



ROUNDTABLE MATTERS

November 17, 2015

Pacifica District, Greater Los Angeles Area Council, BSA

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CHECK US OUT!

VIRTUALLY ALL INFO IS AVAILABLE ONLINE: EVENTS, DATES, FLIERS, CONTACTS, PHONES, ETC.
DISTRICT web site: www.Pacificabsa.org COUNCIL web site: <http://www.boyscoutsla.org>

FLAG CEREMONY AND INVOCATION: Sign up YOUR unit to do flags! Reserve your spots for the future NOW with Liz Dye! For the invocation, we encourage volunteers of any faith expression.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

BREAKOUTS: If you have ideas, or would like to lead one, contact Sheila Stewart or Rick Willson and we can share what works.

TONIGHT:

UPCOMING: More topics may be added

1. New Cub Program Details
2. Path to Eagle
3. **Youth Protection Training (YPT)** Please YPT@pacificabsa.org to make arrangements

FINANCE: THINK FOS. If you hasn't held an FOS presentation, there's still time. Support from all sources is welcome and appreciated. The Boeing connection is helping!

MERIT BADGE COUNSELORS: IMPORTANT MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR INFORMATION

Effective September 15th: Any Counselor who has not renewed for 2015 will be dropped from the MB list and may NOT continue as a MB Counselor. All "partial" applications that have not been completed and processed will be discarded. Those out of compliance with Youth Protection Training will be dropped.

Unit Leaders: Please cross-check your MB Counselors, their YPT status, and their badges with the list coming out this weekend.

Merit Badge Counselors: It is suggested that you contact your Troop to make sure you are YPT compliant (current) and the badges listed that you teach are correct. If your YPT has expired, you MUST submit a current certificate or you will be removed from the list. Questions, contact Liz Dye, Merit Badge Chair at (310) 316-7266 or chefliz@verizon.net

PAY IT FORWARD: For more info - contact Liz Dye at (310) 316-7266 or bsapayitforward@gmail.com

RECHARTER: Now's the time, and plenty of assistance is available for the asking. Your Unit Commissioner can be a valuable resource. Get it done early, and make sure ALL ADULTS are current on Youth Protection Training.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD: Patches are here tonight! Please try to remember to bring a can of food to each Roundtable to help this LDS Stake Center's food bank. Still collecting numbers and handing out patches. Will also have door hangers for those units that wish to hold a food drive this Fall. Come by the Scouting for Food table and double check that your units have received their patches. Contact: Priscilla Atwell, fibrfac@gte.net Looking for new chairperson to run Scouting for Food..

SILVER BEAVER AWARD: Time is out to nominate that stellar performer. CONGRATULATIONS to this year's candidates!

TRAINING: Many of the specialty courses are on-line, or contact **Bonnie Filer**, training@pacificabsa.org. Additional opportunities may be attached as flyers, and you can check the District and Council websites.

UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING: Registration is open for this December 5th day of training.

YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING: Is NOW REQUIRED for every registered adult, and must be repeated EVERY YEAR.

CUB SCOUTS: DECEMBER 2015 CORE VALUE IS 'RESPECT'

PINEWOOD DERBY: Save the date of May 14, 2016. Think about being a part of the committee. More details coming.

BOY SCOUTS: DECEMBER 2016 THEME IS 'FIRST AID'

PROGRAM CHANGES: are coming, for both Eagle Programs and the rank requirements. Stay tuned for upcoming details....

ADVANCEMENT: For merit badge classes at Cabrillo Beach, call (310) 831-1984 or go to <http://www.cabrilloyouthcamp.org>.

ARROW, ORDER OF THE: Order of the Arrow Unit Elections: Troops and Crews who wish to have an election this fall can contact the OA at www.pacificabsa/oa/. The top center box has the link to "click here". Lakota Chapter Chief David Craig is the youth representative: LakotaChapter01@gmail.com, 310-947-4574. Kathie Wood is the Chapter Advisor,

HAT (HIGH ADVENTURE TEAM) TRAINING: A couple of useful sites: www.LAAC-HAT.com and <http://www.merkurencyclopedia.com/HAT/index.html> Email labsahat@gmail.com to receive monthly HAT HiLites. All the contact information you'll want is there. HAT HiLites may also be attached to the **ROUNDTABLE MATTERS** on the district website. Mike Craig, mikedcraig@yahoo.com.

