

## Roundtable Matters

Pacifica District, Greater Los Angeles Area Council, BSA Gary Thompson, Roundtable Commissioner

June 12th, 2024 roundtable@pacificabsa.org

## **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SAFETY MOMENT FOR JUNE** It's time for summer camping and Summer Camp, and what says summer camping more than BBQ and Dutch Oven cooking? The BSA has provided a great resource on charcoal safety that includes lighting, use and disposal. Get this and more at BSA Safety Moments.

## UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADVENTURE (this list is NOT inclusive-check the Council Calendar for even more!)

Jun 14-16 & 21-23 NYLT (Scouts BSA) Cabrillo Beach Youth Waterfront Sports Center	
Jun 15	Cub Summertime Adventure (Cub) Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area
Jun 24-28	Lifesaving MB (BSA) Camp Trask Scout Reservation - GLAAC
Jun 24-27	Trail to Eagle (BSA) Camp Trask Scout Reservation - GLAAC
Jun 26	Swimming or First Aid MB (BSA) Cabrillo Beach Youth Waterfront Sports Center
Jun 22	Pacifica Merit Badge Day (Scouts BSA) Torrance Scout Center
Jul 8-12	School of the Wondrous & Magical Daycamp (Cubs) Cabrillo Beach Youth Waterfront Sports Center
Jul 10	In-person RT (Scouters) TBD
Jul 13	Cub Summertime Adventure (Cub) Cushman Watt Scout Center
Jul 14	NRA Range Safety (Scouters 21+) 🛇 Redondo rod and gun club
Jul 15-19	School of the Wondrous & Magical Daycamp (Cubs) Cabrillo Beach Youth Waterfront Sports Center
Jul 22-26	School of the Wondrous & Magical Daycamp (Cubs) Cabrillo Beach Youth Waterfront Sports Center
Jun 222-26	Lifesaving MB (BSA) Camp Trask Scout Reservation - GLAAC
Jul 29 - Aug 2	School of the Wondrous & Magical Daycamp (Cubs) Cabrillo Beach Youth Waterfront Sports Center
Jul 29 - Aug 3	NOAC (BSA) O University Of Colorado Boulder Recreation Center
Aug 10-11	BALOO (Scouters) Camp Trask Scout Reservation - GLAAC
Aug 13	Cub Summertime Adventure (Cub) Cabrillo Beach Youth Waterfront Sports Center
Aug 17	ILST (Scouts BSA) Camp Trask Scout Reservation - GLAAC
Aug 17-18	HESR 75th Anniversary (former staff) V Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation
Oct 5	Pacifica Hiking Merit Badge Kickoff and 10 mile hike (Scouts BSA) Griffith Park
Oct 26-27	BALOO (Scouters) Camp Trask Scout Reservation - GLAAC
Nov 2	University of Scouting (Scouters) 🛇 St. Paul High School

WOOD BADGE 2024 Wood Badge Course 3-33-24 will be held September 19-21 and October 5-6, 2024, at the Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation. Registration for the course is available here. Please feel free to contact the Course Director, Bob Hodgkiss, at hodgkisb@yahoo.com or 310-748-6543 if you have questions.

**PACIFICA MERIT BADGE DAYS** Pacifica will be conducting a Merit Badge Day at the Torrance Scout House on June  $22^{nd}$ . All offerings are full and there is not a wait list. If there are any no shows, you will need to be at the Scout House at the start of the session. Please contact Sheila at Sheandjc@yahoo.com to volunteer or for more information.

**WEBELOS WOODS** We are looking for someone to Chair WEBELOS WOODS. If you are interested or know someone who would be a good candidate, please contact Sheila at sheandjc@yahoo.com.

<u>CAMPOREE SURVEYS</u> If you attended Pacifica's Spring Camporee, please return the survey to Sheila at sheandjc@yahoo.com. You may also contact Sheilaif you need another form. If you would like it to be anonymous, mail it to GLAAC, 2333 Scout Way, Los Angeles, CA 90026, ATTN: Charlie Sheen.

**<u>CALLING CATHOLIC SCOUTERS</u>** We're looking for Catholic Scouters in the Pacifica District to become counselors for the Ad Altare Dei program and facilitators for the Pope Pius XII program. Virtual training is available July 13-14. See the flyer on the RT site for more information.

