.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA KICKS OFF SUMMER WITH OBSERVATION OF NATIONAL SAFETY MONTH, SHARES SAFETY TIPS

According to Safe Kids Worldwide, 40 percent of all unintentional injury-related deaths occur from May to August—a time emergency room doctors know as "trauma season" In response to this critical period, and in observation of National Safety Month, the Boy Scouts of America offers 16 summer safety tips, which can be used to help ensure a safer summer.

<http://www.yosemitescouting.org/sections/News#summerkickoff>

SEA SCOUTS HOLD QUARTERMASTER BRIDGE AND BALL MONIQUE WATANABE RECEIVES QUARTERMASTER AWARD

On June 3rd. Sea Scout Ship Siren Song hosted the Quartermaster Bridge and Ball at the Lodi Buddhist Church in Lodi. Sea Scout Ships Point Weber, Tuolumne, Reliance, Chaser, Griffin, and Sea Witch also attended the event.

<http://www.yosemitescouting.org/sections/SeaScouts#Sea%20Scout%20News>

TROOP OPEN HOUSE LEADER RECOGNITION

A new leader recognition patch is available to be presented to the one key person in the troop who organizes and hosts a troop open house. The ring-shaped patch is designed to encircle the recruiter patch and is now available at council service centers.



NATIONAL SUMMERTIME PACK AWARD

Your Cub Scout Pack should provide a 12-month program by continuing to meet when school is out of session. By meeting year-round it earns the National Summertime Pack Award. All that is required is planning and conducting three pack activities — one each in June, July, and August — to qualify for the National Summertime Pack Award certificate and streamer.

COUNCIL HAS MOUNTAIN BIKES AVAILABLE

Greater Yosemite Council has mountain bikes that are used during the summer camping program at Camp Mensinger. We wish to make them available to troops and crews during the remainder of the year. Our only requirement – the bikes need to be serviced and kept in good repair, ready for use at camp next summer. This is an excellent opportunity for your troop to work on the Cycling Merit Badge. For more information, contact the Council Service Center.