

PACIFIC SKYLINE COUNCIL'S Merit Badge Midway

What is Merit Badge Midway? It's a chance for **Boy Scouts** to work on Eagle-required and fun Merit Badges and finish incomplete Merit Badges. It's also a chance for **adults** to be involved and get training (see below).

Location: Ralston Middle School, 2675 Ralston Avenue, Belmont.

Time: Starts at 8:00 A.M., but varies with classes and appointments. Afternoon sessions begin 12:30 pm AM sessions will end at approx. 11:30-11:45 am. PM Sessions will end at approx. 3:30-3:45 pm

Date: Saturday, January 20, 2007

Cost: \$15.00, including lunch. \$5 additional fee for OUT-OF-COUNCIL Scouts.

Attendance is by advance reservation only. THERE ARE NO WALK-IN REGISTRATIONS!!!

Parking: Carpooling is strongly urged. There will be an area in front of the school to drop off/pick up Scouts and adults, but on site parking will be restricted to Midway instructors, staff and assistants only. We will be making arrangements with one, maybe two nearby churches' parking lots and on the street parking is available slightly down the hill on Davis Drive in the Ralston Business Park; otherwise you will have to park in the surrounding residential neighborhood and probably have to walk several blocks to the school.

Any troop with over five Scouts attending Midway must have an adult present.

BOY SCOUT PROGRAM

There are 2 different programs being offered:

- 1. Classes:** Various Eagle-required and fun merit badges will be offered during morning and/or afternoon sessions, except where noted. **Each class has one or more pre-requisites Scout must complete in advance in order to be able to complete the badge during Midway.** You must bring proof of completion of any prerequisites to class along with a signed blue Merit Badge card signed by your Scoutmaster. These must be completed with written proof (Scoutmaster or other adult Scout leader by letter). **Some counselors at Midway may want you to bring your completed pre-requisite items to class for them to review.** CHECK for details on the badges you are registering for by going to the link to Midway under News and Events at <http://www.pacsky.org>.

Midway Merit Badges offered will include:

Classes Offered as Either Morning and/or Afternoon Sessions

Citizenship in the Community	Citizenship in the Nation	American Business	Traffic Safety
Photography	Citizenship in the World	Dentistry	Woodcarving
Electricity	Fingerprinting	Cinematography	First Aid
Railroading	Fire Safety (Held Off Site)	Medicine	Computers
Coin Collecting	Crafts-(Art, Basketry, Leatherwork & Woodcarving)		

These Classes Are Held as All-Day Sessions-You Won't Be Able to Attend Another Class

Emergency Preparation

First Aid

Aviation (Held Off Site)

Classes Held Off Site

Aviation will be held at the Hiller Aviation Museum at 601 Skyway Road, San Carlos, next to the San Carlos Airport. Fire Safety will be held at Belmont-San Carlos Fire Dept. Station 14 at Ralston & Granada in Belmont. Scouts will need to arrange for their transport to, and pick up from, these sites.

2. **Individual Appointments:** This is a chance to complete partial merit badges from camp and/or previous times. An appointment will be set up only if all requirements are completed and the Scout is ready to review them. All appointments must be arranged in advance to have a certified counselor available. The Scout should bring the current merit badge book, all written material and proof of completion. Some requirements may need to be signed off by the Scoutmaster or a letter signed with explanation about the requirement completion. ALL MERIT BADGES WILL BE AVAILABLE ONLY by advance signup.

Procedure for signup

- a. Get a signed Blue Card from your Scoutmaster or Advancement chair-This is like your ticket to admission.
- b. Signup via the Internet. Registration Opens November 15, 2006: To do so on the Internet use the link under News and Events for Merit Badge Midway via <http://www.pacsky.org>

Last day to register: Jan 15, 2007 or when maximum capacity is reached. Some classes are likely to be closed to further registrants quickly once registration opens.

- c. Read the Merit Badge Book, bring your book and show the completed prerequisites.
- d. Wear your Class A uniform to Midway and "Be Prepared"

During Lunch there will be a special program on LIFE TO EAGLE, open to All Scouts and their parents and Adult leaders. GREAT INFORMATION on making the Eagle transition easier.

UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING ADULT PROGRAM

Our youth need us to help them on the Scouting path. In conjunction with Merit Badge Midway the council's training staff will be conducting Adult Training on various topics. The cost of registering for this is also \$15.00. **Sign up on the Internet via the link to the University of Scouting under News and Events listed at <http://www.pacsky.org/>** FOR MORE INFO CONTACT JAN PARTIN AT: jpartin@bsamail.org

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MERIT BADGE MIDWAY

Volunteers are being sought for the Pacific Skyline Council's, Boy Scouts of America's Merit Badge Midway. Hours will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. We need classroom assistants, lunch helpers, counselors and other general assistance. You don't have to be a Boy Scout or registered adult to help. Up to 8 service hours will be available that day and lunch will be included.

If you can volunteer, please contact Rob Tocchini at 415-308-1517 or e-mail him at X5SPY@aol.com

PLEASE NOTE: THIS PROGRAM MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. CHECK THE LINK VIA THE NEWS AND EVENTS LISTED AT WWW.PACSKY.ORG FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION!!!

VOLUNTEERING

Name: _____ E-mail Address _____

Home address _____ Telephone Home: _____

I would like to help with the following merit badges _____

I will help where needed as a volunteer _____ Time available _____

**Mail Volunteer Registration Form to:
Pacific Skyline Council BSA,
1150 Chess Drive, Foster City, CA 94404**

QUESTIONS?: Email Russ Wilder at rwilder@atel.com or Rob Tocchini at X5SPY@aol.com