



Rose Bowl Roundtable
August 13th, 2026

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SCOUTING AMERICA • GREATER LOS ANGELES SCOUTING

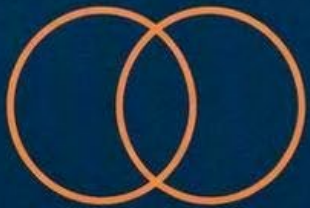
Connect • Learn • Lead • Serve



WELCOME TO ROUNDTABLE

Are You Ready?

One Evening. Practical Answers, Stronger Units



Connect



Learn



Share



Lead

Bring Questions. Leave with resources, contact, and next Steps

Safety Minute

AB 506, Safeguarding Youth, and the leader readiness check.

Program Updates

Upcoming training, high adventure, Order of the Arrow, and council opportunities.

District Dashboard

Membership, leads, training status, and priority vacancies.

Leader Exchange

Program breakouts, shared solutions, and Scout/Cubmaster minute.



Safety Minute

Safety First

Every great adventure starts with prepared, trained adults.



Registered

Volunteers and staff must be registered members of Scouting America.

Mandated Reporter

Complete the required state mandated reporter training.

Live Scan

Complete the required Live Scan background check.

Unit Check

Confirm adult leaders are current before activities and renewals.

Required

Safeguarding Youth training is required for all registered volunteers and is a joining requirement.

Annual

Training must remain current each year; expired training prevents annual re-registration.

Renewal

After the initial 90-minute course, an annual refresher is required to stay current.



Before your next outing, Pack/ Troop Meeting, can your unit answer “YES” to all four?



All participating adults are registered and eligible



Safeguarding Youth training is current

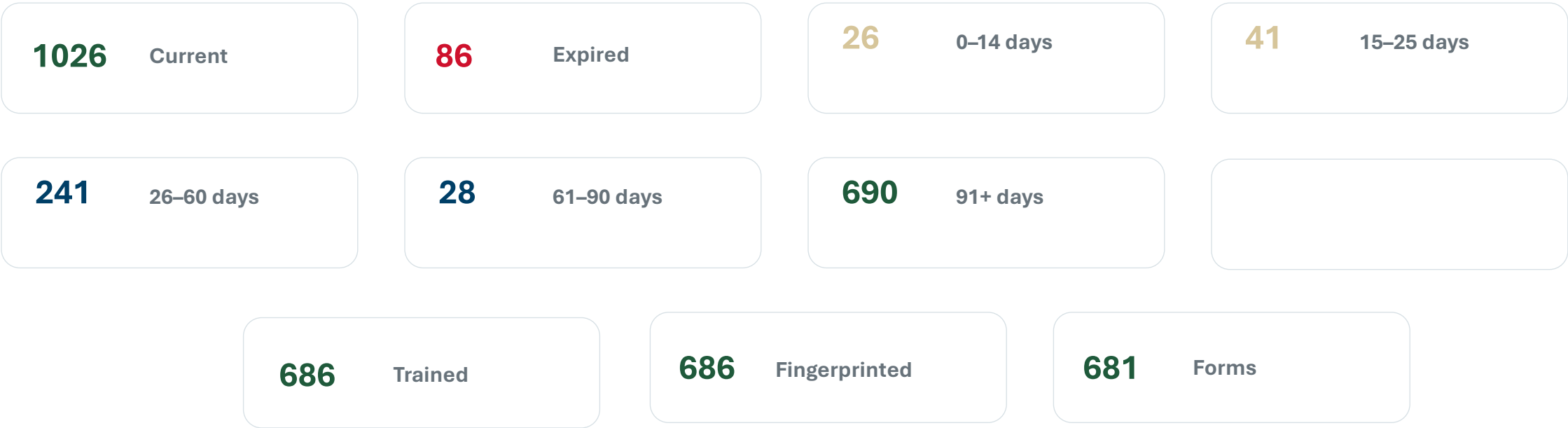


AB 506 requirements are complete where applicable



Activity-specific training and supervision are in place

Safeguarding Youth and AB506



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Inquiring
Minds Want
to Know