**BSA FISHING** Calling all Cub Scout units in the Pacifica District. Take advantage of this resource to enhance your unit's fishing activities and ensure your leaders are well-prepared and trained. For any questions regarding fishing activities for your unit and available adult training opportunities, please contact Dane Shigemura. I am your dedicated point of contact for all fishing-related inquiries and will be able to provide the necessary information and support. Email: dane\_shigemura@yahoo.com

<u>CUB SCOUT PROGRAM CHANGES</u> Significant changes in the <u>Cub Program</u> are coming. More emphasis on personal safety, bobcat is earned each year (and is different for each rank as it builds to cover tenants of the Scout rank in BSA, focus on enabling multi year programs to just name a few). Lastly there is a change to focusing on transition to BSA for AOL scouts.

**<u>PHILMONT</u>** 2025 Philmont Expeditions and Cavalcades are now taking reservations, get more information <u>here</u>. Looking for other High Adventure opportunities? Start exploring <u>here</u>.

**<u>RECRUITMENT</u>** Council has been getting ready for our recruitment season, if you have any questions with what items we have available to help with your recruitment please check out the council's recruiting page <a href="https://greaterlascouting.org/recruitment-materials-order-page/">https://greaterlascouting.org/recruitment-materials-order-page/</a>

**PODCAST** Do you subscribe to podcasts to kill time during your commute? Check out <u>#CubChatLive</u> focused on developing Cub Leaders! <u>#Scoutcast</u> focuses on our Troop, Ship and Crew Scouters.

ATTENTION MERIT BADGE COUNSELORS We're always looking for more counselors, so if you recognize one of your scouters who you know might be a good candidate, point them toward our website at https://greaterlascouting.org/pacifica-advancement-information/. All the stuff you need to know is there. You know your adults, and you know your scouts. You as active leaders are in the best position to identify qualified and willing counselors. Please have them use the web portal that is identified in the instructions. That creates an item on a tickler file that the Merit Badge Dean can keep track of (emails sometimes get lost). Thank you all for your commitment to our youth.

**EAGLE ADVANCEMENT** Eagle candidates please review the "2023 Path to Eagle" (Rev. 4/2023). See these great tips from Scouting Magazine on helping Scouts, especially those who are neurodivergent, on their path to Eagle. Prior to contacting Pacifica District for approval, please review Eagle application and Eagle book with your troop advancement chair to confirm records agree with troop records and Eagle book is complete. Eagle Project approver is Mr. Cortenbach who can be contacted at wpcortenbach@gmail.com or by phone at 310-891-2301. The Path to Eagle is in the process of being updated. Scout profile and join date will be requested from Council and Scout will be assigned a book check person. Please do not contact the Council directly for profile or join date. Please call Mrs. Christensen at (310) 283-7197 for the Pacifica verification and review once the Eagle book and application are ready.

**ORDER OF THE ARROW (OA)** The OA is Scouting's Honor Society for Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouts. Members ("Arrowmen") provide service to their home Units, the Pacifica District, our Council, and BSA nationally. OA provides Youth members additional service and leadership opportunities that help them grow and build experience. Members are sent virtual Meeting invitations via the LodgeMaster application.

The next Monthly Lakota Chapter Meeting is scheduled 7:00-8:00 PM on Tuesday, June 25, 2024, at the Torrance Scout Center (2365 Plaza del Amo, Torrance, CA 90501). We'll be having fellowship time together, doing some leatherworking, as well as discussing upcoming Lodge and Chapter activities.

<u>2024 Section G18N Enclave registration</u> site is now open. If you received your Ordeal Membership Between September 22, 2023 thru September 22, 2024 you can signup as 'New Ordeal Member'.

Arrowmen should have received a notification to pay their 2024 Lodge dues. Payment of 2024 dues may be made on the Lodge's website <u>here</u>.

To request a Unit Visit, Unit Election, or Camp Promotion visit please contact the Lakota Chapter Chief at lakotachchief@gmail.com and the Chapter Adviser, Bob Hodgkiss, at oachapteradviser@pacificabsa.org.

## **CHECK US OUT!**

Virtually all info is available online: Events, Dates, Fliers, Contacts, Training, Etc. Pacifica District Website: <u>https://GreaterLAscouting.org/pacifica-district/</u> GLAAC Website: <u>https://GreaterLAscouting.org/</u>

<u>AT ROUNDTABLE</u> Have an event you'd like to promote at Roundtable or flyer you'd like to include with *Roundtable Matters*? We welcome all appropriate additions to our Roundtable program. Have a topic you'd like to see as a breakout session or big rock? Send an email proposal to <u>gary.thompson@pacificabsa.org</u> or <u>roundtable@pacificabsa.org</u> two weeks before Roundtable to get started.