



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA  
SCOUTPARENTS

## *Troop 405 Pleasant Hill, California*

*Hello Parents. My name is Paul Hollidge and I am the Committee Chair for Troop 405.*

*Troop 405 is a vigorous and active troop which believes in giving your boy(s) the best scouting experience they can have.*

*To do this, we have a dedicated group of parents that are active in the life of our scouts helping to guide and mentor them. It is a great thing! However, this effort does not come without commitment or sacrifice. Many parents have other children in different venues, as well as work and commitments at home. These can require a good deal of commitment and time. I understand this because I am one of those parents. However, as in many sporting organizations these days, parent participation is crucial to the function of the organization. This holds true to our Troop. We require this to make our scouts experience one they will cherish all their lives. The Boy Scouts of America is the perfect place to be active in your child's life, while giving back to the scouting community at large. Here are a few excerpts from the BSA Scoutparent Web Page which explains a few benefits of being a Scoutparent.*

*-Scouting is unique in that it offers families a variety of experiences not found in other activities. Family members can volunteer for leader positions in the troop or can get involved in other ways, such as becoming a counselor to teach the requirements for a merit badge. **The joy of volunteering is not only in helping others, but seeing your child learning, growing and Having Fun! When a rank advancement is presented to a Scout, his parents are also recognized, since the success is so often the result of a family effort.***

*-Scouting provides a time-tested structure that helps bond parent/child development through group and individual activities, recognition and advancement. Your child needs your encouragement, guidance and participation along his Scouting path.*

### ***The Commitment***

*In this new scouting year, 2010-2011, Troop 405 is asking each family of a scout to donate your time. We are requiring a minimum of 10 hours a year. That's less than an hour a month.*

*On the next page is a questionnaire to find out about the talents you may possess to enhance the Scouting experience. **Remember, what you do here will touch and change the life of a boy forever.** Please print out the form, fill it in and bring it to the parent meeting or give it to me or one of the Scoutmasters.*

*Thank you for being a part of Troop 405 by becoming a Scout parent; helping to leave a legacy in your scout's life.*

*Parent or Guardian*

*Troop 405 Scoutparent form 8/10*

*Name* \_\_\_\_\_

*Address* \_\_\_\_\_

*Hm. Phone* \_\_\_\_\_ *Cell Phone* \_\_\_\_\_

*E-mail* \_\_\_\_\_

*Scout Name(s)* \_\_\_\_\_

*Rank* \_\_\_\_\_

*Occupation:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Any degrees or Certifications*

*held:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Interests/Special Skills/Hobbies*

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*Any previous Scouting*

*experience:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Is there an area of interest you would like to pursue while volunteering for our troop?*

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*Any Organizations you belong to or have volunteered for (present or past.)*

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*Current Troop position (if you have one)* \_\_\_\_\_

*Date* \_\_\_\_\_