

2018 MERIT BADGE MIDWAY INSTRUCTIONS:

- *All sign ups to be complete on Doubleknot by 9 pm on 8-22. Registrations need to be paid as well by that date. No walk ups will be allowed due to the planning required for meals and for each class. Tickets can be printed for admittance. Arrive by 830 so we can make announcements and have a flag ceremony.*
- *most merit badges have prerequisites, or you may not finish at the midway. If you need to call or email the counselor before or after the midway, include a second adult on your correspondence like your parent or scoutmaster.*
- *bring a signed blue card from your scoutmaster for every merit badge you wish to take*
- *print the workbook for the merit badge and bring the pamphlet if you have it.*
- *wear full uniform, and bring your water bottle with water only.*
- *be respectful of this very awesome location. We are guests. No horsing around between classes and keep track of your belongings. Bathrooms are for one purpose only.*
- *Adults who accompany scouts can be volunteers for the day and earn a free lunch. Leader training is going on at the same time at the Union Building in Manteca.*
- *Due to the small list of merit badges, only scouts from the Greater Yosemite council will be eligible for sign ups*
- *Any questions can be directed to Kathleen Eve, at 209-604-1041 or **kathleen93@me.com**. The best way to reach me is texting or email.*

PREREQUISITES:

-Biking: Buddy Wesson

209-499-8282. wpwesson@wpwesson.com

Bring your Bike and helmet for lessons on bike maintenance and for a 10 mile bike ride.

-Bugling: Robert Stone

805-712-5452. rsnova2003@yahoo.com

Did you know this was the least earned merit badge for the council? Bring a bugle or trumpet and complete 2b. You will need to be your troop bugler for 3 months to complete this merit badge. There is no reason bugle calls cannot be used at every campout.

-Camping: Joe McQuisten

209-814-0531. joemac75@gmail.com

This eagle required merit badge will require you to camp 20 nights. If you have done so, bring your camping log in your scout book. Pack your backpack for a one night camping trip and bring it to the midway. Prepare 4a and 8 c ahead of time.

-chess Leader to be announced

This is a favorite past time for scouts and it develops critical thinking, strategy and concentration. We will provide the chess boards and pieces. It would be best to try and read the merit badge book so we can learn the requirements and play 3 games in a 2 hour period to complete the badge.

-crime prevention: Juan Alanis

209-613-2406. jalanis17@sbcglobal.net

Sargent Alanis from the Stanislaus County Sheriff's department is the perfect counselor for this badge. Prepare 2 and 4 for this class.

-First aid: Chris Rodgers, RN

516-359-8141. chrisnjihan@aol.com

Also an eagle required merit badge. This one requires that you are aware of all of the rank advancement first aid skills in your scout book. Make sure your read the first aid section before this class.

-Golf: Mike Cummins

209-996-5754. **mike@cumminscontracting.com**

Nothing relieves stress better than wacking a golf ball 200 yards down the green, but it has to be done safely or risk frustration and serious injury. To complete this merit badge you will eventually have to play 2 nine holes of golf or one 18 hole round outside of the midway.

-Music: Robert Stone

805-712-5452. **rsnova2003@yahoo.com**

In my troop, 8/10 scouts are also in a music program. Why not earn the merit badge? Prepare to do #1. Do 2 of 3 a-d. Part of your time will be spent teaching songs to fellow scouts during a “Campfire” at the end of the session. If possible, bring your musical instrument.

-photography: Gary Waymire

559-362-5792. **gary.waymire2009@gmail.com**

Not all photos are taken with a cell phone. Complete 4a or 4b. Contact counselor after registration.

-Safety: Carl Barnett

carl.barnett@live.com

It would be good to get to know this counselor if your are planning and eagle project soon. Try and do requirement 1. In order to earn this merit badge, you will have to do a safety project at your house (2)

-stamp collecting: Jenni Long

jennilong@sbcglobal.net

This long lost art can help you to understand more about people, places, institutions, history and geography. Supplies may cost 3-5 dollars, so bring supplies and email the counselor once you are registered.

-textiles: Kelly Osterhout

kelly@bluesierrafarms.com

You will complete a cool project to better help you understand what fabrics and fibers are made of. This will help you choose clothing that is appropriate for certain occasions and how to take care of items you already have.

