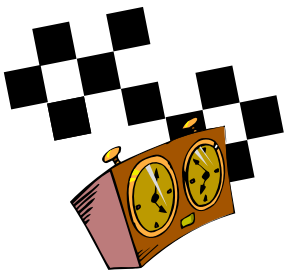


Boy Scouts of America



NEW Chess Merit Badge

Chess is a great game that teaches young people strategy, problem solving, logic and patience to do their best. Announced in August, the new requirements were just released on September 7, and Mt. Diablo Silverado Council is lucky to have its very own Berkeley Chess School Instructor and U.S. Chess Federation-rated tournament player available to get your scouts playing now.



- ❖ The NEW Chess Merit Badge lends itself to being held for a group.
- ❖ Held at the TROOP, MULTI-TROOP or DISTRICT level – wherever the group comes together.
- ❖ You arrange the scouts and site with a date/time that meets your schedule, and the counselor supplies the program, knowledge and materials to meet your needs.
- ❖ Chess Merit Badge requires 3 or 4 sessions, depending upon experience, group size and individual progress; this includes a chess tournament held for the participants.
- ❖ All the equipment provided, including chess sets, clocks, notation sheets, puzzles, handouts and program materials.
- ❖ There is a small fee charged to cover program and travel expenses. Rates vary depending on the numbers of scouts and distance travelled.



Chess Merit Badge Counselor Pete Klein is an active chess instructor with the Berkeley Chess School and a U.S. Chess Federation-rated tournament player with years of teaching, coaching and tournament directing experience. He has been a scout leader for more than 12 years.

Please contact Pete Klein at goowl2scouter@sbcglobal.net or (925) 978-7317 for details and to schedule a start date and time.

CHESS: The Game of Kings ... and SCOUTS!