ADVANCED SCOUTS (VENTURING, VARSITY, SEA SCOUTS):

SEA SCOUTS: Open to Boys and Girls 14-20, focusing on sailing and small boats. Interested in joining? Ron Grassl, Skipper of Ship 618, rwgrassl@verizon.net

OPERATION ON TARGET: Operation On Target is a great mountain-top experience centered on hiking to a mountain summit and signaling to other scout units with signal mirrors. Contact Richard Fowell, rafowell@aol.com for more information.

CONTACTS:

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DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT:

Lisa Cowell, crazy.lisa@sbcglobal.net

DISTRICT CAMPING CHAIR:

Tim Affa: Camping@PacificaBSA.org

DISTRICT TRAINING CHAIR:

Bonnie Filer, at training@pacificaBSA.org

EAGLE COORDINATOR:

Jim Rahman: Jorahman@cox.net

FIRESTONE SCOUT RESERVATION: www.fsrlaac.org

SCOUTING FOR FOOD:

SEA SCOUTS:

Ron Grassl: rwgrassl@verizon.net

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SILVER BEAVER AWARD:

Janet Ingersoll, janet_ingersoll@yahoo.com

CAMPMASTER:

Open.

INTERNET ADVANCEMENT:

Maria Gunderson

EVENT TICKET INFO: AEGTickets.com or e-mail to groups@events.aegtickets.com

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HAT HiLites

Greater Los Angeles Area Council

November 2015

Boy Scouts of America

- ❖ Philmont Scout Ranch is now taking reservation requests for 2017 treks. Make your reservation request via the web.
- ❖ Winter camping class will be held on Saturday, November 7th. The all-day seminar will be followed in February 2016 with a weekend backpack in Mt. San Jacinto State Park. See the attached flyer for details. Call the Camping Department (626-351-8815 x241) to register.
- ❖ A snow and ice travel class will also be held on November 7th right after the Winter camping class. See the attached flyer for details. Call the Camping Department (626-351-8815 x241) to register.
- ❖ A navigation and orientation class will be held on November 14th. A field experience will be held, in association with the Los Angeles Orienteering Club, on a date to be announced. See the attached flyer for details. Call the Camping Department (626-351-8815 x241) to register. Registration by November 7th is required, as space is limited.
- ❖ There will be no admission fees at National Parks or at Bureau of Land Management areas on Veterans Day, November 11th.
- ❖ Be sure to checkout the high adventure classes being offered at the University of Scouting on December 5th.
- ❖ Hold the date - The next Adult Leader Backpack Training will be Friday, February 26th, to Sunday, February 28th, 2016.

New HAT Website: <<http://glaac-hat.org>>

Future Events

Jul 5 - Jul 20	2016 provisional contingent to Philmont Scout Ranch	Council-Camping
Jul 9 - Aug 5	2016 Log Cabin open	Council-Camping
Jul 30 - Aug 6	2016 provisional contingent to Log Cabin	Council-Camping

3-Month Calendar

Nov 7	Winter Camping/Ice Axe Seminar	See attached flyer
Nov 14	Navigation & Orienteering	See attached flyer
Nov 21-22	Level II Climbing Instructor Class	See attached flyer
Dec 1	HAT Meeting *	
Dec 5	University of Scouting	
Jan 4	Cross Country Ski/Snowshoe Seminar	See attached flyer
Jan 5	HAT Meeting *	
Jan 9	Cross Country Ski Field Experience	
Jan 16	Ice Axe Field Experience	
Jan 23	Snowshoe Field Experience	

* HAT meetings are open to all registered adults, the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., Cushman Watt Scout Center, 2333 Scout Way, Los Angeles.

