

Girl Scouts of California's Central Coast and Rotary Club of Ventura Host Food, Wine, and Beer Festival

The festival aided in the establishment of Monarch Breeding and Research Institute at Camp Arnaz

Press Contact:

Eileen Ringwald (805) 232-3982 eringwald@girlscoutsccc.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 25, 2022

Ventura, CA -

Girl Scouts of California's Central Coast partnered with Rotary Club of Ventura to host a Food, Wine & Beer Festival to aid the Monarch butterfly population. On April 23, 2022, guests were welcomed to the beautiful Camp Arnaz. From 4-7 PM, guests were able to enjoy an array of delicious food samples from restaurants, caterers, bakeries, and specialty shops, as well as palette-pleasing fine wines, unique brews, and specialty beverages from throughout the local region and California.

Proceeds of this festival will aid in the establishment of the Monarch Breeding and Research Institute at Camp Arnaz which will promote the replenishment of the monarch population. Monarchs are the most well-known butterfly, though their population has been in a steep decline for the past 30 years. The milkweed plant, which is the only food source for the monarch caterpillar, has also drastically decreased since then. By attending this event, guests were able to play a part in the restoration of the Monarch population.

Girl Scouts of California's Central Coast's restoration efforts were also in display at the event as attendees were able to tour the nectar and pollinator gardens which are already in place at Camp Arnaz.

The sponsors for this event included: ReMax Broker RoseAnne Hill, Sun, Moon & Stars Medical Corp, Chris Landon, Everett & Debbie Millais, Crowne Plaza, Betsy Chess, Mike & Tammie Helmuth, and Brenda Allison.



Girl Scouts of California's Central Coast would like to thank all those in attendance for helping the monarch restoration efforts. For more information on Camp Arnaz and the pollinator gardens, please visit www.girlscoutsccc.org/foodwinebrewfestival.

###

About Girl Scouts of California's Central Coast

Girl Scouts of California's Central Coast serves over 8,800 girls across six counties and is committed to making the Girl Scout Leadership Experience available to girls in ways that impact their lives both in the moment and into the future. Girls participate in troops, individual projects, council events, day camps, resident camps and more. A variety of leadership, outdoor skills, and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) based programs and events provide girls with opportunities to learn and explore in fun and informative ways. To join or volunteer in Santa Cruz, San Benito, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara or Ventura County, visit: http://www.girlscoutsccc.org.