UPDATE ON SUMMER TIME

**WHAT FUN DID YOU HAVE THIS
SUMMER**

Program & Adventure

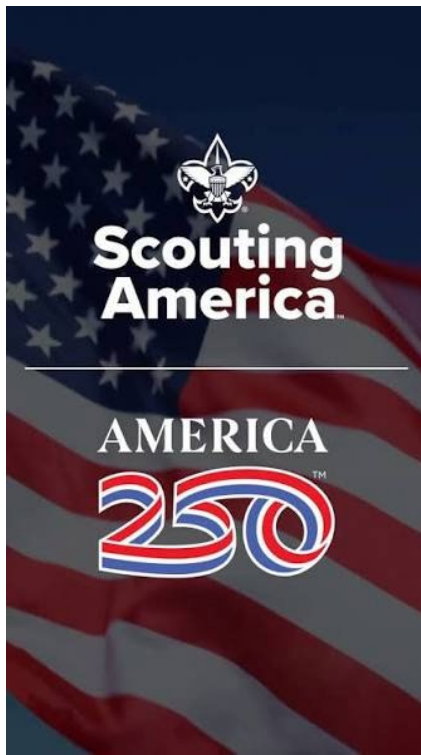
Keep the calendar visible. Give families something to look forward to.

ROSE BOWL ROUNDTABLE • 2026–2027



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PROGRAM



Liberty in Action

Historical Theme: "Liberty in Action"

Tying into the multi-year America250 celebration, the **"Liberty in Action: America 250 Challenge"** continues to serve as an active program highlight for units through early 2027



Liberty in Action: 250th Anniversary Challenge

Brings together Scouts from all programs to explore America's founding principles, connect Scouting's long tradition of civic service to our national story, and take meaningful action in their communities. Running from **March 2026 through February 2027**, this program blends learning, creativity, service, and reflection — offering Scouts, leaders, and families a powerful way to participate in America's semiquincentennial.

Nationwide Impact365 Service Initiative

That Inspire a Movement

Each year, Impact365 introduces a national service theme that unites Scouts around a shared focus. Themes are inspirational—not required—and simply showcase the breadth of service Scouting provides.

2027

The Environment

2028

Schools

2029

Safety



National Service Theme: "The Environment"

Under the nationwide Impact365 service initiative, the official optional theme for 2027 is **The Environment**. Units leverage this for public recruitment by hosting community conservation projects, showing prospective families Scouting's active commitment to nature

World Scout Jamboree

Theme: "Bravely"

With the [2027 World Scout Jamboree](#) taking place in Poland, the global theme is "**Bravely**". This concept focuses on youth stepping up, taking action, and driving positive global change—a powerful talking point for middle and high school recruitment



2026–2027 Key Dates from the AUG Briefing

PROGRAM

SEP 29

SoCal Commissioners College

Santiago Canyon College

SEP 18–20

Wood Badge • Weekend One

Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation

OCT 3–4

Wood Badge • Weekend Two

Trask Scout Reservation

<https://greaterlascouting.org/calendar/>

DEC 18–20

NYLT • Weekend One

Camp Trask Scout Reservation

JAN 8–10

NYLT • Weekend Two

Camp Trask Scout Reservation



Trask Scout Reservation
Friday 10-23-2026 5:00 PM PT to
Sunday 10-25-2026 12:00 PM PT



Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation
Friday 10-09-2026 4:00 PM PT to
Sunday 10-11-2026 12:00 PM PT



Firestone Scout Reservation
Friday 11-13-2026 4:00 PM PT to
Sunday 11-15-2026 10:00 AM PT



Two-weekend course

**December 18–20, 2026
January 8–10, 2027**

Required attendance for all six days

Camp Trask Scout Reservation
1100 N Canyon Blvd • Monrovia, CA 91076

Course Director: Kat Yung • Yungkat@gmail.com

Save The Date



Camporee 2027
April 23 to 25

Order of the Arrow

Use Roundtable to surface induction, service, and lodge opportunities for eligible Scouts.

High Adventure

Promote climbing, wilderness, and advanced outdoor training as dates become available.

Council Events

Reserve a rotating slide for council-wide events, recognition, and fundraising.

Summer Camp

Start promotion early and keep registration, readiness, and parent communication visible.

80+ Badges Updated

Effective January 1, 2026, more than 80 merit badges have revised requirements. Scouts who started before Jan. 1 may finish under the old requirements or switch to the new ones.