** Weekend field experience to be scheduled at the seminar.

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HAT HiLites is published monthly by the GLAAC High Adventure Team to inform Scout Leaders of specific program, service, and other High Adventure activities and opportunities available in the coming months. For additional information about a specific entry, please call or email the appropriate HAT contact.

Winter Camping and Travel Training - 2015

Winter brings a special stillness to the local mountains. The year-round camper knows that the pests of summer – insects, most animals, other people – have gone to ground for the season. While the snowy peaks may appear close and inviting, that same camper knows that the weather and trail conditions require special preparation, skills, and equipment. The objectives of this training are to acquaint the adult Scouter with these needs and to emphasize their importance to a having a safe and enjoyable experience.

This High Adventure training begins with a seminar Saturday, November 7, 2015, 8:15 am to about 4:00 pm, at the Cushman-Watt Service Center, 2333 Scout Way, Los Angeles. There will be a 45-minute lunch break; attendees may bring lunch or purchase it from a near-by take-out. Rolls and coffee are furnished. The seminar is conducted as a series of demonstrations and presentations. The emphasis is on preparing for, and dealing with, a mountainous winter environment, be it rain, cold, snow, or some combination. Sessions cover: the physical demands of winter conditions; snow travel hazards & equipment needs; health & safety; navigation & route finding; menus; food & water needs; personal clothing & equipment; and the desirability of contingency planning. Participants are invited to attend the free seminar, Snow and Ice Travel that follows it (see the separate training bulletin). The weekend backpack in Mt. San Jacinto State Park will be discussed (about 6 miles, round trip, from 8,600 to 10,000 feet). It is scheduled for February 6 and 7 2016; a forecast of insufficient snow or extreme weather conditions will cause rescheduling. Some special equipment (rent/borrow/buy) will be needed.



A fee of \$10.00 is charged for the training. Registration is required by October 23, 2015. You will be sent a confirmation, or a notice of cancellation if there are fewer than 5 sign-ups by that date. Attendance at Adult Leaders Backpack Training is a **requirement** to taking this course. Completion of this training is recognized by the award of a special patch. It is required to earn the High Adventure Leader Award. A syllabus that covers the materials discussed will be given to each participant.

Hike Aid 3, "Full Dimension High Adventure Training", has a complete discussion of the training programs of the LAAC-HAT. It may be downloaded from the Council High Adventure website at <http://laac-hat.org/HikeAids.html>. Questions about any of them are to be directed to Pete Matthews; Vice Chair-Training: 424-224-7746; e-mail, matthews_peter@msn.com. Questions about this training should be directed to Dennis Cline, Course Director, at (310) 792-0544; e-mail: jdcline49@aol.com

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Training Bulletin

June 2015

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Winter Camping and Travel Training - 2015

Please register me for attendance at this GLAAC-HAT training program. A check for **\$10.00**, payable to the Boy Scouts of America-GLAAC, is enclosed. I understand that I may incur other nominal expenses in order to complete it.

Name: _____

Telephone (Res.): _____ E-mail: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Unit No.: _____ District: _____ Position: _____

Mail to: Greater Los Angeles Area Council-BSA
2333 Scout Way
Los Angeles, CA 90026
Attn: Camping Department

Navigation & Orienteering Training - 2015

- ❖ Do you feel uncomfortable about taking your Unit into new locations?
- ❖ Do you want to improve your navigation and route-finding skills?
- ❖ Have you considered orienteering as an activity for improving your Scouts' map and compass skills?



A workshop in navigation and orienteering will be conducted by the members of GLAAC-HAT on November 14, 2015 at the Firestone Scout Reservation. We will begin Saturday with a discussion of the tools of navigation and strategies for their utilization. Topics will include (but are not limited to) GPS, collecting terrain features, disoriented/lost, etc. We will also discuss Orienteering Events; how they are run and why they are useful in route-finding and off-trail navigation. These activities will be followed by participant-led map-hikes which use the detailed Orienteering map for Firestone. A field experience will be held, in association with the Los Angeles Orienteering Club, on a date to be announced. Participants will help officiate in an LAOC Orienteering meet.

