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2025 SILVER BEAVER AWARD NOMINATIONS

The Silver Beaver is the highest award a Council can give to a volunteer in service to the Scouting program.

Nominations are due by:

Monday, December 1, 2025

For more information, contact Carol Weinrich
at: Carol.Weinrich@Scouting.org

Silver Beaver Nominations

Nominate a Scouting Volunteer for the Silver Beaver Award!

Do you know a Scouter who goes above and beyond—someone who gives their time, talent, and heart to make Scouting stronger in our council? The Silver Beaver Award is the highest honor a local council can bestow on a volunteer, recognizing exceptional service to youth and dedication to the Scouting movement.

Help us celebrate those who make a lasting difference!

If you know someone deserving of this prestigious recognition, nominate them today using the form below:

[2025 Silver Beaver Nomination Form](#)

Don't wait—your nomination could help honor a Scouter who truly embodies the spirit of service and leadership! Nominations are due December 1, 2025.

#ScoutingAmerica #SilverBeaver #ScoutVolunteers #CIEC #ScoutRecognition #IEScouts



Happy Thanksgiving!

In observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday, the Council Office and Scout Shop will be closed Wednesday, November 26th, Thursday, November 27th, and Friday, November 28th.

The Scout Shop will reopen on Saturday, November 29th at regular hours.

The Council Office will reopen on Monday, December 1st.

We wish everyone a warm, safe, and joyful Thanksgiving break with family and friends. We are grateful for our amazing Scouting community!



Giving Tuesday Is Coming, December 2, 2025

As we look ahead to Giving Tuesday on December 2, our council is preparing for a powerful day of generosity, one that directly supports the experiences and opportunities that help our young people thrive in Scouting.

To all our volunteers and all our Scout families, you are the reason Scouting is strong. You give your time, your support, and your trust, and our youth grow because of you.

This Giving Tuesday, we're asking our entire Scouting community to come together once again.

Every gift matters. Large or small, every contribution helps us keep campfires burning, leaders trained, uniforms on backs, and adventures within reach for every Scout. The need is real, and the impact of your generosity is felt immediately by the youth we serve.

If you've already given this year, thank you. Your support has helped countless Scouts take their next step forward. And if you're able, we ask you to consider giving again on December 2. Your continued generosity makes Scouting possible for families across our council.

I'll be making my own contribution on Giving Tuesday, and I invite you to join me.

You can make your gift easily and securely at: www.ciecfos.org

Together, as parents, volunteers, and supporters, we can ensure that every young person has the chance to grow, lead, and discover their best selves through Scouting.

Thank you for all you do. Your generosity shapes the future of every Scout we serve.

Matt Bear
Scout Executive



Safety Moment

Food Allergies

According to Food Allergy Research & Education (FARE), one in every 13 children has a food allergy. Every 3 minutes, a food-allergy reaction sends someone to the emergency room. While the responsibility for management of a food allergy lies with the individual or the individual's parent or guardian, all of us need to be ready to assist in preventing—or helping in response to—a reaction.

A food-allergy reaction happens when the immune system overreacts to a food protein. A reaction can range from mild to severe. In the U.S., the most common food allergens are milk, eggs, peanuts, tree nuts, soy, wheat, fish, shellfish, and sesame seeds. However, any food might cause an allergic response, and many people are allergic to more than one food. Also, initial food-allergy reactions can occur at any time.

A food allergy should not be confused with a food intolerance. A food intolerance is when someone cannot digest a component of a food, such as lactose, a sugar found in milk. An intolerance might cause abdominal cramping or diarrhea but is not life-threatening.

RESOURCES

- [Food Allergy Research & Education, Living with Food Allergies](#)
- [Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Food Allergies and Intolerances](#)
- [Mayo Clinic, Food Allergy](#)
- [Scouting America Food Allergy Guidance](#)
- [Scouting.org](#)

News From National

Scouts BSA has released new guidance for “Using Digital Tools to Strengthen the Merit Badge Experience”

As new digital resources become available, it's both exciting and challenging to adapt and integrate them into the merit badge program. Technology is always evolving, and Scouting continues to embrace these innovations while holding fast to what makes our program truly meaningful: personal connections, character-building, and the power of mentorship.

Digital tools are here to enhance the merit badge experience, not replace its most important parts. At the heart of every merit badge is one of Scouting's core methods—association with adults. Read that again. The interaction between a Scout and their merit badge counselor fosters growth, accountability, communication skills, and respect.

No app or website can replace a firm handshake, a meaningful conversation, or a mentor's guidance. These human connections are where Scouting's real lessons come to life.

Let's welcome new technologies while preserving what makes Scouting special—the relationships, mentorship, and values that shape young people for life. Please.



Planning Activities for Every Scout

Make sure your activities match the maturity levels of your young members! This reference chart helps leaders create experiences that are both fun and safe. From archery to wilderness adventures, it provides age-appropriate guidelines to support growth while keeping safety a top priority.