Citizenship in Society

Discontinued February 27, 2026. No new starts; Scouts already underway have the rest of 2026 to finish and still use it toward Eagle.

Eagle Now 13 Required

Eagle Scout now takes 13 required merit badges plus 8 electives. The total stays at 21 badges.

What Changed Inside

Modern tech (Radio adds Bluetooth, Wi-Fi, 5G and RFID; 3D printing in Model Design), expanded career and hobby options, a Personal Fitness overhaul, and stronger safety and outdoor ethics.

Competitive Gaming

2026 — Scouting America's newest official merit badge. Strategy, teamwork, leadership, and healthy habits in esports and gaming.

Artificial Intelligence

2025 — Teaches AI basics, daily applications, data privacy, and ethical impacts.

Cybersecurity

2025 — Covers threat identification, strong data protection, and safe online behavior.

Sewing and Needlework

Test Lab pilot — Fundamental hand and machine sewing skills.

Physics

Test Lab pilot — Explores forces, motion, and energy through practical digital modules.

Rank Criteria

Every rank requires exactly 6 required adventures and 2 elective adventures.

The Bobcat Shift

The standalone Bobcat badge no longer exists. It is now woven in as the very first required adventure, specific to each grade level.

Webelos vs. AOL

Webelos (4th grade) and Arrow of Light (5th grade) are entirely separated. Arrow of Light is its own standalone rank, using the tan uniform and focusing exclusively on transitioning into a Scouts BSA troop.

Camping Rules

Webelos may only camp with their pack or den. Only 5th-grade Arrow of Light Scouts are permitted to camp overnight alongside a Scouts BSA troop.



Renewal and Recruitment Time

<https://www.scouting.org/recruitment/>

REV UP YOUR PACK!

GREATER LOS ANGELES SCOUTING

Aug 15 - Oct 31

Grow your Pack by 25% Earn FREE Cars!

Need Help? Scan Me!

Contact our Field Staff

Reach your 25% growth goal & EVERY Registered Scout in your Pack earns a **FREE PINEWOOD DERBY CAR!**

3 Easy Steps to Rev Up Your Pack!

- 1 Rev Up Your Fall Recruitment!**
Get out in your community & invite new families to join the FUN!
Host: Back-to-Scouting Nights, Bring-a-Friend Events, attend Community Festivals and Back-to-School Nights
- 2 Grow Your Membership by 25%**
Increase your Pack's registered youth membership by 25% between August 15 - October 31, 2026, compared to your current registered youth.
- 3 Earn FREE Pinewood Derby Cars!**
Reach your 25% growth goal & EVERY Registered Scout in your Pack earns a FREE Pinewood Derby car!

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Scouting America
TRAIL MAP

**A PATH TO ENTERPRISE STRENGTH
AND MEMBERSHIP GROWTH**

**Our Destination:
2 Million
Youth Served**



Relentless Focus on Volunteers

-  Simplify Volunteer & Parent Roles
-  Implement February Renewal
-  Create First 90 Days On-Boarding for Unit Leaders
-  Clean-Sheet Approach to Volunteer Training
-  Empower Commissioners to Strengthen Units



**Simplify. Digitize.
Scale for Growth.**

- Implement Unified Technology Platforms
- Optimize Local Council Network
- Simplify Committees and Structures
- Reduce Cost to Drive Scale
- Strengthen National Council Framework for Communication, Planning, and Risk



Reinvest to Attract More Youth

-  Hire More Youth Serving Executives
-  Introduce the Brand to New Generations
-  Enhance First-Year Youth and Parent Experience
-  Grow School Access and National Partnerships
-  Expand Impact Through Philanthropy

TRAIL MAP LEGEND



Be a Leader in S.A.F.E. guarding Youth: Prevention First on Every Trail.

