

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.***

Eagles on the Hill Reception Highlights Scouting's Civic Impact

Scouting America hosted the Eagles on the Hill reception last week in Washington, D.C., bringing Eagle Scouts, youth leaders, adult volunteers, lawmakers, and legislative staff together on Capitol Hill. The reception offered Scouts the opportunity to engage directly with federal leaders and share how Scouting prepares young people for lives of character, leadership, and service. The event reinforced Scouting America's commitment to developing active citizens and highlighted the continued relevance of Scouting's mission in communities across the country. Roger Krone shared details of the experience on LinkedIn [here](#).

New Safeguarding Youth Refresher Course Update

If you have taken the full 90-minute Safeguarding Youth course but it has expired, you now have 29 days past your expiration date to take the 20-minute Refresher course. See more on the Home page of My.Scouting.

Military Family Support Fund Campaign Update

During the June Scout Executive Call, Executive Vice President and Chief Development Officer Ryan Elias shared the communications plan for the Military Family Support Fund through year-end.

- July 4: Message from Roger Krone announcing the campaign and including a direct appeal.
- August/September: Campaign update featuring a "Did You Know?" theme and impact stories.
- Late December: Year-end appeal encouraging support of either a local council or the Military Family Support Fund.

Messages will be sent to the standard organization-wide audience of parents, volunteers, and staff. The distribution will also include National Eagle Scout Association members, Scouting Alumni subscribers, and national donors who are not already part of the organization-wide list. To support transparency and stewardship, National will provide councils with reports identifying donors from their council who make a gift to the Military Family Support Fund. Emails will also encourage giving to the local council, particularly in the year-end message. This approach allows us to support a national initiative while continuing to encourage local philanthropy. Thank you for your continued partnership and support of Scouting's military families.

Camp Staff Required Training Instructions

All Camp Staff are required to take specific training each year from my.scouting.org and the SkillsSoft Training Academy. Some staff have had a challenge finding the various courses so ScoutingU has created a document that you can provide your staff with on where and how to find them. See the document [here](#).

Scouting America Announces Partnerships with NASA and the Secret Service

Last week Scouting America announced a new five-year partnership with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) aimed at advancing the development of America's next generation STEM workforce through immersive, hands-on educational experiences.

Scouting America announced a new national partnership this week with the United States Secret Service to support personal and online safety education for Cub Scout-age youth and their parents, using KidSmartz® and NetSmartz®, the nationally recognized child safety education program developed by the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children.

Read more about these partnerships [here](#).

2026 National Properties Conference

The Outdoor Programs and Properties team is hosting a properties conference *September 25-26, 2026*, at the National Service Center, hosted by the National Properties and Strategic Analysis Subcommittee. Council camps and properties are among Scouting's most important assets and managing them effectively has never been more important. Join Scout executives, board members, properties committee volunteers, and council staff from across the country for two days of practical discussions on property stewardship, financial sustainability, capital planning, camp utilization, and strategic decision-making. Learn more and register [here](#).

Senior Patrol Leader Summit

Scouts BSA has announced the next step in gathering youth voice: the Scouts BSA Senior Patrol Leader Summit, an evolution of the National Youth Council. Building on the foundation the National Youth Council established, the Summit invites senior patrol leaders from troops across the country to learn about proposed program ideas and share direct feedback with the Scouts BSA National Committee. The goal is simple — strengthen the program by listening to the youth leaders who live it every week in their own troops. See more [here](#). For information prior to launch, please contact ScoutsBSAYouthCouncil@scouting.org.

Registrar Lunch-and-Learn Sessions

This summer, a series of Lunch-and-Learn sessions will be held to introduce and train council registrars and staff on the new BeAScout, Online Registration, and Renewal process being implemented. These sessions will be every *Thursday at 1:00 pm Central* beginning **June 18**. On *August 3*, the new BeAScout and Online Registration process will go live, and all pilot councils will use the updated version. In addition to the new system, enhancements are being added to the current BeAScout and Online Registration systems.

Commissioner Newsletter

The *June 15* edition of the Commissioner Newsletter is available [here](#).

Join Us for the 2026 National Fall Membership Recruitment Kick-Off Webinars
NASA and Scouting America Announce a New Five-Year Partnership
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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.

Reminders from Previous Newsletters

Military Family Fee Waiver - [here](#)

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 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 (second Wednesday at 1:00 pm Central – 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 **June 18**, *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.

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](#)

