



# COUNCIL LEADERSHIP NEWSLETTER

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*The Council Leadership Newsletter is a weekly digest of information for key local council and council service territory volunteers from various BSA sources, including the Scout Executive Council Packet, Scouting magazine, Training Times, information from national committees, and more. Learn more about the items that are important to you and **please share appropriate content with other Scouters.***

## **Membership Plan**

The National Membership Committee has developed key components of a membership plan that local councils can personalize in a way that is best suited for them. We would like to encourage you to think beyond 2024 and consider a 3-year membership plan objective. The committee has prepared resources that you can utilize to help you create your membership plan. Please see your Scout executive for the resources.

## **Adult Application Flow (Please Note Revised Date)**

Reminder: a new process will be implemented beginning *Monday, March 4th*. (Please note the revised date.) At that time, the adult application flow will change to require the completion of the criminal background check (results received) before the new adult volunteer can assume a leadership role. See your Scout executive for more details.

## **Important Council By-Dates**

- Council Key 3s are urged to provide their **feedback on the BSA Roadmap and National Operations Update** through their Scout executive to their territory director by *February 15*.
- **Monthly council membership goals** should be entered into My.Scouting - council membership tools membership projections - by *February 15*. Membership goals include the following core programs – Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA, Venturing/Sea Scouts, and Exploring.
- A **council Executive Board approved membership** plan is due from each council to the territory director by *March 29*.
- **Council progress reviews** should be completed by *March 31*. If you are not aware of your review, please see your territory director or Scout executive. The review should be done at the council annual meeting or an executive board meeting.

## **2024 Membership Fees**

As shared during the BSA Roadmap and National Operations Update webinars last week, beginning *April 1, 2024*, the youth membership fee will be \$85, and the adult fee will be \$65. The \$25 new member fee will be discontinued. Other fees: Explorers (\$50), Scoutreach (\$30), merit badge counselors (\$25), units (\$100), and *Scout Life* (\$15).

## **Training Times**

The January 2024 edition of Scouting University's *Training Times* is out and may be found [here](#).

## **Back Issues of the Packet**

We have created a repository of the most recent back issues of the *Newsletter* and its predecessor *Packet*. Find them [here](#).

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## **Reminders from Previous Newsletters**

Cub Scouting updates [Linktree page](#)

Registration Portal for 2025 High Adventure Treks - [here](#)

National Eagle Scout Association scholarship applications due by *January 31, 2024* - [here](#)

Council Duty to God Award due by *January 31, 2024* - [here](#)

National Marketing Awards deadline *February 15, 2024* - [here](#)

National Duty to God Award due by *February 29, 2024* - [here](#)

2024 National Annual Meeting Hotel Reservations, *May 5-9, 2024* - [here](#)

2024 National Order of the Arrow Conference, *July 29-August 3, 2024* - [here](#)

National Camping School Schedule - [here](#)

2024/5 PADI Training Scholarship Link - [here](#)

## **Webinar Links**

Council Finance and Development - [here](#)

Cub Chat Live (every Friday at 2pm CT) - [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)

Troop Talk Live (second Wednesday of each month at 2 pm CT) - [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)

Leading our Adventures (every other Friday at 5pm CT) - [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)

National BSA Special Needs Accessible Camps Certification Process – *January 25* – [Registration](#)

Developing a Mental, Emotional, Social Health (MESH) Plan for Your Camp(s) – *February 15* - [Registration](#)

2024 National Pre Camp Leaders Meeting - March 7 - [Registration](#)

Climb to Success: How to Facilitate COPE & Climbing Programs For Your Council - *April 11* - [Registration](#)

## **Important Links**

Youth Safety - [here](#)

Program Updates - [here](#)

News for Commissioners - [here](#)

National Council Videos - [here](#)

BSA Event Management – [here](#)

*Abilities Digest* - [here](#)

National Camp Accreditation Program 2024 - [here](#)

Philmont Training Center - [here](#)

Training Quicklinks - [here](#)

BSA Retiree Newsletter - [here](#)

Marketing and Recruitment Resources - [here](#)

Health and Safety - [here](#)

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