My. Scouting is currently transitioning into a completely unified digital system called **ScoutConnect**,

- A massive technology overhaul rolled out by Scouting America to address widespread volunteer tech frustrations will integrate My. Scouting, BeAScout, and Scoutbook into a single platform
- **August 2026 (Immediate Changes):** Launch of a newly redesigned BeAScout landing page and registration portal. This update automatically merges and **eliminates duplicate member IDs**.
- **September 2026:** A brand-new **Membership Renewal System** goes live to transition units away from messy historic charter windows.
- **December 2026:** The standard **two-month membership lapse period will be permanently eliminated**, and all unit renewals will be unified.
- **Spring 2027:** Rollout of a completely reimagined **New Scoutbook** platform (March 2027), followed closely by shifting all individual member renewals to a **unified annual February cycle** (April 2027)

Recent My.Scouting Interface & Feature Changes

- **Position Manager Tool:** Unit leaders can now move, change, or swap registered adult volunteer positions directly inside My.Scouting without printing or submitting paper applications.
- **Automated Council Transfers:** Parents and volunteers can transfer a Scout out of their current council into a brand-new council digitally. System records migrate automatically without requiring new physical forms.
- **Discontinued Calendar & Announcements:** The native calendar and announcement functions within the My.Scouting mobile app have been removed. Unit communications must now be completely managed through the **Scoutbook Plus** calendar.
- **Persistent Left-Side Navigation Menu:** The interface design fixes the main navigation menu in place so users do not have to rely on confusing dropdown boxes to swap between toolsets.

Recent My.Scouting Interface & Feature Changes

August 3, 2026, BeAScout will introduce an updated look and feel designed to better support prospective families. The enhanced experience will provide answers to common questions before families contact a unit, including:

- * Estimated cost to join
- * Unit meeting days and times
- * Whether the unit charges additional dues

To support these improvements, several new fields have been added to the **Unit Pin page** in Organization Manager:

- Fundraising Helps Cover Costs
- Trial Visit Encouraged
- Unit Fee
- Meeting Schedule or Meeting Frequency
 - Meeting Day
 - Start Time
 - End Time

Unit Payment NOW

- <https://greaterlascouting.org/online-registration-payments/>
- PAY 100.00



2026–2028 Membership Transition: The Move to February

UNIT CHARTER & MEMBERSHIP CYCLE

Beginning in September 2026, Scouting America is shifting all unit renewals to February. Starting in 2027, member (adult and youth) renewals will also shift to February. This strategic shift will create a true 'renewal season,' improve retention, better capture those who join in peak recruiting season and, most importantly, puts leaders in control of

the renewal process. In addition, these shifts lower the initial fee to join, eliminates the 2-month lapse period and aligns safeguarding training to renewal dates. These changes directly support membership AND retention.

TRANSITION PLAN



VISION, BENEFITS AND IMPACT

SEVEN KEY BENEFITS



Why the Change? (The Vision)

- **Unified Schedule:** Eliminates rolling calendar dates; aligns entirely with the backend of recruiting seasons.
- **Unit Control:** Returns control of individual member renewals directly back to the unit committee.
- **Lower Barriers:** Uses prorated pricing for new members entering outside the standard window.
- **Safety Alignment:** Syncs Safeguarding Youth Training / Youth Protection Training (YPT) directly with annual renewal windows.

The Phase-Out of the "Lapse Period" (Fall 2026)

- **The Grace Period is Ending:** The standard 60-day renewal grace period officially concludes on December 31, 2026.
- **Step-Down Schedule:**
 - **October 2026 Renewals:** Last group to receive the full 2-month grace period.
 - **November 2026 Renewals:** Grace period reduced to 1 month.
 - **December 2026 Renewals:** No grace period; must renew by December 31 to remain active.
- **Critical Reminder:** Starting January 1, 2027, an active, paid registration is required to participate, advance, or hold leadership eligibility

Key Transition Timeline

- The rollout moves in stages to gradually bring all accounts into alignment:
- **September 2026:** Unit charter transitions begin. Any unit due for renewal will recharter through **February 2028** using standard fees plus a prorated extension. New units starting after October 1, 2026 automatically start on the February cycle.
- **December 31, 2026:** The traditional **60-day membership grace (lapse) period officially ends.** October renewals get the full 2 months, November renewals get 1 month, and December renewals have zero grace period.

Key Transition Timeline

- **January 1, 2027:** Strict registration compliance begins. All members must maintain an active, unexpired registration to participate in activities, advance in rank, or be tracked for leadership.
- **March – December 2027:** Existing individual members transition to the new timeline upon their personal renewal dates.
 - They will pay **prorated monthly fees** to bridge their coverage strictly through February 2028.
- **February 2028:** The transition concludes. Every unit charter and individual membership nationwide will renew simultaneously on the exact same annual schedule moving forward.

