

Council Service Territory Volunteer Leadership Newsletter



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*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.***

BeAScout Leads

As of the most recent report, there are more than 11,150 open leads (an increase of 17% over last week) and more than 2,000 pending applications (an increase of 54% over last week) awaiting follow-up in the online registration system. Each lead represents a family interested in learning more about Scouting, and each pending application is an excited new youth member who has already paid to join and is just waiting for unit approval. To find out more about how to manage BeAScout leads, visit [here](#).

New Safeguarding Youth Facilitator Materials

We are pleased to announce that the Facilitator's Guide for In-Person Safeguarding Youth Training is now available for download in Vietnamese. The downloadable ZIP files include the Facilitator Guide (complete with tests and answer keys) as well as the accompanying videos. Please see your Scout executive for the links and share with training chairs, champions, district executives, and anyone else responsible for in-person facilitated training. The training is also available in English, Spanish, and Chinese. 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 Training supersedes all previous versions of in-person training materials, which should no longer be used.

National Jamboree Registration – Early Bird Deadline Approaching

The 2026 National Jamboree early bird registration fee of \$1,560 per participant ends *November 3rd*. After that, the price increases to \$1,800 per participant. See your council contingent coordinator for local details and read more about the Jamboree [here](#).

World Friendship Fund

Since the end of World War II, Scouts in the United States have extended a hand of friendship and support Scouts around the world through the World Friendship Fund. This remarkable tradition continues today, and we invite your council to join in this ongoing global Good Turn. The World Friendship Fund enables American Scouts and Scouters to support the growth of Scouting programs in countries that face adversity or limited resources. Since its inception, more than \$11 million has been donated by generous Scouts and leaders across the nation. These funds have helped build Scout camps, supply sanitation facilities, provide transportation, and support recovery efforts after natural disasters. Read more and download the World Friendship Fund brochure [here](#).

Full Uniform Sale Promotion

Scouting America Outfitters has announced that starting *Tuesday, September 2*, families will have the chance to save on uniforms at National Scout Shops and participating local council shops. Families can now save 20% on a full Cub Scout, Scouts BSA, or Venturing uniform purchase between now and *October 31*. A full uniform purchase for Cub Scouts includes a top, bottom, belt, neckerchief, slide, cap, and socks. For Scouts BSA and Venturing, it includes a top, bottom, belt, cap, and socks. The previous offer of “10% off Uniform Bottoms when a matching uniform top is purchased” remains available as well through *December 31*. This information, with details of how to participate if desired, will be provided to council Scout shops this week.

Trail to Adventure News

Find the articles in the August-September issue of Trail to Adventure News [here](#).

It's Not Too Late to Register for the National Outdoor Conference!

A Letter to Camp Directors in 2025 – Thank YOU

Using Camp to Recruit New Cub Scouts: Turning Outdoor Adventures into Membership Growth

Going to the National Jamboree with Your Scout – Why It's Worth It (Now More Than Ever)

From Passion Project to Global Partner: The Black Pug Software Story

Continuous Improvement in NCAP

Pumpkins in the air?

CASTing Call: Extend Your Summer of Scouting at the 2026 National Jamboree

Enhancing Range and Target Activities Education

Finished with Summer Programs at your camp? – Now is a good time to do the CFET

Winterizing Scouting America Camp Facilities

Commissioner Newsletter

The *September 1* Commissioner Newsletter is available [here](#).

Monthly Membership Mixer – September 21

Fall Impact Session – October 18

BeAScout Followup

Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook Update

Save the Date: Scouting America's 2026 National Annual Meeting

Custom Recruiting Materials Now Available

Pumpkin Fun — Without the Chunkin'

New Scouting America Chartering Documents for Catholic Units Now Available

Get Access to News As It Breaks

Your National Commissioner Service Team Serves You

Ask A Commissioner

Order of the Arrow High Adventure

Information and dates for 2026 Order of the Arrow High Adventure at Scouting America's High Adventure bases may be found [here](#).

Back Issues of the Volunteer Leadership Newsletter

We have created a repository of the most recent back issues of the *Newsletter*. Find them [here](#). Be sure to check them out if you are new to this newsletter and to review earlier issues.

Reminders from Previous Newsletters

Scouting America's National Safety Summit - *September 14-17* - [here](#)

2025 National Outdoor Conference - *September 17-21* - [here](#)

Raise More, Do More Fundraising Summit - *September 29, 2025* - [here](#)
Jamboree on the Air and Jamboree on the Internet - *October 17-19, 2025* - [here](#)
Fall Recruitment Media Campaign and Assets - [here](#)
National Cub Scout Program Update Conference – *December 12-15* – watch for more details
2026 National Annual Meeting - *May 10–16, 2026* - Dallas

Program Livcasts

Cub Chat Live (every Friday at 2 pm 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](#)
Trek on Tuesday (Tuesdays at Noon PT) - [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)
National Exploring Live Hour (Monthly) - Dates and information [here](#)

Webinars

Monthly Membership Rally – *September 11* – Register [here](#)
Monthly Membership Mixer - *September 21* - Advance registration [here](#)
National Jamboree - Register for upcoming and view past webinars [here](#)
2025 National Fall Membership Recruitment Kick-Off recording - [here](#) for Cub Scouting and [here](#) for Scouts BSA

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](#)
National Annual Meeting Presentations - [here](#)
Executive Communications - [here](#)
Language of Scouting - [here](#)
Merit Badges - [here](#)
National Council Videos - [here](#)
High Adventure Bases - [here](#)
National Jamboree - [here](#)
Council Support - [here](#)
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](#)

