Council Service Territory Volunteer Leadership Newsletter





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Week of June 30, 2025

The Council Service Territory Volunteer Leadership Newsletter is an official weekly digest of information for key local council and council service territory volunteers from multiple official Scouting America sources. Learn more about the items that may be important to you and **please share appropriate content with other Scouters**.

My.Scouting - Council Membership Tools

The National/Council Dashboard Summary report in My.Scouting - Council Membership Tools has been updated to include Learning for Life Curriculum-Based Youth, offering a more complete view of the total youth we currently serve. You will also notice that the Total Unit-Based Membership numbers have been moved to the top of the screen. This adjustment was necessary due to combining Unit-Based Membership and LFL Curriculum-Based Youth into a single report. In the future, there are plans to incorporate Learning For Life curriculum-based groups into this report as well.

National Membership Mixer

A recording of the *June 22* National Membership Mixer is now available <u>here</u> for those who were unable to attend or would like to revisit the session.

Please Review Guidance on Hazardous Trees in Scouting

Chief Safeguarding Officer Glen Pounder shares, "We had a serious near miss in connection with trees this last week. Please see the guidance issued in early June and thank you for your leadership in Safeguarding our youth." See the guidance here.

Safeguarding Youth Facilitator Materials

The Facilitator's Guide for In-Person Safeguarding Youth Training is now available for download in both English and Spanish. The downloadable ZIP files include the Facilitator Guide (complete with tests and answer keys) as well as the accompanying videos. Links have been provided to Scout executives. Please share the links with training chairs, champions, district executives, and anyone else responsible for in-person facilitated training. Important Note: This training is intended exclusively for use by training teams who are prepared to teach this course. It is not meant for broad distribution and should not be posted on publicly accessible websites. The new release of Safeguarding Youth supersedes all previous versions of In-Person Youth Protection Training materials, which should no longer be used.

Update to Training Requirements: Journey to Excellence Course Removed

Scouting U has removed the related training course from the required learning plans for the following positions: Pack Committee Chair, Scoutmaster & Assistant Scoutmaster, Troop Committee Chair, Troop Committee Members, Venturing Committee Chair & Committee Members, Post/Club Committee Chair & Committee Members. Updated position-trained requirements are now available here/bet/here/be

Looking for Marketing People for Jamboree Staff

Pass the word among marketing staff and volunteers about staffing opportunities at the Jamboree. They are looking for storytellers, graphic designers, social media messengers, photographers, videographers, as well as website and mobile app developers. For more information, people may email Spencer.Long@scouting.org or apply by visiting here.

Back Issues of the Volunteer Leadership Newsletter

We have created a repository of the most recent back issues of the *Newsletter*. Find them <u>here</u>. Be sure to check them out if you are new to this newsletter and to review earlier issues.

Reminders from Previous Newsletters

2025 National Youth Council - here and here National Annual Meeting Presentations - here Distinguished Eagle Scout Award - July 31 deadline - here 2025 National Outdoor Conference - September 17-21 here National Scout Jamboree - Scholarship Program - here 2026 National Annual Meeting - Week of May 10-16, 2026, Dallas, Texas

Program Livecasts

Cub Chat Live (every Friday at 2 pm CT) - <u>Facebook</u> and <u>YouTube</u>
Troop Talk Live (second Wednesday of each month at 2 pm CT) - <u>Facebook</u> and <u>YouTube</u>
Leading our Adventures (every other Friday at 5pm CT) - <u>Facebook</u> and <u>YouTube</u>
Trek on Tuesday (Tuesdays at Noon PT) - <u>Facebook</u> and <u>YouTube</u>
National Exploring Live Hour (Monthly) - Dates and information <u>here</u>

Webinars

National Jamboree - Register for upcoming and view past webinars <u>here</u>
2025 National Fall Cub Scouts Membership Recruitment Kick-Off - *Thursday, July 31, 2025, 8:00 pm Eastern* - <u>here</u>
2025 National Fall Scouts BSA Membership Recruitment Kick-Off - *Thursday, August 7, 2025, 8:00 pm Eastern* - <u>here</u>

Newsletters/Blogs/Podcasts

Scouting Safety - here

Aaron on Scouting - here

Scouting in the Boardroom - here
Commissioner Newsletter - here
Marketing - Subscribe here
Trail To Adventure - here
Scouting Alumni - here
Training Times - here
Abilities Digest - here
Scouting Wire - here

Important Links

Youth Safety - here
Health and Safety - here
Safety Moments - here
Scouting America Brand Guidelines and Materials - here
Executive Communications - here

Language of Scouting - here Philmont Training Center 75th Anniversary Conferences - here National Council Videos - here High Adventure Bases - here National Jamboree - here Council Support - <u>here</u> National Camp Accreditation Program 2025 Standards - here Scouting Forums - here Order of the Arrow - here Commissioners - here Program Updates - here Summer Camp Staff Jobs - here Awards Central - here Training Resources - here Marketing and Recruitment Resources - here Scouting Newsroom - here Scouting Emergency Assistance Fund - here Brand Center - here Scouting America.
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