Operational Changes for Unit Leaders

- **Unit Control:** Management shifts back to a centralized unit-led model. Leaders approve the unit roster first; if a unit chooses not to renew an individual, that person can self-renew independently once the unit window closes.
- **Training Alignment:** Safeguarding Youth Training expiration milestones will sync directly with the unified February renewal date.
- **Prorated New Members:** Anyone joining mid-year after the transition will pay a prorated fee covering only the remaining months up to the next February cycle.
- Detailed instructions and local payment schedules vary slightly by district, so checking your specific local council page via [Scouting America](#) is recommended to coordinate your unit's budget during the prorated transition months



Renewal and Recruitment Time

<https://www.scouting.org/recruitment/>

More To



COME

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DISTRICT DASHBOARD

District Dashboard

Use data to focus support where units need it most.



YOUTH

1971

CURRENT

13

expired

285

expire ≤30 days

1186

expire ≤60 days

ADULT

1341

CURRENT

12

expired

81

expire ≤30 days

882

expire ≤60 days

Baseline retained from the April 9, 2026 Roundtable deck; replace with current dashboard values each month.

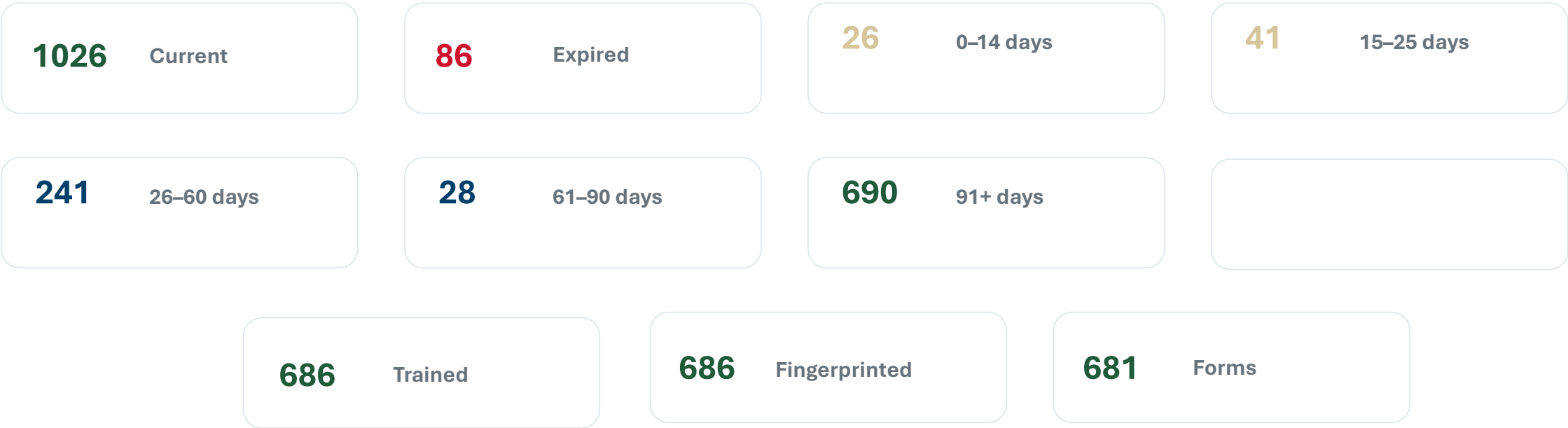
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TOTAL ACTIVE LEADS

0–14 days	0	%
15–25 days	2	%
26–60 days	0	%
61–90 days	0	%
Completed	0	%

Roundtable prompt: Who owns each open lead, and what is the next contact date?

Safeguarding Youth and AB506



Membership Chair

OPEN — identify a leader who can champion recruitment, lead follow-up, and unit growth.

Finance Chair

OPEN — recruit a leader who can strengthen stewardship, fundraising, and district support.

Unit Support

Use Roundtable attendance and commissioner follow-up to identify units needing immediate help.

Succession

Build a bench: every district role should have a next leader in development.