Registration by November 7, 2015 is required, as space is limited. The fee is \$25 per person, **by check made payable to BSA**. This fee covers the cost of the outing including the day use fee at Firestone and the LAOC program including course maps and materials. Additional information about the Los Angeles Orienteering Club is to be found on its web site, <http://go.to/laoc>.

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B.S.A. Climbing Level II

Who should attend: Persons interested in being "climbing" Merit Badge Counselors, Camp Staff and all Scouters that want to teach scouts how to climb and rappel at the Unit, District or Council level. All persons interested must be mature, capable of instructing, safety conscious, able to exercise good judgment, be dependable, relate well to youth and adults, and be familiar in the techniques of climbing, rappelling, belaying, and spotting. **Scouters who work with troops and teach climbing are required to be "Qualified Instructors" prior to teaching any climbing/rappelling activities.**

This course is very intense and will work into the late hours of the night. We will cover B.S.A. current National Policies associated with all climbing/rappelling activities, at the Unit, Council and District levels, as outlined in the pamphlet entitled "Climb on Safely," and the National Camp Accreditation Program.

Prerequisites for participation in course:

- Current registration with Boy Scouts of America
- 21 years old
- Current Level I Climbing Instructor
- Current successful completion of B.S.A.'s "Youth Protection Guidelines" training
- Current B.S.A. Annual Health and Medical Record
- Completed the online Climb on Safely Training

Particulars:

- B.S.A. Level II Climbing Instructor Qualification Certification is good for three years upon successful completion of this class
- Course size: is limited to 6-12 students. Preregistration requested
- Duration: One weekend of classroom and practical instruction on natural rock
- Fee: \$20.00 per person (classroom material) waived if taken in conjunction with Level I class
- Textbook: B.S.A. publication entitled "Belay On"
- Schedule/Location: **Lecture, Saturday, November 21, 2015, 8:00 am - 5:30 pm at Cushman-Watts Service Center. Field Outing Sunday, November 22, 2015, 8:00 am - 3:30 pm at Stoney Point**
- Contacts: To register for the class, contact: The G.L.A.A.C. Camping Dept. at (626)351-8815 ext 241 or e-mail Danette.Verdugo@scouting.org
- For more information, contact: Dale Whitten, H) 909-983-5444; or at agr8driver@aol.com

Gear - Each participant must provide themselves a:

- Harness
- Helmet
- An ATC belaying device
- Three or four locking-gate carabineers
- One 24" and one 48" pre-sewn runner or one 24" pre-sewn runner and a commercially made leash (personal anchor)
- Two pieces of 5-6mm accessory cord, one piece 72" long and the other 96" long.
- Climbing shoes (optional)
- All other gear will be provided by the Directors (ropes, anchors, carabineers, etc.) **All personal gear will be inspected prior to use. Please Bring to the Lecture Class.**

Help keep climbing/rappelling as part of Scouting's activities by becoming a qualified BSA Climbing Instructor for your Unit, District, or Council.

SNOW SHOEING AND CROSS COUNTRY SKIING SEMINAR-2016



If you are the kind of hiker who would like to take extended trips during winter months, you should try cross country skiing or snow shoeing. Enjoy the challenge of high country winter travel with confidence. Learn firsthand knowledge of safety and techniques. It will allow you to expand your "places to go" during the snow season.

The program begins with an indoor workshop at 7:30 pm on **Monday January 4, 2016** at the Cushman-Watt Service Center. The program will include demonstrations and discussions covering the special equipment and gear needed. The second part of the program will be a day outing in the local mountains. Cross Country Skiing will be Saturday January 9, 2016. The Snow Shoe outing Will be held January 23, 2016 at a location to be determined.

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CROSS COUNTRY SKIING AND SNOW SHOEING SEMINAR – 2016

I wish to attend the Cross Country/Snow shoeing seminar. Enclosed is my check for \$10.00 to cover the cost of course materials for the indoor session. If I choose to register at the door, I understand the cost will be \$15.00.

Course will be canceled with fewer than 5 registered students.

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