

ROUNDTABLE WATTERS

Pacifica District, Greater Los Angeles Area Council, BSA Jeff Sorbello, Roundtable Commissioner June 9, 2021 jeffsorbello@att.net

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>REOPENING PROTOCOLS</u> Please keep checking the County Health Website http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/coronavirus/reopening-la.htm#orders and the Council COVID page https://www.glaacbsa.org/COVID-19 for the latest FAQs and opening news:

<u>GET READY FOR A NEW CHARTER YEAR!</u> Recharter is just a few months away. Summer is a great time to start planning adventures for the upcoming year!

- 1. Schedule summer adventures. There are still slots left for Scouts BSA Summer Camp! Registration for Cub Day/Twilight Camp and Scouts BSA Day camp at Cabrillo are available via the Council website Tentaroo.
- 2. Update your <u>Annual Health and Medical records</u>. As a reminder, <u>BSA policy</u> prohibits email transmission and/or electronic storage of health forms--keep paper copies in a confidential medical file for quick access. Remember that anyone attending a long term (72+ hours) event will need a pre-participation physical.
- 3. Create your annual plan and budget. Your <u>Commissioner</u> can provide you templates if you need them.
- 4. Draft your <u>recruiting plan</u>. Update your <u>BeAScout pin</u>. Consider leaving a few cohort spots open so prospective families can participate in your activities. If you need geofencing for an event, yard signs, trifolds, post cards for lapsed members, or other recruiting materials, reach out to your <u>Commissioner</u>.
- 5. Scrub your roster in My.Scouting (not Scoutbook). Do all your members appear on it? If not, tell your Commissioner.. With the recent addition of Position Manager in My.Scouting/Roster, CORs can update any changes (e.g. current Scouters volunteering to become Den Leaders) to your unit leadership team.

SAVE THE DATES (flyers linked below)

June 27 Fundamentals of Training

July 10 Pack 968 Soapbox Derby

July 12-16 Cub Day Camp at Cabrillo

July 17 Operation On Target

KUDOS TO VOLUNTEERS Congratulations to the following Scouters who have earned recognition. We appreciate

all you do for Scouting!

Dane Shigemura, Troop 242 Arrowhead Honor, Unit Commissioner

Shuji Yamada, Pack 1230 BSA Veteran Award (10 years)
Jeffrey Agner, Pack 785 Den Leader Training Award
Philip Buckley, Pack 968 Den Leader Training Award

Victorio Flores, Pack 785 Scouters Training Award for Cub Scouting and Den Leader Training Award

James Spencer, Pack 128 Den Leader Training Award

Gary Thompson, Pack 785 Scouters Training Award for Cub Scouting

Lenie Wong, Pack 968 Den Leader Training Award

SCOUTING FOR FOOD Please contact Liz Weissmann-Padilla if you have any questions or ideas for Scouting For Food. If you are aware of Scouting families in need please feel free to reach Liz for resources. lizbsapack851@gmail.com

<u>SCOUT SHOP UNIFORM SALE</u> Beginning August 5th, <u>Scout Shops</u> are offering 25% off uniform bottoms when you purchase a matching top. Please let new families know so they can be thrifty. For more information, contact john.luffman@scouting.org at our local shop at Cabillo.

<u>LETS HAVE SOME FUN!!!</u> Would your family like to participate in a Road Rally? Does a Ten Commandment Hike or an Urban Scavenger Hunt Hike sounds interesting? Maybe a Geocache Day? We are currently trying to come up with ideas for family activities that the entire District can participate in. If any of these activities sound like something you

would like to do or if you have ideas for possible activities, please contact you Activities Chair, Sheila A. Stewart at sheandjc@yahoo.com.

<u>MERIT BADGE COUNSELORS</u> – If YOU would be willing to run a merit badge class, either online or in person at Cabrillo, and would like more information, please contact Pacifica's MB Counselor Dean, Alison Crompton, at (310) 991-8172 or meritbadge@pacificabsa.org ASAP. We'd love to see some new faces and badge offerings, especially some of the rarer ones.

Watch the Pacifica District Calendar for upcoming Online Merit Badge Weekends and Cabrillo Merit Badge Day Camp: https://www.glaacbsa.org/2021 Pac Calendar

The instructions for how to sign up as a new counselor for merit badges or NOVA awards have been UPDATED - check out the instructions on the Pacifica advancement webpage or simply contact Alison for the details.

ORDER OF THE ARROW ORDER OF THE ARROW (OA) The OA is Scouting's Honor Society for Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouts. Members ("Arrowmen") provide service 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. The Lakota Chapter meets at the same time as the District Roundtable Meeting. Members are sent virtual Meeting invitations via the LodgeMaster application.

National OA guidance on counting virtual camping for OA membership elegibility was updated in January 2021 and may be found here.

Planning is underway for an in-person Chapter Fun Activity this summer (leading candidate activity is a Dodgers game). Details will be shared with members as they become available.

The Next Induction Weekend is currently planned for November 5-7, 2021, most likely at Camp Trask. Candidates will be contacted by Tuku'ut Lodge via Lodgemaster; current members should also receive emails about it or can check www.tukuut.org for details.

Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) and the Annual Banquet will be held Saturday, August 28, 2021 at the Cushman-Watt Service Center. Details will be forthcoming soon.

2021 Lodge dues (only \$10) may be paid here.

Unit Elections may now be conducted by virtual meeting. To request a Unit Visit, Unit Election, or Camp Promotion visit please contact the Lakota Chapter Chief at lakotachchief@gmail.com or the Chapter Adviser, Bob Hodgkiss, at oachapteradviser@pacificabsa.org. As COVID-19 restrictions are relaxed, in-person Unit Elections will resume.

The nomination process for running for a position in the Chapter Executive Committee is now underway. All Youth members (= not yet 21) are eligible to serve in these offices. The applications can be accessed at https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ymHQAoBDsHivKrGitkqvCTEc0nU4VG51/view?usp=sharing. The applications will be due by 11:59pm on August 10th to lakotachchief@gmail.com and oachapteradviser@pacificabsa.org. The election will take place the following day on August 11th at the August chapter meeting. Please contact the Chapter Chief <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ymHQAoBDsHivKrGitkqvCTEc0nU4VG51/view?usp=sharing. The applications will take place the following day on August 11th at the August chapter meeting. Please contact the Chapter Chief <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ymHQAoBDsHivKrGitkqvCTEc0nU4VG51/view?usp=sharing. The applications will take place the following day on August 11th at the August chapter meeting. Please contact the Chapter Chief <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ymHQAoBDsHivKrGitkqvCTEc0nU4VG51/view?usp=sharing. The applications will be due by 11:59pm on August 10th to <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ymHQAoBDsHivKrGitkqvCTEc0nU4VG51/view?usp=sharing.

CHECK US OUT!

Virtually all info is available online: Events, Dates, Fliers, Contacts, Training, Etc.

Pacifica District Website: www.pacificabsa.org
GLAAC Website: www.GLAACBSA.org

<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 <u>appropriate additions</u> to our Roundtable program. Send an email proposal to <u>jeffsorbello@att.net</u> two weeks before Roundtable to get started.