LEADER EXCHANGE

Preparing Leaders and Parents for Safe Scouting

GUEST SPEAKER: Landon Burtchell

Cub Scout Leaders

Pack program, family engagement, advancement, camping, and leader readiness.

Scouts BSA Leaders

Youth leadership, advancement, outdoor program, retention, and high adventure.

Commissioners

Unit health, renewal risk, leader vacancies, and targeted follow-up.

District Volunteers

Membership, finance, program, training, and event execution.



ONE WIN

What should we celebrate from the past month?

ONE RISK

What needs leader attention before the next meeting?

ONE DATE

What deadline or event must units put on calendars tonight?

ONE ASK

What specific action do we need from unit leaders?

What leaders need to know before they leave tonight

- Council / district news
- Registration or renewal issues
- Resources available to units
- Who to contact for help

District Director

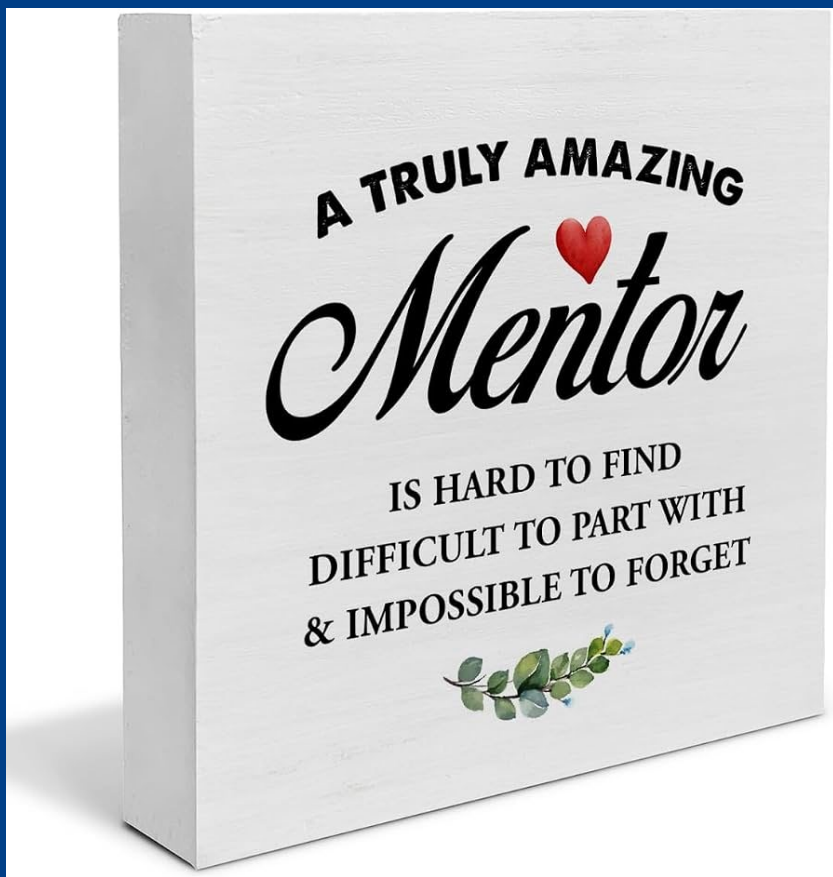
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NEXT ROUNDTABLE

Renewal and Recruitment Tactics, Fundraising Forms

GUEST SPEAKER: Travis Williams, GLAACVP of Growth



Scout & Cubmaster Minute

“The value of Roundtable is what leaders take back to their units.”

Consider before you go:

Did You Capture one idea • Commit to one next step

BE PREPARED.

SEE YOU AT THE NEXT ROUNDTABLE

"I learned that life is not just a destination but a journey. While the expedition can be long and arduous, it can be full of beauty and pleasure as well."

- Wayne Holmes -



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AUG 2026

**THANK YOU ALL
HAVE A SAFE
AND AMAZING
SUMMER**

A Better Roundtable Rhythm

FORMAT



1	WELCOME	2	SAFETY	3	DISTRICT	4	BREAKOUTS	5	CLOSE
	10 min		10 min		15 min		30 min		10 min
	Connections + wins		One actionable topic		Dates + dashboard		Program-specific learning		Commitments + minute

Target: 75 minutes • useful enough that leaders want to return next month.