

Cub Scout BALOO Training

(Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation)

Saturday, November 11, 2017, 8:30 am – 4:30pm



BALOO Training is a day of fun and learning which prepares Pack leaders to plan and carry out "entry-level" outdoor experiences.

The morning BALOO sessions include the why and how of Cub Scout camping -- planning, equipment, meal preparation, and campfire programs. In the afternoon, Cub Scouters rotate among several round-robin sessions -- fire safety, stoves, and lanterns; first aid and sanitation; nature hikes and games; and cooking. Moreover, scattered throughout the day are plenty of the four S's: Songs, Stunts, Stories, and Showmanship.

The key point of BALOO training is "Keep It Simple." Remember, the overnight is an entry-level outdoor experience for the first-time Cub Scout camper. All arrangements -- sleeping, cooking, and program -- should be geared to Cub Scout-age boys.

- Where: The Lodge "Talmadge Room" at BSA Camp Herms
El Cerrito Hills (near Arlington Park) James Place at Thors Bay Road
- Cost: \$25.00 for Registration by November 3, 2017 (**\$35.00 after November 3, 2017**)
Includes refreshments, handouts, certification card, and **LUNCH!**
REGISTRATION IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 36 PARTICIPANTS.
- What to bring: **GOOD ATTITUDE** and a **HEALTHY APPETITE**, scout uniform (if you have one), water bottle, sunscreen, hat, clipboard, and notepaper plus pen or pencil
- Why: **TO HAVE FUN**, of course, but also to ensure that your Pack has at least one (preferably two or more) BALOO-trained adults to help plan and carry out Cub Scout camp outs! Having a BALOO-trained leader is now a requirement in order to obtain a Tour Permit for any Pack overnight event.
- Driving directions: Exit I-80 at Potrero Avenue east approximately 1 mile to Arlington Boulevard. Head south approximately ½ mile to Thors Bay Road.
- Parking directions: Please use street parking (there are NO meters to feed!) and avoid parking adjacent to Arlington Park (thereby leaving room for Park visitors). We'll be sharing Camp Herms with other campers that day, and therefore you do NOT want to park on the Camp Herms property, or else you'll be trapped in a vast sea of cars. So park safely on one of the many adjacent residential streets, and leave yourself enough time to hike to the Camp Herms Lodge "Talmadge Room" in time for class.
- Questions? Contact Course Director Paul Shimotake, shimotak@wellsfargo.com, 925-285-3764

Advance Registration must be received by November 3, 2017, for the \$25 price (\$35 after November 3). This course is routinely sold out, so please register early to secure your space.

Register Online: <http://www.mdsbsa.org/events/baloo-tri-district/>
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Please Note: This course is limited to the first 36 participants -- Registration is First Come, First Served. No Refunds with cancellation after November 3, 2017