

# Council Service Territory Volunteer Leadership Newsletter



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## Week of June 29, 2026

*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.***

### Unit Commissioner Retention Fast Start Webinars

These sessions will introduce a practical approach designed to equip unit commissioners with clear, immediate actions they can take before and during fall recruiting. During the webinar, commissioners will receive a short overview of the national retention focus, the unit commissioner mindset of “How can I help?” aligned with the commissioner trail map, and a simple action checklist they can use with packs, troops, crews, and ships. Topics will include helping units build a visible fall calendar, strengthening new-family onboarding, supporting sign-up nights, encouraging parent engagement, and reinforcing strong program delivery. Register in advance for this webinar: Option 1: **July 7 at 6:00 pm Eastern** [here](#). Option 2: **July 7 at 8:00 pm Eastern** [here](#). Registrants will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar after registering.

### Free Recruiter Strips Continue for 2026

In support of our 2026 recruiting efforts, Scouting America Outfitters is excited to announce starting *August 1*, all ScoutShop.org online orders will include a new two-sided flyer promoting our FREE Recruiter Strip Emblem fully subsidized by Outfitters. In the meantime, this same promotion is also featured as a postcard inside the 2026 Cub Scout Welcome Kit, and all customers will be directed to Scouting.org to complete the process online for their free Recruiter Strip. To earn this free strip, the Scout simply brings a friend to a den or pack meeting and encourages them to join. Once that friend signs up, the original Scout completes the information on the back of the postcard/flyer and brings it to their nearest Scout Shop.

### Alumni Newsletter

Here are the articles in the June *Scouting Alumni Newsletter*. Find it and subscribe [here](#).

- See the Data: Eagle Scouts Have an Advantage
- Josh Hart: From Eagle Scout to Basketball Champion
- Scouting Alum Awarded Presidential Medal of Freedom
- Eagle Service Project Promotes Remembrance and Healing
- Eagle Scout Inducted into U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame
- The Merit Badge That Changed My Life: Oceanography

### Commissioner Newsletter

The *June 29* edition of the Commissioner Newsletter is available [here](#).  
Unit Commissioner Retention Fast Start Webinar

Announcing a New Role: Commissioner Mentor  
Scouts BSA SPL Summit Launches This Fall  
A New Pilot is Underway: (Chipmunks)  
Follow Us On Social Media  
Ask a Commissioner

### **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/or to review earlier issues.

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### **Reminders from Previous Newsletters**

Promotion Materials for Military Family National Fee Waiver - [here](#)  
New Eagle Scout Study - [here](#)  
ScoutConnect Platform Preview - [here](#)  
Fall Recruitment Local Council Marketing Playbook - [here](#)  
2026 National Properties Conference - [here](#)

### **2026 National Annual Meeting Resources**

National Meeting graphics and video assets - [here](#)  
2026 Scouting America National Annual Meeting Presentations - [here](#)  
Trail Map - [here](#)  
Silver Antelope Award Ceremony - [here](#)

### **Program Livecasts**

Cub Chat Live (every Friday at 3 pm Eastern) - [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)  
Troop Talk Live (second Wednesday of each month at 2 pm Central) - [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)  
Leading our Adventures (every other Friday at 4 pm Mountain) - [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)  
Trek on Tuesday (Tuesdays at Noon Pacific) - [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)  
Exploring Live Hour (Monthly) - Schedule and registration [here](#)

### **Webinars**

2026 National Fall Membership Recruitment Kick-Offs

Cub Scouting - *Wednesday, July 15 at 7:00 pm Central* - [here](#)  
Scouts BSA - *Wednesday, July 22 at 7:00 pm Central* - [here](#)

Monthly Finance and Fund Development Webinar – *Third Wednesday at 2:00 pm Central* - See recordings [here](#)

Scouts BSA Advancement Demystified Series - Recordings may be found [here](#) and the links to the webinars may be found [here](#)

Monthly Membership Rally - Future Rallies, *July 16, August 20, September 17, October 15, and November 12* – Register [here](#)

Outdoor Programs - Webinars will be on the *Second Thursday of each month at 2:00 pm Central* beginning in September unless otherwise noted. You can find more detailed information [here](#) and register [here](#) for the full series.

Gift Planning Webinar – View the recording of the June webinar [here](#).

Alumni Webinars - Read more [here](#)

National Jamboree - Register for upcoming and view past webinars [here](#)

Venturing – See recordings of program webinars [here](#)

### **Newsletters/Blogs/Podcasts**

Scouting Safety - [here](#)

*On Scouting* - [here](#)

Marketing – Subscribe [here](#)

Aquatics - [here](#)

Scouting in the Boardroom - [here](#)

Commissioner - [here](#)

Trail To Adventure - [here](#)

Scouting Alumni - [here](#)

Training Times - [here](#)

Abilities Digest - [here](#)

Scouting Wire - [here](#)

### **Important Links**

Youth Safety - [here](#)

Incident Reporting - [here](#)

Health and Safety - [here](#)

Safety Moments - [here](#)

Scouting America Brand Guidelines and Materials - [here](#)

Language of Scouting - [here](#)

Training Resources - [here](#)

Merit Badges - [here](#)

Online Registration Information - [here](#)

Scouting America Membership Standards - [here](#)

Philmont Training Center Conferences - [here](#)

National Council Videos - [here](#)

High Adventure Bases - [here](#)

National Jamboree - [here](#)

Scouting Forms - [here](#)

2027 World Scout Jamboree - [here](#)

Council Support - [here](#)

National Eagle Scout Association - [here](#)

National Camping Schools - [here](#)

Scouting Forums - [here](#)

Order of the Arrow - [here](#)

Commissioners - [here](#)

Program Updates - [here](#)

Summer Camp Staff Jobs - [here](#)

Awards Central - [here](#)

Marketing and Recruitment Resources - [here](#)

Scouting Newsroom - [here](#)

Scouting Emergency Assistance Fund - [here](#)

Brand Center - [here](#)

America250 Visual Identity Guidelines - [here](#)

America250 Generic and Local Council Logos - [here](#)