Age-Appropriate Guidelines for Scouting Activities

When planning activities outside of program materials or handbooks, ask yourself: Is this activity appropriate for the age and for Scouting?

Keeping age and skill in mind ensures every adventure is exciting, safe, and rewarding!

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#BePrepared #IEScouts**

More News from National

Every family should have access to the values of Scouting.

Scouting America is proud to share that the newest versions of most Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA program materials are now available in Spanish — because every child deserves the chance to grow in confidence, leadership, character, and service, no matter what language they speak at home.

The books are available now for electronic download on Amazon or as print-on-demand editions from the National Scout Shop online store.

Learn more in this article from [Aaron On Scouting](#)

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#CubScouts #ScoutsBSA #Inclusivity #Leadership #CharacterDevelopment**



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**SCOUTS BSA
WINTERCAMP**

2026 DATES

- Jan. 30th to Feb. 1st
- Mar. 20th to Mar. 22nd

For more info and to register visit:
IE  SCOUTS.ORG
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Register now at: iescouts.org

#ScoutsBSA #WinterCamp #IEScouts #ScoutingAdventure



Teddy Bear Toss Night with the IE Scouts!

Hello Scouts!

The California Inland Empire Council and the Ontario Reign Hockey Club are partnering up to bring you discounted tickets to our Teddy Bear Toss game on Saturday, December 20th!

The Reign will be taking on the San Jose Barracuda. Come and enjoy a fun hockey game. We hope to see you at the Toyota Arena!

All tickets will be sent via the Ontario Reign app. Please download the app on your phone and log in using the email you purchased the tickets with.

Please contact Gary Schwarz at gschwarz@ontarioreign.com if you have any questions.

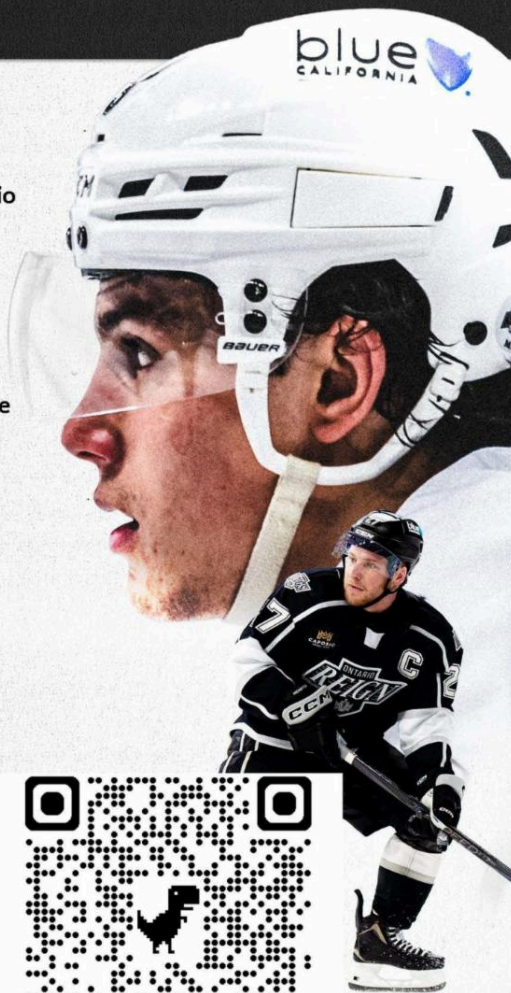
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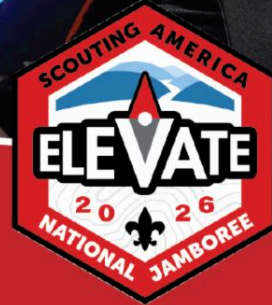
LAST CHANCE FOR EARLY BIRD RATES!

Sign up today for your 2026 National Jamboree Experience
at our **EARLYBIRD PRICE** of \$3,500.

After November 1, 2025 the price will go up.



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Adventure Awaits at the 2026 National Jamboree!

