



# REPRESENTATIVE HEARTBEAT

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## Welcome to the 2<sup>nd</sup> issue of Representative Heartbeat!

We've taken your suggestions to heart, keeping this 2<sup>nd</sup> issue briefer than the first. Please continue to send suggestions on what you would like to see changed or included in the newsletter to [governance@girlscoutshcc.org](mailto:governance@girlscoutshcc.org). Remember to share this information with your Service Team and Leaders.

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### ACTION REQUIRED

#### **Report Back to Your Service Unit**

**Be sure to get on the agenda of your next leaders' meeting so you can give a brief report of what happened at the annual meeting.**

#### **Email Permission Forms**

At the annual meeting, representatives were asked to complete an email permission form (required by the California Nonprofit Corporation Law) which will allow the council to send official documents to you via email. This will save the council money in postage, copy costs, staff time, etc.

If you attended but didn't complete the form, please do so and mail it to the council office as soon as possible. If you didn't attend the annual meeting or misplaced your form, [click here](#) to get the form.

#### **Appointment-Reappointment of Service Unit Representatives**

During March and April, even numbered service units need to appoint or reappoint representatives for a two year term. Please assist your service unit manager in completing this task. It is okay to reappoint existing representatives. Names of the two representatives and one alternate should be submitted by April 30, 2010. [Click here](#) for the current Representative Assembly Member position description.

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## **WEBSITE CHANGES**

As suggested by many of you, a “What’s New” section has been added to the governance web page. “What’s New” will inform you of what has recently changed or of things that may need your attention. [Click here](#) to get to the “What’s New” section.

## **ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

### Representative attendance

- 50 out of 60 service units (83%) were represented.
- Out of a possible 131 voting members, 95 (73%) were present. This includes, in addition to the Service Unit representatives, the Council Board, National Council Delegates, and Girls-at-large representatives. *Not included in the count are alternates, who attended but were not taking the place of a representative.*

Newly Elected Council Board Members are Debra Brown from Ripon, Beverly Lamb and Susan Sheridan from Sacramento, and Paige Smith, a girl member from Rocklin. Jan Opie from Sonora and Anita Rohn from Hughson were re-elected.

Amended and Restated Bylaws that included our new representative structure as well as changes required by the California Nonprofit Corporation Law were adopted. To get your copy of the bylaws [click here](#).

### Property Update:

- The move to the new program center at 6601 Elvas Avenue in Sacramento is set for the end of February or first part of March. *(The move took place in March.)*
- The Modesto office has not yet sold.
- Camp Menzies was filled to 90% capacity for the 2009 summer.

## **REGIONAL FORUMS**

### Previous Regional Forums

The ideas and suggestions from the previous regional forums have been prioritized by council department and forwarded to the department manager for consideration. [Click here](#) to access the *Regional Forum Topic Prioritization* list.

### Future Regional Forums

- Please continue to send topics you would like to discuss at our next forum to: [governance@girlscoutshcc.org](mailto:governance@girlscoutshcc.org).

- Regional Forum dates for 2010 will be October 20 for Sacramento and October 21 for Modesto.

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

- *Representative Training Dates:*
  - Sacramento, Thursday, May 20, 2010 6:30pm
  - Modesto, Wednesday, May 26, 2010 6:30pm
- *Regional Forums:* October 20, Sacramento; October 21, Modesto
- *Next Annual Meeting:* February 12, 2011, CSUS Alumni Center