

Wilderness First Aid

This is definitely not your local Red Cross first Aid course! The goal of this course is to help the participants deal with medical emergencies in a wilderness setting where qualified medical assistance is more than a hour away and you are the only available medical care for awhile. Participants will benefit more if they have completed a basic first aid course.

"At the heart of wilderness medicine is improvisation", says Dr. Eric Weiss in his book "Wilderness and Travel Medicine" (included in the course materials). By definition, in all wilderness first aid emergencies you are limited to the gear you brought with you and what you can use in your environment. Participants will learn to straighten angulated fractures, clear a spine, reduce a dislocated shoulder and much more using commonly available materials and easily learned techniques.

This a great 16 hour class for those who are looking to experience practical wilderness first aid skills in an outdoor setting. In addition to a half-day of outdoor scenario practice of first aid and emergency leadership skills, this class focuses on practicing skills in and out of the classroom.

A three-year Wilderness First Aid certification is available upon successful completion of this course, including a written closed book exam. There are pre-class reading assignments that are strongly recommended. Materials will be mailed to each participant prior to class.

LOCATION:

Camp Pollock
467 Del Paso Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95815

DATES:

SAT & SUN April 9th and 10th, 2011
8AM - 5PM each day

COST: \$140.00 per person includes ASHI certification

Includes: Bound Wilderness First Aid Handouts

No refunds
Registration absolutely closes March 1st, 2011
No late registrations at the door

The Instructors-

Bobbie Foster, EMT-B

Bobbie has been involved in outdoor recreation/education for 16 years. As an employee of the University of California at San Francisco Medical School outdoor program "Outdoors Unlimited" she served as the coordinator of the whitewater canoeing program, a backcountry skiing leader/instructor, a back packing leader, budgets manager, publicity coordinator and risk management supervisor. She served as First Aid Coordinator and Lead Instructor from 1994 to 2001.

Mel Atwood, WEMT-B

Atwood is a wilderness/urban EMT who has been teaching with Bobbie for 8 years. He is currently working as an EMT in Placer County. He draws upon his experience as an outdoors enthusiast/leader and emergency services provider to give a real world perspective to all instruction.

This seminar is open to all registered Scouting adult and youth leaders. **Basic First Aid training is recommended.** Youth must be 15 years of age or older. Attendance is limited to 3 adult and 2 youth leaders for each unit. Overall attendance is limited to 24 participants. An adult must accompany all youth attendees. Similar leaders of other youth organizations are welcome.

Be sure to obtain a local tour permit.

All participants must bring a Medical form the morning of the first class session signed by a doctor. The forms can be returned at the end of the course.

Watch for the other quality High Adventure Team Outdoor Awareness Seminars and Clinics:
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Golden Empire Council - HIGH ADVENTURE TEAM OKPIK: Cold Weather Camping Awareness Seminar

Registration is available online only!

Please go to <http://www.gec-bsa.org>>EVENT REGISTRATION to complete your registration.

Registration Absolutely Closes January 28th, 2011!



Wilderness First Aid

**An Awareness Seminar To
Develop Basic Wilderness First
Aid Skills**

Indoor & Outdoor Sessions

April 9th and 10th, 2011
Camp Pollock
Sacramento, CA

***"It's not what happens to you that
matters, but how you react to it that
counts."***

-Epictetus, 1st Century A.D.

as quoted by Dr. William Forgey in
"Wilderness Medicine - Beyond First Aid"

Presented By:

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Seminar Topics

Principles of Wilderness First Aid

Take spinal precautions
Prevent hypothermia & dehydration
Treat all life-threatening injuries first
Stabilize before sending for help

Patient Assessment System

Step by step examination
A checklist for every first aid kit
Life-threatening bleeding
Shock & acute stress reaction

Traumatic Injuries

Head & spine
Burns
Wound management
Musculoskeletal

Environmental Emergencies

Hypothermia & frostbite
Heat illnesses
Lightening
Altitude
Snakebites
Spider & scorpion bites

Medical Emergencies

Sudden illnesses
How to prevent sickness
Anaphylaxis

Leadership

Urban Protocols

First Aid kit suggestions

First aid supplies & equipment resources

**This is a 'hands-on' class with
teaching scenarios & a
realistic emergency situation
for the students to respond to.**

Golden Empire Council - HIGH ADVENTURE TEAM Upcoming Courses

OKPIK Awareness Indoor: December 9 - 10, 2011
Outdoor: January 21 - 22, 2012

Basic Backpackers Awareness Indoor: February 25 - 27, 2011
Outdoor: March 25 - 27, 2011

Paddle Sports Awareness Indoor May 5, 2011
Outdoor May 21 - 22, 2011
Wrap-Up: May 26, 2011