



**GOLDEN GATE AREA COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**

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Each year on Feb. 8, the Boy Scouts of America celebrates its birthday. It's a date officially known as Scouting Anniversary Day. But this is more than an excuse to eat an extra s'more and commemorate another year of Scouting adventures. It's also when packs, troops, crews and ships honor a Scout's "duty to God."

Check with your Unit leadership for any activities that may be planned.

WHOOSH! NOVA AWARD

StemChef
NOVA AWARD: Fearful Symmetry
Golden Brush Awards:
A virtual escape room
Age 9th, Saturday:
10:00 am
<https://stem.ggacbsa.org>

StemChef
NOVA AWARD: Uncovering the past
the famed excavation:
A virtual escape room
Feb 12th, Friday
6:30 pm
<https://stem.ggacbsa.org>

StemChef
NOVA AWARD: 1,2,3 - Go!
Secret Service:
A virtual escape room
March 27th, Saturday:
10:00 am
<https://stem.ggacbsa.org>

These and more are featured
on our STEM website

STEM has exciting events planned for this Spring, limited capacity, first come, first served . . .

[Check them out](#)



!WANTED!

We're asking for pictures or videos of **Scouts in Action** wearing masks and observing social distancing and we need them no later than Wednesday, February 10, 2021.

Please email them to [GGAC COMMUNICATIONS](#) and include a copy of the Medical Record ([Part A](#)) release for each Scout.



BRYAN ON SCOUTING

Achievement unlocked: How to organize a videogame tournament for your Scouts

A recent event put on by Troop 12 of Clinton, Miss. (Andrew Jackson Council), suggests that maybe it's time to take another look at gaming — especially as the pandemic forces Scouts to find creative ways to spend time together, even when apart.

[Read all about it](#)



GGAC Finished #3 in the West with over \$240K Online Popcorn Sales 1,400+ Scouts participated in the popcorn sale from GGAC!!

HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2020

\$20,000+ Selling Packs/Troops/Crews Club...Meridian (P997), Tres Ranchos (T168) & Briones (T200)

\$10,000+ Selling Packs/Troops/Crews Club...Twin Valley (P986, P546, P943) & Tres Ranchos (T555)

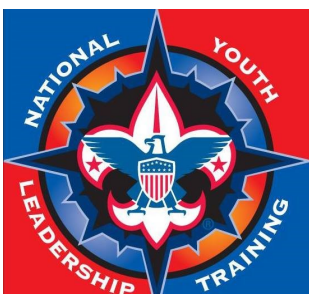
Honorable Mention...Mission Peak (C176), Twin Valley (P915), Meridian (P841 & P176)



Deadline extended for NESAs scholarship applications.

Earning the Eagle Scout Award can open the door to many career opportunities, and as Scouts study for those careers, the National Eagle Scout Association can help.

[Read on . . .](#)



Time to Register . . .

[April 9-11 & 16-18, 2021 at Camp Herms](#)

36 Scouts max and MUST attend both weekend sessions.

[June 7-12, 2021 at Camp Herms](#) - 78 Scouts max

[June 13-19, 2021 at Rancho Los Mochos](#) - 196 Scouts max

Registration is now open - check the updated Council website [NYLT](#).

Updated regulations associated with COVID may result in changes. We will keep you posted, and make a final decision on each course no later than 30 days before the scheduled course date.

Please direct Scouts & Crew interested in taking NYLT to register as soon as possible after Unit Leader approval. Slots fill up quickly. If you have a Scout in your Unit who has completed NYLT and is interested in serving on Staff, please have them contact us at: [GGAC - NYLT](#)

Check out our [FLYER](#) for more information about NYLT.

What's new . . . recent additions & updates to the Council website

- [NYLT](#) - updated web pages
- [OA](#) - new website

Scout Shop Hours

Currently, both the Pleasant Hill and East Bay Scout Shops are closed on Sundays and Mondays. Please check [GGAC Scout Shop](#) for their Tuesday - Saturday hours.

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