# SANTA CRUZ
# JUNIOR GUARDS 2012

**Newsletter #2- First Session**

The first week has gone extremely well and we have had good weather! Since guards has started a lot has happened… Picture day Wednesday, Seacliff competition Thursday and Friday, and uniform shirts and patches distributed last Friday! Wow. Good job JG's!!! The kids all did a great job on their patch tests; ask your JG about what they needed to do to get their patch. Patches should be sewn onto the left front leg of board shorts and on the left side of swim suits. Parents, I would like to remind you there is an instructor that meets JGs at Lifeguard HQ 15 minutes prior to the start of each session, and that same instructor walks JGs back up to HQ 15 minutes after the completion of each session. **Also, please do not drop your child off at the Wharf gate when the parking lot is closed.**

Our second and final Little Guard and Junior Guard competition of the first session is this Thursday and Friday, respectively (July 5 and 6). The competition will be at Capitola Main Beach in the Capitola Village. Make sure to you get your child there by 8:45 am on their respective days. ***Parking in this area is very congested, carpooling is highly recommended. The best place to park is in the lot behind Capitola City Hall, at 420 Capitola Ave. It is a very short walk to the beach***.

## News and Notes

- Informational meeting about the Regional Competition is Monday, July 2, 2012 6 pm – 7:00pm at Louden Nelson. Parents are welcome to attend to learn what Regional's is all about and how participants will be invited to participate. Regional invitations will be mailed the week of July 9. Regional teams and individual event placement will be completed by July 13. (more Regional info on next page ➔)
- Need some JG clothing? The Boosters sell it this Monday from 11:30am to 1:30pm on Cowell Beach.
- Speaking of clothing … stop by before and after program and see if your JG has anything in lost and found.
- Please do NOT drop your guards off in front of the Wharf Gate when the Cowell's lot is closed. It's dangerous and illegal. Remember, there is an instructor at the beginning of every session that will take your guards from Lifeguard HQ to the beach, and will escort them back 10 minutes after every session ends.
- **To add your name to the JG Booster email list**: **INSTRUCTIONS TO SUBSCRIBE** Send a blank email to **SCJG_Boosters-subscribe@yahoogroups.com**

## Dates

- **July 4: National Holiday, no Junior or Little guards today**
- **July 2: Informational Regional Parent Meeting at Louden Nelson at 6:00 pm**
- **July 5: Little Guard Capitola Competition (Thur)**
- **July 6: Junior Guard Capitola Competition (Fri)**
- **July 17: Junior Lifeguard Session #1 ends**
- **July 27: Regional Competition – Newport Beach**

Have a question you need answered? Then please call JG Coordinator Paul steinberg @ 420-6248, or go to website http://www.cityofsantacruz.com/index.aspx?page=544.

**Regional Competition**

The purpose behind the CSLSA regional competition is to practice rescue skill training at a highly competitive level. It is a state wide competition featuring the top athletes aged 9-17 (no little guards) from Junior Lifeguard programs all over California. It involves 5 individual events and 4 team/relay events. Participants are limited to 3 events each and most events only allow 1 individual/team per agency. As with any competition Junior Guards are selected for teams based on performance, attitude, and participation. Participants will be invited to participate the week of July 9. If a child is not selected for CSLSA Regional's, but wants to compete and can make the trip to Newport Beach, there is may be space for him/her in at least one event or as an alternate, but discuss your situation with the JG Lt. to make sure.

**Individual Events:**

Distance Run
Distance Swim
Run-Swim-Run
Distance Paddle
Beach Flags

**Team Events:**

Rescue Relay
Swim Relay
Run Relay
Paddle Relay

**2012**

This year CSLSA Regional Competition will be in Newport Beach on July 27th. We have a block of rooms at the Holiday Inn Express, Newport Beach. Call 949-722-2999 to reserve a room **by July 4**, and mention "**Santa Cruz Junior Guards" group block** to guarantee the discounted rate and availability for 7/26 & 7/27.

Holiday Inn Express in Newport Beach
2300 West Coast Highway
Newport Beach
CA 92663

Please coordinate with other families regarding carpooling and rooms so that we can have a full team coming down to compete.

**Please Note: There will be no regular Junior Guards at Cowell Beach on July 27th!!**