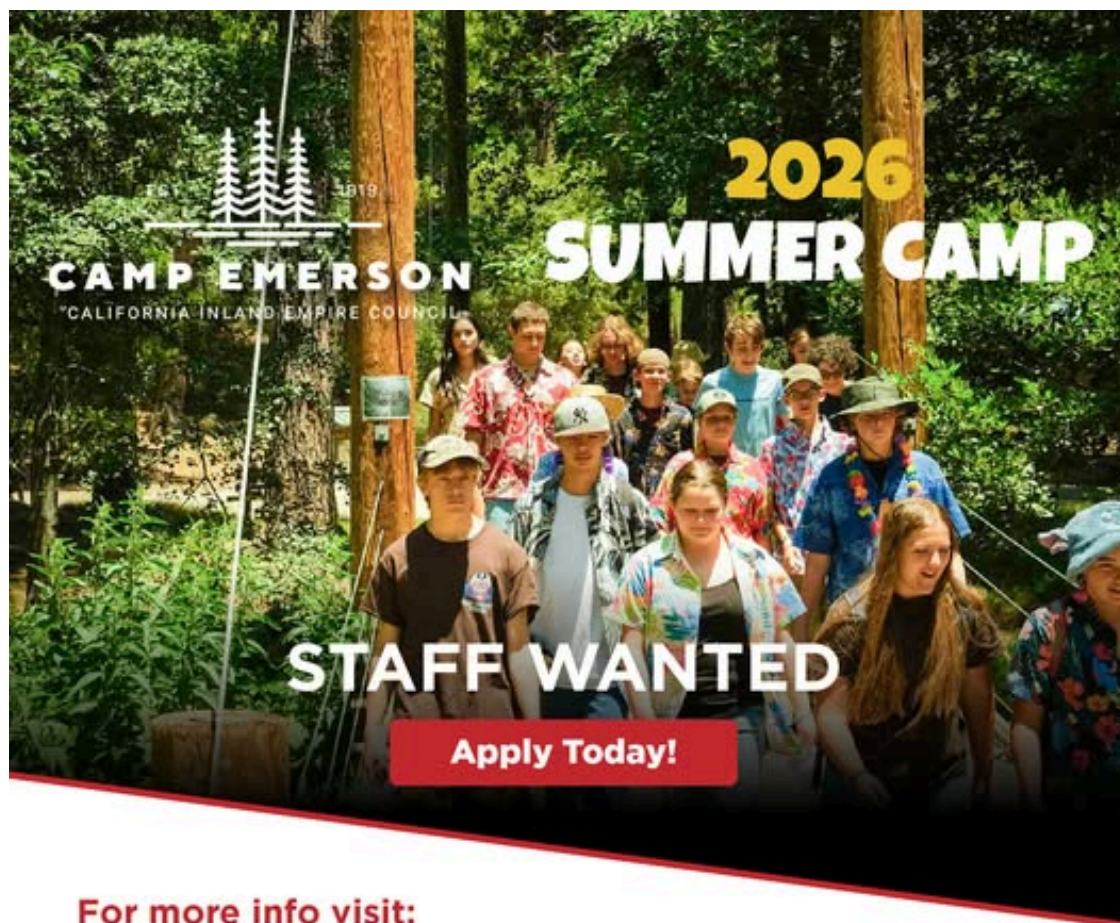
Ready to experience the ultimate Scouting adventure? Join our Council Troop heading to the 2026 National Jamboree and make memories that will last a lifetime!

Payment plans available – making it easier than ever to join the fun.

Register now at iescouts.org/jamboree

Spots are limited — secure your adventure today!

#NationalJamboree2026 #ScoutAdventure #IEScouts #ScoutingForward



For more info visit:



Camp Emerson Staff

Now hiring staff for Summer Camp 2026

The camp season runs from June 8 to July 31, 2026, and we have several positions available for both adults and youth.

Apply at [Camp Application](#)

Questions? Email campemerson@scouting.org or call (909) 793-2463

All events are on: iescouts.org/events



Teddy Bear Toss Night- December 20th

Scouts BSA Winter Camp-
January 30th-February 1st and March
20th-22nd

Cub Scout Family Winter Camp-
February 20th-22nd, February 27th-
March 1st, March 6th-8th, March 13th-
15th

Safeguarding Youth Training - Check
your date to stay up to date! Don't let your
SYT expire!

Hazardous Weather - per National
requirements, all direct contact leaders
must take this course.

Training at Camp Emerson:

**National Youth Leadership Training
(NYLT) -**
December 28th- January 2nd

Training at Council Office:

**Committee Chair and Committee
Member Training-** November 22nd

Who Can Help Me??

CIEC Council's staff is happy to help
you with all your Scouting questions.

CIEC Office: 909-793-2463
CIEC Scout Shop: 909-712-6162
Website: iescouts.org

You can also reach out to your
District Executive for help!

We are here for you and to make
Scouting a great experience for you
and your family.

Scout Moment



DUTCH OVEN TURKEY



CAMP EMERSON

Step 1

PREPARE YOUR COALS: Light 45–55 charcoal briquettes. Divide between top and bottom.

Step 2

PREP THE DUTCH OVEN: Warm slightly; add vegetables and broth.

Step 3

PREP THE TURKEY: Pat dry. Mix butter, olive oil, and all seasonings. Rub generously over turkey (and under skin if possible).

Step 4

PLACE TURKEY IN THE POT: Put turkey breast-side up on top of vegetables.

Step 5

COOK TIME: 10–13 minutes per pound. Rotate Dutch oven and lid $\frac{1}{4}$ turn every 20–30 minutes.

Step 6

FINISH & CRISP: For last 30 minutes, remove some bottom coals and add extra to the top to help brown the skin.

Step 7

CHECK FOR DONENESS: Turkey is done at 165°F.

Step 8

REST THE TURKEY: Remove from heat and let rest 20–30 minutes before

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